



DRAFT DETERMINATION

Fair Work Act 2009

s.285—Annual wage review

Annual Wage Review 2024–25

(C2025/1)

MOBILE CRANE HIRING AWARD 2020

[MA000032]

Building, metal and civil construction industries

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SYDNEY, XX JUNE 2025

Annual Wage Review 2024–25.

A. Further to the decision issued by the Expert Panel in the Annual Wage Review 2024–25 on 3 June 2025 [[2025] FWCFB 3500], the above award is varied as follows:

- By deleting the table appearing in clause 16.1 and inserting the following:

Level	Minimum weekly rate	Minimum hourly rate
Mobile Crane Employee (MCE)	(full-time employee)	
	\$	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	1068.40	28.12
Level 2 (MCE2)	1102.00	29.00
Level 3 (MCE3)	1135.50	29.88
Level 4 (MCE4)	1165.70	30.68
Level 5 (MCE5)	1224.90	32.23
Level 6 (MCE6)	1250.10	32.90
Level 7 (MCE7)	1283.50	33.78

2. By deleting the amount “\$58.85” appearing in clause 16.2 and inserting “\$60.91”.
3. By deleting the table appearing in clause 18.2(b) and inserting the following:

Number of cranes	\$ per day
2 cranes	4.53
3 cranes	8.97
4 cranes	13.41
More than 4 cranes	17.94

4. By deleting the amount “\$21.22” appearing in clause 18.2(c) and inserting “\$21.96”.
5. By deleting the table appearing in clause B.2.1 and inserting the following:

	Ordinary hours
	% of ordinary hourly rate¹
	100%
	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	29.72
Level 2 (MCE2)	30.60
Level 3 (MCE3)	31.48
Level 4 (MCE4)	32.28
Level 5 (MCE5)	33.83
Level 6 (MCE6)	34.50
Level 7 (MCE7)	35.38

6. By deleting the table appearing in clause B.2.2 and inserting the following:

	Day shift¹	Afternoon shift²	Night shift³	Sunday	Public holiday	Non-successive afternoon or night shifts⁴	
						First 2 hours	After 2 hours
	% of ordinary hourly rate⁵						
	115%	115%	115%	200%	250%	150%	200%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	34.18	34.18	34.18	59.44	74.30	44.58	59.44

	Day shift ¹	Afternoon shift ²	Night shift ³	Sunday	Public holiday	Non-successive afternoon or night shifts ⁴	
						First 2 hours	After 2 hours
	% of ordinary hourly rate ⁵						
	115%	115%	115%	200%	250%	150%	200%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2 (MCE2)	35.19	35.19	35.19	61.20	76.50	45.90	61.20
Level 3 (MCE3)	36.20	36.20	36.20	62.96	78.70	47.22	62.96
Level 4 (MCE4)	37.12	37.12	37.12	64.56	80.70	48.42	64.56
Level 5 (MCE5)	38.90	38.90	38.90	67.66	84.58	50.75	67.66
Level 6 (MCE6)	39.68	39.68	39.68	69.00	86.25	51.75	69.00
Level 7 (MCE7)	40.69	40.69	40.69	70.76	88.45	53.07	70.76

7. By deleting the table appearing in clause B.2.3 and inserting the following:

	Other than shiftworkers			Shiftworkers only			All employees	
	Monday–Friday & Saturday before 12 noon		Saturday after 12 noon	All work outside the ordinary hours of shiftwork	Saturday before 12 noon	Saturday	Sunday	Public holiday
	First 2 hours	After 2 hours	All time worked		First 2 hours	After 2 hours or after 12 noon	All time worked	
	% of ordinary hourly rate ¹							
	150%	200%	200%	200%	150%	200%	200%	250%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	44.58	59.44	59.44	59.44	44.58	59.44	59.44	74.30
Level 2 (MCE2)	45.90	61.20	61.20	61.20	45.90	61.20	61.20	76.50
Level 3 (MCE3)	47.22	62.96	62.96	62.96	47.22	62.96	62.96	78.70
Level 4 (MCE4)	48.42	64.56	64.56	64.56	48.42	64.56	64.56	80.70

	Other than shiftworkers			Shiftworkers only			All employees	
	Monday–Friday & Saturday before 12 noon		Saturday after 12 noon	All work outside the ordinary hours of shiftwork	Saturda y before 12 noon	Saturda y	Sunday	Public holiday
	First 2 hours	After 2 hours	All time worked		First 2 hours	After 2 hours or after 12 noon	All time worked	
	% of ordinary hourly rate ¹							
	150%	200%	200%	200%	150%	200%	200%	250%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 5 (MCE5)	50.75	67.66	67.66	67.66	50.75	67.66	67.66	84.58
Level 6 (MCE6)	51.75	69.00	69.00	69.00	51.75	69.00	69.00	86.25
Level 7 (MCE7)	53.07	70.76	70.76	70.76	53.07	70.76	70.76	88.45

8. By deleting the table appearing in clause B.3.1 and inserting the following:

	Ordinary hours
	% of ordinary hourly rate ¹
	125%
	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	37.15
Level 2 (MCE2)	38.25
Level 3 (MCE3)	39.35
Level 4 (MCE4)	40.35
Level 5 (MCE5)	42.29
Level 6 (MCE6)	43.13
Level 7 (MCE7)	44.23

9. By deleting the table appearing in clause B.3.2 and inserting the following:

	Day shift ¹	Afternoon shift ²	Night shift ³	Sunday	Public holiday	Non-successive afternoon or night shifts ⁴	
						First 2 hours	After 2 hours
	% of ordinary hourly rate ⁵						
	140%	140%	140%	225%	275%	175%	225%
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1 (MCE1)	41.61	41.61	41.61	66.87	81.73	52.01	66.87
Level 2 (MCE2)	42.84	42.84	42.84	68.85	84.15	53.55	68.85
Level 3 (MCE3)	44.07	44.07	44.07	70.83	86.57	55.09	70.83
Level 4 (MCE4)	45.19	45.19	45.19	72.63	88.77	56.49	72.63
Level 5 (MCE5)	47.36	47.36	47.36	76.12	93.03	59.20	76.12
Level 6 (MCE6)	48.30	48.30	48.30	77.63	94.88	60.38	77.63
Level 7 (MCE7)	49.53	49.53	49.53	79.61	97.30	61.92	79.61

10. By deleting the amount “\$27.17” appearing in clause C.1 and inserting “\$28.12”.

11. By deleting the table appearing in clause C.1 and inserting the following:

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate	\$	Payable
All-purpose industry allowance ¹	16.2	216.6	60.91	per week
Multi crane lift allowance—where 2 cranes are engaged	18.2(b)	16.1	4.53	per day
Multi crane lift allowance—where 3 cranes are engaged	18.2(b)	31.9	8.97	per day

Allowance	Clause	% of standard rate	\$	Payable
Multi crane lift allowance—where 4 cranes are engaged	18.2(b)	47.7	13.41	per day
Multi crane lift allowance—where more than 4 cranes are engaged	18.2(b)	63.8	17.94	per day
Pile driving allowance	18.2(c)	78.1	21.96	per day or part thereof

12. By deleting clause E.4 and inserting the following:

E.4 Minimum rates

E.4.1 Minimum weekly rates for full-time traineeships

(a) Wage level A

The minimum rate for a full-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to wage level A by clause E.6.1 is the weekly rate specified in Column 2 of **Table 1—Wage level A minimum weekly rate for full-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)** according to the highest year of schooling completed by the trainee specified in that column and the experience level of the trainee specified in Column 1.

Table 1—Wage level A minimum weekly rate for full-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	412.70	454.40	540.50
Plus 1 year out of school	454.40	540.50	629.00
Plus 2 years out of school	540.50	629.00	732.00
Plus 3 years out of school	629.00	732.00	838.00

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
Plus 4 years out of school	732.00	838.00	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	838.00		

NOTE: See clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.1(a).

(b) Wage level B

The minimum rate for a full-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to wage level B by clause E.6.2 or by clause E.4.4 is the weekly rate specified in Column 2 of **Table 2—Wage level B minimum weekly rate for full-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)** according to the highest year of schooling completed by the trainee specified in that column and the experience level of the trainee specified in Column 1.

Table 2—Wage level B minimum weekly rate for full-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per week	per week	per week
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	412.70	454.40	526.70
Plus 1 year out of school	454.40	526.70	605.90
Plus 2 years out of school	526.70	605.90	710.60
Plus 3 years out of school	605.90	710.60	810.40
Plus 4 years out of school	710.60	810.40	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	810.40		

NOTE: See clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.1(b).

(c) AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships

- (i) The minimum rate for a full-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship is the minimum rate for the relevant full-time AQF Certificate Level III traineeship increased by **3.8%**.
- (ii) The minimum rate for a full-time adult trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship is the weekly rate specified in Column 2 or 3 of **Table 3—Minimum weekly rate for full-time adult trainees (AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship)** according to the year of the traineeship specified in those columns and the relevant wage level for the relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship specified in Column 1.

Table 3—Minimum weekly rate for full-time adult trainees (AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship)

Column 1 Wage level	Column 2 First year of traineeship	Column 3 Second and subsequent years of traineeship
	per week	per week
	\$	\$
A	869.80	902.80
B	841.20	873.20

NOTE: See clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.1(c).

E.4.2 Minimum hourly rates for part-time traineeships**(a) Wage level A**

The minimum hourly rate for a part-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to wage level A by clause E.6.1 is the hourly rate specified in Column 2 of **Table 4—Wage level A minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)** according to the highest year of schooling completed by the trainee specified in that column and the experience level of the trainee specified in Column 1.

Table 4—Wage level A minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	13.57	14.95	17.77
Plus 1 year out of school	14.95	17.77	20.69
Plus 2 years out of school	17.77	20.69	24.07
Plus 3 years out of school	20.69	24.07	27.57
Plus 4 years out of school	24.07	27.57	
Plus 5 or more years out of school	27.57		

NOTE: See clause E.4.2(c) for calculating the actual minimum wage. See also clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.2(a).

(b) Wage level B

The minimum hourly rate for a part-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to wage level B by clause E.6.2 or by clause E.4.4 is the hourly rate specified in Column 2 of **Table 5—Wage level B minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)** according to the highest year of schooling completed by the trainee specified in that column and the experience level of the trainee specified in Column 1.

Table 5—Wage level B minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
School leaver	13.57	14.95	17.34
Plus 1 year out of school	14.95	17.34	19.93
Plus 2 years out of school	17.34	19.93	23.38
Plus 3 years out of school	19.93	23.38	26.66
Plus 4 years out of school	23.38	26.66	

Column 1	Column 2		
Experience level of trainee	Highest year of schooling completed		
	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
	per hour	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$	\$
Plus 5 or more years out of school	26.66		

NOTE: See clause E.4.2(e) for calculating the actual minimum wage. See also clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.2(b).

(c) **School-based traineeships**

The minimum hourly rate for a part-time trainee who works ordinary hours and is undertaking a school-based AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate levels are allocated to wage levels A or B by clause E.6 or by clause E.4.4 is the hourly rate in Column 1 or 2 of **Table 6—Minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (school-based AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)** according to the year of schooling of the trainee.

Table 6—Minimum hourly rate for part-time trainees (school-based AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2
Year 11 or lower	Year 12
per hour	per hour
\$	\$
13.57	14.95

NOTE: See clause E.4.2(e) for calculating the actual minimum wage. See also clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.2(c).

(d) **AQF Certificate Level IV traineeships**

- (i) The minimum hourly rate for a part-time trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship is the minimum hourly rate for the relevant part-time AQF Certificate Level III traineeship increased by **3.8%**.
- (ii) The minimum hourly rate for a part-time adult trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship is the hourly rate in Column 2 or 3 of **Table 7—Minimum hourly rate for part-time adult trainees (AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship)**, according to the year of the traineeship

specified in those columns and the relevant wage level for the relevant AQF Certificate Level III traineeship specified in Column 1.

Table 7—Minimum hourly rate for part-time adult trainees (AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Wage level	First year of traineeship	Second and subsequent years of traineeship
	per hour	per hour
	\$	\$
A	28.62	29.69
B	27.68	28.72

NOTE: See clause E.4.2(e) for calculating the actual minimum wage. See also clause E.4.3 for other minimum wage provisions that affect clause E.4.2(d).

(e) Calculating the actual minimum wage

- (i) If fewer than 38 (or an average of 38) ordinary hours of work per week is considered full-time at the workplace by the employer, the appropriate minimum hourly rate for a part-time trainee is obtained by multiplying the relevant minimum hourly rate in clauses E.4.2(a) to (d) by 38 and then dividing the figure obtained by the full-time ordinary hours of work per week.
- (ii) If the approved training for a part-time traineeship is provided wholly off-the-job by a registered training organisation, for example at school or at TAFE, the relevant minimum hourly rate in clauses E.4.2(a), E.4.2(b), E.4.2(c) and E.4.2(d) applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.
- (iii) If the approved training for a part-time traineeship is undertaken solely on-the-job or partly on-the-job and partly off-the-job, the relevant minimum hourly rate in clauses E.4.2(a), E.4.2(b), E.4.2(c) and E.4.2(d) minus **20%** applies to each ordinary hour worked by the trainee.

E.4.3 Other minimum wage provisions

- (a) Clause E.4.3 applies despite anything to the contrary in clause E.4.2 or E.4.4.
- (b) An employee who was employed by an employer immediately before becoming a trainee with that employer must not suffer a reduction in their minimum rate of pay because of becoming a trainee.
- (c) For the purpose of determining whether a trainee has suffered a reduction as mentioned in clause E.4.3(b), casual loadings are to be disregarded.

- (d) If a qualification is converted from an AQF Certificate Level II to an AQF Certificate Level III traineeship, or from an AQF Certificate Level III to an AQF Certificate Level IV traineeship, then the trainee must be paid the next highest minimum wage provided in this schedule, if a higher minimum wage is provided for the new AQF certificate level.

E.4.4 Default wage rate

The minimum wage for a trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate level are not allocated to a wage level by clause E.6 is the relevant minimum wage under this schedule for a trainee undertaking an AQF Certificate to Level I–III traineeship whose training package and AQF certificate level are allocated to wage level B.

B. This determination comes into operation on 1 July 2025. In accordance with s 286(5) of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth) this determination does not take effect in relation to a particular employee until the start of the employee’s first full pay period that starts on or after 1 July 2025.

PRESIDENT