

Council for Civil Hay Supplies to issue one-eighth of the above rations in the form of Oat Straw.

(4) Straw is not rationed, and any addition to the above rations must be made in the form of straw as available.

Correspondence with respect to this Order should be addressed to the Controller of Horse Transport, 7 Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1.

CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917.

THE DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL WAGES COMMITTEE FOR SOUTH-WESTERN HIGHLAND DISTRICT (No. XI.).

NOTICE of an Order fixing minimum rates of wages for agricultural workmen in the area comprising

COUNTY OF ARGYLL;
COUNTY OF BUTE (including ARRAN);
COUNTY OF PERTH—HIGHLAND DISTRICT;
WESTERN DISTRICT—Parishes of Callander, Aberfoyle, Balquhider, Killin.

THE District Agricultural Wages Committee for the South-Western Highland District, comprising:—

COUNTY OF ARGYLL;
COUNTY OF BUTE (including Arran);
COUNTY OF PERTH—Highland District;
Western District—Parishes of Callander, Aberfoyle, Balquhider, Killin;

duly certified by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Second Schedule of the Corn Production Act, 1917, hereby, in terms of Section 5 (4) of said Act and relative Regulation by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, give notice to the persons affected that they have fixed minimum rates of wages for time-work by workmen in Agriculture (as defined in Section 17 (1) of the said Act) of the classes, within the Area, and subject to the conditions or exceptions all as set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. Married Shepherds, Ploughmen, and Cattle-men of 18 years of age and over, 36s. per week.
2. Single Shepherds, Ploughmen, and Cattle-men of 18 years of age and over, 34s. per week.
With, in addition, as regards both Married and Single Shepherds, 2s. 6d. per week for each dog necessarily kept by the Shepherd for the employer's business (if such dog is not maintained by the employer).
3. Male Workers, other than those above specified, of 18 years of age and over, 30s. per week.
4. Byre Women and Dairy Maids wholly or mainly employed in Agriculture, and of 16 years of age and over, 25s. per week.
5. Female Workers, other than those above specified, of 18 years of age and over, 3s. 6d. per day.
6. Boys of 14 years of age but under 16, 15s. per week.
7. Boys of 16 years of age but under 18, 20s. per week.

8. Girls of 14 years of age but under 16, 15s. per week.
9. Girls of 16 years of age but under 18 (other than Byre Women and Dairy Maids), 18s. per week.

The Area of employment affected by the foregoing rates includes:—

COUNTY OF ARGYLL;
COUNTY OF BUTE (including Arran);
COUNTY OF PERTH—Highland District;
Western District—Parishes of Callander, Aberfoyle, Balquhider, Killin.

None of the foregoing rates applies to Disabled Service Men under training in Forestry or to Agricultural Students, and these classes are excluded from the foregoing rates.

The District Agricultural Wages Committee have fixed the foregoing rates on the footing that the number of working hours is the number of hours customarily wrought in the district in which the workman is employed.

If the Central Agricultural Wages Committee do not disallow the above minimum rates within three months from 1st October 1918, the provisions of the Order will take effect as from the 19th October 1918, and will remain in force until cancelled or varied, either wholly or in part, by the Committee.

Signed by Order of the District Agricultural Wages, Committee.

J. MACLACHLAN OF MACLACHLAN,
Chairman.

A. W. HUNTER, Secretary.

Dated 19th October 1918.

NOTE.—Section 17 (1) above referred to provides as follows:—

“For the purposes of this Act—

“(a) the expression ‘agriculture’ includes the use of land as grazing, meadow, or pasture land, or orchard, or osier land, or woodland, or for market gardens, or nursery grounds, and the expression ‘agricultural’ shall be construed accordingly;

“(c) the expression ‘workmen’ includes boys, women, and girls;

“(d) the expression ‘employment’ means employment under a contract of service or apprenticeship and the expressions ‘employ’ and ‘employer’ shall be construed accordingly.”

Applications for Permits of Exemption from the operation of the minimum wage provisions of the Corn Production Act under the Proviso to Section 5 (3) should be addressed to the Secretary, District Agricultural Wages Committee for South-Western Highland District, 113 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, from whom Forms of Application for a Permit can be obtained.

Complaint under Section 6, regarding the inadequacy of payments for piece-work, and complaints under Section 7, regarding infringement of the Orders fixing minimum rates, should be sent to the same address.

The rates specified in the foregoing Schedule are inclusive of the value of any Benefits or Advantages which may be reckoned as payment of wages in lieu of payment in cash.