

**1979/171**

**THE MINIMUM WAGE ORDER 1979**

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**KEITH HOLYOAKE, Governor-General**

**ORDER IN COUNCIL**

At the Government House at Wellington this 13th day of August 1979

Present:

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL**

PURSUANT to the Minimum Wage Act 1945, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following order.

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**ORDER**

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) This order may be cited as the Minimum Wage Order 1979.

(2) This order shall come into force on the 3rd day of September 1979.

**2. Minimum rates**—For all workers (whether male or female) to whom the Minimum Wage Act 1945 applies, the minimum rate of wages for the purposes of section 2 of that Act shall be the following:

- (a) If paid by the hour or by piecework, \$1.95 an hour or an amount equivalent thereto having regard to the rate of production of the worker:
- (b) If paid by the day, \$15.43 a day:
- (c) In all other cases, \$77.07 a week.

**3. Revocation**—The Minimum Wage Order 1978\* is hereby revoked.

**P. G. MILLEN,**  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This order, which comes into force on 3 September 1979, increases the minimum rates of wages prescribed for workers 20 years of age and upwards.

The rates apply to both male workers and female workers.

The increases effected by this order are consequent upon the 4.5 percent general increase in award rates which is being effected pursuant to the Remuneration Act 1979 and which comes into force on 3 September 1979.

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Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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This order is administered in the Department of Labour.