FEMALE WORKERS

Paragraph 2. Workers of:—	During the first six months of employment in the trade	After the first six months of employment in the trade
	Per hour	Per hour
	s. d.	s. d.
20 years of age and over ...	1 8¾	1 9¼
19 and under 20 years of age ...	1 7¼	1 7¾
18 „ 19 „ ...	1 4¾	1 5¼
17 „ 18 „ ...	1 2½	1 3
16 „ 17 „ ...	1 1	1 1½
15 „ 16 „ ...	0 11¼	0 11¾
under 15 years of age ...	0 10½	0 11

PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATE

Paragraph 3.	Per hour
	s. d.
FEMALE WORKERS	1 9¾"

The Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1955

1955. No. 34 [NC]

Whereas the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") has received from the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) the wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule hereto;

Now, therefore, the Ministry by virtue of the powers conferred on it by Section 10 of the Wages Councils Act (Northern Ireland), 1945(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. The wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule hereto shall have effect on and from the specified date, and as from the date immediately preceding the specified date the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1946(b), shall cease to have effect.

2. In this Order the expression "the specified date" means the 2nd day of March, 1955, provided that where, as respects any worker who is paid wages at intervals not exceeding seven days, that date does not correspond with the beginning of the period for which the wages are paid, the expression "the specified date" means, as respects that worker, the beginning of the next such period following that date.

3. This Order may be cited as the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1955.

(a) 1945, Ch. 21. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1946, No. 211.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this seventeenth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-five in the presence of

(L.S.)

A. E. Goodbody,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE

The following minimum remuneration shall be substituted for the statutory minimum remuneration fixed by the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation Order, 1946 (Order N.I.E. (28)).

STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

GENERAL MINIMUM TIME RATE AND PIECE WORK BASIS TIME RATE

Paragraph 1.	General Minimum Time Rate Per hour s. d.	Piece Work Basis Time Rate Per hour s. d.
FEMALE WORKERS	*1 7*	*1 7*

IN-WORKERS' AND OUT-WORKERS' GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE RATES

ALL THE PIECE RATES SET OUT IN PARAGRAPHS 2 TO 10, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE "EXTRAS" OR "ADDITIONS" THERETO, ARE SUBJECT TO AN INCREASE OF *125* PER CENT. OR *25/-* IN THE £.

The piece rates set out hereunder are on the basis that all sewings are supplied by the employer free of charge to the worker.

Paragraph 2. EMBROIDERY (that is, Embroidery Designs composed of one or more of the objects specified in this paragraph)—

(A) HANDKERCHIEFS:

(1) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count finer than 40/4 or is ordinary cotton of 4, 5 or 6 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):

Dots,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	71 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves	43 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" jointed or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	43 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves	29 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	18 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	14 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	11 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:

Leaves,	$\frac{1}{8}$" in length	11 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{4}$" „	7 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	5 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	4 a 1d.

If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 17 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping: ... ... 5 inches a 1d.
In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$" deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:
Holes, $\frac{1}{16}$" diameter or smaller, which are joined or form part of an object ... ... 34 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{16}$" diameter or smaller, which are not joined ... ... 17 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" diameter ... ... 14 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" long ... ... 9 a 1d.

(*f*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 6 inches a 1d.

The general minimum piece rates specified in (*a*) *to* (*f*) do not apply to sample work or to special work of exceptionally fine quality.

In cases where the quantity of embroidery to be done on each handkerchief would not exceed 2½d. as calculated in accordance with the provisions of (*a*) to (*f*), the general minimum piece rates payable are six-sevenths of the minimum rates otherwise payable.

In patterns where the quantity of embroidery to be done on each handkerchief would amount to 5d. or over as calculated in accordance with the provisions of (*a*) to (*f*), the general minimum piece rates otherwise payable, as set out above, should be increased by thirty per cent.

(2) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 40/4 but finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 7 or 8 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):
Dots, $\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves joined forming star or flower ... ... 89 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves ... ... 54 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 54 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves ... ... 36 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" in length ... ... 21 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 18 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 14 a 1d.
Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid at double the rates for plain leaves.
Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:
Leaves, $\frac{1}{8}$" in length ... ... 14 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{4}$" „ ... ... 9 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 7 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 5 a 1d.
If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 21 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 7 inches a 1d.
Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(3) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 10 ply:—

(*a*) Solid Work (Plain):
Dots, $\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 114 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves ... ... 69 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower ... ... 69 a 1d.
All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves ... ... 46 a 1d.
Leaves, $\frac{1}{4}$" in length ... ... 29 a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$" „ ... ... 23 a 1d.
$\frac{1}{2}$" „ ... ... 17 a 1d.

(*b*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*c*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 10 inches a 1d.
Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) or (A) (2) as the case may be (whichever is the less) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

The general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraphs (A) (2) and (A) (3) apply only in cases where written particulars are furnished to the workers showing the count or ply of the cotton to be used. In all other cases the general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (A) (1) apply irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(B) VOILES, MUSLINS AND UNDERCLOTHING:

(1) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of less than 10 ply.

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined or $\frac{1}{16}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	71 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{16}$" dots or leaves	43 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" joined or $\frac{1}{8}$" plain leaves forming star or flower	43 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$" dots or leaves	34 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	21 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	17 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	9 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.
Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves—Solid or Half-Seeded:

Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	6 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	5 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	4 a 1d.
	1" „	3 a 1d.

If corded and seeded to be paid for at double the above rates.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 21 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping:

Plain	$3\frac{1}{2}$ inches a 1d.
French	7 inches a 1d.

In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$" deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:

Holes,	$\frac{1}{16}$" joined	34 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$" separate	23 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" joined	23 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$" separate	17 a 1d.
Cut Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$" in length	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$" „	12 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$" „	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$" „	7 a 1d.
	1" „	6 a 1d.

(*f*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 7 inches a 1d.

(*g*) Seeding Circles, $\frac{1}{2}$" diameter:

Corded	$3\frac{1}{2}$ circles a 1d.
Not corded	4 circles a 1d.

(2) Where the cotton used is mercerised of a count not finer than 30/4 or is ordinary cotton of 10 ply.

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots,	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined or $\frac{1}{8}$″ plain leaves forming star or flower	54 a 1d.
	All other $\frac{1}{8}$″ dots or leaves	40 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{4}$″ separate	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ „	18 a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″ in length	29 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ „	21 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{2}$″ „	14 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″ „	11 a 1d.
	1″ „	9 a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{4}$″ „	6 a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{2}$″ „	4 a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*c*) Satining or Welting: ... ... 10 inches a 1d.

Objects not specified in this sub-paragraph should be paid for at the rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (1) irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

The general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (2) apply only in cases where written particulars are furnished to the worker showing the count or ply of the cotton to be used. In all other cases the general minimum piece rates set out in sub-paragraph (B) (1) apply irrespective of the count or ply of the cotton used.

(C) Household Linens (Linens, Cottons and Unions):

(*a*) Solid Work:

Dots or Leaves,	$\frac{1}{16}$″ joined	69 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$″ not joined	52 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined	52 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ not joined	34 objects a 1d.
Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″ and under $\frac{3}{8}$″	25 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	17 objects a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″	13 objects a 1d.
	1″	9 objects a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{4}$″	6 objects a 1d.
	$1\frac{1}{2}$″	5 objects a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded instead of solid should be paid for at double the rates for plain leaves.

Split leaves count as two leaves.

(*b*) French Leaves:

$\frac{1}{4}$″ and under $\frac{3}{8}$″	9 objects a 1d.
$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	6 objects a 1d.
$\frac{3}{4}$″	5 objects a 1d.
1″	3 objects a 1d.

Leaves which are corded and seeded should be paid for at double the rates set out above.

(*c*) Cording or Whipping: ... ... 26 inches a 1d.

(*d*) Scalloping:

Plain	$8\frac{1}{2}$ inches a 1d.
French	7 inches a 1d.

In the case of scalloping the measurement should be taken from point to point where the scallops are not more than $\frac{1}{4}$″ deep and along the edge or circumference of the scallops in all other cases.

(*e*) Cut Work:

Holes,	$\frac{1}{16}$″ joined	34 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{16}$″ not joined	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ joined	25 a 1d.
	$\frac{1}{8}$″ not joined	17 a 1d.
Cut Leaves,	$\frac{1}{4}$″	13 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{8}$″ to $\frac{1}{2}$″	9 a 1d.
	$\frac{3}{4}$″	6 a 1d.

(*f*) Satining or Welting: ... ... $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches a 1d.

(*g*) Seeding Circles, $\frac{1}{2}$" diameter:
Corded ... ... $3\frac{1}{2}$ circles a 1d.
Not corded ... ... 4 circles a 1d.
For work sewn with thread finer than 8 ply the above rates are increased by twenty per cent.

Paragraph 3. DECORATIVE HEMS—HANDKERCHIEFS:

(*a*) Rolled Hems:

Cloth size—			d.	
Not exceeding 10"		...	$6\frac{3}{4}$	per dozen handkerchiefs
Over 10" not exceeding	11"	...	$7\frac{7}{8}$	"
" 11"	" 12"	...	9	"
" 12"	" 13"	...	$10\frac{1}{8}$	"
" 13"	" 14"	...	$11\frac{1}{4}$	"
" 14"	" 15"	...	$12\frac{3}{8}$	"
" 15"	" 16"	...	$13\frac{1}{2}$	"
" 16"	" 17"	...	$14\frac{5}{8}$	"
" 17"	" 18"	...	$15\frac{3}{4}$	"
" 18"	" 19"	...	$16\frac{7}{8}$	"
" 19"	" 20"	...	18	"
" 20"	" 21"	...	$19\frac{1}{8}$	"
" 21"	" 22"	...	$20\frac{1}{4}$	"

(*b*) Cut Hems:
Straight Work:—
10 inches of stitching ... ... $1\frac{1}{8}$d.
Extra for each "stop and turn" on design ... ... $\frac{1}{4}$d.
Fancy Designs composed of a variety of different curves joined:—
8 inches of stitching ... ... $1\frac{1}{8}$d.
Designs composed of a single curve:—
10 inches of stitching ... ... $1\frac{1}{8}$d.
The above rates include the bias stitching of mitred corners.

Paragraph 4. THREAD DRAWING

(A) HANDKERCHIEFS:

Material: Cambric or Sheer

Cloth Size	Rates per 2 dozen Handkerchiefs — Sets of Linen						
	12 and 13	14 and 15	16 and 17	18 and 19	20 and 21	22 and 23	24 and 25
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
8" and under 10" ...	$1\frac{5}{8}$	$1\frac{7}{8}$	$2\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{5}{8}$	$2\frac{7}{8}$	$3\frac{3}{16}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$
10" " " 12" ...	$1\frac{5}{8}$	$2\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{5}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{5}{8}$	$3\frac{7}{8}$
12" " " 14" ...	$2\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{5}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{3}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$
14" " " 16" ...	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{7}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{3}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{4}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$	5
16" " " 18" ...	$2\frac{3}{4}$	$3\frac{3}{16}$	$3\frac{5}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{5}{8}$
18" " " 20" ...	$3\frac{1}{8}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$	5	$5\frac{5}{8}$	6
20" " " 22" ...	$3\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{5}{8}$	$4\frac{3}{8}$	5	$5\frac{3}{8}$	6	$6\frac{1}{2}$
22" " " 24" ...	$3\frac{5}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{4}$	$4\frac{3}{4}$	$5\frac{5}{16}$	$5\frac{7}{8}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{8}$
24" " " 26" ...	$3\frac{7}{8}$	$4\frac{5}{8}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{7}{8}$	$6\frac{3}{8}$	7	$7\frac{1}{2}$
26" " " 28" ...	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{7}{8}$	$5\frac{3}{8}$	6	$6\frac{7}{8}$	$7\frac{7}{16}$	8

The general minimum piece rates set out in this sub-paragraph are for one row (or shire) of 2 or 3 threads. For more than one such row (or shire) a proportional rate should be paid.

For REVERE drawing the general minimum piece rate is the rate as set out in this sub-paragraph for each row (or shire) plus 1d. per 2 dozen handkerchiefs.

For CUT CORNERS an additional rate of $1\frac{1}{8}$d. per 2 dozen handkerchiefs should be paid.

(B) HOUSEHOLD LINENS:

Material: Linen, Cotton or Union

Finished Sizes (Four sided articles)	Hem	5 to 7 threads Bias Corners per doz. articles	8 to 10 threads through Corners per doz. articles
6×6″	½″ to 1″	2 11/16 d.	2 1/8 d.
7×7″	do.	2 11/16 d.	2 1/8 d.
6½×8½″	do.	2 11/16 d.	2 1/8 d.
9×9″	do.	3 3/16 d.	2 11/16 d.
10×10″	do.	3 3/16 d.	2 11/16 d.
9×14″	do.	3 3/4 d.	3 3/16 d.
8½×15″	do.	3 3/4 d.	3 3/16 d.
10×14″	do.	3 3/4 d.	3 3/4 d.
11×15″	do.	3 3/4 d.	3 3/4 d.
12×12″	do.	3 3/4 d.	3 3/4 d.
15×15″	1″ to 2″	4 1/16 d.	4 1/16 d.
16×16″	do.	4 3/16 d.	4 1/16 d.
14×20″	do.	4 1/16 d.	5 5/16 d.
18×18″	do.	4 1/16 d.	5 5/16 d.
19×19″	do.	5 5/16 d.	5 5/16 d.
20×20″	do.	5 5/16 d.	5 5/16 d.
16×24″	do.	5 5/16 d.	5 7/8 d.
18×27″	do.	5 7/8 d.	6 3/8 d.
9×36″	do.	5 7/8 d.	6 3/8 d.
22×22″	do.	5 7/8 d.	6 3/8 d.
24×24″	1½″ to 2½″	6 3/8 d.	6 1/16 d.
20×30″	do.	6 3/8 d.	6 1/16 d.
22×32″	do.	6 1/16 d.	7 1/16 d.
27×27″	do.	6 1/16 d.	7 7/16 d.
24×34″	do.	7 7/16 d.	8d.
10×42″	do.	6 1/16 d.	7 7/16 d.
12×45″	do.	7 7/16 d.	8d.
14×54″	do.	8d.	9 1/16 d.
14×60″	do.	8d.	9 1/16 d.
14×68″	do.	9 9/16 d.	10 5/8 d.
17×36″	do.	6 1/16 d.	7 1/16 d.
17×45″	do.	8d.	8½d.
17×54″	1½″ to 3″	8d.	9 1/16 d.
30×30″	do.	8d.	8d.
30×32″	do.	8d.	8d.
25×40″	do.	8d.	8d.
27×45″	do.	8d.	9 1/16 d.
36×36″	do.	8d.	9 1/16 d.
40×40″	2″ to 3″	9 9/16 d.	10 5/8 d.
45×45″	do.	10 5/8 d.	12 3/4 d.
54×54″	do.	11 11/16 d.	13 13/16 d.
72×90″	do.	19 1/8 d.	20 3/16 d.
90×100″	do.	22 5/16 d.	23 3/8 d.
N.D. Cases	—	5 7/8 d.	5 7/8 d.
Bag Tops	Half Ends	1 5/16 d.	1 5/16 d.
Do.	Whole Ends	2 11/16 d.	2 11/16 d.
Bolster Cases	Half Ends	2 11/16 d.	2 11/16 d.
Do.	Whole Ends	4 13/16 d.	4 13/16 d.
Pram P/Cases	Hems		
Do.	16×16″—½″ to 2″	5 5/16 d.	5 5/16 d.
Do.	18×18″— do.	5 7/8 d.	6 3/8 d.
Pillow Cases	20×20″— do.	6 3/8 d.	6 1/16 d.
Do.	20×30″— do.	7 7/16 d.	8d.
Do.	22×32″— do.	8d.	8½d.
Fine Spoke×Spoke	20×30″— do.	23 3/8 d.	25½d.
Pillow Cases	20×30″—½″ out	13 13/16 d.	15 1/16 d.
Do.	do. ¾″ out	15 1/16 d.	21¼d.

(C) SHEETS:

Material: Linen, Cotton or Union

Sets of Linen	9 to 14
Threads	5 to 9
Per dozen yards of Shire	3⅛d.

For cut corners an additional rate of 1⅛d. per dozen articles should be paid.

Thread drawing on articles not included in this paragraph should be paid at the piece work basis time rate of *1s. 7d.* per hour.

Paragraph 5. DRAWN THREAD WORK

(A) HANDERCHIEFS:

(i) D'Oyley Stitch—	
Broken	2¼d. per yard.
Continuous	1½d. per yard.
(ii) Spider Stitch—	
Plain	1¾d. per 4 dozen holes.
Round	3¼d. per 4 dozen holes.
Spoked	3¼d. per 4 dozen holes.

(iii) Hand Hemstitching—

Cloth Size	Sets of Linen				
	16°°	17°°	18°°	19°°	20°°
	Per dozen Handkerchiefs				
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
9″ not exceeding 10″ ...	1 5	1 6	1 7½	1 9	1 10½
Over 10″ „ „ 12″ ...	1 7½	1 9	1 10½	2 0	2 1½
„ 12″ „ „ 14″ ...	1 10½	2 0	2 1	2 2½	2 5½
„ 14″ „ „ 17″ ...	2 2½	2 4	2 5½	2 7	3 0½
„ 17″ „ „ 21″ ...	2 8	2 10	2 11	3 0½	3 6
„ 21″ „ „ 24″ ...	3 1	3 3	3 4½	3 6	3 11½
„ 24″	3 6	3 7½	3 9	3 10	4 5

Cloth Size	Sets of Linen				
	21°°	22°°	23°°	24°°	25°° and 26°°
	Per dozen Handkerchiefs				
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
9″ not exceeding 10″ ...	2 0	2 2½	2 4	2 5½	2 10
Over 10″ „ „ 12″ ...	2 3½	2 6	2 8	2 11	3 3
„ 12″ „ „ 14″ ...	2 7	2 10	3 0½	3 3	3 7½
„ 14″ „ „ 17″ ...	3 1	3 4½	3 9	4 1	4 5
„ 17″ „ „ 21″ ...	3 7½	3 11½	4 5	4 9½	5 1½
„ 21″ „ „ 24″ ...	4 4	4 6½	4 11	5 3	5 10
„ 24″	4 9½	5 1½	5 7	6 1	6 6½

The above general minimum piece rates are for goods already thread drawn and vice folded.

(B) BLOUSES AND LINENS:

(i) Hand Hemstitching on Single Cloth ... ... 1¾d. per yard.

(ii) Complete Spoking—

Under 12 spokes per inch	12 to 14 spokes per inch	15 to 16 spokes per inch
2¾d. per yard	3½d. per yard	4¼d. per yard

(iii) X. Stitching:

Under 5 X. stitches per inch	5 and under 6 X. stitches per inch	6 and over X. stitches per inch
3½d. per yard	3¾d. per yard	4½d. per yard

(iv) Wavy Stitching:

Raw		Spoked	
7 and under 10 knots per inch	10 knots and over per inch	7 and under 10 spokes per inch	10 spokes and over per inch
2¼d. per yard	3¼d. per yard	4¼d. per yard	5½d. per yard

(v) Bunching, Looping or Knotting (Unspoked):

Under 5 knots per inch	11½d. per dozen yards.
5 knots and over per inch	1/4¾d. per dozen yards.

(vi) Knotting (Spoked):

Under 5 knots per inch	2d. per yard.
5 knots and over per inch	2¾d. per yard.

(vii) Ring Stitch:

	Up to 70 rings per yard Per yard	Over 70 and up to 90 rings per yard Per yard	Over 90 rings per yard Per yard
Ring (not caught) ...	2¾d.	3½d.	4¼d.
Spoked Ring	5d.	6¼d.	7¾d.
Double Ring (Spoked) ...	8½d.	10½d.	12¾d.

All other classes of Drawn Thread Work should be paid at the piece work basis time rate of *1s. 7d.* per hour.

The general minimum piece rates set out in this paragraph include the work of thread drawing except as indicated in sub-paragraph (A) (iii).

Paragraph 6. SPARRING:

(A) Sparring other than Sparring on Household Linens—

24 spokes per inch	20 spokes per inch	16 spokes per inch
1⅝d. for 4 inches	1⅝d. for 6 inches	1⅝d. for 8 inches

(B) Sparring on Household Linens—

24 spokes per inch	20 spokes per inch	16 spokes per inch
2⅛d. for 4 inches	2⅛d. for 6 inches	2⅛d. for 8 inches

Paragraph 7. DICING:

4 stitch Per 4 dozen Dice	3 stitch Per 4 dozen Dice
3½d.	3d.

Paragraph 8. TOP-SEWING:

(A) Top-Sewing of Ordinary Corners on Handkerchiefs—

Hems	Where corners are turned in by workers Per 2 dozen handkerchiefs	Where corners are ready turned in Per 2 dozen handkerchiefs
Up to and includng ¼"	2¼d.	1⅞d.
Over ¼" up to and including ⅝" ...	3½d.	2⅝d.
Over ⅝" up to and including 1¼" ...	4⅓d.	3⅞d.
Over 1¼"	5¾d.	5½d.

(B) Top-Sewing of French Corners on Handkerchiefs—

For Top-Sewing of Straight or Bias French Corners:—

Hems	Per 2 dozen handkerchiefs
Up to and including ¼"	3¾d.
Over ¼" up to and including ⅝"	5¼d.

Paragraph 9. NICKELLING:

(A) Handkerchiefs—

	Per dozen handkerchiefs
For the Nickelling of handkerchiefs up to and including 12 inches square	3d.

(B) HOUSEHOLD LINENS—	Per dozen yards of Scalloping
For the Nickelling of the following Patterns of Scalloping:—	
Pattern No. 1, that is, cams measuring not more than ¾″ from point to point	2d.
Pattern No. 2, that is, cams measuring not more than 1½″ from point to point	1½d.
Pattern No. 6, that is, cams measuring not more than ½″ from point to point	2½d.
Fancy Scallops	3d.

In measuring fancy scallops the actual length of the scallop should be taken and not the finished size of the article.

(C) BLOUSES AND UNDERCLOTHING—	Per 30 yards of Scalloping
For the Nickelling of Scalloping on Blouses and Underclothing	5½d.

In the case of Household Linens the measurement should be taken from point to point of the cams along the cloth to be nickelled.

In the case of Blouses and Underclothing the measurement should be taken along the circumference of the scallops.

Paragraph 10. GERMAN EMBROIDERY ON HOUSEHOLD LINENS, if sewn with 3/2 ply cotton:

For embroidering designs composed of one or more of the following objects—

Plain Leaf, ½″ by ¼″	40 a 1d.
Dot, ½″ by ½″	25 a 1d.
Leaf, ½″ by ¾″	22 a 1d.
½″ by 1″	18 a 1d.
½″ by 1¼″	15 a 1d.
¾″ by 1½	11 a 1d.
¾″ by 2″	9 a 1d.
Rose Petal, 1″ by 1″	10 a 1d.
French Leaf (veined), ½″ by 1″	13 a 1d.
¾″ by 1½″	8 a 1d.
French Leaf (not veined), 1″ by 1″	11 a 1d.
French Knots	78 a 1d.
Crosses	122 a 1d.
Stars	31 a 1d.
Welting	21 inches a 1d.

The general minimum piece rates set out in this paragraph apply where the work is sewn with a single thread.

The general minimum piece rates set out in this paragraph apply irrespective of whether the work is tamboured or not.

Where artificial silk of 3/2 ply is used the rates should be increased by thirty per cent.

The general minimum piece rates set out in this paragraph do not apply where the quality of sewing is finer than 15 stitches to a leaf of 1 inch or to sample work or special work of exceptionally fine quality.

For the purposes of the provisions of paragraphs 2 to 10 in measuring objects the nearest size as set out should be taken. Where the measurement is midway between two sizes the greater of the two should be taken.

GENERAL

APPLICATION OF STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION TO PIECE WORKERS

Paragraph 11.

In the case of workers employed on piece work for which no general minimum piece rates have been fixed each piece rate paid must be such as will yield, in the circumstances of the case, to an ordinary worker at least the same amount of money as the piece work basis time rate set out in paragraph 1. In determining whether any piece rate satisfies the foregoing condition regard should be had only to the earnings of ordinary workers, that is, workers of ordinary skill and experience in the class of work in question and not to the earnings of workers of less than ordinary skill and experience, e.g., juvenile and infirm workers.

EMPLOYMENT OF JUVENILE WORKERS ON PIECE WORK

Paragraph 12.

An employer will, in any case where a learner or other juvenile worker is employed on piece work during the first six months of her employment in the trade, be deemed to pay wages at less than the minimum rate unless he shows that such worker has received in respect of her employment on piece work in each week during that period, at least the same amount of money as she would have been entitled to receive if employed on time work.

An employer will, in any case where any such worker is so employed at any time subsequent to the first six months of her employment in the trade, be deemed to pay wages at less than the minimum rate unless he shows that she has, in respect of her employment on piece work, been paid at piece rates which would yield, in the circumstances of the case, to an ordinary worker (not being a juvenile worker) at least the same amount of money as the piece work basis time rate set out in paragraph 1.

DEFINITION OF OUT-WORKER

Paragraph 13.

The expression "out-worker" means a worker who works in her own home or in any other place not under the control or management of the employer.

PAYMENT OF HIGHER RATES

Paragraph 14.

The statutory minimum remuneration set out in this Schedule is without prejudice to workers earning higher rates of wages, or to agreements made or that may be made between employers and workers for the payment of remuneration in excess of the statutory minimum.

APPLICABILITY OF STATUTORY MINIMUM REMUNERATION

Paragraph 15.

The statutory minimum remuneration aforesaid shall apply, subject to the provisions of the Wages Councils Act (Northern Ireland), 1945, to workers in relation to whom the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Wages Council (Northern Ireland) operates, that is to say, workers employed in Northern Ireland in the trade specified in the Schedule to the Trade Boards (Linen and Cotton Embroidery Trade, Northern Ireland) (Constitution, Proceedings and Meetings) Regulations, 1925, dated 24th February, 1925(a), namely:

Those branches of the trade of making up articles of linen or cotton, or mixed linen and cotton, which are engaged in the processes of hand embroidery, drawn thread work, thread drawing, thread clipping, top-sewing, scalloping, nickelling and paring, but

EXCLUDING

Any processes or operations which may be included in the Appendices to the Trade Boards (Women's Clothing) Order, 1919(b), and the Trade Boards (Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods) Order, 1920(c).

The Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Council (Northern Ireland) Wages Regulation (Amendment) Order, 1955

1955. No. 33. [NC]

Whereas the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (hereinafter in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") has received from the Linen and Cotton Handkerchief and Household Goods and Linen Piece Goods Wages Council (Northern Ireland) the wages regulation proposals set out in the Schedule hereto;

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1925, No. 22. (b) S.R. & O. 1919, No. 1263. (c) S.R. & O. 1920, No. 103.