

QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Industrial Relations Act 1999

**WOOLCLASSERS AND SHEEP SHEARING MACHINE
EXPERTS AND GRINDERS' AWARD - STATE 2003**

(Gazette, 3 October 2003)

PURSUANT to the Declaration of the Commission as to a General Ruling made on 24 August 2007, the said Award is amended as follows as from 1 September 2007:

1. By deleting 5.2.1(a) and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

5.2.1 (a) Piecework rate

For carrying out the duties described in clause 5.3 of this Award, a Woolclasser (other than a trainee Woolclasser) shall be paid at the rate of \$179.53 per thousand sheep and/or lambs.

2. By deleting 5.2.1(c) and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

(c) Guaranteed weekly minimum earnings

The employer shall pay the Woolclasser at the rate set out below, if the piecework earnings from woolclassing over the whole of the employment fall short of the relevant weekly amount for the same period.

	Minimum per week \$
<i>Number of stands</i>	
3 and 4 stands	653.50
5 and 6 stands	654.50
7 stands	657.10
8 to 10 stands	659.10
11 to 15 stands	661.10
Over 15 stands	665.10

3. By deleting 5.2.1(e) and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

(e) Shearing Shed Experts

For carrying out the duties described in clause 5.1.2 a Shearing Shed Expert shall be paid as follows:

When working in sheds of from 5 to 8 stands	588.15
For each additional stand exceeding 8	0.60

The rates of pay in this Award are intended to include the arbitrated wage adjustment payable under the 1 September 2007 Declaration of General Ruling and earlier Safety Net Adjustments and arbitrated wage adjustments. [Disputed cases are to be referred to the Vice President.] This arbitrated wage adjustment may be offset against any equivalent amount in rates of pay received by employees whose wages and conditions of employment are regulated by this Award which are above the wage rates prescribed in the Award. Such payments include wages payable pursuant to certified agreements, currently operating enterprise flexibility agreements, Queensland workplace agreements, award amendments to give effect to enterprise agreements and overaward arrangements. Absorption which is contrary to the terms of an agreement is not required.

Increases made under previous State Wage Cases or under the current Statement of Policy, excepting those resulting from enterprise agreements, are not to be used to offset arbitrated wage adjustments.

4. By deleting 5.4.1(a) and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

(a) Woolclasser -

Number of stands	Delay rate per day \$
3 and 4 stands	65.35
5 and 6 stands	65.45
7 stands	65.71
8 to 10 stands	65.91
11 to 15 stands	66.11
Over 15 stands	66.51

5. By deleting from the clause listed in the first column of the Schedule, the amount in the second column, and inserting the amount in the third column in lieu thereof:

<u>Column 1</u>	<u>Column 2</u>	<u>Column 3</u>
5.3.1(b)	\$ 13.70	\$ 14.30

Dated 31 August 2007.

G.D. SAVILL,
Registrar.

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