



Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1954

1954 CHAPTER 39

13 Fixing of minimum rates of wages for certain classes of persons temporarily employed in agriculture in Scotland

- (1) Except as hereinafter provided, the Agricultural Wages (Scotland) Act, 1949, shall not apply to persons temporarily employed as workers in agriculture (including horticulture), being persons so employed under any scheme prepared by the Secretary of State for the employment in agriculture of persons of sixteen years of age or over during holiday periods:

Provided that this section shall not have effect in relation to persons who, immediately before being employed under any such scheme, were in receipt of unemployment benefit under the National Insurance Acts, 1946 to 1953.

- (2) The Secretary of State shall have power by order to fix for persons temporarily employed as aforesaid such minimum rates of wages for time work as appear to him reasonable in all the circumstances of the case, and different rates may be fixed for different classes of such persons by reference to the nature or circumstances of their work or employment and their age and sex.
- (3) Any order under this section may vary any minimum rate of wages fixed therein according as the employment is for a day, week, month or other period, or according to the number of working hours or the conditions of the employment, or so as to provide for a differential rate in the case of overtime.
- (4) The Secretary of State shall, as soon as may be after he has made an order under this section, send notification thereof to the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board and to all agricultural wages committees, and shall give notice of the making of the order and the contents thereof in such manner as he may think fit.
- (5) The provisions of the Agricultural Wages (Scotland) Act, 1949, shall, so far as applicable, apply in relation to any minimum rate of wages fixed under this section as they apply in relation to any minimum rate of wages fixed under that Act.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) The power of the Secretary of State to make orders under this section shall be exercisable by statutory instrument, which shall be subject to annulment by resolution of either House of Parliament; and the said power shall include a power, exercisable in the like manner and subject to the like conditions, to vary or revoke any such order.
- (7) This section shall continue in force for five years and no longer, unless Parliament otherwise determines.