

**WHITLEY COUNCILS FOR THE HEALTH SERVICES  
(GREAT BRITAIN)**

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**STOREKEEPER CLERKS—HOURS OF DUTY**

1. The Administrative and Clerical Staffs Whitley Council have agreed that the normal hours of duty of Storekeeper Clerks shall be reduced to 46 a week with effect from 1st October, 1957, and 44 a week with effect from 1st July, 1958, the hours in both cases being exclusive of a luncheon interval.
2. The primary object of reducing the length of the working week is to provide additional leisure time for the staff and the Council look to employing authorities, in implementing this agreement, to make every effort to reduce the actual working hours of Storekeeper Clerks. The Council consider that a good deal can be done in this direction if a thorough revision of the existing working arrangements is undertaken. The trade unions and staff associations comprising the Staff Side of the Council have undertaken to give full co-operation in such matters as modification of starting and finishing times and arrangement of rotas.

**HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS**

*Part IIB, Section (5a).* The figure 48 in lines 1 and 2 should be marked with \* and a footnote added to page 56 as follows—“\* 46 with effect from 1st October, 1957; 44 with effect from 1st July, 1958.”

E. G. CROFT,  
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*Joint Secretaries.*

9th August, 1957.

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE**

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*Summary.* This memorandum notifies the Minister's approval of an agreement of the Administrative and Clerical Staffs Whitley Council on a reduction in the hours of duty of Storekeeper-Clerks, as set out in the enclosed A.C. Circular No. 59.

1. The enclosed A.C. Circular No. 59 sets out an agreement of the Administrative and Clerical Staffs Whitley Council providing for a reduction by stages of the normal hours of duty of Storekeeper-Clerks. Employing authorities are asked to put the new arrangements into effect in accordance with the terms of the agreement.
2. The Minister wishes to draw the attention of employing authorities particularly to paragraph 2 of the enclosed circular. He hopes that employing authorities will be able to give effect to the new arrangements without incurring any additional cost and suggests that the working arrangements of Storekeeper-Clerks should be reviewed on the same general principles as those set out in paragraphs 4 and 5 of H.M. (57) 47 in connection with the reduction in the standard working week of ancillary staff.
3. The Minister of Health has approved the provisions of A.C. Circular No. 59 as approved remuneration and conditions of service under Regulation 3 of the National Health Service (Remuneration and Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1951 (S.I. 1951 No. 1373).

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*To: Regional Hospital Boards,  
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