

A.S.C. Circular 54

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

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The Ancillary Staffs Council have reached the following decisions:—

1. *Laundry Checkers*

It is intended that this grade shall include staff in central linen stores, etc., who are responsible for checking articles sent to a laundry elsewhere. Such laundry checkers shall, when handling foul linen, qualify for the higher payment of 1s. per day notified in A.S.C. Circular 50. This agreement shall operate from the beginning of the first full pay period following 22nd March, 1957.

2. *Mechanical Truck Drivers*

The plus rate for a Group 1 employee while engaged in driving a mechanical truck shall be increased from 1d. to 1½d. per hour with effect from the beginning of the pay period in which 26th July, 1957, fell.

3. *Mixed duties*

If an employee, whose rate of pay is calculated in accordance with the agreement contained in paragraph 6 of Part I, Section E of the Handbook, regularly spends 75 per cent. or more of his working time in the duties of the higher grade, he shall receive the rate of pay for that higher grade in respect of all hours worked.

This agreement shall operate with effect from the beginning of the first full pay period following 13th September, 1957.

4. *Rest period*

It has been agreed that the following award of the Industrial Disputes Tribunal shall operate from the beginning of the first full pay period following 15th July, 1957:—

"A rest period shall be a period of 24 consecutive hours commencing at the time at which the worker normally starts his turn of duty, provided that when a worker's rest period coincides with a change in his shift or shift system so that he becomes due to start work at a time earlier than his previous starting time, his rest period shall be a period of 24 consecutive hours commencing at that earlier time".

The consequential amendments to paragraphs 6 to 10 of Part II, Section A, and paragraph 15 of Part II, Section B of the A.S.C. Handbook are being considered and will be notified as soon as possible.

C. H. BECKETT,
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Joint Secretaries.

15th October, 1957.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

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Summary. The attached A.S.C. Circular 54 sets out the terms of an agreement of the Ancillary Staffs Council which (i) introduces an explanation of the use of the grade of laundry checker; (ii) increases the allowance payable to certain staff who drive mechanical trucks; (iii) amends the agreement relating to staff who regularly perform duties in more than one grade; and (iv) introduces a definition of a rest period.

1. Employing authorities are requested to bring the provisions of A.S.C. Circular 54 into operation as soon as possible with effect from the dates shown.

2. The Minister of Health has approved the provisions of A.S.C. Circular 54 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).

MINISTRY OF HEALTH,
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15th October, 1957.

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*To: Regional Hospital Boards,
Hospital Management Committees,
Boards of Governors.*

CORRIGENDUM TO H.M. (57) 86 DATED 7th OCTOBER, 1957

Para. 1, line 24, amend "the profession" to read "his predecessor".

October, 1957.

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HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS

The following amendments, including those consequent upon A.S.C. Circulars 52 and 53, and A.S.C. (Builders) Circular 19 should be made to the 1957 edition of the Handbook:—

Part I, Section A (pages 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10), delete from each Group heading the hourly plusage, e.g., the heading of Group 2 should read "Group 2 (plus 4s. a week)".

Part I, Section C, page 16, paragraphs 3 and 4 (iv), delete "48" wherever it occurs and substitute "46".

Part I, Section D, page 27, under "Laundry checker", insert:—

"It is intended that this grade shall include staff in central linen stores, etc., who are responsible for checking articles sent to a laundry elsewhere."

Part I, Section D, page 28, under "Mechanical truck driver", delete "1d." and substitute "1½d."

Part I, Section E, page 36, paragraph 6, after "duty" in line 4, add "provided that if he regularly spends 75 per cent. or more of his working time in the duties of a higher grade, he shall receive the appropriate rate of pay for that higher grade in respect of all hours worked."

Part I, Section E, page 37, paragraph 7, and the heading thereof, delete "48" wherever it occurs and substitute "46".

Part I, Section E, page 37, paragraph 8, add after the first sentence " (but see also A.S.C. Circular 53) ".

Part II, Section A, page 41, paragraph 1, delete "48" and substitute "46", delete "96" and substitute "92".

Part II, Section A, page 41, paragraph 2, delete "48" and substitute "46".

Part II, Section B, page 45, paragraph 7, delete "48" and substitute "46".

Part IV, page 61, paragraph 9, in line 2 after "1951", insert "subject to a maximum of 46", and in line 4 delete "48" and substitute "46".

Part VI, page 63, paragraph 2, delete "48" wherever it occurs and substitute "46".

General Index (last page) in items "Staff working 44-48 hours per week" and "Working week, 44 to 48 hours" delete in each case "48" and substitute "46".