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# SCHEDULE

## NATIONAL TEXTILE BARGAINING COUNCIL

# AMENDING MAIN COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

in accordance with the provisions of the Labour Relations Act, 1995 (as amended),

made and entered into by and between the

South African Cotton Textile Processing Employers' Association (SACTPEA)

South African Carpet Manufacturing Employers' Association (SACMEA)

National Manufactured Fibres Employers' Association (NMFEA)

National Association of Worsted Textile Manufacturers (NAWTM)

Woven, Crochet and Knitted Narrow Fabric Manufacturers Employers'

Association (WCKNFMEA)

South African Wool and Mohair Processors' Employers' Organisation (SAWAMPEO)

National Textile Manufacturers' Association (NTMA)

South African Home Textiles Manufacturers Employers' Organisation

(HOMETEX)

South African Blankets Manufacturers Employers' Organisation (SABMEO)

(hereinafter referred to as the "employers' organisations") of the one part,

#### and the

Southern African Clothing and Textile Workers' Union (SACTWU)

(hereinafter referred to as the "trade union") of the other part,

#### being the parties to the

National Textile Bargaining Council (NTBC) to amend the collective agreement published under Government notice No. R.78 of 9 February 2007 as amended and extended by Government notices Nos. R.430 of 18 April 2008 and R.1149 of 31 October 2008.

#### PART 1

#### A: APPLICATION

#### 1. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

(a). This Agreement applies to all employers and all employees who are members of the parties to this Agreement and who are engaged in the Textile Industry, as defined in the registered scope of the Bargaining Council, as follows:

"Textile Industry or Sector or Industry" – means without in anyway limiting the ordinary meaning of the expression, the enterprise in which the employer(s) and the employees are associated, either in whole and or in part, for any activity relating to the processing or manufacture of fibres, filaments or yarns, natural or man-made and the processing or manufacture of products obtained therefrom, including all activities incidental thereto or consequent thereon, defined as follows:

# 1.1 Scope as defined by process and activity

#### 1.1.1. Fibre Manufacture

The handling, processing and manufacture of all classes of fibre, yarns, threads, blends and manufactured raw materials from which these are derived, which shall include, but not be limited to, the fibres manufactured or processed from the following types of raw material:

#### 1.1.1.1 Natural Fibres

- <u>Vegetable fibres</u>: cotton, kapok, coir, flax, hemp, jute, kenaf, ramie manila, henequen, sisal, sugar cane or other plant seeds, bast or leaf material.
- Animal fibres: wool, mohair, cashmere, silk, angora, alpaca, feathers and any type of animal hair.
- Mineral fibres: asbestos or other inorganic material.

#### 1.1.1.2 Manufactured Fibres:

- <u>Synthetic polymers</u>: including polymethylene, polyolefin, polyvinyl, polyurethane, polyamaide, aramid, polyester and synthetic polyisoprene
- <u>Natural polymers</u>: including made from or comprising aliginate rubber, regenerated proteins regenerated cellulose and cellulose ester

- Minerals: including rock wool, carbon fibre and glass fibre or any other fibre manufactured from minerals and,
- all other manufactured fibres and tapes not specified above.

## 1.1.2 Preparation of Natural Fibres

The receiving, sorting, grading, weighing, cataloguing, washing, scouring, ginning, fibre-working, blending, carding, combing, cutting, dyeing, bleaching, cleaning, as well as the activities performed by wool and mohair brokers, buyers, and dealers; and any other activities carried on in an enterprise.

#### 1.1.3 Manufacture of Textiles

The manufacture, processing, dyeing, finishing, and further processing of all classes of woven, non-woven, crocheted and braided textiles from any of (or combination of) the inputs specified in 1.1 utilising the activities and processes of carding, combing, spinning, winding, twisting, drawing-in, warping, weaving, crocheting, braiding, embroiding, tufting, plaiting, feting, blending, raising, needling, stitch-bonding, spunlaid, wetlaid or other bonding processes, printing, dyeing, lamination, making-up and finishing as well as any other products made from raw materials produced by the processes and activities referred to 1.1 and 1.2 above.

#### 1.2 Scope as defined by product:

The products and activities referred to "1", (above) shall include, but not

be limited to, the following products (used here simply as an indicative list):

- a. synthetic textile fibres and yarns;
- b. vegetable fibres and yarns (including the activities conducted in cotton gins)
- c. woven fabrics and products;
- d. non-woven fabrics and products;
- e. woven, crocheted, braided, plaited, knitted tapes, narrow fabric products (whether rigid or elasticised) webbing, interlinings, tapes or bias binding / clothing accessories;
- f. embroidery (where done in an establishment not covered by any clothing bargaining Council);
- g. frills, tassels, bows and similar finishings;
- h. shoe laces;
- i. lace and netting; (general)
- j. worsted tops or noils, or yarns or fabrics;
- k. towelling or towels;
- all types of made-up textiles, including curtains and blinds, sheets, bedspreads, quilts, duvets and other bed linen; pillows and cushions, textile materials found in bathrooms and restrooms
- m. carpets, rugs, mats and matting, carpet tiles, and rugs (including as used in applications for floors and walls in domestic, commercial and residential trains, ships and any other form of transport);

- n. flock, foam, wadding, or padding, including shoulder padding, and al items with feather fillings;
- o. under-felt and felt;
- p. cleaning cloths, cleaning rags, dusters;
- q. blanketing, blankets, travelling-rugs, shawls and throws;
- r. technical and/or industrial textiles, including woven, non-woven and specialized fibres and yarns, such as used in the following applications:
  - tyre-cord, belting, hose, tank fabrics, conveyor belts;
  - textiles used to reinforce plastics; mining and civil engineering
  - textiles like separation, drainage and reinforcement materials,
     mine props, backfill fabrics, ventilation curtains, blast barricades;
  - textiles used in agriculture/horticulture, like those for weed control, hail and frost protection, early crop ripening, bags for fertilizers/produce;
  - textiles for tarpaulins, awnings, furnishings, umbrellas, footwear, automotive trim, luggage, sail cloth, airbags, spinnakers, hot air balloons, print screens, paper felts, arrestor fabrics;
  - medical textiles like blood filters, membranes, bandages, cotton wool, lints, gauze, swabs, surgical dressing, and sanitary towels;

- · fabrics used to filter air, gas or liquids;
- fabrics used for protective garments such as breathable fabrics, flame-proof fabrics, acid-proof fabrics, bullet-proof fabrics; brake and clutch linings, gland packings, seals; cord, ropes, twine, nets, and netting.
- (b) The terms of this Agreement shall not apply to non-parties in respect of clause 1. (a) and 2.

#### 2. PERIOD OF OPERATION

This Agreement shall come into operation on such a date as the Minister of Labour extends the Agreement to non-parties, and shall remain in force until 31 December 2009.

#### 3. EXCEPTIONS

- 3.1 The provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to employees whose wages are not prescribed herein, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement.
- 3.2 Subject to clause 1. (b), the provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to non-parties in respect of clause 1. (a), 2 and clause 34.

#### H. GENERAL

#### 4. CLAUSE 45: REGISTRATION OF EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES

Substitute the following for the existing clause 45

Unless otherwise specified in the relevant Annexures in Part 2 of this agreement-

- 45.1 every employer in the Textile Industry to whom this Agreement is applicable, and who has not registered with Council, shall, within 30 days from the date on which this Agreement becomes effective, register with the Council and furnish the following particulars to the Secretary of the Council:
  - 45.1.1 the employer's name and address;
  - 45.1.2 the business's name and address;
  - 45.1.3 the date of the start of the business;
  - 45.1.4 the nature of the business and product made;
  - 45.1.5 an application for membership of the Textile Industry

    Provident fund, subject to the provisions of clause 25.1;
- 45.2 Every employer shall notify the Council in writing of any change in particulars furnished on registration or of ceasing operations in the Industry, within 14 days of such change or of ceasing operations;
- 45.3 An employer shall comply with all the terms and provisions of this

  Agreement and if this Agreement is silent on a certain issue, also
  with the terms and provisions of any employment law;

- 45.4 Every employer shall keep employee records as specified by the Basic Conditions of Employment Act, No. 75 of 1997;45.5 Each employer must submit statistical and information returns in the prescribed formats by the required date as determined by the Council from time to time;
- 45.6 The Secretary of the council must keep a register of all known employers engaged in the industry.

#### PART 2

#### ANNEXURE C

# **WOVEN, CROCHET & KNITTED NARROW FABRIC SUBSECTOR**

#### A. APPLICATION

#### 5. CLAUSE 1: SCOPE OF APPLICATION

- 1.1 As per clause 1 of Part 1 of this agreement.
- 1.2 In addition to clause 1 of Part 1 of this agreement the scope of this sub sector will be defined as follows:

Woven Crochet & Knitted Narrow Fabric Sub sector, which without in any way limiting the ordinary meaning of the expression, means that part of the industry in which employers and employees are associated, either in whole or in part, for any activity whatsoever, for the manufacture of: woven or crochet or knitted tape, in the strip or in the piece, being rigid or elasticised, having a warp and a weft, with selvedge on either side, and being not more than 250mm in width and the dyeing, printing and the finishing thereof, including labels and trims

manufactured and subsequently slit. It is specifically recorded that all bias binding/ clothing accessory and braided products are covered, and includes all operations, products and activities incidental thereto and consequent thereon.

# **B:** REMUNERATION

#### 6. CLAUSE 4: MINIMUM WAGES

Substitute the following for the existing clause 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3

- 4.1 As per the provisions of 4.1 of Part 1 of this Agreement
- 4.2 Every employer must pay each employee a wage increase and a minimum wage that is not less than that detailed in clause 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 below:
  - 4.2.1 Each employer must pay employees an hourly increase for each *grade*, as follows:

#### **WOVEN AND CROCHET:**

| GRADE         | INCREASE           |
|---------------|--------------------|
| A1            | 119 cents per hour |
| A2 0-3 months | 120 cents per hour |
| 4-6 months    | 121 cents per hour |
| Qualified     | 121 cents per hour |
| A3            | 123 cents per hour |
| B1 0-6 months | 125 cents per hour |
| 7-12 months   | 126 cents per hour |
| Qualified     | 127 cents per hour |