Serial Number 1941/166.



THE NORTHERN, WELLINGTON, AND CANTERBURY ELECTRICAL APPRENTICES LABOUR LEGISLATION SUSPENSION ORDER 1941.

WHEREAS it appears to me to be expedient for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community, I, Patrick Charles Webb, Minister of Labour, pursuant to the Labour Legislation Emergency Regulations 1940,* do hereby order as follows :---

1. This Order may be cited as the Northern, Wellington, and Canterbury Electrical Apprentices Labour Legislation Suspension Order 1941.

2. This Order applies to the electrical trade in the Northern, Wellington, and Canterbury Industrial Districts.

3. The provisions of the Apprentices Act, 1923, and its amendments, and all regulations thereunder and of all apprenticeship orders made in pursuance thereof, shall be and are hereby suspended in so far as any such provisions restrict to less than one to one the proportion of the total number of apprentices to the total number of journeymen employed by any employer in the trade and in the industrial districts referred to in clause 2 hereof, but such suspension shall be subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth.

4. Any employer desiring to employ an apprentice in excess of the proportion of apprentices to journeymen prescribed by the Electrical Workers' apprenticeship order in force in the district concerned shall make application therefor in writing to the District Registrar of Apprentices.

5. Any application made in pursuance of clause 4 hereof shall be submitted by the District Registrar of Apprentices to the appropriate Apprenticeship Committee for its consideration, and the Apprenticeship Committee shall grant the application unless it is of opinion that there is insufficient proof of work being available for a sufficient period to justify the taking on of such apprentice, or that the facilities for training apprentices are not up to a satisfactory standard.

6. Where an Apprenticeship Committee refuses to grant an application made in pursuance of this Order, the employer shall have a right of appeal to the Minister of Labour, whose decision shall be final.

* Statutory Regulations 1940, Serial number 1940/123, page 436.

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7. An employer shall not be entitled to engage an apprentice in pursuance of the provisions of this Order if as a result thereof the proportion of apprentices to journeymen employed by such employer would exceed one to one.

8. An employer, even though he is himself a registered wireman, shall not be entitled to engage an apprentice unless he has had at least one qualified journeyman in his employ for not less than two-thirds full time during the six months preceding the date of the application.

9. Where by this Order powers are conferred on an Apprenticeship Committee and there is no Apprenticeship Committee in the locality concerned, then such powers may be exercised by the District Registrar of Apprentices.

10. This Order shall come into effect on and from the date of notification hereof in the *Gazette*.

Dated at Wellington, this 24th day of September, 1941.

P. C. WEBB, Minister of Labour.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act, 1936. Date of notification in *Gazette* : 25th day of September, 1941. These regulations are administered in the Department of Labour.