

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
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CLOSING OF BRIEFS IN KNIT GOODS LEARNER REVIEW POSTPONED

Filing of briefs in a review of a Determination and Order of October 24, 1939, regarding employment of learners in the Knitted Wear Industry has been postponed from December 21, 1939, to January 15, 1940; and filing of rebuttal briefs has been postponed from December 30, 1939, to January 24, 1940, the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, announced today.

The determination and order of October 24, 1939, provided knitting mills manufacturing goods other than hosiery and knitted gloves might obtain special certificates for the employment of learners at a rate of 22-1/2 cents an hour instead of the 30-cents-an-hour national minimum wage now in effect, and of higher minima which have been recommended for this industry by industry committees. The number of such learners was limited to five percent of the total number of sewing-machine and knitting-machine operators in a mill, and the learning period was limited to eight weeks.

The National Knitted Outerwear Association and the Underwear Institute separately petitioned the Administrator for a review of this Determination. The review was granted and they, and other interested parties, were asked to file briefs in support or opposition to the provisions of the Order. Closing date on the filing of such briefs is postponed by today's order, pursuant to written requests from both petitioners. (Federal Register, Tuesday, December 19, 1939)