Annex A: Occupational Progressive Wages (OPW)

Job Level	PWM Baseline Gross Wage Requirement	From 1 July 2024	From 1 July 2025
Administrator C	DPW		
Administrative Assistant	Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage (35-44 hours per week) Part-Time Hourly Gross Wage	\$1,800/month \$9.44/hr	\$1,980/month \$10.38/hr
Administrative Executive	Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage (35-44 hours per week)	\$2,390/month	\$2,580/month
Administrative Supervisor	Part-Time Hourly Gross Wage Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage ¹ (35-44 hours per week)	\$12.53/hr \$2,980/month	\$13.53/hr \$3,160/month
Driver OPW	Part-Time Hourly Gross Wage	\$15.63/hr	\$16.57/hr
General Driver	Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage (35-44 hours per week)	\$1,970/month \$10.33/hr	\$2,190/month \$11.49/hr
Specialised Driver	Part-Time Hourly Gross Wage Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage (35-44 hours per week)	\$2,085/month	\$2,320/month
	Part-Time Hourly Gross Wage	\$10.94/hr	\$12.17/hr

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Notes:

1. <u>Classification of OPW Employees.</u> Employers may refer to MOM's website for the detailed job descriptions of roles that are covered under OPW.² Employers should classify and pay their employees the applicable Progressive Wage for the job role that best fits the employee's job scope, regardless of the job title of the employee. For an employee whose job scope straddles more than one job description, employers should classify the worker

¹ Administrative Supervisors are not subject to additional PWM gross wage requirements for overtime hours, as most of such employees will exceed the \$2,600 wage threshold and will not be covered by Part 4 of the Employment Act.

² See <u>https://www.mom.gov.sg/employment-practices/progressive-wage-model/expansion-of-progressive-wage-approach-and-coverage</u>.

under OPW job role that the employee spends majority of his or her time, and pay the employee the applicable Progressive Wage for that job role.

2. <u>Components of PWM Baseline Gross Wage Requirement.</u> The PWM baseline gross wage requirement for full-time employees (i.e., contractual working hours of 35-44 hours per week) excludes wages paid for overtime work, but includes the basic wage and gross wage components such as allowances (e.g., travel, food, housing) and productivity incentive payments. It also excludes bonuses (e.g., Annual Wage Supplement), stock options, reimbursement of special expenses incurred in the course of employment and payments-in-kind, as well as employer CPF contributions. It is before the deduction of employee CPF contributions.

3. <u>Overtime (OT) Payment.</u> For full-time employees working overtime and are covered by Part 4 of the Employment Act (EA), employers will need to comply with the EA requirement for OT rate of pay, which is at least 1.5 times the basic rate of pay. In addition to the EA requirement, employers will also need to comply with the OPW OT gross wage requirement, which the NWC has set to safeguard the interests of full-time workers for OT work.

a. For workers covered by Part 4 of the EA, the PWM Gross Wage Requirement will increase with every hour of OT worked beyond 44 working hours/week.³ Please refer to <u>Tables 1-4</u>, which set out the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for each OPW job level (ranging from 0 to 72 hours of OT worked per month).

b. Employers are required to pay the <u>higher</u> of either the EA requirement for OT rate of pay, or the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement.

4. <u>Hourly Gross Wage Requirement for Part-Time Employees.</u> Part-time workers shall be paid based on pro-rated PWM gross wages. The formula to compute the PWM hourly gross wage for part-timers (who work less than 35 hours a week) is as follows:

Hourly Gross Wage = $\frac{\text{Full-Time Monthly Gross Wage (assuming no OT) × 12 months}}{52 \text{ weeks × 44 hours}}$

5. <u>Enforcement.</u> OPW wage requirements will be enforced through employers' eligibility for Work Passes. Employers who hire foreign workers on mainstream Work Passes (i.e., Work Permit, S Pass, Employment Pass) must comply with the stipulated OPW requirements, as well as any other applicable PWM or LQS requirements, in order to apply for new Work Passes (e.g., Work Permit, S Pass, Employment Pass) or renew existing Work Passes.

³ For workers who are <u>not</u> covered by Part 4 of the EA, the OPW OT gross wage requirements do not apply.

Please refer to <u>Tables 1-4</u> for the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for each OPW job level.

Part 4 of the EA stipulates that the maximum number OT hours allowed in a given month is 72 hours. For compliance with the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement, overtime hours worked in a month will be rounded down to the nearest whole number. For example, for an employee who works 2.8 OT hours in the month, the employer is to adhere to the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for 2 OT hours that month.

In addition, Part 4 of the EA for overtime rates of pay to be at least 1.5 times the basic rate of pay continues to apply. Employers are required to pay the higher of either the EA requirement for OT rate of pay, or the Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement.

<u>Table 1</u> Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for OPW Job Level: <u>Administrative Assistant</u>			
Month	30 June 2025	30 June 2026	
0	\$1,800	\$1,980	
(Baseline)			
1	\$1,813	\$1,994	
2	\$1,826	\$2,009	
3	\$1,839	\$2,023	
4	\$1,852	\$2,038	
5	\$1,866	\$2,052	
6	\$1,879	\$2,067	
7	\$1,892	\$2,081	
8	\$1,905	\$2,096	
9	\$1,918	\$2,110	
10	\$1,932	\$2,125	
11	\$1,945	\$2,139	
12	\$1,958	\$2,154	
13	\$1,971	\$2,168	
14	\$1,985	\$2,183	
15	\$1,998	\$2,197	
16	\$2,011	\$2,212	
17	\$2,024	\$2,227	
18	\$2,037	\$2,241	

19	\$2,051	\$2,256
20	\$2,064	\$2,270
21	\$2,077	\$2,285
22	\$2,090	\$2,299
23	\$2,104	\$2,314
24	\$2,117	\$2,328
25	\$2,130	\$2,343
26	\$2,143	\$2,357
27	\$2,156	\$2,372
28	\$2,170	\$2,386
29	\$2,183	\$2,401
30	\$2,196	\$2,415
31	\$2,209	\$2,430
32	\$2,223	\$2,444
33	\$2,236	\$2,459
34	\$2,249	\$2,474
35	\$2,262	\$2,488
36	\$2,275	\$2,503
37	\$2,289	\$2,517
38	\$2,302	\$2,532
39	\$2,315	\$2,546
40	\$2,328	\$2,561
41	\$2,342	\$2,575
42	\$2,355	\$2,590
43	\$2,368	\$2,604
44	\$2,381	\$2,619
45	\$2,394	\$2,633
46	\$2,408	\$2,648
47	\$2,421	\$2,662
48	\$2,434	\$2,677
49	\$2,447	\$2,691
50	\$2,461	\$2,706
51	\$2,474	\$2,721
52	\$2,487	\$2,735
53	\$2,500	\$2,750
54	\$2,513	\$2,764
55	\$2,527	\$2,779

56	\$2,540	\$2,793
57	\$2,553	\$2,808
58	\$2,566	\$2,822
59	\$2,579	\$2,837
60	\$2,593	\$2,851
61	\$2,606	\$2,866
62	\$2,619	\$2,880
63	\$2,632	\$2,895
64	\$2,646	\$2,909
65	\$2,659	\$2,924
66	\$2,672	\$2,938
67	\$2,685	\$2,953
68	\$2,698	\$2,968
69	\$2,712	\$2,982
70	\$2,725	\$2,997
71	\$2,738	\$3,011
72	\$2,751	\$3,026

Table 2			
	Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for OPW Job Level: <u>Administrative Executive</u>		
Overtime Hours in a Month	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026	
0	\$2,390	\$2,580	
(Baseline)			
1	\$2,407	\$2,598	
2	\$2,425	\$2,617	
3	\$2,442	\$2,636	
4	\$2,460	\$2,655	
5	\$2,477	\$2,674	
6	\$2,495	\$2,693	
7	\$2,512	\$2,712	
8	\$2,530	\$2,731	
9	\$2,547	\$2,750	
10	\$2,565	\$2,769	
11	\$2,582	\$2,788	
12	\$2,600	\$2,807	
13	\$2,618	\$2,826	
14	\$2,635	\$2,845	
15	\$2,653	\$2,864	
16	\$2,670	\$2,883	
17	\$2,688	\$2,901	
18	\$2,705	\$2,920	
19	\$2,723	\$2,939	
20	\$2,740	\$2,958	
21	\$2,758	\$2,977	
22	\$2,775	\$2,996	
23	\$2,793	\$3,015	
24	\$2,810	\$3,034	
25	\$2,828	\$3,053	
26	\$2,846	\$3,072	
27	\$2,863	\$3,091	
28	\$2,881	\$3,110	
29	\$2,898	\$3,129	

30	\$2,916	\$3,148
31	\$2,933	\$3,167
32	\$2,951	\$3,186
33	\$2,968	\$3,205
34	\$2,986	\$3,223
35	\$3,003	\$3,242
36	\$3,021	\$3,261
37	\$3,038	\$3,280
38	\$3,056	\$3,299
39	\$3,074	\$3,318
40	\$3,091	\$3,337
41	\$3,109	\$3,356
42	\$3,126	\$3,375
43	\$3,144	\$3,394
44	\$3,161	\$3,413
45	\$3,179	\$3,432
46	\$3,196	\$3,451
47	\$3,214	\$3,470
48	\$3,231	\$3,489
49	\$3,249	\$3,508
50	\$3,267	\$3,527
51	\$3,284	\$3,545
52	\$3,302	\$3,564
53	\$3,319	\$3,583
54	\$3,337	\$3,602
55	\$3,354	\$3,621
56	\$3,372	\$3,640
57	\$3,389	\$3,659
58	\$3,407	\$3,678
59	\$3,424	\$3,697
60	\$3,442	\$3,716
61	\$3,459	\$3,735
62	\$3,477	\$3,754
63	\$3,495	\$3,773
64	\$3,512	\$3,792
65	\$3,530	\$3,811
66	\$3,547	\$3,830

67	\$3,565	\$3,848
68	\$3,582	\$3,867
69	\$3,600	\$3,886
70	\$3,617	\$3,905
71	\$3,635	\$3,924
72	\$3,652	\$3,943

Table 3			
Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for OPW Job Level: <u>General Driver</u>			
Overtime Hours in a Month	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026	
0	\$1,970	\$2,190	
(Baseline)			
1	\$1,984	\$2,206	
2	\$1,998	\$2,222	
3	\$2,013	\$2,238	
4	\$2,027	\$2,254	
5	\$2,042	\$2,270	
6	\$2,056	\$2,286	
7	\$2,071	\$2,302	
8	\$2,085	\$2,318	
9	\$2,100	\$2,334	
10	\$2,114	\$2,350	
11	\$2,129	\$2,366	
12	\$2,143	\$2,383	
13	\$2,157	\$2,399	
14	\$2,172	\$2,415	
15	\$2,186	\$2,431	
16	\$2,201	\$2,447	
17	\$2,215	\$2,463	
18	\$2,230	\$2,479	
19	\$2,244	\$2,495	
20	\$2,259	\$2,511	
21	\$2,273	\$2,527	
22	\$2,288	\$2,543	
23	\$2,302	\$2,560	
24	\$2,317	\$2,576	
25	\$2,331	\$2,592	
26	\$2,345	\$2,608	
27	\$2,360	\$2,624	
28	\$2,374	\$2,640	
29	\$2,389	\$2,656	

30	\$2,403	\$2,672
31	\$2,418	\$2,688
32	\$2,432	\$2,704
33	\$2,447	\$2,720
34	\$2,461	\$2,737
35	\$2,476	\$2,753
36	\$2,490	\$2,769
37	\$2,505	\$2,785
38	\$2,519	\$2,801
39	\$2,533	\$2,817
40	\$2,548	\$2,833
41	\$2,562	\$2,849
42	\$2,577	\$2,865
43	\$2,591	\$2,881
44	\$2,606	\$2,897
45	\$2,620	\$2,914
46	\$2,635	\$2,930
47	\$2,649	\$2,946
48	\$2,664	\$2,962
49	\$2,678	\$2,978
50	\$2,693	\$2,994
51	\$2,707	\$3,010
52	\$2,721	\$3,026
53	\$2,736	\$3,042
54	\$2,750	\$3,058
55	\$2,765	\$3,074
56	\$2,779	\$3,091
57	\$2,794	\$3,107
58	\$2,808	\$3,123
59	\$2,823	\$3,139
60	\$2,837	\$3,155
61	\$2,852	\$3,171
62	\$2,866	\$3,187
63	\$2,880	\$3,203
64	\$2,895	\$3,219
65	\$2,909	\$3,235
66	\$2,924	\$3,251

67	\$2,938	\$3,268
68	\$2,953	\$3,284
69	\$2,967	\$3,300
70	\$2,982	\$3,316
71	\$2,996	\$3,332
72	\$3,011	\$3,348

<u>Table 4</u>			
Total PWM Gros	Total PWM Gross Wage Requirement for OPW Job Level: <u>Specialised Driver</u>		
Overtime Hours in a Month	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025	1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026	
0	\$2,085	\$2,320	
(Baseline)			
1	\$2,099	\$2,335	
2	\$2,113	\$2,351	
3	\$2,127	\$2,367	
4	\$2,141	\$2,383	
5	\$2,156	\$2,399	
6	\$2,170	\$2,414	
7	\$2,184	\$2,430	
8	\$2,198	\$2,446	
9	\$2,212	\$2,462	
10	\$2,227	\$2,478	
11	\$2,241	\$2,494	
12	\$2,255	\$2,509	
13	\$2,269	\$2,525	
14	\$2,284	\$2,541	
15	\$2,298	\$2,557	
16	\$2,312	\$2,573	
17	\$2,326	\$2,588	
18	\$2,340	\$2,604	
19	\$2,355	\$2,620	
20	\$2,369	\$2,636	
21	\$2,383	\$2,652	
22	\$2,397	\$2,668	
23	\$2,412	\$2,683	
24	\$2,426	\$2,699	
25	\$2,440	\$2,715	
26	\$2,454	\$2,731	
27	\$2,468	\$2,747	
28	\$2,483	\$2,762	
29	\$2,497	\$2,778	

30	\$2,511	\$2,794
31	\$2,525	\$2,810
32	\$2,540	\$2,826
33	\$2,554	\$2,842
34	\$2,568	\$2,857
35	\$2,582	\$2,873
36	\$2,596	\$2,889
37	\$2,611	\$2,905
38	\$2,625	\$2,921
39	\$2,639	\$2,936
40	\$2,653	\$2,952
41	\$2,668	\$2,968
42	\$2,682	\$2,984
43	\$2,696	\$3,000
44	\$2,710	\$3,016
45	\$2,724	\$3,031
46	\$2,739	\$3,047
47	\$2,753	\$3,063
48	\$2,767	\$3,079
49	\$2,781	\$3,095
50	\$2,796	\$3,111
51	\$2,810	\$3,126
52	\$2,824	\$3,142
53	\$2,838	\$3,158
54	\$2,852	\$3,174
55	\$2,867	\$3,190
56	\$2,881	\$3,205
57	\$2,895	\$3,221
58	\$2,909	\$3,237
59	\$2,923	\$3,253
60	\$2,938	\$3,269
61	\$2,952	\$3,285
62	\$2,966	\$3,300
63	\$2,980	\$3,316
64	\$2,995	\$3,332
65	\$3,009	\$3,348
66	\$3,023	\$3,364

67	\$3,037	\$3,379
68	\$3,051	\$3,395
69	\$3,066	\$3,411
70	\$3,080	\$3,427
71	\$3,094	\$3,443
72	\$3,108	\$3,459

Training requirements from March 2024

There is no change to the existing OPW training requirements, which were implemented from March 2023.

Employers are required to ensure that all resident OPW employees attain either:

- a. One Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) course, with no restriction on which course can be taken; or
- b. One in-house training programme
 - An in-house training programme refers to a training programme organised by employers themselves and guided by defined training objectives, training modality, key training tasks, and training duration.
 - Where required, employers should be prepared to show supporting documentation on the in-house training programme (i) defined training objectives, (ii) training modality, (iii) key training tasks, (iv) training duration (e.g., no. of days) and records of specific workers undergoing the training.
 - On-the-job training can be counted towards in-house training programme requirement, as long as it fulfils the criteria set out above.

Employers are given a grace period to comply with the OPW training requirements:

- a. <u>For existing employees</u>, employers are given a grace period of one year from the start of the OPW implementation in March 2023 (i.e., up to 29 February 2024) to comply with the training requirement.
- b. <u>For new hires</u>, employers are to comply with the OPW training requirement within a grace period of six months from the new hire's date of employment.