

When calculating your base rate of pay the following rules apply in your circumstances:

16 Meaning of *base rate of pay*

General meaning

- (1) The ***base rate of pay*** of a national system employee is the rate of pay payable to the employee for his or her ordinary hours of work, but not including any of the following:
- (a) incentive-based payments and bonuses;
 - (b) loadings;
 - (c) monetary allowances;
 - (d) overtime or penalty rates;
 - (e) any other separately identifiable amounts.

147 Ordinary hours of work

A modern award must include terms specifying, or providing for the determination of, the ordinary hours of work for each classification of employee covered by the award and each type of employment permitted by the award.

Note: An employee's ordinary hours of work are significant in determining the employee's entitlements under the National Employment Standards.