Division 6—Base rate of pay under enterprise agreements

206 Base rate of pay under an enterprise agreement must not be less than the modern award rate or the national minimum wage order rate etc.

If an employee is covered by a modern award that is in operation

- (1) If:
 - (a) an enterprise agreement applies to an employee; and
 - (b) a modern award that is in operation covers the employee; the base rate of pay payable to the employee under the agreement (the *agreement rate*) must not be less than the base rate of pay that would be payable to the employee under the modern award (the *award rate*) if the modern award applied to the employee.
- (2) If the agreement rate is less than the award rate, the agreement has effect in relation to the employee as if the agreement rate were equal to the award rate.

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Meaning of modern award minimum wages

- (3) *Modern award minimum wages* are the rates of minimum wages in modern awards, including:
 - (a) wage rates for junior employees, employees to whom training arrangements apply and employees with a disability; and
 - (b) casual loadings; and
 - (c) piece rates.

50 Contravening an enterprise agreement

A person must not contravene a term of an enterprise agreement.

Note 1: This section is a civil remedy provision (see Part 4-1).

Note 2: A person does not contravene a term of an enterprise agreement unless the

agreement applies to the person: see subsection 51(1).

51 The significance of an enterprise agreement applying to a person

- (1) An enterprise agreement does not impose obligations on a person, and a person does not contravene a term of an enterprise agreement, unless the agreement applies to the person.
- (2) An enterprise agreement does not give a person an entitlement unless the agreement applies to the person.