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BETWEEN

WEST PARK HOSPITAL  
(SERVICE FULL-TIME)

- AND -

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 204  
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BETWEEN:

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(hereinafter referred to as the "Employer")

- and -

SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 204  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Union")

**ARTICLE 1 - PURPOSE**

1.01 The purpose of this Agreement is to establish an orderly collective bargaining relationship between the Employer and the Employees which will not interfere with the successful operation of the West Park Hospital as a **public service** institution intended to provide adequate Hospital and Clinical Services to the general public.

**ARTICLE 2 - SCOPE AND RECOGNITION**

2.01 The Hospital recognizes the Union as the sole bargaining agent for all of its employees employed by West Park Hospital in Metropolitan Toronto save and except professional medical staff, Registered Nurses, Graduate Nurses, undergraduate Nurses (R.N.), graduate Pharmacists, under graduate Pharmacists, graduate Dietitians, undergraduate Dietitians, technical personnel, allied health professionals, undergraduate allied health professionals, research staff, laboratory staff, radiology staff, paramedical staff (except R.N.A.'s), supervisors, forepersons and persons above the rank of supervisor and foreperson, office and clerical employees, all others covered by existing Collective Agreements and persons regularly employed for not more than 24 hours per week.

2.02 The Union is hereby established as the sole collective bargaining agency for the employees, and the Employer undertakes that it will not enter into any other Agreement or Contract with **the** employees, either individually or collectively which will conflict with any of the provisions of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 3 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

3.01 The Union acknowledges that **it is** the **exclusive** function of the Employer to:

- (a) maintain order, discipline and efficiency, and to establish and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the health and conduct of employees, which

rules and regulations may be primarily designed to safeguard the interests of patients and other persons in the Hospital or Hospital grounds:

- (b) hire, discharge, transfer, promote, demote, or discipline employees, provided that a claim of discriminatory promotion, demotion or transfer or a claim that a non-probationary employee has been discharged or disciplined without just and sufficient cause may be the subject of a grievance and dealt with as hereinafter provided;
- (c) to manage and operate the Hospital in all respects in accordance with its obligations and without restricting the quality of the foregoing to determine the kinds and locations of machines, equipment to be used for any particular job, the allocation and numbers of employees required from time to time, the specific duties to be performed by them, the standards of performance for all employees and all other matters concerning Hospital operations.
- (d) generally to operate West Park Hospital in a manner consistent with the obligations of the Employer to the general public in the communities served.

#### **ARTICLE 4 --DEFINITIONS**

##### **4.01 Temporary Employees**

Employees may be hired for a specified term, not to exceed six (6) months, to replace an employee on leave or to perform a special non-recurring task. This term may be extended a further six (6) months on mutual agreement of the Union, employee and Hospital. The period of employment of such persons will not exceed the absentee's leave. The release or discharge of such persons shall not be the subject of a grievance or arbitration.

This clause would not preclude such employees from using the job posting provision under the Collective Agreement and any successful applicant who has completed his probation period will be credited with the appropriate seniority.

The Hospital will outline to employees selected to fill such temporary vacancies and the Union, the circumstances giving rise to the vacancy, and the special conditions relating to such employment.

## ARTICLE 5 - UNION SECURITY

### 5.01 Union Dues

As a condition of employment, the Hospital will deduct from each employee covered by this Agreement an amount equal to the regular monthly dues designated by the Union,

Such **dues** shall be deducted from the first pay of each month for **full-time** employees, and may be deducted from every pay for part-time employees. In the case of newly hired employees, such deductions shall commence in the month following their date of hire.

The amount of the regular monthly dues shall be those authorized by the Union and the Union shall notify the Hospital of any changes therein and such notification shall be the Hospital's conclusive authority to make the deductions specified.

In consideration of the deducting of Union dues by the Hospital, the Union agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Hospital against any claims or liabilities arising or resulting from the operation of this Article.

Dues deducted by the 15th of the month shall be remitted monthly to the Union, no later than the end of the month in which the dues were deducted.

### 5.02 Interview Period

- (a) New employees hired by the Employer shall be required to have a fifteen (15) minute interview with a representative of the Union on completion of the probationary period.
- (b) The interview referred to in 5.02 above will take place without a representative of the Employer present, except that, in the event of complaints arising from employees concerning undue pressure by the Union, an Employer representative may be present at subsequent interviews, but not before the matter has been fully discussed with the Union.

### 5.03 Employee Lists

The Hospital will supply the Union with the addresses of new employees when they are placed on the check-off list for the first **time**. Social Insurance Number (where available) will also be included.

## ARTICLE 6 - NO STRIKE/LOCKOUT

6.01 The Union agrees that it will not cause, direct or consent to any strike, slow-down, sit-down or other like collective action on the part of any of the employees. The Employer agrees that there will be no lockout of employees or other similar action for the duration of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 7 - UNION REPRESENTATION AND COMMITTEES

### 7.01 Grievance Committee

- (a) The Hospital will recognize a Grievance Committee composed of the Chief Steward and not more than 8 employees selected by the Union who have completed their probationary period. A general representative of the Union may be present at any meeting of the Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to deal with complaints or grievances as set out in this Collective Agreement.
- (b) The Union shall keep the Hospital notified in writing of the names of the members of the Grievance Committee appointed or selected under this Article as well as the effective date of their respective appointments.
- (c) A Committee member shall suffer no loss of earnings for time spent during their regular scheduled working hours in attending grievance meetings with the Hospital up to, but not including arbitration. The number of employees on the Grievance Committee shall be determined locally.

### 7.02 Union Stewards

- (a) The Hospital agrees to recognize Union stewards to be elected or appointed from amongst employees in the bargaining unit who have completed their probationary period for the purpose of dealing with Union business as provided under this Collective Agreement.
- (b) A Chief Steward may be appointed or elected. The Chief Steward may, in the absence of any steward, assist in the presentation of any grievance, or with any steward function,,
- (c) The Union shall keep the Hospital notified in writing of the names of Union Stewards appointed or selected under this Article as well as the effective date of their respective appointments.
- (d) It is agreed that Union stewards have their regular duties and responsibilities to perform for the



Hospital and shall not leave their regular duties without first obtaining permission from their immediate supervisor. If, in the performance of his duties, a Union steward is required to enter an area within the Hospital in which he is not originally employed, he shall report his presence to the supervisor in the area immediately upon entering it. Such permission shall not be unreasonably withheld. When resuming his regular duties and responsibilities, such steward shall again report to his immediate supervisor. A Union steward shall suffer no loss of earnings for time spent in performing the above duties during his regular scheduled working hours.

- (e) Nothing in this Article shall preclude full-time stewards from representing part-time employees and vice versa.
- (f) The number of stewards and the areas which they represent{ are to be determined locally.
- (g) The Employer will recognize up to nine (9) Union Stewards one of whom shall be the Chief Steward, selected by the Union, not more than two (2) of which steward shall meet with management at any one **time**. At least two (2) members of the Steward body will be Registered Nursing Assistants or Nursing Attendants.

#### 7.03 Central Bargaining Committee

- (a) In future central bargaining between the Service Employees International Union and the participating hospitals, an employee serving on the Union's Central Negotiating Committee shall be paid for time lost from his normal straight time working hours at his regular rate of pay and without loss of leave credits for attending central negotiating meetings with the Hospitals' Central Negotiating Committee in direct negotiations up to the point of arbitration. Upon reference to arbitration, the Negotiating Committee members shall receive unpaid time off for the purpose of attending arbitration hearings.
- (b) It is understood and agreed that the maximum number of Union Central Negotiating Committee members entitled to payment under this provision shall be seven, and in no case will more than one employee from a hospital **be** entitled to such payment.
- (c) The Union shall advise the Hospitals' Central Negotiating Committee, before negotiations commence, of those employees to be paid under this provision. The Hospitals Central Negotiating Committee shall advise the seven Hospitals accordingly.

#### 7.04 Local Negotiating Committee

- (a) The Hospital agrees to recognize a Negotiating Committee comprising of 5 members to be elected, or appointed from amongst employees in the bargaining unit, who have completed their probationary period.
- (b) Where the Hospital participates in central bargaining the purpose of the Negotiating Committee shall be to negotiate local issues as defined.
- (c) Where the Hospital does not participate in central bargaining, the purpose of the Negotiating Committee shall be to negotiate a renewal of this Collective Agreement.
- (d) The Hospital agrees that the members of the Negotiating Committee shall suffer no loss of earnings for time spent during their regular scheduled working hours in attending such negotiating meetings with the Hospital up to, but not including, arbitration.
- (e) Nothing in this provision is intended to preclude the Union Negotiating Committee from having the assistance of any representatives of the Union when negotiating with the Hospital.
- (f) The number of employees on the Negotiating Committee shall be determined locally.

#### ARTICLE 8 - **GRIEVANCE: AND ARBITRATION**

8.01 For the purposes of this Agreement, a grievance or complaint is defined as a difference arising either between a member of the bargaining unit and the Hospital or between the parties hereto relating to the interpretation, application, administration or alleged violation of the Agreement.

8.02 The grievance shall identify the nature of the grievance, the remedy sought, and should, where possible specify the provisions of the Agreement which are alleged to have been violated .

8.03 At the time formal discipline is imposed or at any stage of the grievance procedure an employee shall have the right, upon request, to the presence of his/her steward. In the case of suspension or discharge, the Hospital shall notify the employee of this right in advance.

Where the Hospital deems it necessary to suspend or discharge an employee, the Hospital shall notify the Union of such suspension or discharge in writing, within three (3) days.

8.04 It is the **mutual** desire of the parties hereto that complaints shall be adjusted as quickly as possible, and it is understood that an employee has no grievance until he has first given his immediate supervisor the opportunity of adjusting his complaint. The grievor may have the assistance of a union steward if he so desires.

Such complaint shall be discussed with his immediate supervisor within five (5) days after the circumstances giving rise to it have occurred or ought reasonably to have come to the attention of the employee.

Failing settlement within the five (5) days, it shall then be taken up as a grievance within five (5) days following his immediate supervisor's decision in the following manner and sequence:

#### Step 1

The employee shall submit the grievance, in writing, and signed by him, to his immediate supervisor. The employee may be accompanied by a Union steward. The immediate supervisor will deliver his decision in writing within five (5) days following the day on which the written grievance was presented to him. Failing settlement then:

#### Step 2

Within five (5) days following the decision under Step 1 the employee, accompanied by a union steward, or the union steward shall submit the written grievance to his Department Head, who will deliver his decision in writing within five (5) days following the day on which the grievance was presented to him.

This step may be omitted where the employee's immediate supervisor and Department Head are the same person. Failing settlement then:

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Within five (5) days following the decision in the immediately preceding step, the grievance shall be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive Officer of the Hospital or the designated Hospital representative.

A meeting will then be held between the Chief Executive Officer or the designated Hospital representative and the designated union representatives who may be accompanied by the general representative of the Union, within five (5) days of the submission of the grievance at Step 3, unless extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

The decision of the Hospital shall **be** delivered in writing within ten (10) days following the date of such meeting.

#### 8.05 Policy Grievance

A complaint or grievance arising directly between the Hospital and the Union concerning the interpretation, application or alleged violation of the Agreement shall be originated at Step 3 within ten (10) days following the circumstances giving rise to the grievance.

It is expressly understood, however, that the provisions of this Article may not be used with respect to a grievance directly affecting an employee which he could have instituted himself and the regular grievance procedure shall not be thereby by-passed.

Where the grievance is a Hospital grievance it shall be filed with the Grievance Committee.

#### 8.06 Group Grievance

Where a number of employees have identical grievances, and each one would be entitled to grieve separately, they **may** present a group grievance, in writing, identifying each employee who is grieving, to the Department Head, or his designate within ten (10) **days** after the circumstances giving rise to the grievance have occurred. The grievance shall then be treated as being initiated at Step 2 and the applicable provisions of this Article shall then apply with respect to the handling of such grievance.

#### 8.07 Discharge -Grievance

If an employee, who has completed his probationary period, claims that he has been unjustly discharged, such claim **must be** submitted by the **employee**, who may be accompanied by a union steward, or by the union steward at Step 3 of the grievance procedure to the Hospital within five (5) days following the date the discharge is effective.

Such grievance may be settled under the Grievance and Arbitration procedure by:

- (a) confirming the Hospital's action in discharging the employee, or
- (b) reinstating the employee with up to full seniority for time lost and up to full compensation for time lost,
- (c) any other arrangement which **may** be deemed just and equitable.

8.08 Failing settlement under the foregoing procedure, any grievance may be submitted to arbitration as hereinafter provided. If no written request for arbitration is received within ten (10) days after the decision under Step 3 is given, the grievance shall be deemed to have been abandoned.

8.09 All agreements reached, under the grievance procedure, between the representatives of the Hospital and representatives of the Union will be final and binding upon the Hospital, the Union and the employee(s).

8.10 When either party requests that any matter be submitted to Arbitration as provided in this Article, it shall make such request in writing addressed to the other party to this Agreement, and at the same time appoint a nominee. Within five (5) days thereafter, the other party shall appoint its nominee, provided however, that if such party fails to appoint its nominee as herein required, the Minister of Labour for the Province of Ontario shall have the power to make such appointment upon application thereto by the party invoking the arbitration procedure. The two nominees shall attempt to agree upon a chairman of the Arbitration Board. If they are unsuccessful in agreeing upon such a chairman within a period of ten (10) days of the appointment of the second nominee, they shall then request the Minister of Labour for the Province of Ontario to appoint a chairman.

8.11 No person may be appointed to the Arbitration Board who has been involved in an attempt to negotiate or settle the grievance.

8.12 The Arbitration Board shall not be authorized to make any decision inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement, nor to alter, modify, add to or amend any part of this Agreement.

8.13 No matter may be submitted to arbitration which has not been properly carried through all requisite steps of the Grievance Procedure.

8.14 The proceedings of the Arbitration Board will be expedited by the parties hereto and the decision of the majority, and where there is no majority, the decision of the Chairman, will be final and binding upon the parties hereto and the employee or employees concerned.

8.15 Each of the parties hereto will bear the expense of the nominee appointed by it and the parties will share equally the fees and expenses, if any, of the Chairman of the Arbitration Board.

8.16 Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays are not to be counted in the time limits as set out in this Article.

8.17 Wherever Arbitration Board is referred to in the Agreement, the parties hereto **may mutually** agree in writing, to substitute a single arbitrator for the Arbitration Board at the **time** of reference to arbitration and the other provisions referring to Arbitration Board shall appropriately apply.

## ARTICLE 9 - SENIORITY

### 9.01 Probationary Period

A new employee will be considered on probation until he has completed forty-five days of work within any twelve calendar months. Upon completion of the probationary period he shall be credited with seniority equal to forty-five working days. With the written consent of the Hospital, the probationary employee and the president of the local union or designate, such probationary period may be extended. Any extension agreed to will be in writing and will specify the length of the extension. The release or discharge of an employee during the probationary period shall not be the subject of a grievance or arbitration and is at the sole discretion of the Hospital.

### 9.02 Definition of Seniority

Full-time employees will **accumulate** seniority on the basis of their continuous service in the bargaining unit from the last date of hire, except as otherwise provided herein.

Seniority will operate on a bargaining unit wide basis.

Notwithstanding the above, employees hired prior to October 10, 1986 will be credited with the seniority they held under the Agreement expiring November 15, 1985 and will thereafter **accumulate** seniority in accordance with this Article,

### 9.03 Transfer of Service and Seniority

Effective October 10, 1986, and for employees who transfer subsequent to October 10, 1986, an employee whose **status is** changed from **full-time** to part-time shall receive credit for his/her full service and seniority. An employee whose **status is** changed from part-time to full-time shall receive credit for seniority and service on the basis of one (1) year equals 1725 hours worked, and will be enrolled in the employee benefit plans subject to meeting any waiting period or other requirements of those plans.

Employees hired prior to October 10, 1986 will be credited with the service and seniority they held under the Collective Agreement expiring November 15, 1985.

#### 9.04 Loss of Seniority

An employee shall lose all seniority and shall be deemed terminated if:

- (a) employee quits;
- (b) employee is discharged and the discharge is not reversed through the grievance and arbitration procedure;
- (c) employee is absent from scheduled work for a period of three (3) or more consecutive working days without notifying the Hospital of such absence and providing a reason satisfactory to the Hospital;
- (d) employee fails to return to work upon the expiration of a leave of absence or utilizes a leave of absence for a purpose other than that for which it was granted;
- (e) employee has been laid off for twenty-four (24) months;
- (f) employee fails upon being notified of a recall to signify his intention to return within five (5) working days after he has received the notice of recall, and fails to report to work within ten (10) working days after he has received the notice of recall;
- (g) employee is absent due to illness or disability which absence continues for thirty (30) calendar months from the time the disability or illness commenced.

Note: This clause shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Ontario Human Rights Code.

#### 9.05 Effect of Absence

- (a) It is understood that during an approved unpaid absence not exceeding thirty (30) continuous days or any approved absence paid by the Hospital, both seniority and service will accrue.
- (b) During an unpaid absence exceeding thirty (30) continuous calendar days, credit for service for purposes of salary increment, vacation, sick leave, or any other benefits under any provisions of the Collective Agreement or elsewhere, shall be suspended for the period of the absence in excess of thirty (30) continuous calendar days, the benefits concerned appropriately reduced on a pro rata basis and the

employee's anniversary date adjusted accordingly, In addition, the employee will become responsible for full payment of subsidized employee benefits in which he/she is participating for the period of absence except that the Hospital will continue to pay its share of the premiums for up to eighteen (18) months while an employee is in receipt of W.C.B. benefits. Notwithstanding this provision, service shall accrue for a period of fifteen (15) weeks if an employee's absence is due to a disability resulting in W.C.B. benefits.

- (c) It is further understood that during such unpaid absence,, credit for seniority for purposes of promotion, demotion, transfer, or layoff shall be suspended and not accrue during the period of absence. Notwithstanding this provision seniority shall accrue for a period of eighteen (18) months if an employee's absence is due to disability resulting in W.C.B. benefits or LTD benefits, or for a period of one (1) year if an employee's unpaid absence is due to an illness,,

9.06 The Employer undertakes to observe the seniority of employees so far as it is practicable to do so having regard for the fact that employees are assisting in the operation of a Hospital which must be operated with primary concern for the health and welfare of its patients and other persons in the Hospital or Hospital grounds.

9.07 The Employer undertakes to provide the Union upon request with seniority listings, but not more than twice each year.

9.08 Both parties agree that the relative ability and willingness of an employee shall be the primary consideration in all matters arising out of this section.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - JOB SECURITY**

10.01(a) With respect to the development of any operating or re-structuring plan which may affect the bargaining unit, the Union shall be involved in the planning process from the early phases through to the final phases of the process.

- (b) Staff Planning Committee

In addition to that, and to any other planning committee in the Hospital of a more broadly representational make-up, there shall be immediately established a Staff Planning Committee for the bargaining unit, which shall meet during the term of this agreement every three months, unless otherwise



mutually agreed by the parties. It shall be the function of the Staff Planning Committee to consider possible ways and means of avoiding or minimizing potential adverse effects upon employees in the bargaining unit, including:

(i) identifying and proposing possible alternatives to any action that the hospital may propose taking;

(ii) identifying and seeking ways to address the retraining needs of employees;

(iii) identifying vacant positions within the Hospital for which surplus members of the bargaining unit might qualify, or such positions which are currently filled but which are expected to become vacant within a twelve (12) month period.

#### Composition

The Committee shall be comprised of equal numbers of representatives of the hospital and from the Union. The number of representatives is to be determined locally, and shall consist of at least two representatives from each party.

Meetings of the Committee shall be held during normal working hours. Representatives attending such meetings during their regularly-scheduled hours of work shall not lose regular earnings as a result of such attendance. The Hospital shall make typing and other such clerical assistance available as required.

Each party shall appoint a co-chair for the Committee. Co-chairs shall chair alternate meetings of the Committee and will be jointly responsible for establishing the agenda of the Committee meetings, preparing minutes and writing such correspondence as the Committee may direct.

#### Disclosure

To allow the Staff Planning Committee to carry out its mandated role under this Article, the Hospital will provide the Committee with pertinent financial and staffing information and with a copy of any reorganization plans which impact on the bargaining unit.

#### Accountability

The Committee shall submit its written recommendations to the Chief Executive Officer of the Hospital and the Board of Trustees. Where there is no consensus within

the Committee, the individual members of the Committee shall be entitled to submit their own recommendations. Any agreement between the Hospital and the Union resulting from the above review concerning the method of implementation will take precedence over the other provisions of this agreement.

#### 10.02 Notice of Lay-off

##### (a) Union

There shall be at least three months' notice to the Union in the event of a proposed lay-off of a permanent or long-term nature of in the event of a substantial bed cut-back or cut-back in service which affects or could affect the bargaining unit.

##### (b) Employees

In the event of a lay-off of a permanent or long-term nature, the Hospital will provide affected employees with two (2) weeks' notice for each year of service to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks, provided the affected employee has more than twelve (12) months' service. Employees with less than twelve (12) months' service will be entitled to notice in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Standards Act. A copy of any notice of lay-off to an employee will be provided to the Union at the same time.

#### 10.03 Severance and Retirement Options

##### (a) Severance Pay

Within the lesser of thirty (30) days from the date of notice of lay-off or the notice provided above an employee with more than twelve (12) months' service with the Hospital who has received notice of lay-off of a permanent or long-term nature may resign, forfeiting the right to notice. Such employees will receive the balance of the notice as severance pay.

##### (b) Retirement Allowance

Within thirty (30) days from the date of notice of lay-off, an employee who has received notice of lay-off of a permanent or long-term nature may retire provided that the employee is eligible to retire under the terms of the Hospitals of Ontario Pension Plan. An employee who chooses this option forfeits her right to notice and will receive severance pay on the basis of one (1) week's pay for each year of service with the Hospital to a maximum of twenty-six (26) weeks on

the basis of the employees normal weekly earnings, In addition, full-time employees will receive a lump sum payment equal to \$1,000.00 for every year less than age 65, to a maximum of \$5,000.00

Note: The Hospital may offer any employee a retirement option as provided above, in order to avoid potential lay-offs in the unit.

(c) **A** full-time employee who has completed one year of service and

(i) whose lay-off is permanent, or

(ii) who is laid off for 26 weeks in any 52 week period, and who has not elected to receive a severance payment under either (a) or (b) of this Article,

shall be entitled to severance pay equal to the greater of two weeks' pay, or one week's pay per year of service to a maximum of 26 weeks' pay. This entitlement shall not **be** in addition to any entitlement to severance pay under the Employment Standards Act, but at the same **time**, shall not preclude an employee from claiming any greater entitlement which that Act may at some point come to provide.

An employee may elect **t o** defer receipt of this severance payment while his or her recall rights are still in effect. Once an employee does opt to receive the severance payment, he or she shall be deemed to have resigned, and his or her recall rights shall be extinguished.

#### 10.04 Regional Staff Planning Committee

The central parties agree to establish Regional Staff Planning Committees to facilitate the redeployment of laid off employees among the Participating Hospitals.

To achieve this objective the Hospital Staff Planning Committee will forward to the Regional Staff Planning Committee a list of the names and addresses of laid off employees who have expressed an interest in working at other Participating Hospitals and who have undertaken skills assessment procedures provided by any government training agency, such as HTAP, that may be in place.

In filling vacancies not filled by bargaining unit members the Hospitals are encouraged to give first consideration to laid off employees who are on the list and who are qualified to perform the work. For benefit-entitlement purposes, it is recognised that hospitals shall be free to grant to any

employees hired through this process full credit for service earned with another hospital.

The size, structure, composition, and activities of each Committee will be mutually determined by the parties, and application will be made to any available funding source for the funding of administrative expenses.

#### 10.05 Lay-off and Recall

(a) In the event of lay-off, the Hospital shall lay off employees in the reverse order of their seniority within their classification, providing that there remain on the job employees who then have the ability to perform the work.

(b) An employee who is subject to lay-off shall have the right to either:

(i) accept the lay-off; or

(ii) displace an employee who has lesser bargaining-unit seniority and who is the least senior employee in a Lower or identical paying classification in the bargaining unit if the employee originally subject to lay-off can perform the duties of the lower or identical classification without training other than orientation. Such employee so displaced shall be laid off.

Note: An identical paying classification shall include any classification where the straight time hourly wage rate at the level of service corresponding to that of the laid off employee is within 1% of the laid off employee's straight time hourly wage rate.

In the event that there are no employees with lesser seniority in lower or identical paying classifications as defined in this Article, a laid off employee will have the right to displace an employee with lesser seniority, who is the least senior employee in a classification where the straight time hourly rate at the level of service corresponding to that of the laid off employee is within 5% of the laid off employee's straight time hourly rate provided he can perform the duties without training other than orientation. Such employee so displaced shall be laid off.

(c) An employee shall have opportunity of recall from a lay-off to an available opening in order of seniority, provided he has the ability to perform the work before such opening is filled on a regular basis under a job posting procedure. The posting procedure in the

collective agreement shall not apply until the recall process has been completed.

- (d) In determining the ability of an employee to perform the work for the purposes of the paragraphs above, the Hospital shall not act in an arbitrary or unfair manner.
- (e) An employee recalled to work in a different classification from which he was laid off shall have the privilege of returning to the position he held prior to the lay-off should it become vacant within six (6) months of being recalled.
- (f) No new employees shall be hired until all those laid off have been given an opportunity to return to work and have failed to do so, in accordance with the loss of seniority provision, or have been found unable to perform the work available.
- (g) It is the sole responsibility of the employee who has been laid off to notify the Hospital of his intention to return to work within five (5) working days (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and paid holidays) after being notified to do so by registered mail, addressed to the last address on record with the Hospital (which notification shall be deemed to have been received on the second day following the date of mailing) and to return to work within ten (10) working days after being notified. The notification shall state the job to which the employee is eligible to be recalled and the date and time at which the employee shall report for work. The employee is solely responsible for his proper address being on record with the Hospital.,
- (h) Employees on lay-off or notice of lay-off shall be given preference for temporary vacancies which are expected to exceed ten (10) working days. An employee who has been recalled to such temporary vacancy shall not be required to accept such recall and may instead remain on lay-off.
- (i) No full-time employee within the bargaining unit shall be laid off by reason of his/her duties being assigned to **one** or more part-time **employees**.
- (j) In the event that a lay-off commenced on the day immediately following a paid holiday, an employee otherwise qualified for holiday pay shall not be disentitled thereto solely because of the day on which the lay-off commenced.

(k) A laid off employee shall retain the rights of recall for a period of twenty-four (24) months from the date of lay-off.

#### 10.06 Benefits on Lay-off

In the event of a lay-off of a full-time employee, the Hospital shall pay its share of insured benefits premium up to three (3) months from the end of the month in which the lay-off occurs or until the laid off employee is employed elsewhere, whichever occurs first.

### ARTICLE 11 -- JOB POSTING

11.01 Where a permanent vacancy occurs in a classification within the bargaining unit or a new position within the bargaining unit is established by the Hospital, such vacancy shall be posted by the Hospital for a period of seven (7) days excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Vacancies created by the filling of an initial permanent vacancy within the bargaining unit shall be posted for a period of three (3) consecutive days excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays. All applications are to be made in writing within the posting period.

11.02 The postings referred to in Article .01 shall stipulate the qualifications, classification, rate of pay, department and shift and a copy shall be provided to the Chief Steward.

11.03 Employees shall be selected for positions under either Article .01 on the basis of their ability, experience and qualifications. Where these factors are relatively equal amongst the employees considered, seniority shall govern providing the successful applicant, if any, is qualified to perform the available work. The name of the successful applicant will be posted on the bulletin board and unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

11.04 Where there are no successful applicants from within this bargaining unit for positions referred to in Article .01 and .02, employees in other SEIU service bargaining units at the Hospital will be considered for such positions prior to considering persons not employed by the Hospital. The employees eligible for consideration shall be limited to those employees who have applied for the position in accordance with Article .01 and .02, and selection shall be made in accordance with Article .03 above.

11.05 Vacancies which are not expected to exceed six (6) months will not be posted and **may** be filled at the discretion of the Hospital. In filling such vacancies consideration shall be given to part-time employees in SEIU service bargaining units who have recorded their interest in writing, prior to considering persons not employed by the Hospital. In considering such

part-time employees the criteria for selection in .03 shall apply. Part-time employees selected to fill a vacancy under this Article will continue to maintain their part-time status and upon completion of the assignment the employee will return to his former position.

11.06 The Hospital shall have the right to fill any vacancy on an interim basis until the posting procedure or the Request for Transfer procedure provided herein has been complied with, and arrangements have been made to assign the employee selected to fill the vacancy to the job. No grievance may be filed concerning such temporary arrangements.

11.07 The successful applicant will be placed in the vacancy for a trial period not exceeding forty-five (45) working days and if the employee proves satisfactory, then he shall be considered permanently assigned to the vacancy. If the employee proves unsatisfactory during that **time**, or if the employee feels he is unable to perform the duties of the vacancy to which he is posted, the employee will be returned to his former position at his former salary or rate of pay, as will any other employee in the Bargaining Unit who was promoted or transferred by reason of such placing. Newly hired employees shall **be** terminated and such termination shall not be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedure.

11.08 Successful applicants and newly hired employees will not be permitted to apply for job postings or any subsequent vacancies for a period of six (6) months, unless otherwise mutually agreed.

## **ARTICLE 12 - NO CONTRACTING OUT**

12.01 The Hospital shall not contract out any work usually performed by members of the bargaining unit if, as a result of such contracting out, a layoff of any employees other -than **casual** part-time employees results from such contracting out. Contracting out to an Employer who is organized and who will employ the employees of the bargaining unit who would otherwise be laid off with similar **terms** and conditions of employment is not a breach of this provision.

12.02 On request by the Union the Hospital will undertake to review contracted services which fall within the work of the bargaining unit. The purpose of the review will be to determine the practicality of increasing the degree to which bargaining unit employees **may be** utilized to deliver such services in the future. The Hospital further agrees that the results of **their** review will be submitted to the Staff Planning Committee for its consideration.

## ARTICLE 13 -- WORK OF THE BARGAINING UNIT

### 13.01 Work of the Bargaining Unit

Employees not covered by the terms of this Agreement will not perform duties normally assigned to those employees who are covered by this Agreement, except for the purposes of instruction, experimentation, or in emergencies when regular employees are not readily available.

Note: The purpose of this clause is the protection of the work of the bargaining unit employees and not the broadening of that work to other areas,,

### 13.02 Employment Agencies

Prior to enlisting the services of an employment agency, the Hospital will attempt to contact part-time staff who would normally perform the duties in question.

### 13.03 Volunteers

- (a) The use of volunteers to do bargaining unit work shall not be expanded beyond the extent of existing practice as of June 1, 1986.
- (b) Where a Hospital plans a drive to increase the number of volunteers, the Union must be given at least thirty (30) days' notice of these plans and a special meeting of the local joint job security committee must be convened at least three (3) weeks prior to the initiation of such a drive.

### 13.04 Ratio of R.N.'s to R.N.A.'s

At the time of considering whether or not to alter the ratio of R.N.'s to R.N.A.'s in any department, the Hospital agrees to consult with the Union in advance of any decision being made and, again in advance of any decision being made, the senior administrator of the Hospital agrees to meet with and to entertain submissions from the Union with respect to the merits of maintaining the existing ratio.

In addition to the above process and apart from it where a change in the ratio is planned by the Hospital and it does not arise because of employee retirement, resignation or death then it can only be carried out following a full and complete disclosure to the Union of the plan of the Hospital and the reasons for it. After full and complete disclosure to the Union the Hospital and Union are to meet and discuss the plan and the reasons with a view to possibly modifying them including maintaining the existing ratio,, The planned change in the ratio cannot be implemented by the Hospital for a period of forty-five (45) days from the date of full and complete disclosure -to the



Union: and only implemented if there has been the consultative process required by this clause carried out in good faith by the Hospital.

#### **ARTICLE 14 - TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE**

14.01 Technological Change means the automation of equipment, or the mechanization or automation of operations, or the replacement of existing equipment or machinery with new equipment or machinery which results in the displacement of an employee from his/her regular job.

14.02 Where the Hospital has decided to introduce a technological change which will significantly alter the **status** of an employee within the bargaining unit, the Hospital undertakes to **meet** with the Union to consider the minimization of adverse effects (if any) upon the employees concerned.

14.03 Where new or greater skills are required than are already possessed by affected employees under the present methods of operation, such employees shall be given a period of training, with due consideration being given to the **employee's** age and previous educational background, during which they may perfect or acquire the skills necessitated by the new method of operation. The employer will assume the cost of tuition and travel. There shall be no reduction in wage or salary rates during the training period of any such **employee**. Training shall be given during the hours of work whenever possible and may extend for up to six (6) months.

14.04 Employees with one (1) or more years of continuous service who are subject to lay-off under conditions referred to above, will **be** given notice of the impending change in employment status at the earliest reasonable time in keeping **with** the notification to the Union as set out above and the requirements of **the** applicable legislation.

14.05 Employees who are pregnant shall not be required to operate VDTs. At their request, the **employer** shall temporarily relocate such **employees** to other appropriate work without loss of employment benefits, but at the wage rate of the job in which the employee is relocated. The determination of the appropriate alternative work shall be at the discretion of the Employer and such discretion shall not be exercised in an **arbitrary or** discriminatory manner. If such work **is not available** or if the employee does not wish to accept the alternative work, the employee may be placed on unpaid leave of absence.

14.06 Each **employee** required to use a VDT more than four (4) hours per day, shall be given eye examinations at the beginning of employment or assignment to VDTs and every twelve (12) months thereafter. The eye examinations shall be paid for by the Hospital where not covered by OHIP.

## ARTICLE 15 - LEAVES OF ABSENCE

### 15.01 Bereavement Leave

An employee who notifies the Hospital as soon as possible following a bereavement shall be granted up to three (3) consecutive days off, without loss of his regular pay for his scheduled hours from the date of the death up to and including the date of the funeral of a member of his immediate family. "Immediate family" means parent, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, guardian or step-parent.

### 15.02 Education Leave

- (a) If required by the Employer, an employee shall be entitled to leave of absence with pay and without loss of seniority and benefits to write examinations to upgrade his or her employment qualifications.
- (b) A leave of absence, without pay, to take further education related to the employee's work with the Hospital may be granted upon written application by the employee to the administration of the Hospital. It is further understood and agreed that the Employer will, wherever its operational requirements permit, endeavour to arrange the shifts of employees attending courses or seminars to permit such attendance.
- (c) Where employees are required by the Hospital to take courses to upgrade or acquire new employment qualifications, the Employer shall pay the full costs associated with the courses.

### 15.03 Jury and Witness Duty

- (a) If an employee is required to serve as a juror in any court of law, or is required to attend as a witness in a court proceeding in which the Crown is a party, or is required by subpoena to attend a court of law or coroner's inquest in connection with a case arising from the employee's duties at the Hospital, the employee shall not lose regular pay because of such attendance provided that the employee:
  - (i) notifies the Hospital immediately on the employee's notification that he will be required to attend at court;
  - (ii) presents proof of service requiring the employee's attendance;

(iii) deposits **with** the Hospital the full amount of compensation received excluding mileage, travelling and meal allowances and an official receipt thereof.

- (b) In addition to the foregoing, where an employee is required by subpoena to attend a court of law or coroner's inquest in connection with a case arising from the employee's duties at the Hospital on his regularly scheduled day off, the Hospital will attempt to reschedule the employee's regular day off, it being understood that any rescheduling shall not result in the payment of any premium pay. Where the Hospital is unable to reschedule the employee and, as a result, he is required to attend on a regular day off, he shall be paid for all hours actually spent at such hearing at the rate of time and one-half his regular straight ~~time~~ hourly rate subject to (i), (ii) and (iii) above.

Where the employee's attendance is required during a different shift than he is scheduled to work that day, the Hospital will attempt to reschedule the shift to include the time spent at such hearing. It is understood that any rescheduling shall not result in the payment of any premium pay.

Where the Hospital is unable to reschedule the employee and, as a result, he is required to attend during other than his regularly scheduled paid hours, he shall be paid for all hours actually spent at such hearing at his straight time hourly rate subject to (i), (ii) and (iii) above.

#### 15.04 Pregnancy Leave

- (a) Pregnancy leave will be granted in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Standards Act, except where amended in this provision. The service requirement for eligibility for pregnancy leave shall be thirteen (13) weeks of continuous service.
- (b) The employee shall give written notification at least two (2) weeks in advance of the date of commencement of such leave and the expected date of return. At such time she shall also furnish the Hospital with the certificate <sup>of</sup> a legally.. qualified medical practitioner stating the expected birth date.
- (c) The employee shall reconfirm her intention to return to work on the date originally approved in subsection (b) above by written notification received by the Hospital at least two (2) weeks in advance thereof.
- (d) Effective on confirmation by the Unemployment Insurance Commission of the appropriateness of the

Hospital's Supplemental Unemployment Benefit (SUB) Plan, an employee who is on pregnancy leave as provided under this Agreement who has applied for and is in receipt of Unemployment Insurance pregnancy benefits pursuant to Section 18 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, shall be paid a supplemental unemployment benefit. That benefit will be equivalent to the difference between seventy-five percent (75%) of her regular weekly earnings and the **sum** of her weekly Unemployment Insurance benefits and any other earnings. Such payment shall commence following completion of the two-week Unemployment Insurance waiting period, and receipt by the Hospital of the employee's Unemployment Insurance cheque stub as proof that she is in receipt of Unemployment Insurance pregnancy benefits, and shall continue while the employee is in receipt of such benefits for a maximum period of fifteen (15) weeks. The employee's regular weekly earnings shall be determined by multiplying her regular hourly rate on her last day worked prior to the commencement of leave times her normal weekly hours plus any wage increase or salary increment that she would be entitled to if she were not on pregnancy leave.

The employee does not have any vested right except to receive payments for the covered unemployment period. The plan provides that payment in respect of guaranteed annual remuneration or in respect of deferred remuneration or severance pay benefits are not reduced or increased by payments received under the plan.

- (e) Credits for service and seniority shall accumulate for a period of up to seventeen (17) weeks while an employee is on pregnancy leave.
- (f) The Hospital will continue to pay its share of the contributions of the subsidized employee benefits, including pension, in which the employee is participating for a period of up to seventeen weeks while the employee is on pregnancy leave.
- (g) Subject to any changes to the **employee's status** which would have occurred had she not been on pregnancy leave, the employee shall be reinstated to her **former** duties, on the same shift in the **same** department, and at the **same** rate of pay.

#### 15.05 Parental Leave

- (a) Parental leaves will **be** granted in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Standards Act, except where amended in -this provision. The service

requirement for eligibility for parental leave shall be thirteen (13) weeks of continuous service.

- (b) An employee, who qualified for parental leave, other than an adoptive parent, shall give written notification at least two (2) weeks in advance of the date of commencement of such leave and the expected date of return.
- (c) An employee who is an adoptive parent shall advise the Hospital as far in advance as possible of having qualified to adopt a child, and shall request the leave of absence, in writing, upon receipt of confirmation of the pending adoption. If, because of late receipt of confirmation of the pending adoption, the employee finds it impossible to request the leave of absence in writing, the request may be made verbally and subsequently verified in writing.

An employee who is an adoptive parent may extend the parental leave for such greater time as may be required by the adoption agency concerned up to a maximum aggregate of six (6) months. Written notice by the employee for such extension will be given at least two (2) weeks prior to the termination of the initially approved leave.

- (d) An employee shall reconfirm his or her intention to return to work on the date originally approved in subsection (b) above by written notification received by the Hospital at least two (2) weeks in advance thereof.
- (e) Effective on November 26, 1992 any employee who is on parental leave as provided under this Agreement who has applied for and is in receipt of Unemployment Insurance parental benefits pursuant to Section 20 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, shall be paid a supplemental unemployment benefit. That benefit will be equivalent to the difference between seventy-five percent (75%) of her regular weekly earnings and the sum of her weekly Unemployment Insurance benefits and any other earnings. Such payment shall commence following completion of the two-week Unemployment Insurance waiting period, and receipt by the Hospital of the employee's Unemployment Insurance cheque stub as proof that she is in receipt of Unemployment Insurance parental benefits and shall continue while the employee is in receipt of such benefits for a maximum period of ten (10) weeks. The employee's regular weekly earnings shall be determined by multiplying her regular hourly rate on her last day worked prior to the commencement of the leave times her normal weekly hours plus any wage increase or

salary increment that she would **be** entitled to if she were not on parental leave.

The **employee** does not have any vested right except to receive payments for the covered unemployment period. The plan provides that payment in respect of guaranteed annual remuneration or in respect **Of** deferred remuneration or severance pay benefits are not reduced or increased by payments received under the plan.

- (f) Credits for service and seniority shall **accumulate** for a period of up to eighteen (18) weeks while an **employee is** on parental leave.
- (g) The Hospital will continue to pay its share of the premiums of the subsidized employee benefits, including pension, in which the employee is participating for a period of up to eighteen (18) weeks while the employee is on parental leave.
- (h) **Subject to** any changes to the employee's status which would have occurred had he or she not been on parental leave, the employee shall be reinstated to his or her former duties, on the same shift in the same department, and at the same rate of pay.

#### 15.06 Full--Time Union Office

Upon application by the Union, in writing, the Hospital will give reasonable consideration to a request for leave of absence, without pay, to an employee elected or appointed to full-time Union office. It is understood that not more than one (1) employee in the bargaining unit may be on such leave at the **same time**. Such leave, if granted, shall **be** for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date of appointment unless extended for a further specific period by agreement of the parties. Seniority and service shall **accumulate** during such leave to the maximum provided, if any, under the provisions of the Collective Agreement. It **will** become the responsibility of the employee for full payment **Of** any applicable benefits in which the employee is participating during such leave of absence.

#### 15.07 Union Leave

- (a) The Hospital shall grant leave of absence without pay to **employees** to attend Union conventions, seminars, education classes or other Union business provided that such leave will not interfere with the efficient operation of the Hospital.
- (b) In requesting such leave of absence for an employee or employees, the Union must give at least twenty-one (21) days clear notice in writing to the Hospital.

- (c) The cumulative total leave of absence, the number of employees that may be absent at any one time from any one area, and the number of days of absence shall be as provided elsewhere in the current local sections of the Agreement (unless altered by local negotiations).
- (d) It is understood the leave of absence shall be for no longer than a two-week period and will not be requested for more than three (3) occasions in one calendar year. Where leave of absence for Union business is requested, it is understood that the Union will not request leave of absence for more than four (4) employees at any one time, and the Union shall be responsible for the payment of wages during the time of absence.
- (e) In addition to the leave of absence set out above, members of the Union Executive Board and/or Council employed by the hospital will be entitled to an additional cumulative leave of absence, without pay, not to exceed ten (10) days per contract year, subject to the conditions set out above, for the purpose of attending Executive and/or Council meetings.

#### 15.08 Personal Leave

- (a) The Employer may grant leave of absence without pay to any employee for specific personal reasons acceptable to the Employer. These will include sickness and accident.
- (b) Employees who are on leave of absence will not be engaged in gainful employment while on such leave, and if an employee does engage in gainful employment while on such leave of absence, he will forfeit all seniority rights and privileges contained in this Agreement.

### ARTICLE 16 - HOURS OF WORK

#### 16.01 Daily and Weekly Hours of Work

- (a) The regular bi-weekly work period for all employees shall be an average of seventy-five (75) hours exclusive of meal times. This means that employees must report to their respective supervisors in uniform and remain in uniform for the full working shift.
- (b) An employee shall not be required to work more than seven and one-half (7 1/2) hours in any consecutive nine (9) hour period,

## 16.02 Rest Periods

- (a) Where employees, other than those employed in the Boiler Room are required to be on duty continuously for an unbroken period the Employer agrees to allow each such employee fifteen (15) minutes relief in each full half scheduled shift without reduction in pay and without increasing the regular working hours.
- (b) When an employee performs authorized overtime work of at least three (3) hours duration, the Hospital will schedule a rest period of fifteen (15) minutes duration.

## 16.03 Time Off Between Shifts

In the case of departments where employees are required to rotate on the day, evening and/or night shifts, the Employer will endeavour to arrange shifts such that there will be a minimum of twenty-three (23) hours between the beginning of shifts and change-over of shifts and of thirty-nine (39) hours if there is one (1) day off and of sixty-three (63) hours if there are two (2) days off between the change-over of shifts.

## 16.04 Weekends Off

In scheduling shifts the Hospital will endeavour to arrange schedules so as to provide for a minimum of eight weekends off in every twenty-four week period, and, in any event, at least one weekend off in each three week period. Where a weekend off is not granted within a three week period, time worked on such third weekend but not subsequent weekends shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half unless the Hospital, notwithstanding its best efforts, was unable to meet this standard. This standard shall not apply where:

- (i) Such weekend work was performed by the employee to satisfy specific days off requested by such employee; or
- (ii) such employee has requested weekend work, or was advised at the time of hire or when the job was posted that the regular schedule normally requires continuous weekend work; or
- (iii) such weekend is worked as a result of an exchange of shifts with another employee; or
- (iv) the Hospital is unable to comply due to a prohibition against scheduling split days off.

16.05 No employee shall be scheduled to work more than seven (7) consecutive days.



16.06 It is understood and agreed that there shall be no pyramiding of overtime premiums under the provisions of the Collective Agreement arising out of the foregoing undertakings.

16.07 Generally employees will not be required to work **more** than two shifts.

16.08 Schedules of work shall be posted no less than one (1) week and preferably two (2) weeks in advance of the commencement of the schedule.

16.09 Each employee shall be allowed thirty (30) minutes for **meals** on his own **time**, and shall be allowed four (4) days off bi-weekly whenever possible, but not necessarily with two (2) consecutive days off weekly,, provided that where the majority of Union employees in any department request through the Union to the Executive Director of the Hospital in writing that the system known as "Rotation Back-Up" be adopted, and in the discretion of the said Executive Director this can be allowed in the department concerned without adversely affecting the functions of the Employer, it shall **be** applied for all Union employees in the department. The "Rotation Back-Up" system will also be available to the Maintenance and Housekeeping Departments on the same basis as provided for above.

16.10 It is understood that the hours of work referred to above include those required to accommodate the change from Daylight Time and vice versa to which the other provisions of the Article dealing **with** hours of work and overtime do not apply. It is further understood that the amount of regular pay for a full normal shift worked shall not be affected by reason of the change in the number of normal hours worked in consequence of such change from Daylight Savings Time to Standard Time and vice versa. The provisions of the Article are intended only to provide a basis for calculating time worked and shall not constitute a guarantee of hours of work per shift or for any period whatsoever nor a guarantee of working schedules.

16.11 The foregoing shall have no application where other scheduling arrangements are provided acceptable to the Employer and the employees affected and approved by the Union.

## ARTICLE 17 -- PREMIUM PAYMENT

### 17.01 Definition of Regular Straight-Time Rate of Pay

For the purposes of ' calculating any benefit or money **payment** under this Agreement to which an employee is entitled, the regular straight **time** rate of pay is that prescribed in Wage Schedule "A" of this Agreement.

#### 17.02 Definition of Overtime (Overtime Premium)

Work performed in excess of seven and one-half (7 1/2) hours in a tour of duty, or in excess of the regular bi-weekly work period as defined in Article 16.01 (a), will be counted as overtime work and will be paid for at the rate of time and one-half computed at the standard rate for the job classification, provided no overtime premium will be paid for **overtime** on an exchange of shifts mutually agreed to between two (2) employees where approved by the Employer.

- (a) It is understood and acknowledged that the Employer has the right to require employees to perform reasonable authorized overtime work.
- (b) Over--time premium will not be duplicated nor pyramided nor shall other premiums be duplicated nor pyramided nor shall the hours worked be counted as part of the normal work week and also as hours for which the overtime premium is paid..

#### 17.03 Reporting Pay

Full-time employees who report for any scheduled shift will be guaranteed at least four (4) hours of work, or if no work is available will be paid at least four (4) hours except when work is not available due to conditions beyond the control of the Hospital. The reporting allowance outlined as herein shall not apply whenever an employee has received not less than one hour's prior notice not to report for work.

#### 17.04 Standby

An employee who is required to remain available for duty on standby, outside the normal working hours for that particular employee, shall receive standby pay in the amount of \$2.10 per hour for all hours on standby.

Standby pay shall, however, cease where an employee is called in to work, and works during the period of standby.

#### 17.05 Call Back

- (a) Where employees are called back to work after having completed a regular shift and prior to the commencement of their next regular shift they shall receive a minimum of four (4) hours of work or four (4) hours pay at the rate of time and one-half their regular hourly earnings. Where call back is immediately prior to the commencement of their regular shift the call back pay will only apply to the point of commencement of a regular shift at the rate of time and one-half after which they shall revert back to the regular shift.

- (b) Call back pay shall cover all calls within the minimum four (4) hour period provided for under (a). If a second call takes place after four (4) hours have elapsed from the time of the first call, it shall be subject to a second call back premium, but in no case shall an **employee collect two call** back premiums within one **such** four (4) hour period, and to the extent that a call back overlaps and extends into the hours of **his** regular shift, (a) shall apply.

If an employee is required to return to the Hospital for any emergency call-in following his regular shift, he shall be paid a minimum of four (4) hours at time and one-half the employee's regular rate of pay, provided that the Employer **may** require the employee to work four (4) hours.

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing an employee who has worked his full shift on a holiday and is called back shall receive the greater of 2 1/2 **times** his regular straight **time** hourly rate for all hours actually worked on such call-back or four (4) hours pay at time and one-half his straight **time** hourly rate, subject to the other provisions set out above.

#### 17.06 Shift Premium

Employees shall be paid a shift premium of forty-five cents (45 cents) per hour for all hours worked where the majority of their scheduled hours fall between 1500 hours and 0700 hours.

#### 17.07 Responsibility Outside the Bargaining Unit

When an employer temporarily assigns an **employee to carry out** the assigned responsibilities of a higher paying classification outside of the bargaining unit for a period in excess of one-half of one (1) shift, the employee shall receive an allowance of three dollars (\$3.00) **for** each shift from the time of the assignment.

#### 17.08 Overtime - Lieu Time

Employees who work **overtime** will not be required to take time off in regular hours to make up for the overtime worked. However, where an **employee** has worked and accumulated approved **overtime** hours (other than **overtime** hours related to paid holidays) such employee shall have the option of electing payment at the applicable **overtime** rate or time off equivalent to the applicable **overtime** rate (i.e. where the applicable rate is **time** and one-half, then time off shall be at one and one-half times). Where an employee chooses the latter option, such time off must be taken within the succeeding two pay periods of the occurrence of the **overtime at a time mutually agreeable to the**

Hospital and the **employee**, or payment in accordance with the former option shall be made.

17.09 Paid Time to Working Time

Employees absent on approved leave, paid by the Employer or by Workers' Compensation Board shall, for the purposes of **com-**puting overtime pay during the work schedule in which the absence occurred, be considered as having worked their regularly scheduled hours during such leave of absence. No pyramiding shall result from the application of this provision.

The foregoing shall also apply in cases of short **term** leaves of absence for Union business approved by the Employer under the applicable provisions of the Collective Agreement where payment is made to the employee by the Union.

17.10 Authorized leave of absence for Union business, sick leave, vacation and statutory and civic holidays shall be considered as time worked in the computation of overtime pay.

17.11 Weekend Premium

Effective October 11, 1992 an employee shall be paid a weekend premium of forty-five cents (\$0.45) per hour for each hour worked between 2400 hours Friday to 2400 hours Sunday or such other forty-eight (48) hour period that the Hospital **may** establish. If an **employee is** receiving premium pay pursuant to a local scheduling regulation with respect to consecutive weekends worked, he/she will not receive weekend premium under this provision.

17.12 A Maintenance classification employee who is assigned to perform work on refrigeration equipment will be paid 50¢ per hour over and above his regular hourly rate of pay while so assigned.

17.13 The Employer may allow an exchange of shifts at the request of two (2) employees provided that its approval is obtained in advance and that no additional cost to the Employer **results** from such exchange of shifts.

ARTICLE 18 - ALLOWANCES

18.01 Meal Allowance

- (a) When an employee is required to and does work for three (3) or more hours of overtime after his normal shift he shall be provided with a hot meal or five dollars (\$5.00) if the Hospital is unable to provide the meal or has been unable to schedule a meal break during the overtime period.

- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, where the overtime assignment is for a period of three (3) hours, no more or less, the employee is not required to take a hot meal, if available, and may claim the five dollars (\$5.00) payment.

#### 18.02 Uniform Allowance

Where uniforms are required, the Hospital shall either supply and launder uniforms or provide a uniform allowance of \$70.00 per year in a lump sum payment in the first pay period of November of each year.

#### 18.03 Transportation Allowance

When an employee is required to travel to the Hospital or to return to her home as a result of reporting to or off work between the hours of 2400-0600 hours, (other than reporting to or off work for her regular shift) or at any time while on standby, the Hospital will pay transportation costs either by taxi or by her own vehicle at the rate of thirty-five cents (35 cents) per mile (to a maximum of fourteen dollars (\$14.00) or such greater amount as the Hospital may in its discretion determine for each trip between the aforementioned hours. The employee will provide to the Hospital satisfactory proof of payment of such taxi fare.

### ARTICLE 19 -- HEALTH AND SAFETY

#### 19.01 Accident Prevention -- Health and Safety Committee

- (a) The Employer and the Union agree that they mutually desire to maintain standards of safety and health in the Hospital in order to prevent accidents, injury and illness.
- (b) Recognizing its responsibilities under the applicable legislation, the Hospital agrees to accept as a member of its Accident Prevention-Health & Safety Committee at least one (1) representative selected or appointed by the Union from amongst bargaining unit employees.
- (c) Such Committee shall identify potential dangers and hazards, institute means of improving health and safety programs and recommend actions to be taken to improve conditions related to safety and health.
- (d) The Hospital agrees to co-operate reasonably in providing necessary information to enable the Committee to fulfill its functions.
- (e) Meetings shall be held every second month or more frequently at the call of the chair if required. The

Committee shall maintain minutes of all meetings and make the **same** available for review.

- (f) Any representative appointed or selected in accordance with (b) hereof shall serve for a term of one (1) calendar year from the date of appointment which may be renewed for further periods of one (1) year. Time off for such representative(s) to attend meetings of the Accident Prevention-Health & Safety Committee in accordance with the foregoing shall be granted and time so spent attending such meetings shall be deemed to be work **time** for which the representative(s) shall be paid by the Hospital at his regular or premium rate as may be applicable.
- (g) The Union agrees to endeavour to obtain the full cooperation of its membership in the observation of all safety rules and practices.
- (h) Pregnant employees may request to be transferred from their current duties if, in the professional opinion of the employee's physician, the pregnancy may be at risk,, If such a transfer is not feasible, the pregnant employee, if she so requests, will be granted an unpaid leave of absence before commencement of the maternity leave referred to in Article 15.04.
- (i) Where the Hospital identifies high risk areas where employees are exposed to Hepatitis B, the Hospital will provide, at no cost to the employees, a Hepatitis B vaccine.

#### 19.02 Protective Clothing

The Hospital agrees to continue its present practices with respect to the provision of protective clothing and safety devices to employees, subject to the provision set out below with respect to safety footwear. The Hospital further agrees to meet directly with the representative of the Union or through the Accident Prevention Committee to discuss the need for any protective clothing or safety equipment in addition to that which the Hospital is presently providing.

Effective September 1, 1988 and on that date for each subsequent year the Hospital will provide \$35.00 per year to each full-time employee who is required 'by the Hospital to wear safety footwear during the course of his duties.

#### ARTICLE 20 - HOLIDAYS

20.01 The following statutory and civic holidays will be recognized as holidays on the day they are officially observed:

New Year's Day  
Good Friday  
Easter Monday  
Victoria Day  
Dominion Day

Civic Holiday  
Labour Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Christmas Day  
Day after Christmas Day  
Third Monday in February

20.02 An employee will be granted one (1) additional holiday for a total of twelve (12). This additional holiday shall be on the anniversary of the Employee's Birthday or within thirty (30) days of such date. In the event that Heritage Day or some other day is proclaimed as a statutory holiday by the Government, such day shall replace the additional holiday. The Anniversary of a Birthday holiday is not a premium pay holiday.

20.03 In order to qualify for payment for the above named holidays, an employee **must** work his regularly scheduled working day immediately prior to and immediately following the holiday unless he is absent on a qualifying day due to illness and such illness is supported **by** a doctor's certificate.

20.04 If one of the above named holidays occurs on an employee's regular day off or during his vacation period, the employee will receive an additional day off in lieu thereof!, such day to be provided within thirty (30) days of the holiday.

20.05 Each employee who otherwise qualifies for the Christmas Day and for the next following New Year's Day, will not be required to work on both of these holidays. If an employee is required to work on one of these holidays, he will not be required to work on the **same** holiday in the next Christmas Day - New Year's Day period.

20.06 For the purposes of this Article, a holiday shall **begin** with the shift commencing at 0700 hours on the day of the holiday and will continue to include such subsequent shift which commences before midnight.

20.07 Where an employee is required to work authorized overtime in excess of his regularly scheduled hours on a paid holiday (but not including hours on a subsequent regularly scheduled shift) such employee shall receive two and one-half times his regular straight time hourly rate for such additional authorized overtime.

20.08 Employees who are required to work on a statutory or civic holiday listed above in 20.01, will receive another day off with pay in lieu of the holiday, plus an extra half-day's pay, provided that where the smooth operations of a department requires, the employee may be paid in lieu of the holiday one and one-half day's extra pay.

20.09 The scheduling of the days as referred to in Article 20.02, 20.04 and 20.08 above will be by mutual agreement and may

be on any day **but** in any event must be taken within the thirty (30) day period as described therein or alternatively the employee will be paid for the day at the discretion of the Employer.

## **ARTICLE 21 -- VACATIONS**

### 21.01 Entitlement and Calculation of Payment

Subject to maintaining any superior conditions concerning entitlement, vacation entitlement shall **be as** follows:

An employee who has completed less than one (1) year of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to two (2) weeks' annual vacation. Payment for such vacation shall be prorated in accordance with his/her service.

An employee who has completed one (1) year but less than three (3) years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to two (2) weeks' annual vacation with pay.

An employee who has completed three (3) years but less than eight (8) years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to three (3) weeks' annual vacation with pay.

Effective in the vacation year where the date for determining vacation entitlement in the individual Hospital falls on or after October 11, 1989 the service requirement for three (3) weeks vacation shall be two (2) or more years of full-time continuous service.

An employee who has completed eight (8) years but less than fifteen (15) years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to four (4) weeks' annual vacation with pay.

Effective in the vacation year where the date for determining vacation entitlement in the individual Hospital falls on or after October 11, 1989, the service requirement for four (4) weeks vacation shall **be** six (6) or more years of full-time continuous service.

Effective in the vacation year where the date for determining vacation entitlement falls on or after October 11, 1990 **the** service requirement for four (4) weeks vacation shall be five (5) or **more** years of full--time continuous service.

An employee who has completed fifteen (15) years **but less** than twenty-five (25) years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to five (5) weeks' annual vacation with pay.



An employee who has completed twenty-five (25) or more years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to six (6) weeks' annual vacation with pay.

Vacation pay shall **be** calculated on the basis of the employees' regular straight **time** rate of pay **times** their normal weekly hours of work, subject to the application of the Effect of Absence provision.

Registered Nursing Assistants who have completed one (1) year of **continuous** service as of June 30th shall be entitled to three (3) weeks annual vacation with pay.

Registered Nursing Assistants who have completed five (5) years of continuous service as of June 30th shall be entitled to four (4) weeks annual vacation with pay.

#### 21.02 Approved Leave of Absence During Vacation

Where an employee's scheduled vacation is interrupted due to serious illness which commenced prior to and continues into the scheduled vacation period, the period of such illness shall be considered sick leave.

Where an employee's scheduled vacation is interrupted due to serious illness requiring the employee to be an in-patient in a hospital, the period of such hospitalization shall **be** considered sick leave.

The portion of the employee's vacation which is deemed to be sick leave under the above provision will not be counted against the employee's vacation credits.

21.03 Where an employee has accumulated vacation with pay credits of -three, four or five weeks, the employee may be required to split vacation into two two-week periods, or other combination, to be taken at different times in order that the operations of the Hospital may not be affected and in order that the desirable vacation time of the year may be **more** equitably distributed.

21.04 All requests by Nursing Personnel for vacation during the peak period 1st June - 30th September should be submitted to -the Nursing Unit Manager concerned by 1st March each year. All vacation **requests** will be processed and the employee notified by 15th April, after which date further preference will be accepted on a "first **come**, first served" basis. rather than by seniority within the Unit where the employee works. **Due** to the necessity of allowing as many staff as possible off over the Christmas and New Year holidays, vacation arrangements will be **subject to the** needs of the Nursing Department. All requests by Nursing Personnel for vacation during the non--peak period should be **submitted** to the Nursing Unit Manager concerned six (6) weeks in advance of the proposed vacation period.

21.05 Employees working in all departments, other than Nursing, should make their **requests** known through their Department Heads by the 1st March each year for the **summer** period. However, this does not restrict **employees** from requesting vacation during the other seasons.

21.06 Vacation pay shall be paid to all employees in advance of their vacation period.

21.07 The vacation year for the purpose of entitlement shall be from the 1st of July in one year to the 30th of June of the next year and all vacation earned up to and including the 30th of June in any year must be taken before the 31st of March of the following year. **Due** to the necessity of allowing as many employees off as possible over the Christmas and New Year's holidays, vacations will not normally be scheduled for the period from December 15th to January 15th.

## **ARTICLE 22 - HEALTH AND INSURED BENEFITS**

### 22.01 Insured Benefits

The Hospital agrees, during the term of the Collective Agreement, to contribute towards the premium coverage of participating eligible employees in the active employ of the Hospital under the insurance plans set out below subject to their respective terms and conditions including any enrollment requirements.

- (a) The Hospital agrees to pay one hundred per cent (100%) of the billed premiums towards **coverage** of **eligible** employees in the active employ of the Hospital under the Blue Cross Semi-Private Plan or comparable coverage with another carrier.
- (b) The Hospital agrees to contribute seventy-five per cent (75%) of the billed premiums towards coverage of eligible employees in the active employ of the Hospital under the amended Blue Cross Extended Health Care Benefits or comparable coverage with another carrier providing for \$15.00 **(single)** and \$25.00 (family) deductible, providing the balance of monthly premiums are paid by the employee through payroll deductions. In addition to the standard benefits, coverage will include vision care (maximum \$90.00 every 24 months) as well as a hearing aid allowance (lifetime maximum \$500.00 per individual).

Existing provision for private duty nursing services contained in present extended health care plans will be amended to reflect that this benefit is limited to a maximum of ninety (90) eight-hour shifts in any calendar year.

- (c) The Hospital agrees to pay one hundred percent (100%) of the billed premium towards coverage of eligible employees in the active employ of the Hospital under HOOGLIP or such other group life insurance plan currently in effect.
- (d) The Hospital agrees to contribute seventy-five percent (75%) of the billed premiums towards coverage of eligible employees in the active employ of the Hospital under the Blue Cross #9 Dental Plan or comparable coverage with another carrier (based on the current ODA fee schedule as it may be updated from time to time) providing the balance of the monthly premium is paid by the employee through payroll deduction.

#### 22.02 Change of Carrier

The Hospital may at any time substitute another carrier for any Plan (other than O.H.I.P.) provided that the benefits provided thereby are substantially the same.

#### 22.03 Pension

All present full-time employees covered by this Agreement presently enrolled in the Hospitals of Ontario Pension Plan shall maintain their enrolment in the Plan subject to its terms and conditions. New full-time employees not yet eligible for membership in the Plan shall, as a condition of employment enroll in the Plan when eligible in accordance with its terms and conditions.

22.04 The Hospital shall make provision with its insurers by January 18, 1993 to allow all employees who thereafter retire 'early' to maintain to age 65, at the retiree's cost, his or her participation in the following group plans:

- (1) Extended Health Care, including Vision Care and Hearing Aid allowance.
- (2) Dental Plan

### **ARTICLE 23 - INJURY AND DISABILITY**

#### 23.01 Workers' Compensation Injury

There shall be no pay deduction from an employee's regular scheduled shift when the employee has completed any portion of the shift prior to going on sick leave benefits or Workers Compensation benefits.

## 23.02 Disabled Employees

If an employee becomes disabled with the result that he is unable to carry out the regular functions of his position, the Hospital may establish a special classification and salary with the hope of providing an opportunity of continued employment.

## **ARTICLE 24 -- SICK LEAVE**

### 24.01 Sick Leave and Long Term Disability

The Hospital will assume total responsibility for providing and funding a short-term sick leave plan at least equivalent to that described in the 1987 Hospitals of Ontario Disability Plan (HOODIP) brochure.

24.02 The Hospital will pay seventy-five percent (75%) of the billed premium towards coverage of eligible employees under the long-term disability portion of the plan (HOODIP or an equivalent plan), the employee paying the balance of the billed premium through payroll deduction. For the purpose of transfer to the short-term portion of the disability program, employees on the payroll as of the effective date of the transfer with three (3) months or more of service shall be deemed to have three (3) months of service. For the purpose of transfer to the long-term portion of the disability program, employees will be credited with their actual service.

24.03 Effective December 31, 1978 the existing accumulating sick leave plan shall be terminated and any provisions relating to such plan shall be null and void except as to those provisions relating to payout of unused sick leave benefits which are specifically dealt with hereinafter.

Existing sick leave credits for each employee shall be converted to a sick leave bank to the credit of the employee at the then current per diem rate of pay based on his regular straight time hourly rate. The "sick leave bank" shall be utilized to:

- (a) Supplement payment for sick leave days under the new program or paragraph 24.05 below which would otherwise be at less than full wages and,
- (b) where a payout provision existed under the former sick leave plan in the Collective Agreement, payout on termination of employment shall be that portion of any unused sick leave dollars under the former conditions relating to payout.
- (c) Where, as of the effective date <sup>Of</sup> transfer, an employee does not have the required service to qualify for payout on termination, his existing sick leave credits as of that date shall nevertheless be con-

verted to a sick leave bank in accordance with the foregoing and he shall be entitled, on termination, to that portion of any unused sick leave dollars providing he subsequently achieves the necessary service to qualify him for payout under the conditions relating to such payout,

- (d) Where a **payout** provision existed under the former sick leave plan in the Collective Agreement, an employee who has accumulated sick leave credits and is prevented from working for the Hospital on account of an occupational illness or accident that is recognized by the Workers' Compensation Board as compensable within the meaning of the Workers' Compensation Act, the Hospital, on application from the employee, will supplement the award made by the Workers' Compensation Board for loss of wages to the employee by such amount that the award of the Workers' Compensation Board for loss of wages,, together with the supplementation of the Hospital, will equal one hundred percent (100%) of the employee's net earnings to the limit of the employee's accumulated sick leave credits. Employees may utilize such sick leave credits while awaiting approval of a claim for Workers' Compensation.

24.04 There shall be no pay deduction from an employee's **regular** scheduled shift when the employee has completed any portion of the shift prior to going on sick leave benefits or Workers' Compensation benefits.

24.05 The Hospital further agrees to pay employees an amount **equal to** any loss of benefits under HOODIP for the first two (2) days of the fourth and subsequent period of absence in any calendar year.

24.06 Absences due to pregnancy related illness shall be considered as sick leave under the sick leave plan.

#### 24.07 Unemployment Insurance Rebate

The short--term sick leave plan shall be registered with the Unemployment Insurance Commission (UIC). The employees' share of the Employer's unemployment insurance premium reduction will be retained by the Hospital towards offsetting the cost of the benefit improvements contained in this Agreement.

24.08(a) Participation in the Hospitals of Ontario Disability Income Plan shall be a condition of employment for all full time **employees** covered by this Collective Agreement.

- (b) 'The Cost of the Plan' shall mean the premium fixed from time to time by the Insurers for Long Term disability benefits under the Plan.

24.09 In order to qualify for sick leave an employee must notify the immediate supervisor at least one (1) hour prior to the beginning of a scheduled day shift and at least three (3) hours before a scheduled afternoon or night shift save and except in emergency situations where for reasons satisfactory to the Hospital, the employee is unable to do so.

24.10 All employees absent because of illness three or more days will report to the Health Service Nurse before returning to work.

24.11 Employees working in the Dietary Department who have been absent from work three or more days **because** of intestinal upset or diarrhoea will be required to submit a stool specimen before returning to work.

#### 24.12 Workers' Compensation Benefits and Sick Leave

An employee who is absent from work as a result of an illness or injury sustained at work and who has been awaiting approval of a claim for Workers' Compensation for a period longer than one complete pay period may apply to the Hospital for payment equivalent to the lesser of the benefit she would receive from Workers' Compensation if her claim was approved, or the benefit which she would be entitled under the short **term** sick portion of the disability income plan (HOODIP or equivalent plan). Payment will be provided only if the employee provides evidence of disability satisfactory to the Hospital and a written undertaking satisfactory to the Hospital that any payments will be refunded to the Hospital following final determination of the claim by the Workers' Compensation Board. If the claim for workers' compensation is not approved, the monies paid as an advance will be applied towards the benefits to which the **employee** would be entitled under the short term portion of **the** disability income plan. Any payment under this provision will continue for a maximum of fifteen (15) weeks.

The Union agrees that employees who **are successful in being** compensated for lost wages, benefits, vacation pay and any other employment-related items from a third party as a result of any action, lawsuit or whatever will reimburse the Hospital for its expenditures related to the above. The Hospital has the right to verify the details of any such settlement.

24.13 Any dispute which may arise concerning an **employee's** entitlement to long-term disability benefits, and which is not covered by the appeal mechanism provided for under the policy of insurance, may be the subject of grievance and arbitration under the provisions of this agreement.

## ARTICLE 2 5 - COMPENSATION

### 25.01 Experience Pay

An employee hired by the Hospital with recent and related experience, may claim at the time of hiring on a form supplied by the Hospital consideration for such experience. Any such claim shall be accompanied by verification of previously related experience. The Hospital shall then evaluate such experience during the probationary period. Where, in the Hospital's opinion such experience is relevant, the employee shall be slotted in that step of the wage progression consistent with one (1) year's service for every one (1) year's of related experience in the classification on the completion of the **employee's** probationary period. It is understood and agreed that this shall not constitute a violation of the wage schedule of the Collective Agreement.

### 25.02 Promotion to a Higher Classification

An employee who is promoted to a higher rated classification within the bargaining unit will be placed in the range of the higher rated classification so that he shall receive no less an increase in wage rate than the equivalent of one step in the wage rate of his previous classification (provided that he does not exceed the wage rate of the classification to which he has been promoted),

### 25.03 Temporary Transfer

When an **employee is** assigned temporarily to perform the duties and assume the responsibilities of a higher paying position in the bargaining unit for a period in excess of one half of a shift,, he shall be paid the rate immediately above his current rate in the higher classification to which he was assigned from the commencement of the shift on which he was assigned the job.

### 25.04 Job Classification

- (a) When a new classification (which is covered by the terms of this Collective Agreement) is established by the Hospital, the Hospital shall determine the rate of pay for such new classification and notify the local Union of the same within seven (7) days. If the local Union challenges the rate, it shall have the right to request a meeting -with the Hospital to endeavour to negotiate a mutually satisfactory rate. Such request will be made within ten (10) days after the receipt of notice from the Hospital of such new occupational classification and rate. Any change **mutually** agreed to resulting from such meeting shall **be** retroactive to the date that notice of the new rate was given by the Hospital. If the parties are unable to agree, the

dispute concerning the new rate **may** be submitted to arbitration as provided in the Agreement within fifteen (15) days of such meeting. The decision of the Board of Arbitration (or arbitrator as the case may be) shall be based on the relationship established by comparison with the rates for other classifications in the bargaining unit having regard to the requirements of such classification.

- (b) When the Hospital makes a substantial change during the term of this Agreement in the job content of an existing classification which in reality causes such classification to become a new classification, the Hospital agrees to **meet** with the Union if requested to permit the Union to make representation with respect to the appropriate rate **of pay**.
- (c) If the **matter is** not resolved following the meeting with the Union the matter may be referred to arbitration as provided in the Agreement within fifteen (15) days of such meeting. The decision of the Board of Arbitration (or arbitrator as the case **may** be) shall be based on the relationship established by comparison with the rates for other classifications in the bargaining unit having regard to the requirements of such classifications.
- (d) The parties further agree that any change mutually agreed to or awarded as a result of arbitration shall be retroactive only to the date that the Union raised the issue with the Hospital.

#### 25.05 Wages and Classification Premiums

- (a) The Employer agrees for the duration of this Agreement to maintain the job classifications set out in Schedule "A" and to pay not less than the rate of wages set opposite the said classifications in accordance with Schedule "A" appended hereto.
- (b) Subject to the provisions of paragraph 25.01 above, the wage rates in effect for the duration of this Collective Agreement shall be as set forth in Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this Collective Agreement.

### ARTICLE 26 - RELATIONSHIP

26.01 Each of the parties hereto agrees that there will be no discrimination, intimidation, interference, restraint, or coercion exercised or practised upon any **employee** because of his or her union or non-union membership, or his or her activity or lack of activity in connection therewith since Union membership



is hereby recognized as a voluntary act upon the part of the individual concerned.

26.02 It is further agreed that solicitation of members, collection of dues or other Union activity will not be allowed to interfere with employees' performance of duties.

#### **ARTICLE 27 - PAY PERIODS**

27.01 The employees will be paid on a bi-weekly basis every second Thursday by means of a direct Bank Deposit into a Chartered Bank of their choice. Pay Statements indicating the net earnings deposited and deductions made will **be** available in the afternoon on the preceding day.

#### **ARTICLE 28 - MEAL FACILITIES**

28.01 It shall be **a matter** of individual agreement between each employee and the Employer as to whether the **employee** takes meals **at** the Hospital.

28.02 Whenever employees take their meals at the Hospital, a Dining Room will be provided for such employees' convenience and all employees are encouraged to **use** it.

28.03 Whenever employees bring their own lunch a Dining Room and locker facilities to store it will be provided for their convenience, and for hygienic reasons the consumption of food-stuffs in Locker Rooms is not allowed.

#### **ARTICLE 29 - ACCIDENTAL BREAKAGE**

29.01 Employees are not to be held responsible for accidental breakage of dishes during the course of their employment except those who are habitual offenders in this respect, who may be charged a reasonable amount for breakage due to carelessness or negligence.

#### **ARTICLE 30 - BULLETIN BOARDS**

30.01 The Employer will provide Bulletin Board space in areas designated by the Hospital for the purpose of posting notices regarding meetings and other **matters** restricted to Union activity. All such notices must be signed by an officer of the Union Local and submitted to the **Executive** Director of the Hospital or other person designated by that individual for approval prior to being posted.

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**ARTICLE 31 - CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCE FOR NURSING PERSONNEL**

31.01 Registered Nursing Assistants are required to obtain and file their Certificates of Competence with Nursing Administration by the 31st January of each year, failing which they will be re-classified as Nursing Attendants. If said Certificate is not produced by February 15th of the **same** year, the employee will **be** suspended without pay pending production of the Certificate of Competence.

Should an R.N.A. have her Certificate of Competence rescinded by the College of Nurses for any reason other than non-payment of fees, she will be terminated from the employment of the Hospital.

31.02 Effective from the 1st day of June, 1981, all new employees hired as Registered Nursing Assistants (Pending) **must** write and file proof of Registration within three (3) Calendar months of employment, failing which they will be terminated. Upon production of proof of Registration, the R.N.A. (Pending) will be reclassified as R.N.A. effective from the date of writing the R.N.A. examinations or date of hire whichever is the later date.

**ARTICLE 32 - WELFARE OF PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES**

32.01 Both parties agree that it is essential to the successful operation of the Hospital, and the welfare of the patients and **employees**, that employees follow promptly all orders given them within the scope of authority of the person giving them.

**ARTICLE 33 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**

33.01 The Union undertakes and agrees that the Union and the employees will respect and abide by the Employer's rules, regulations and practices, which may be in force from **time to time**, and are not contrary to this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 34 - PRINTING**

34.01 The Union and the Hospital will share equally the cost of printing this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 35 -- DURATION**

35.01 This Agreement shall continue in effect until October 10, 1993 and shall remain in effect from year to year thereafter unless either party gives the other party, not more than ninety (90) days before the date of its termination, written notice of termination or desire to amend the Agreement,

- 35.02(a) Either party may, on ten (10) clear days' notice, require the other party to enter into negotiations for the renewal or modification, of the Agreement within the period of three (3) calendar months prior to the expiry date, and both parties shall thereupon enter into such negotiations in good faith and make every reasonable effort to secure an Agreement,
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, in the event the parties to this Agreement agree to negotiate of its renewal through the process of Central Bargaining, either party to this Agreement may give notice to the other party of its desire to bargain for amendments on local matters proposed for incorporation in the renewal of this Agreement not earlier than six (6) calendar months nor later than three (3) calendar months prior to the normal termination of this Agreement. Upon receipt of such notice by one party from the other, both parties will meet within fifteen (15) days thereafter for the purpose of bargaining on local matters.
- (c) It is understood and agreed that "local matters" means those matters which have been determined by mutual agreement between the Central Negotiating Committees respectively representing each of the parties to this Agreement as being subjects for local bargaining directly between the parties to this Agreement. It is also agreed that local bargaining shall be subject to such procedures as may be determined by mutual agreement between the Central Negotiating Committee referred to above.

DATED at Toronto this 3rd day of September 1993.

FOR THE UNION

FOR THE HOSPITAL

*Charles R. Laliberte*  
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SCHEDULE "A"

S.E.I.U. SALARY SCALES

OCTOBER 11, 1991

Classification	<u>Start</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>2 Years</u>
Carpenter General	16.147	16.439	
C.S.R. Assistant	13.502	13.775	
Cleaner	13.819	14.122	
Cook I	14.926	15.233	
Cook II	14.527	14.829	
Cook's Helper	13.752	14.045	
Dietary Assistant	13.215	13.507	
Dietary Storekeeper	13.919	14.222	
Dishwasher	13.819	14.122	
Driver	14.261	14.576	
Grounds Service Worker	13.946	14.260	
Housekeeping Attendant	13.215	13.507	
Linen Room Helper	13.215	13.507	
Maintenance Worker	15.642	15.933	
Assistant System Mechanic	15.642	15.933	
Nursing Attendant	14.304	14.583	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	14.298	14.589	
Personal Care Attendant	13.827	14.123	
Physiotherapy Assistant	14.298	14.589	
Registered Nursing Assistant	15.131	15.266	15.416
Sewing Machine Operator	13.335	13.627	
Speech Therapy Assistant	14.133	14.425	
Storekeeper (Printing)	14.304	14.583	
Storekeeper (Receiving)	14.304	14.583	
Transporter	13.784	14.076	
Unit Assistant	13.819	14.122	
	<u>Start</u>	<u>6 Months</u>	
Carpenter	17.578	17.912	
Electrician	18.288	18.581	
Painter	16.619	16.913	
Plumber	17.848	18.141	
<b>System Mechanic</b>	18.842	19.133	

Note: Personal Care Attendants **employed** in the Gage Transitional Living Centre who, in addition to their regular duties, are assigned in-charge responsibilities on a shift basis will be afforded a responsibility allowance of 40 cents per hour for each completed shift. It is understood that an employee **must** be so assigned for **the** entire shift in order to **qualify for this** allowance.

S.E.I.U. SALARY SCALES

JANUARY 1992 PAY EQUITY ADJUSTMENTS

Classification	Start	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>2 Years</u>
C.S.R. Assistant	<b>13.819</b>	<b>14.122</b>	
Cook I	15.172	15.479	
Cook II	14.845	15.147	
Cook's Helper	14.261	14.577	
Dietary Assistant	13.558	13.850	
Housekeeping Attendant	13.558	13.850	
Linen Room Helper	13.558	13.850	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	14.771	15.062	
Physiotherapy Assistant	14.771	15.062	
Registered Nursing Assistant	15.450	15.585	15.735
Sewing Machine Operator	13.819	14.122	
Speech Therapy Assistant	14.528	14.820	

SCHEDULE "A"

S.E.I.U. SALARY SCALES

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Classification	Start	1 Year	2 Years
Carpenter General	16.470	16.768	
C.S.R. Assistant	14.095	14.404	
Cleaner	14.095	14.404	
Cook I	15.474	15.789	
Cook II	15.142	15.450	
Cook's Helper	14.546	14.869	
Dietary Assistant	13.829	14.127	
Dietary Storekeeper	14.197	14.506	
Dishwasher	14.095	14.404	
Driver	14.546	14.868	
Grounds Service Worker	14.225	14.545	
Housekeeping Attendant	13.829	14.127	
Linen Room Helper	13.829	14.127	
Maintenance Worker	15.955	16.252	
Assistant System Mechanic	15.955	16.252	
Nursing Attendant	14.589	14.875	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	15.066	15.363	
Personal Care Attendant	14.104	14.405	
Physiotherapy Assistant	15.066	15.363	
Registered Nursing Assistant	15.759	15.897	16.050
Sewing Machine Operator	14.095	14.404	
Speech Therapy Assistant	14.819	15.116	
Storekeeper (Printing)	14.589	14.875	
Storekeeper (Receiving)	14.589	14.875	
Transporter	14.060	14.358	
Unit Assistant	14.095	14.404	
	Start	6 Months	
Carpenter	17.930	18.270	
Electrician	18.654	18.953	
Painter	16.951	17.251	
Plumber	18.205	18.504	
System Mechanic	19.219	19.516	

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This letter shall be attached to and form part of the collective agreement.

pursuant to the award of the Mitchnick board dated November 18, 1992, the Board will remain seized of any dispute between the parties regarding the implementation of Article 10.01 and 10.04 while the terms of this collective agreement remain in effect.

Signed at Toronto this 9th day of June, 1993 ll

FOR THE PARTICIPATING LOCAL UNION/FOR THE PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS

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Re: West Park Service Full-time and  
Part-time Collective Agreements  
Expiring October 10, 1993

The intent of this memo is to explain the procedure used to have these collective agreements signed.

The Employer refused to sign the collective agreement so the union applied to the Mitchnick Board of Arbitration to "order" the agreements under the Hospital Labour Arbitration Act.

The Board issued a supplementary award dated August 23, 1993 to grant the Union's request.

*West Park Hospital - pay rates  
Expiring October 10, 1991*

WEST PARK HOSPITAL  
SEIU PAY RATES - SERVICE  
JANUARY 1991 PAY EQUITY ADJUSTMENT

January 1, 1991	Start	1 Year	2 Years
C. S. R. Assistant	\$13.368	#13.639	
Cook I	14.778	15.082	
Cook II	14.383	14.682	
Cook's Helper	13.616	13.906	
Dietary Assistant	13.084	13.373	
Housekeeping Attendant	13.084	13.373	
Linen Room Helper	13.084	13.373	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	14.156	14.445	
Physiotherapy Assistant	14.156	14.445	
Registred Nursing Assistant	14.981	15.115	\$15.263
Sewing Machine Operator	13.203	13.492	
Speech Therapy Assistant	13.993	14.282	

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