

EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS

Claimant: Mr. A. Kennedy

Respondent: P. H. Norwich Ltd

Heard at: Bury St Edmunds Employment Tribunal (in person)

On: 24 January 2024

Before: Employment Judge H. Mason

Appearances

For the Claimant: In person For the Respondents: No attendance or representation

REMEDY JUDGMENT

The Respondent having failed to present a valid response and judgment having been issued against the Respondent under Rule 21, the Judgment of the Tribunal with regard to remedy is as follows:

1. Wages

- 1.1 The complaint of unauthorised deductions from wages is well-founded.
- 1.2 The Respondent made unauthorised deductions from the Claimant's wages as follows:
- the Respondent made deductions in respect of employee contributions to NEST but failed to then pay these sums into the scheme on the Claimant's behalf as follows:
- a. £27.87 on 10 March 2023
- b. £5.66 on 10 April 2023.
- (ii) The Respondent failed to pay the Claimant wages in the sum of £655.96 as per his payslip dated 10 April 2023.
- 1.2 The Respondent shall pay the Claimant the sum of **£689.49** which is the total gross sum deducted. The Claimant is responsible for the payment of any income tax or NI.

2. Notice Pay

- 2.1 The complaint of breach of contract in relation to notice pay is well-founded.
- 2.2 The Respondent shall pay the Claimant the sum of £1,220.40 as damages for breach of contract. This figure has been calculated based on the Claimant's contractual and statutory entitlement to notice of 12 weeks; his average weekly pay of £203.40; and the fact that the Claimant found new employment at a higher

rate of pay 6 weeks after the termination date, thereby reducing the period of loss to 6 weeks. This is based on gross pay and the Claimant may have to pay tax on it as Post Employment Notice Pay.

3. Unfair dismissal

- 3.1 The complaint of unfair dismissal is well founded.
- 3.2 The Respondent shall pay the Claimant a Basic Award of £3,152.70. This figure has been calculated based on the Claimant's average weekly salary of £203.40 and a multiplier of 15.5 (the Claimant's age at the date of termination of his employment was 44 years and his length of service was 14 years).
- 3.3 The Claimant is not seeking reinstatement or reengagement but is not awarded a Compensatory Award as he found new employment at a higher rate of pay after 6 weeks and the notice pay award compensates him for loss of earnings during the 6 week period.
- 3.4 The Employment Protection (Recoupment of Benefits) Regulations 1996 do not apply.

4. Summary

The total sum the Respondent is ordered to pay the Claimant is £5,062.59.

EJ H. Mason 24 January 2024

Judgment sent to the parties on: 14 February 2024

For the Tribunal Office:

Note

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