



EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS

Claimant: Ms T Brown
Respondent: K D Hawes Limited
Heard at: Watford Employment Tribunal
On: 18 August 2026
Before: Employment Judge L Wilson

Appearances:

For the claimant: N/A
For the respondent: Ms L Hession, counsel

JUDGMENT

1. At the relevant times the claimant was a disabled person as defined by section 6 of the Equality Act 2010 because of osteomyelitis.
2. The complaints of direct disability discrimination and discrimination because of something (i.e. absence) arising from disability, can therefore proceed.

Approved by:

Employment Judge L Wilson

18 August 2026

Judgment sent to the parties on:

4 September 2026

For the Tribunal:

Notes

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