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Superseded General Decision Number: AS20140001

**State: Am Samoa**

Construction Types: Building, Heavy, Highway and Residential

Counties: Am Samoa Statewide.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories); HEAVY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (consisting of single family homes and apartments up to and including 4 stories).

Note: Executive Order (EO) 13658 establishes an hourly minimum wage of \$10.10 for 2015 that applies to all contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act for which the solicitation is issued on or after January 1, 2015. If this contract is covered by the EO, the contractor must pay all workers in any classification listed on this wage determination at least \$10.10 (or the applicable wage rate listed on this wage determination, if it is higher) for all hours spent performing on the contract. The EO minimum wage rate will be adjusted annually. Additional information on contractor requirements and worker protections under the EO is available at [www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts](http://www.dol.gov/whd/govcontracts).

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	Rates	Fringes
Bricklayer.....	\$ 5.10	
Carpenter.....	\$ 5.10	
Electrician.....	\$ 5.10	
Painter.....	\$ 5.10	
Laborers:		
Common.....	\$ 5.10	
Pipelayer.....	\$ 5.10	
PLASTERER.....	\$ 5.10	
Plumbers.....	\$ 5.10	
Power equipment operators:		
Backhoe.....	\$ 5.10	
Crane.....	\$ 5.10	
Payloader.....	\$ 5.10	

Truck drivers.....\$ 5.10

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WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing  
operation to which welding is incidental.

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Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within  
the scope of the classifications listed may be added after  
award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses  
(29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

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The body of each wage determination lists the classification  
and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the  
cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage  
determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical  
order of "identifiers" that indicate whether the particular  
rate is a union rate (current union negotiated rate for local),  
a survey rate (weighted average rate) or a union average rate  
(weighted union average rate).

#### Union Rate Identifiers

A four letter classification abbreviation identifier enclosed  
in dotted lines beginning with characters other than "SU" or  
"UAVG" denotes that the union classification and rate were  
prevailing for that classification in the survey. Example:  
PLUM0198-005 07/01/2014. PLUM is an abbreviation identifier of  
the union which prevailed in the survey for this  
classification, which in this example would be Plumbers. 0198  
indicates the local union number or district council number  
where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number,  
005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing  
the wage determination. 07/01/2014 is the effective date of the  
most current negotiated rate, which in this example is July 1,  
2014.

Union prevailing wage rates are updated to reflect all rate  
changes in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) governing  
this classification and rate.

#### Survey Rate Identifiers

Classifications listed under the "SU" identifier indicate that  
no one rate prevailed for this classification in the survey and  
the published rate is derived by computing a weighted average  
rate based on all the rates reported in the survey for that  
classification. As this weighted average rate includes all  
rates reported in the survey, it may include both union and  
non-union rates. Example: SULA2012-007 5/13/2014. SU indicates

the rates are survey rates based on a weighted average calculation of rates and are not majority rates. LA indicates the State of Louisiana. 2012 is the year of survey on which these classifications and rates are based. The next number, 007 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 5/13/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

Survey wage rates are not updated and remain in effect until a new survey is conducted.

#### Union Average Rate Identifiers

Classification(s) listed under the UAVG identifier indicate that no single majority rate prevailed for those classifications; however, 100% of the data reported for the classifications was union data. EXAMPLE: UAVG-OH-0010 08/29/2014. UAVG indicates that the rate is a weighted union average rate. OH indicates the state. The next number, 0010 in the example, is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. 08/29/2014 indicates the survey completion date for the classifications and rates under that identifier.

A UAVG rate will be updated once a year, usually in January of each year, to reflect a weighted average of the current negotiated/CBA rate of the union locals from which the rate is based.

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#### WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- \* an existing published wage determination
- \* a survey underlying a wage determination
- \* a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- \* a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations  
Wage and Hour Division

U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION

