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## Hi Kathy!

## Increase to Federal Minimum Wage

Fair Work Australia's minimum wage panel has, in its second decision on the 3rd June 2011, increased award minimum wages by 3.4%.

The decision, which follows last year's \$26-a-week across-the-board increase, lifts the federal weekly minimum wage by \$19.40 to \$589.30 (\$15.51 an hour) from \$569.90 (\$15.00 an hour).

The decision will apply from July 1, 2011 and will flow into all Modern Awards.

In awarding the 3.4% increase, under which <u>weekly wages will be rounded to the</u> <u>nearest 10 cents</u>, the panel said that in the current economic circumstances a <u>'significant increase is appropriate which will improve the real value of award wages and assist the living standards of the low paid'</u>.

The 3.4% increase also applies to transitional instruments such as registered Collective Agreements made under the previous legislation.

Best Regards, The Workwise Team



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## Seminar's

Topic: The Model 'Work Health & Safety Act' (WHS)

Where: Small Business Centre 177 Spencer Street Bunbury

When: Wednesday 6th July 2011 - 6pm start

Please call The Small Business Centre on 9791 2666 for further details

Topic: The Model 'Work Health & Safety Act' (WHS) Where: Bunbury Chamber of Commerce & Industries

**Stirling Street Bunbury** 

When: Friday 29th July 2011 - 12 noon Lunch box

Please call The <u>Bunbury Chamber of Commerce on 9791 2292</u> for further details

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