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Wage Determination - In accordance with 26 MRS §1301 et. seq., this is a determination by the Bureau of Labor Standards, of the fair minimum wage rate to be paid to laborers and workers employed on the below titled project.

2026 Fair Minimum Wage Rates – Heavy & Bridge Knox County

Occupational Title	Minimum Wage	Minimum Benefit	Total
Brickmasons and Blockmasons	\$43.02	\$7.64	\$50.66
Bulldozer Operator	\$40.90	\$32.21	\$73.11
Carpenter	\$30.45	\$8.23	\$38.68
Cement Masons and Concrete Finisher	\$24.42	\$2.52	\$26.94
Construction and Maintenance Painters	\$32.96	\$0.45	\$33.41
Construction Laborer	\$25.40	\$21.28	\$46.68
Conveyor Operators and Tenders	\$30.17	\$13.77	\$43.94
Crane and Tower Operators	\$41.32	\$11.81	\$53.13
Crushing Grinding and Polishing Machine Operators	\$26.15	\$3.24	\$29.39
Earth Drillers - Except Oil and Gas	\$25.04	\$3.77	\$28.81
Electrical Power - Line Installer and Repairers	\$49.66	\$13.83	\$63.49
Electricians	\$40.25	\$19.66	\$59.91
Elevator Installers and Repairers	\$67.34	\$39.76	\$107.10
Excavator Operator	\$41.13	\$32.21	\$73.34
Fence Erectors	\$30.90	\$2.18	\$33.08
Flaggers	\$25.40	\$21.28	\$46.68
Floor Layers - Except Carpet/Wood/Hard Tiles	\$29.00	\$8.65	\$37.65
Glaziers	\$37.00	\$6.60	\$43.60
Hazardous Materials Removal Workers	\$24.12	\$1.60	\$25.72
Heating and Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	\$35.68	\$5.93	\$41.61
Heavy and Tractor - Trailer Truck Drivers	\$32.71	\$9.12	\$41.83
Highway Maintenance Workers	\$23.30	\$1.14	\$24.44
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$29.97	\$6.74	\$36.71
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	\$24.61	\$4.21	\$28.82
Insulation Worker - Mechanical	\$27.35	\$6.05	\$33.40
Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	\$26.79	\$5.14	\$31.93
Loading Machine and Dragline Operators	\$41.13	\$32.21	\$73.34
Millwrights	\$35.99	\$10.52	\$46.51
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics - Except Engines	\$32.75	\$8.53	\$41.28
Operating Engineers and Other Equipment Operators	\$34.86	\$6.82	\$41.68
Paving Surfacing and Tamping Equipment Operators	\$37.05	\$7.86	\$44.91
Pile-Driver Operators	\$37.15	\$3.12	\$40.27
Pipe/Steam/Sprinkler Fitter	\$32.33	\$7.56	\$39.89
Pipelayers	\$28.75	\$3.64	\$32.39
Plumbers	\$34.11	\$7.80	\$41.91
Radio Cellular and Tower Equipment Installers	\$34.72	\$5.63	\$40.35
Reinforcing Iron and Rebar Workers	\$32.94	\$20.82	\$53.76
Riggers	\$31.25	\$7.68	\$38.93
Roofers	\$25.50	\$3.49	\$28.99
Sheet Metal Workers	\$28.77	\$7.00	\$35.77
Structural Iron and Steel Workers	\$28.88	\$7.34	\$36.22
Tapers	\$29.16	\$5.64	\$34.80
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers - Except Line Installers	\$37.09	\$10.21	\$47.30
Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	\$31.31	\$6.58	\$37.89
Tile and Marble Setters	\$28.91	\$5.46	\$34.37

Welders are classified as the trade to which welding is incidental (e.g. welding structural steel is Structural Iron and Steel Worker)

Apprentices – The minimum wage rates for registered apprentices are the rates recognized in the sponsorship agreement for registered apprentices working in the pertinent classification.

For any other specific trade on this project not listed above, contact the Bureau of Labor Standards for further clarification.

Title 26 §1310 requires that a clearly legible statement of all fair minimum wage and benefits rates to be paid the several classes of laborers, workers and mechanics employed on the construction on the public work must be kept posted in a prominent and easily accessible place at the site by each contractor and subcontractor subject to sections 1304 to 1313.

Appeal – Any person affected by the determination of these rates may appeal to the Commissioner of Labor by filing a written notice with the Commissioner stating the specific grounds of the objection within ten (10) days from the filing of these rates.

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Attest: 

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