I. POLICY

All appointments shall be made at the minimum rate of the appropriate salary range, unless otherwise authorized.

II. RATIONALE

To establish a consistent hiring rate for State civil service appointments and provide alternate methods when recruitment at the minimum rate of pay is impracticable.

III. SCOPE

This policy shall apply to State civil service appointments in the executive branch under the administration of the Department of Human Resources Development (HRD).

IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. Civil service appointments are typically made at the minimum rate of pay.

B. However, if a situation arises that requires the appointing authority to request an alternate adjustment, the following options are available:

1. P & P 201.008 - Recruitment and Appointment Above the Minimum Pay Rate. The HRD Director may authorize recruitments and appointments above the minimum rate of pay within the appropriate salary range when, based on previous recruitment history and difficulty in filling similar positions, it is determined to be impracticable to do so at the minimum step. Please refer to P & P 201.008 for the procedures and for more information. Does not apply to Excluded Managerial Compensation Plan (EMCP) recruitments, effective October 1, 2017.
2. P & P 201.009 – Flexible Hiring Rates. Civil service appointments for BU 13 at the independent worker level and above, and their excluded counterparts may be made by the appointing authority up to Step H based on the applicant’s excess creditable experience. Please refer to P & P 201.009 for the procedures and for more information.

3. P & P 201.010 – Compensation Programs for Excluded Managerial Compensation Plan Employees. The Department of Human Resources Development salary matrix may be used for civil service appointments to EMCP positions. All appointments above the minimum entry rate are at the discretion of the appointing authority. Please refer to P & P 201.010 for the procedures and for more information.

V. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

§76-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Specific duties and powers of director

§76-22.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Recruitment

P & P 201.008 Recruitment and Appointment Above the Minimum Pay Rate for Civil Service Appointments

P & P 201.009 Flexible Hiring Rates – BU 13 Independent Worker Level & Above

P & P 201.010 Compensation Programs for Excluded Managerial Compensation Plan (EMCP) Employees