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Good news: New Collective Labour Agreement for the Textile Care Sector 2026–2027

Large majority of CNV members have approved the improved collective agreement offer

Employers in the textile care sector reached new collective agreement arrangements with the CNV trade union this summer. A large majority of CNV members have now voted in favour of this improved offer. This means there is now a new collective agreement for the textile care sector. It also provides clarity for employees in the sector regarding pay, travel expenses, working hours and healthy working conditions.

What are the key provisions?

The new Textile Care collective agreement runs from 1 September 2026 to 1 November 2027:

- For most employees, wages will rise by 4.3 per cent with effect from 31 December 2026. This is higher than the rate of inflation in 2026. And also higher than the average pay rise in other collective agreements.
- Are you an employee in pay groups 2, 3, 4 or 5? You will receive a one-off gross payment of €200 this year, provided you work full-time (the amount you receive will depend on extent of your employment).
- As an employee, you can make use of the maximum tax allowance for travel expenses.
- There will be additional provisions for healthy and safe working practices.
- There will be a greater focus on achieving a good work-life balance.
- Every month, you will be provided with a breakdown of your hours worked and your leave balance.

New collective agreement via Textile Care collective agreement app

Over the coming weeks, employers and the CNV will set out the agreements reached in the new Textile Care collective agreement for 2026–2027. They will then register the collective agreement with the Minister for Social Affairs and Employment (SZW). Once this has been done, the Textile Care Collective Agreement 2026–2027 will be official. You will then be able to read and download the new collective agreement via the Textile Care collective agreement app. You can find more information about this new app on the following page.

We'll keep you updated!

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On behalf of employers in the textile care sector



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New Textile Care Collective Agreement App

Employers and employees in the textile care sector consider clear information on the collective agreement to be important. That is why a special collective agreement app has been developed.

- Would you like quick and easy access to clear information about the (new) Textile Care collective agreement? Then download **the new Textile Care Collective Agreement app** now. It's free from the App Store or the Google Play Store.
- In this handy app, you'll find, for example, collective agreement information on working hours and annual leave. You'll find answers to frequently asked questions. Or you can simply browse online through all the job descriptions for the various roles. You'll also soon be able to read the new collective agreement provisions (2026–2027) in this app.

The 'Cao Textielverzorging' app is an initiative of the social partners in the textile care sector: the Textile Care Social Fund Foundation – Raltex (SFTV-Raltex).