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## **MINIMUM WAGE**

## ATTENTION MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRY EMPLOYEES

## **NEW YORK CITY**

Minimum Wage hourly rates as of 1/1/2025

Large Employers (11 or more employees)

MINIMUM WAGE **\$16.50** 

(\$16.00 per hour effective 1/1/2024)

Overtime after 40 hours \$24.75

## **TIPPED WORKERS**

At least \$16.50 Overtime after 40 hours \$24.75 Small Employers (10 or less employees)

MINIMUM WAGE **\$16.50** 

(\$16.00 per hour effective 1/1/2024)

Overtime after 40 hours \$24.75

## **TIPPED WORKERS**

At least \$16.50 Overtime after 40 hours \$24.00

## LONG ISLAND AND WESTCHESTER COUNTY

## **MINIMUM WAGE**

\$16.50

(\$16.00 per hour effective 1/1/2024)

Overtime after 40 hours \$24.75

## **TIPPED WORKERS**

At least \$16.50 Overtime after 40 hours \$24.75

## REMAINDER OF NEW YORK STATE

## **MINIMUM WAGE**

\$15.50

(\$15.00 per hour effective 1/1/2024)

Overtime after 40 hours \$23.25

## **TIPPED WORKERS**

At least \$15.50

Overtime after 40 hours \$23.25

If you have any questions, need more information or want to file a complaint, please visit www.labor.ny.gov/minimumwage or call: 1-888-469-7365.

**Credits and Allowances** that may reduce your pay below the minimum wage rates shown above:

- Tips Beginning December 31, 2020, your employer must pay the full applicable minimum
  wage rate, and cannot take any tip credit.
- Meals and Lodging Your employer may claim a limited amount of your wages for meals
  and lodging that they provide to you, as long as they do not charge you anything else. The
  rates and requirements are set forth in wage orders and summaries, which are available
  online.

Extra Pay you may be owed in addition to the minimum wage rates shown above:

- Overtime You must be paid 1-1/2 times your regular rate of pay (no less than amounts shown above) for weekly hours over 40 (or 44 for residential employees).
   Exceptions: Overtime is not required for salaried professionals, or for executives and administrative staff whose weekly salary is more than 75 times the minimum wage rate.
- Call-in Pay If you go to work as scheduled and your employer sends you home early, you
  may be entitled to extra hours of pay at the minimum wage rate for that day.
- Spread of Hours If your workday lasts longer than ten hours, you may be entitled to extra
  daily pay. The daily rate is equal to one hour of pay at the minimum wage rate.
- Uniform Maintenance If you clean your own uniform, you may be entitled to additional
  weekly pay. The weekly rates are available online.

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## **NEW YORK CORRECTION LAW**

## (ARTICLE 23-A)

### LICENSURE AND EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS PREVIOUSLY

### **CONVICTED OF ONE OR MORE CRIMINAL OFFENSES**

Section	750.	Defin	itions.
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- 751. Applicability.
- 752. Unfair discrimination against persons previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses prohibited.
- Factors to be considered concerning a previous criminal conviction; presumption.
- 754. Written statement upon denial of license or employment.
- 755. Enforcement.
- §750. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this article, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- (1) "Public agency" means the state or any local subdivision thereof, or any state or local department, agency, board or commission.
- (2) "Private employer" means any person, company, corporation, labor organization or association which employs ten or more persons.
- (3) "Direct relationship" means that the nature of criminal conduct for which the person was convicted has a direct bearing on his fitness or ability to perform one or more of the duties or responsibilities necessarily related to the license, opportunity, or job in question.
- "License" means any certificate, license, permit or grant of permission required by the laws of this state, its political subdivisions or instrumentalities as a condition for the lawful practice of any occupation, employment, trade, vocation, business, or profession. Provided, however, that "license" shall not, for the purposes of this article, include any license or permit to own, possess, carry, or fire any explosive, pistol, handgun, rifle, shotgun, or other firearm.
- (5) "Employment" means any occupation,
  vocation or employment, or any form of vocational or educational
  training. Provided, however, that "employment" shall not, for the
  purposes of this article, include membership in any law enforcement
  agency.
- §751. Applicability. The provisions of this article shall apply to any application by any person for a license or employment at any public or private employer, who has previously been convicted of one or more criminal offenses in this state or in any other jurisdiction, and to any license or employment held by any person whose conviction of one or more criminal offenses in this state or in any other jurisdiction preceded such employment or granting of a license, except where a mandatory forfeiture, disability or bar to employment is imposed by law, and has not been removed by an executive pardon, certificate of relief from disabilities or certificate of good conduct. Nothing in this article shall be construed to affect any right an employer may have with respect to an intentional misrepresentation in connection with an application for employment made by a prospective employee or previously made by a current employee.
- §752. Unfair discrimination against persons previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses prohibited. No application for any license or employment, and no employment or license held by an individual, to which the provisions of this article are applicable, shall be denied or acted upon adversely

by reason of the individual's having been previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses, or by reason of a finding of lack of "good moral character" when such finding is based upon the fact that the individual has previously been convicted of one or more criminal offenses, unless:

- (1) There is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the specific license or employment sought or held by the individual: or
- (2) the issuance or continuation of the license or the granting or continuation of the employment would involve an unreasonable risk to property or to the safety or welfare of specific individuals or the general public.
- §753. Factors to be considered concerning a previous criminal conviction; presumption. 1. In making a determination pursuant to section seven hundred fifty-two of this chapter, the public agency or private employer shall consider the following factors:
- (a) The public policy of this state, as expressed in this act, to encourage the licensure and employment of persons previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses.
- (b) The specific duties and responsibilities necessarily related to the license or employment sought or held by the person.
- (c) The bearing, if any, the criminal offense or offenses for which the person was previously convicted will have on his fitness or ability to perform one or more such duties or responsibilities.
- (d) The time which has elapsed since the occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses.
- (e) The age of the person at the time of occurrence of the criminal offense or offenses.
- (f) The seriousness of the offense or offenses.
- (g) Any information produced by the person, or produced on his behalf, in regard to his rehabilitation and good conduct.
- (h) The legitimate interest of the public agency or private employer in protecting property, and the safety and welfare of specific individuals or the general public.
- 2. In making a determination pursuant to section seven hundred fifty-two of this chapter, the public agency or private employer shall also give consideration to a certificate of relief from disabilities or a certificate of good conduct issued to the applicant, which certificate shall create a presumption of rehabilitation in regard to the offense or offenses specified therein.
- §754. Written statement upon denial of license or employment. At the request of any person previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses who has been denied a license or employment, a public agency or private employer shall provide, within thirty days of a request, a written statement setting forth the reasons for such denial.
- §755. Enforcement. 1. In relation to actions by public agencies, the provisions of this article shall be enforceable by a proceeding brought pursuant to article seventy-eight of the civil practice law and rules. 2. In relation to actions by private employers, the provisions of this article shall be enforceable by the division of human rights pursuant to the powers and procedures set forth in article fifteen of the executive law, and, concurrently, by the New York city commission on human rights.





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## **PERMITTED WORKING HOURS FOR MINORS**

## PERMITTED WORKING HOURS FOR MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

### New York State Department of Labor Worker Protection | Division of Labor Standards

The following chart is a summary of the permitted working hours provisions of the New York State Labor Law relating to minors less than 18 years of age:

AGE OF MINOR (GIRLS AND BOYS)	INDUSTRY OR OCCUPATION	MAXIMUM DAILY HOURS	MAXIMUM WEEKLY HOURS	MAXIMUM DAYS PER WEEK	PERMITTED HOURS
MINORS ATTENDING SCHOOL					
When School is in Session 14 and 15	All occupations except farm work, newspaper carrier and street trades.	3 hours on school days 8 hours on other days	181	6	7 AM to 7 PM
16 and 17	All occupations except farm work, newspaper carrier and street trades.		284	64	6 AM to 10 PM <sup>3</sup>
When School is Not In Session (Vacation)					
14 and 15	All occupations except farm work, newspaper carrier and street trades.	8 hours	40	6	7 AM to 9 PM June 21 to Labor Day
16 and 17	All occupations except farm work, newspaper carrier and street trades.	8 hours <sup>4</sup>	484	64	6 AM to Midnight⁴
MINORS NOT Attending School 16 and 17	All occupations except farm work, newspaper carrier and street trades.	8 hours <sup>4</sup>	484	64	6 AM to Midnight⁴
FARM WORK					
12 and 13	Hand harvest of berries, fruits and vegetables.	4 hours			7 AM to 7 PM June 21 to Labor Day
14 and older	Any farm work				9 AM to 4 PM Day after Labor Day to June 20
NEWSPAPER CARRIERS 11 to 18	Delivers, or sells and delivers newspapers, shopping papers or periodicals to homes or business places.	4 hours on school days 5 hours on other days			5 AM to 7 PM or 30 minutes prior to Sunset, whichever is later
STREET TRADES 14 to 18	Self-employed work in public places selling newspapers or work as a bootblack.	4 hours on school days 5 hours on other days			6 AM to 7 PM

<sup>1</sup>Students 14 and 15 enrolled in an approved work/study program may work 3 hours on a school day, 23 hours in any one-week when school is in session.

<sup>2</sup>Students 16 and 17 enrolled in an approved Cooperative Education Program may work up to 6 hours on a day preceding a school day other than a Sunday or Holiday when school is in session, as long as the hours are in conjunction with the Program.

<sup>3</sup>6 AM to 10 PM or until midnight with written parental and educational authorities consent on day preceding a school day and until midnight on day preceding a non-school day with written parental consent.

<sup>4</sup>This provision does not apply to minors employed in resort hotels or restaurants in resort areas.

A SCHEDULE OF HOURS OF WORK FOR MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST BE POSTED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE EMPLOYER.

## ADDITIONAL CHILD LABOR LAW INFORMATION

- An Employment Certificate (Working Paper) is required for all minors under 18 years of age who
  are employed.
- There are numerous prohibited occupations for minors in New York State. Contact any of the
  offices listed below for further information.
- Section 14A of the Workers' Compensation Law provides double compensation and death benefits for minors illegally employed.

Civil penalties for violations of Child Labor Laws are:

First Violation — maximum \$1,000\* Second Violation — maximum \$2,000\*

Third or Subsequent Violation - maximum \$3,000\*

\*If a minor is seriously injured or dies while illegally employed, the penalty is triple the maximum penalty allowable under the law for such violation.

Inquiries concerning these laws and other provisions of the New York State Labor Law may be addressed to the Department of Labor, at one of the offices of the Division of Labor Standards listed below.

Albany District State Office Campus Bldg. 12, Room 185A Albany, NY 12240 (518) 457-2730 Bronx District 55 Hanson Place 11th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11217 (212) 775-3719 Buffalo District 295 Main Street Suite 914 Buffalo, NY 14203 (716) 847-7141 Garden City District 400 Oak Street Suite 102 Garden City, NY 11530 (516) 794-8195 New York City District 55 Hanson Place 11th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11217 (212) 775-3880 Rochester District 276 Waring Road Room 104 Rochester, NY 14609 (585) 258-4550 Syracuse District 333 East Washington Street Room 121 Syracuse, NY 13202 (315) 428-4057 White Plains District 120 Bloomingdale Road White Plains, NY 10605 (914) 997-9521

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## **DISCRIMINATION REALLY HURTS.**

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THIS ESTABLISHMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE NEW YORK STATE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (EXECUTIVE LAW, ARTICLE 15)

DISCRIMINATION BASED UPON AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MILITARY STATUS, SEX, PREGNANCY, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS, DISABILITY OR MARITAL STATUS IS PROHIBITED BY THE NEW YORK STATE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW. SEXUAL HARASSMENT OR HARASSMENT BASED UPON ANY OF THESE PROTECTED CLASSES ALSO IS PROHIBITED.

### ALL EMPLOYERS, EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS

Also prohibited: discrimination in employment on the basis of Sabbath observance or religious practices; hairstyles associated with race (also applies to all areas listed below); prior arrest or conviction record; predisposing genetic characteristics; familial status; pregnancy-related conditions; domestic violence victim status.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities and pregnancy-related conditions including lactation may be required. A reasonable accommodation is an adjustment to a job or work environment that enables a person with a disability to perform the essential functions of a job in a reasonable manner.

Also covered: domestic workers; interns and nonemployees working in the workplace (for example temp or contract workers) are protected from all discrimination described above.

### RENTAL, LEASE OR SALE OF HOUSING, LAND AND COMMERCIAL SPACE, INCLUDING ACTIVITIES OF REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALES PEOPLE

Also prohibited: discrimination on the basis of lawful source of income (for example housing vouchers, disability benefits child support); familial status (families with children or being pregnant); prior arrest or sealed conviction; commercial boycotts or blockbusting.

Reasonable accommodations and modifications for persons with disabilities may also be required.

Does not apply to:

- (1) Rental of an apartment in an owner-occupied two-family house
- (2) Restrictions of all rooms in a housing accommodation to individuals of the same sex
- (3) Rental of a room by the occupant of a house or apartment
- (4) Sale, rental, or lease of accommodations of housing exclusively to persons 55 years of age or older, and the spouse of such persons

### ALL CREDIT TRANSACTIONS INCLUDING FINANCING FOR PURCHASE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF HOUSING

### PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION SUCH AS RESTAURANTS, HOTELS, HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL OFFICES, CLUBS, PARKS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES

Exception:

Age is not a covered classification relative to public accommodations.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities may also be required.

#### **EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS**

All public schools and private nonprofit schools, at all education levels, excluding those run by religious organizations; also for-profit colleges, universities, licensed private career schools or certified English as a second language schools.

## ADVERTISING AND APPLICATIONS RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT, REAL ESTATE, PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION AND CREDIT TRANSACTIONS MAY NOT EXPRESS ANY DISCRIMINATION

A complaint must be filed with the Division within one year for alleged acts of discrimination that occurred before 2/15/2024. Complaints for acts of discrimination that occur on or after 2/15/2024 may be filed within three years of the alleged act. The Division's services are provided free of charge.

If you wish to file a complaint in State Court, you may do so within three years of the discrimination. You may not file both with the Division and the State Court.

Retaliation for filing a complaint or opposing discriminatory practices is prohibited.

You may file a complaint with the Division if you have been retaliated against.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, WRITE OR CALL THE DIVISION'S NEAREST OFFICE. HEADQUARTERS: ONE FORDHAM PLAZA, 4TH FLOOR, BRONX, NY 10458





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## **EXPRESSION OF BREASTMILK**

### POLICY ON THE RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES TO EXPRESS BREAST MILK IN THE WORKPLACE

#### INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

New York State Labor Law Section 206-c gives all employees in New York the right to express breast milk in the workplace. This law applies to all public and private employers in New York State, regardless of size or the nature of their business.

The New York State Department of Labor has developed the official policy on breast milk expressionin the workplace as required by the law, ensuring that all employees know their rights and all employers understand their responsibilities. This policy is the minimum required standard, but employers are encouraged to include additional accommodations tailored to their workplace.

With the information provided below, employees will learn how much time they are allowed for breast milk expression, the kind of space employers are required to provide for breast milk expression, how to notify employers about the need to express breast milk in the workplace, and how to notify the Department of Labor if these rights are not honored.

Employers are required to provide this policy in writing to all employees when they are hired and again every year after. Employers are also required to provide the policy to employees as soon as they return to work following the birth of a child.

### USING BREAK TIME FOR BREAST MILK EXPRESSION

Employers must provide thirty (30) minutes of paid break time for their employees to express breast milk when the employee has a reasonable need to express breast milk. Employees must be permitted to use existing paid break or meal time if they need additional time for breast milk expression beyond the paid 30 minutes. This time must be provided for up to three years following childbirth. Employers must provide paid break time as often as an employee reasonably needs to express breast milk. The number of paid breaks an employee will need to express breast milk is unique to each employee and employers must provide reasonable break times based on the individual. Employers are prohibited from discriminating in any way against an employee who chooses to express breast milk in the workplace

An employer is prohibited from requiring an employee to work before or after their normal shift to make up for any time used as paid break time to express breast milk.

All employers must continue to follow existing federal and state laws, regulations, and guidance regarding mealtimes and paid break time regardless of whether the employee uses such time to express breast milk. For additional information regarding what constitutes a meal period or a break period under state and federal law, please see the following resources:

- NY Department of Labor Website on Day of Rest, Break Time, and Meal Periods: <u>dol.ny.gov/day-rest-and-meal-periods</u>
- NY Department of Labor FAQs on Meal and Rest Periods: dol.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2021/03/mealand-rest-periods-frequently-asked-questions.pdf
- U.S. Department of Labor FLSA FAQ on Meal and Rest Periods: dol.gov/agencies/whd/fact-sheets/22-flsa-hoursworked
- U.S. Department of Labor FLSA Fact Sheet on Compensation for Break Time to Pump Breast Milk:dol.gov/agencies/whd/fact-sheets/73-flsa-break-timenursing-mothers

While an employer cannot require that an employee works while expressing breast milk, Labor Law 206-c does not otherwise prevent an employee from voluntarily choosing to do so if they want to.

Paid breaks provided for the expression of breast milk must be 30 minutes. An employee must be allowed to use regular break or meal time to take a longer paid break if needed. Employees may also opt to take shorter paid breaks.

Employees who work remotely have the same rights to paid time off for the purpose of expressing breast milk, as all other employees who perform their work in-person.

### MAKING A REQUEST TO EXPRESS BREAST MILK AT WORK

If an employee wants to express breast milk at work, they must give the employer reasonable advance notice, generally before returning to the workplace if the employee is on leave. This advance notice is to allow the employer time to find an appropriate location and adjust schedules if needed.

Employees wishing to request a room or other location to express breast milk in the workplace should do so by submitting a written request to their direct supervisor or individual designated by their employer for processing requests. Employers must respond to this request for a room or other location to express breast milk in writing within five days.

Employers must notify all employees in writing through email or printed memo when a room or other location has been designated for breast milk expression.

#### LACTATION ROOM REQUIREMENTS

In addition to providing the necessary time during the workday, employers must provide a private room or alternative location for the purpose of breast milk expression. The space provided for breast milk expression cannot be a restroom or toilet stall.

The room or other location must:

- Be close to an employee's work area
- · Provide good natural or artificial light
- Be private both shielded from view and free from intrusion
- Have accessible, clean running water nearby
- Have an electrical outlet (if the workplace is supplied with electricity)
- Include a chair
- Provide a desk, small table, desk, counter or other flat surface

There does not need to be a separate space for every nursing employee. An employer may dedicate a single room or other location for breast milk expression. Should there be more than one employee at a time needing access to a lactation room, an employer may dedicate a centralized location to be used by all employees.

Any space provided for breast milk expression must be close to the work area of the employee(s) using the space. The space must be in walking distance, and the distance to the location should not significantly extend an employee's needed break time.

### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RESOURCES

If an employee believes that they are experiencing retaliation for expressing breast milk in the workplace, or that their employer is in violation of this policy, they should contact the New York State Department of Labor's Division of Labor Standards. Call us at 1-888-52-LABOR, email us at LSAsk@ labor.ny.gov, or visit our website at <a href="mailto:dol.ny.gov">dol.ny.gov</a>, or visit our website at <a href="mailto:dol.ny.gov">dol.ny.gov</a>, or visit our website at <a href="mailto:dol.ny.gov">dol.ny.gov</a>/breast-milk-expression-workplace to file a complaint.

A list of our offices is available at <u>dol.ny.gov/location/contact-division-labor-standards</u>. Complaints are confidential.

### FEDERAL RESOURCES

The federal PUMP Act went into effect in 2023, expanding protections for almost all employees expressing breast milk at work. Under the PUMP Act, any covered workers not provided with breaks and adequate space for up to a year after the birth of a child are able to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor or file a lawsuit against their employers. For more information, please visit <a href="mailto:dol.gov/agencies/whd/pump-at-work">dol.gov/agencies/whd/pump-at-work</a>.





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## TIP APPROPRIATION

## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR DIVISION OF LABOR STANDARDS

## SECTION 196-d OF THE NEW YORK STATE LABOR LAW

Section 196-d. <u>Gratuities</u>. No employer or his agent or an officer or agent of any corporation, or any other person shall demand or accept, directly or indirectly, any part of the gratuities, received by an employee, or retain any part of a gratuity or of any charge purported to be a gratuity for an employee. This provision shall not apply to the checking of hats, coats or other apparel. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed as affecting the allowances from the minimum wage for gratuities in the amount determined in accordance with the provisions of article nineteen of this chapter nor as affecting practices in connection with banquets and other special functions where a fixed percentage of the patron's bill is added for gratuities which are distributed to employees, nor to the sharing of tips by a waiter with a busboy or similar employee.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL OR WRITE THE NEAREST OFFICE OF THE DIVISION OF LABOR STANDARDS, OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LISTED BELOW:

**Albany District** 

State Office Campus Bldg. 12, Room 185A Albany, NY 12240 (518) 457-2730

Buffalo District 290 Main Street Room 226 Buffalo, NY 14202 (716) 847-7141 **New York City District** 

75 Varick Street 7th Floor New York , NY 10013 (212) 775-3880

Rochester Sub-District 276 Waring Road Room 104 Rochester, NY 14609

(585) 258-4550

**Garden City District** 

400 Oak Street Suite 101 Garden City, NY 11530 (516) 794-8195

Syracuse District

333 East Washington Street Room 121 Syracuse, NY 13202 (315) 428-4057 White Plains District 120 Bloomingdale Road White Plains, NY 10605

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## **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## **NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES**

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DIVISION

Please obtain a copy of your Unemployment Insurance policy and post BELOW

Employees of this firm are covered by the New York State Unemployment Insurance Law.

No deductions from wages may be made for this purpose.

If you are laid off, work less than four days a week or resign, get a "Record of Employment" form from your employer and keep a copy for your files.

Record of Employment forms must have your employer's name, registration number and address where payroll records are kept.

If you want to file an application for Unemployment Insurance:

Call the Telephone Claims Center at 1-888-209-8124 (translation services are available) or go to our website at www.labor.ny.gov.

Hearing impaired individuals who have Telephone Device for the Deaf (TTY/TDD) equipment may file a claim by calling a relay operator at 1-800-662-1220 and requesting the operator call 1-888-783-1370. Service at this number is only provided to callers using TTY/TDD equipment.

The NYS Department of Labor is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The Greater Ridgewood Youth Council, Inc EIN Number: 112518141 Registration Number: 86-836914





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## **PAID FAMILY LEAVE**

NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES  Please contact your insurance provider to obtain the actual poster and place here with your labor law posters.
SEE ATTACHMENT

## Paid Family Leave NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE



Paid Family Leave insurance coverage provided by: _	HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT
, ,	INSERT INSURER NAME HERE
	CREATER RIDGEWOOD VOLITH COLINGIL INC
Covering employees of:	GREATER RIDGEWOOD YOUTH COUNCIL INC INSERT EMPLOYER NAME HERE

## Paid Family Leave is employee-funded insurance that provides eligible employees job-protected, paid time off to:

- BOND with a newly born, adopted, or fostered child;
- CARE for a family member with a serious health condition (see paidfamilyleave.ny.gov for eligible family members); or
- ASSIST loved ones when a spouse, domestic partner, child, or parent is deployed abroad on active military service.

Paid Family Leave may also be available for use in situations when you or your minor dependent child are under an order of quarantine or isolation due to COVID-19. See PaidFamilyLeave.ny.gov/COVID19 for full details.

## **Paid Family Leave Request Process:**

- 1. Notify your employer at least 30 days in advance, if foreseeable, or as soon as possible.
- 2. Complete and submit the Request for Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-1) to your employer.
- **3.** Complete and attach the additional documentation as instructed on the request form and submit to your employer's insurance carrier listed below. Submit within <u>30 days</u> after the start of your leave to avoid losing benefits.

You may obtain all forms from your employer, their insurance carrier listed below, or online at PaidFamilyLeave.ny.gov/Forms.

Employers should NEVER discriminate or retaliate against anyone who requests or takes Paid Family Leave

INSURER OR AUTHORIZED NEW YORK SELF-INSURER INFORMATION
Name: <u>HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS. CO</u> Telephone: <u>(800)</u> 454-7020
Address: P.O. BOX 2999, HARTFORD, CT 06104
Policy #: _LNY623174024
■ Statutory □ Under a plan or agreement
Class(es) of employees covered: All employees eligible under the New York Paid Family Leave Benefits Law

For more information, visit PaidFamilyLeave.ny.gov or call (844) 337-6303





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## **NO SMOKING**

# NO SMOKING

New York State's CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT



Effective July 24, 2003, the amended New York State Clean Indoor Air Act (Public Health Law, Article 13-E) prohibits smoking in virtually all workplaces, including restaurants and bars. The changes in the Act reflect the state's commitment to ensuring that all workers are protected from secondhand smoke. Localities may continue to adopt and enforce local laws regulating smoking. However, these regulations must be at least as strict as the Clean Indoor Air Act.





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## **NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

## **Labor Law Information Relating to Public Employees**

The New York State Public Employee Safety and Health Act of 1980 provides job safety and health protection for workers through the promotion of safe and healthful working conditions throughout the State. Requirements of the Act include the following

EMPLOYERS: The Act requires that employers furnish employees a workplace

free from recognized hazards and in compliance with the safety and health standards applicable to the employer's workplaces and other regulations issued by the Commissioner of Labor under the Act.

EMPLOYEES: The Act requires that employees comply with all safety and health

standards and other regulations issued under the Act that apply to their

actions and conduct on the job.

ENFORCEMENT: The New York State Department of Labor's Division of Safety and

Health (DOSH) is responsible for administering and enforcing the Act. The Commissioner issues safety and health standards, and Safety and Health Inspectors and Hygienists conduct on-site inspections to ensure

compliance with the Act.

The Act requires that a representative of the employer and a INSPECTION:

> representative authorized by the employees be given an opportunity to accompany the DOSH Inspector or Hygienist for the purpose of aiding the

inspection.

TO COMPLY ORDER:

If the DOSH Inspector or Hygienist believes an employer has violated the Act, an order to comply will be issued to the employer. Each order will specify a time period within which the violation must be corrected. If the violation remains uncorrected, the employer may be subject to

monetary penalties.

The DOSH order to comply must be prominently displayed at or near the place of violation to warn employees of dangers that may exist.

**COMPLAINT:** Employees or their representatives have the right to file a complaint, in writing, with the nearest DOSH office requesting an inspection if they believe unsafe or unhealthful conditions exist in their workplace. DOSH will withhold, on request, names of employees complaining.

> Any interested person or representative of such person or groups of persons may bring to the attention of the State Department of Labor a complaint regarding the administration or enforcement of the Public Employees Safety and Health Program. The State Department of Labor will investigate each complaint and will notify the complainant in writing of the results of such investigation as well as further channels for complaint. Such complaints may also be made to the United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 201 Varick Street, New York, New York

DISCRIMINATION:

The Act provides that employees may not be discharged or discriminated against in any way for filing safety and health complaints or otherwise exercising their rights under the Act.

Employees who believe that they have been discriminated against may file a complaint with the nearest DOSH office within 30 days of

the alleged discrimination.

**VOLUNTARY** ACTIVITY:

The Department of Labor encourages employers and employees to reduce workplace hazards voluntarily and to develop and improve safety and health programs in all workplaces.

Such cooperative action would initially focus on the identification and elimination of hazards that could cause death, injury or illness to employees and supervisors. On a voluntary basis, employers may request that the DOSH office furnish consultant services to assist the employer in meeting job-site compliance with safety and health standards.

### Additional information may be obtained from the nearest DOSH District Office listed below:

State Office Campus, Rm 158 Albany, NY 12240 Tel: (518) 457-5508

400 Oak Street, Suite 101 Garden City, NY 11530

Tel: (516) 228-3970

450 South Salina Street Syracuse, NY 13202 Tel: (315) 479-3212

44 Hawley St. Binghamton, NY 13901 Tel: (607) 721-8211

75 Varick Street (7th Floor) New York, NY 10013

207 Genesee Street Utica, NY 13501 Tel: (315) 793-2258

Tel: (212) 775-3548

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## **NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Division of Labor Standards** 

Section 193 of the New York State Labor Law

#### § 193. Deductions from wages.

- No employer shall make any deduction from the wages of an employee, except deductions which:
  - a) are made in accordance with the provisions of any law or any rule or regulation issued by any governmental agency including regulations promulgated under paragraph c and paragraph d
  - b) are expressly authorized in writing by the employee and are for the benefit of the employee, provided that such authorization is voluntary and only given following receipt by the employee of written notice of all terms and conditions of the payment and/or its benefits and the details of the manner in which deductions will be made. Whenever there is a substantial change in the terms or conditions of the payment, including but not limited to, any change in the amount of the deduction, or a substantial change in the benefits of the deduction or the details in the manner in which deductions shall be made, the employer shall, as soon as practicable, but in each case before any increased deduction is made on the employee's behalf, notify the employee prior to the implementation of the change, Such authorization shall be kept on file on the employer's premises for the period during which the employee is employed by the employer and for six years after such employment ends. Notwithstanding the foregoing, employee authorization for deductions under this section may also be provided to the employer pursuant to the terms of a collective bargaining agreement. Such authorized deductions shall be limited to payments for:
    - insurance premiums and prepaid legal plans;
    - (ii) pension or health and welfare benefits;
    - (iii) contributions to a bona fide charitable organization;
    - purchases made at events sponsored by a bona fide charitable organization affiliated (iv) with the employer where at least twenty percent of the profits from such event are being contributed to a bona fide charitable organization;
    - (v) United States bonds;
    - (vi) dues or assessments to a labor organization;
    - discounted parking or discounted passes, tokens, fare cards, vouchers, or other items that entitle the employee to use mass transit:
    - (viii) fitness center, health club, and/or gym membership dues;
    - cafeteria and vending machine purchases
      - made at the employer's place of business and purchases made at gift shops operated by the employer, where the employer is a hospital, college, or university;
    - (x) pharmacy purchases made at the employer's place of business;
    - tuition, room, board, and fees for pre-school, nursery, primary, secondary, and/or postsecondary educational institutions;
    - day care, before-school and after-school care expenses;
    - payments for housing provided at no more than market rates by non-profit hospitals or affiliates thereof; and
- (xiv) similar payments for the benefit of the employee.
  - c) are related to recovery of an overpayment of wages where such overpayment is due to a mathematical or other clerical error by the employer. In making such recoveries, the employer shall comply with regulations promulgated by the commissioner for this purpose, which regulations shall include, but not be limited to, provisions governing: the size of overpayments that may be covered by this section; the timing, frequency, duration, and method of such recovery; limitations on the periodic amount of such recovery; a requirement that notice be provided to the employee prior to the commencement of such recovery; a requirement that the employer implement a procedure for disputing the amount of such overpayment or seeking to delay commencement of such recovery; the terms and content of such a procedure and a requirement that notice of the procedure for disputing the overpayment or seeking to delay commencement of such recovery be provided to the employee prior to the commencement of such recovery.

d) repayment of advances of salary or wages made

- by the employer to the employee. Deductions to cover such repayments shall be made in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commissioner for this purpose, which regulations shall include, but not be limited to, provisions governing: the timing, frequency, duration, and method of such repayment; limitations on the periodic amount of such repayment; a requirement that notice be provided to the employee prior to the commencement of such repayment; a requirement that the employer implement a procedure for disputing the amount of such repayment or seeking to delay commencement of such repayment; the terms and content of such a procedure and a requirement that notice of the procedure for disputing the repayment or seeking to delay commencement of such repayment be provided to the employee at the time the loan is made.
- Deductions made in conjunction with an employer sponsored pre-tax contribution plan approved by the IRS or other local taxing authority, including those falling within one or more of the categories set forth in paragraph b of subdivision one of this section, shall be considered to have been made in accordance with paragraph a of subdivision one of this section.
- a) No employer shall make any charge against wages, or require an employee to make any payment by separate transaction unless such charge or payment is permitted as a deduction from wages under the provisions of subdivision one of this section or is permitted or required under any provision of a current collective bargaining agreement.
  - b) Notwithstanding the existence of employee authorization to make deductions in accordance with subparagraphs (iv), (ix), and (x) of paragraph b of subdivision one of this section and deductions determined by the commissioner to be similar to such deductions in accordance with subparagraph (xiv) of paragraph b of subdivision one of this section, the total aggregate amount of such deductions for each pay period shall be subject to the following limitations: (i) such aggregate amount shall not exceed a maximum aggregate limit established by the employer for each pay period; (ii) such aggregate amount shall not exceed a maximum aggregate limit established by the employee, which limit may be any amount (in ten dollar increments) up to the maximum amount established by the employer under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph; (iii) the employer shall not permit any purchases within these categories of deduction by the employee that exceed the aggregate limit established by the employee or, if no limit has been set by the employee, the limit set by the employer; (iv) the employee shall have access within the workplace to current account information detailing individual expenditures within these categories of deduction and a running total of the amount that will be deducted from the employee's pay during the next applicable pay period. Information shall be available in printed form or capable of being printed should the employee wish to obtain a listing. No employee may be charged any fee, directly or indirectly, for access to, or printing of, such account information
  - c) With the exception of wage deductions required or authorized in a current existing collective bargaining agreement, an employee's authorization for any and all wage deductions may be revoked in writing at any time. The employer must cease the wage deduction for which the employee has revoked authorization as soon as practicable, and, in no event more than four pay periods or eight weeks after the authorization has been withdrawn, whichever is sooner.
- Nothing in this section shall justify noncompliance with article three-A of the personal property law relating to assignment of earnings, with section two hundred twenty-one of this chapter relating to company stores or with any other law applicable to deductions from wages.

For more information, call or write the nearest office of the Division of Labor Standards:

Albany District State Office Campus Building 12 Albany NY 12240 (518) 457-2730

New York City District 75 Varick Street 7th Floor New York NY 10013 (212) 775-3880

**Buffalo District** 290 Main Street Room 226 Buffalo, NY 14202 (716) 847-7141

Rochester Sub-District 276 Waring Road Room 104 Rochester, NY 14609 (585) 258-4550

Garden City 400 Oak Street Suite 101 Garden City, NY 11530 (516) 794-8195

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## **CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT**

Effective July 24, 2003, the amended New York State Clean Indoor Air Act (Public Health Law, Article 13-E) prohibits smoking in virtually all workplaces, including restaurants and bars. The changes in the Act reflect the state's commitment to ensuring that all workers are protected from secondhand smoke. Localities may continue to adopt and enforce local laws regulating smoking. However, these regulations must be at least as strict as the Clean Indoor Air Act.

#### WHAT IS SECONDHAND SMOKE?

Also called environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) secondhand smoke is a mixture of the smoke given off by the burning end of a cigarette, pipe or cigar, and the smoke exhaled from the lungs of smokers. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reports that secondhand smoke contains more than 4,000 substances, 43 of which are known to cause cancer in humans or animals and many of which are strong irritants.

The EPA estimates that secondhand smoke causes up to 62,000 deaths each year among nonsmokers in the United States, including 3,000 deaths due to lung cancer alone. An estimated 300,000 children nationwide develop lower respiratory infections each year as a result of exposure to secondhand smoke, with approximately 15,000 of these children hospitalized due to their infections. And, exposure to secondhand smoke is a primary cause of asthma.

#### WHERE IS SMOKING PROHIBITED?

The Act states that smoking shall not be permitted and that no person shall smoke in the following indoor areas:

- · Places of employment;
- Bars;
- Restaurants;
- Enclosed indoor swimming areas;
- Public transportation, including all ticketing, boarding and waiting areas; buses, vans, taxicabs and limousines;
- All places of employment where services are offered to children;
- All schools, including school grounds;
- All public and private colleges, universities and other educational and vocational institutions;
- General hospitals;
- Residential health-care facilities, except separately designated smoking rooms for adult patients:
- Commercial establishments used for the purpose of carrying on or exercising any trade, profession, vocation or charitable activity;
- All indoor arenas;
- Zoos; and
- Bingo facilities.

## WHERE IS SMOKING PERMITTED?

Smoking is permitted in the following areas or businesses:

- Private homes and private residences when not used for day care; private automobiles;
- Hotel or motel rooms rented to one or more guests;
- Retail tobacco businesses (primary activity is the retail sale of tobacco products and accessories, and the sale of other products is merely incidental);
- Membership associations where all duties related to the operation of the association are performed by volunteers who are not compensated in any manner;
- Cigar bars in existence prior to January 1, 2003 (where 10% or more of total annual gross income is from the sale of tobacco products); and
- Up to 25% of seating in outdoor areas of restaurants with no roof or ceiling enclosure may be designated smoking areas.

#### ARE THERE ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE SMOKING IS PERMITTED?

Yes. Smoking is allowed in restaurants, bars, hotel and motel conference rooms, catering halls, convention halls and other similar establishments ONLY when the enclosed areas are being used for the sole purpose of inviting the public to sample tobacco products and serving food and drink is incidental to such purpose. A business establishment may schedule no more than two days in a calendar year for these events.

#### IF MY BUSINESS IS NOT LISTED IN THE ABOVE LISTS, DOES THE ACT APPLY?

If your type of business is not specifically listed in the above lists, and you have employees, then you cannot allow smoking in your place of business.

#### **HOW DOES THIS ACT AFFECT PRIVATE OFFICES?**

Employees with private offices cannot smoke in their office, or anywhere in the building.

#### AM I REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A SMOKING BREAK ROOM FOR MY EMPLOYEES?

No. In fact, the Act prohibits employers from providing a smoking break room for employees. Businesses with separately ventilated rooms for their smoking employees cannot allow smoking in these rooms or anywhere else in the building.

#### **HOW WILL THE ACT BE ENFORCED?**

The owner, manager or operator of an area open to the public, food service establishment, or bar, that is covered by this Act must make a reasonable effort to prevent smoking.

### **HOW CAN I FILE A COMPLAINT?**

Employees and the public may report, confidentially, violations of the Act to their local health departments, county board of health or their district health office for action. You can find the telephone number in the government section of your telephone book, or at www.health.state.

#### **SHOULD SIGNS BE POSTED?**

Yes. "No Smoking" or "Smoking" signs or a sign with the international "no smoking" symbol on it must be prominently posted and properly maintained where smoking is prohibited or permitted.

#### WHAT ARE THE PENALTIES?

The enforcement officer for a city or county health department can assess a penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation. In areas where the State Health Department is the enforcement officer, a fine of up to \$2,000 may be assessed.

### **HOW CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?**

For more information about the Act, call 1-800-458-1158, ext. 2-7600.

#### WHERE CAN I GET INFORMATION ON QUITTING?

If you smoke and want to quit, call the New York State Smokers' Quit Line at 1-866-NY-QUITS (1-866-697-8487), for free information, or visit www.nysmokefree.com.

New York State's CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT State of New York Department of Health



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## **Workers' Compensation Law**

Section 57. Restriction on issue of permits and the entering into contracts unless compensation is secured.

- 1. The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to issue any permit for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in a hazardous employment defined by this chapter, and notwithstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing the issue of such permits, shall not issue such permit unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that compensation for all employees has been secured as provided by this chapter. Nothing herein, however, shall be construed as creating any liability on the part of such state or municipal department, board, commission or office to pay any compensation to any such employee if so employed.
- 2. The head of a state or municipal department, board, commission or office authorized or required by law to enter into any contract for or in connection with any work involving the employment of employees in a hazardous employment defined by this chapter, notwithstanding any general or special statute requiring or authorizing any such contract, shall not enter into any such contract unless proof duly subscribed by an insurance carrier is produced in a form satisfactory to the chair, that compensation for all employees has been secured as provided by this chapter.

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## **TIME OFF TO VOTE**

## **NEW YORK STATE LAW (NYSEL 3-110) STATES:**

- 1. If a registered voter does not have sufficient time outside of his or her scheduled working hours, within which to vote on any day at which he or she may vote, at any election, he or she may, without loss of pay for up to two hours, take off so much working time as will, when added to his or her voting time outside his or her working hours, enable him or her to vote.
- 2. If an employee has four consecutive hours either between the opening of the polls and the beginning of his or her working shift, or between the end of his or her working shift and the closing of the polls, he or she shall be deemed to have sufficient time outside his or her working hours within which to vote. If he or she has less than four consecutive hours he or she may take off so much working time as will, when added to his or her voting time outside his or her working hours enable him or her to vote, but not more than two hours of which shall be without loss of pay, provided that he or she shall be allowed time off for voting only at the beginning or end of his or her working shift, as the employer may designate, unless otherwise mutually agreed.
- 3. If the employee requires working time off to vote the employee shall notify his or her employer not more than ten nor less than two working days before the day of the election that he or she requires time off to vote in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- 4. Not less than ten working days before every election, every employer shall post conspicuously in the place of work where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of this section. Such notice shall be kept posted until the close of the polls on election day.



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## **WHISTLEBLOWERS' LAW**

## NOTICE OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS, PROTECTIONS, AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER LABOR LAW SECTION 740: PROHIBITED RETALIATORY PERSONNEL ACTION BY EMPLOYERS

Effective January 26, 2022

#### § 740. Retaliatory action by employers; prohibition.

- **1. Definitions.** For purposes of this section, unless the context specifically indicates otherwise:
  - (a) "Employee" means an individual who performs services for and under the control and direction of an employer for wages or other remuneration, including former employees, or natural persons employed as independent contractors to carry out work in furtherance of an employer's business enterprise who are not themselves employers.
  - (b) "Employer" means any person, firm, partnership, institution, corporation, or association that employs one or more employees.
  - (c) "Law, rule or regulation" includes: (i) any duly enacted federal, state or local statute or ordinance or executive order; (ii) any rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to such statute or ordinance or executive order; or (iii) any judicial or administrative decision, ruling or order.
  - (d) "Public body" includes the following:
    - (i) the United States Congress, any state legislature, or any popularly-elected local governmental body, or any member or employee thereof;
    - (ii) any federal, state, or local court, or any member or employee thereof, or any grand or petit jury;
    - (iii) any federal, state, or local regulatory, administrative, or public agency or authority, or instrumentality thereof:
    - (iv) any federal, state, or local law enforcement agency, prosecutorial office, or police or peace officer (v) any federal, state or local department of an
    - executive branch of government; or
      (vi) any division, board, bureau, office, committee, or
    - (vi) any division, board, bureau, office, committee, or commission of any of the public bodies described in subparagraphs (i) through (v) of this paragraph.
  - (e) "Retaliatory action" means an adverse action taken by an employer or his or her agent to discharge, threaten, penalize, or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or former employee exercising his or her rights under this section, including (i) adverse employment actions or threats to take such adverse employment actions against an employee in the terms of conditions of employment including but not limited to discharge, suspension, or demotion; (ii) actions or threats to take such actions that would adversely impact a former employee's current or future employment; or (iii) threatening to contact or contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise reporting or threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status or the suspected citizenship or immigration status of an employee's family or household member, as defined in subdivision two of section four hundred fifty-nine-a of the

- social services law, to a federal, state, or local agency. (f) "Supervisor" means any individual within an employer's organization who has the authority to direct and control the work performance of the affected employee; or who has managerial authority to take corrective action regarding the violation of the law, rule or regulation of which the employee complains.
- **2. Prohibitions.** An employer shall not take any retaliatory personnel action against an employee because such employee does any of the following:
  - (a) discloses, or threatens to disclose to a supervisor or to a public body an activity, policy or practice of the employer that the employee reasonably believes is in violation of law, rule or regulation or that the employee reasonably believes poses a substantial and specific danger to the public health or safety:
  - (b) provides information to, or testifies before, any public body conducting an investigation, hearing or inquiry into any such violation of a law, rule or regulation by such employer: or
  - (c) objects to, or refuses to participate in any such activity, policy or practice in violation of a law, rule or regulation.
- **3. Application.** The protection against retaliatory personnel action provided by paragraph (a) of subdivision two of this section pertaining to disclosure to a public body shall not apply to an employee who makes such disclosure to a public body unless the employee has made a good faith effort to notify his or her employer by bringing the activity, policy or practice to the attention of a supervisor of the employer and has afforded such employer a reasonable opportunity to correct such activity, policy or practice. Such employer notification shall not be required where:
  - (a) there is an imminent and serious danger to the public health or safety;
  - (b) the employee reasonably believes that reporting to the supervisor would result in a destruction of evidence or other concealment of the activity, policy or practice;
    (c) such activity, policy or practice could reasonably be expected to lead to endangering the welfare of a minor;
    (d) the employee reasonably believes that reporting to the supervisor would result in physical harm to the employee or any other person; or
  - (e) the employee reasonably believes that the supervisor is already aware of the activity, policy or practice and will not correct such activity, policy or practice.
- 4. Violation; remedy.
  - (a) An employee who has been the subject of a retaliatory personnel action in violation of this section may institute a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction for relief as

- set forth in subdivision five of this section within two years after the alleged retaliatory action was taken.
- (b) Any action authorized by this section may be brought in the county in which the alleged retaliatory action occurred, in the county in which the complainant resides, or in the county in which the employer has its principal place of business. In any such action, the parties shall be entitled to a jury trial.
- (c) It shall be a defense to any action brought pursuant to this section that the retaliatory action was predicated upon grounds other than the employee's exercise of any rights protected by this section.
- **5. Relief.** In any action brought pursuant to subdivision four of this section, the court may order relief as follows:
  - (a) an injunction to restrain continued violation of this section;
  - (b) the reinstatement of the employee to the same position held before the retaliatory action, or to an equivalent position, or front pay in lieu thereof:
  - (c) the reinstatement of full fringe benefits and seniority rights;
  - (d) the compensation for lost wages, benefits and other remuneration;
  - (e) the payment by the employer of reasonable costs, disbursements, and attorney's fees;
  - (f) a civil penalty of an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars: and/or
  - (g) the payment by the employer of punitive damages, if the violation was willful, malicious or wanton.
- **6. Employer relief.** A court, in its discretion, may also order that reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs and disbursements be awarded to an employer if the court determines that an action brought by an employee under this section was without basis in law or in fact.
- 7. Existing rights. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to diminish the rights, privileges, or remedies of any employee under any other law or regulation or under any collective bargaining agreement or employment contract.
- **8. Publication.** Every employer shall inform employees of their protections, rights and obligations under this section, by posting a notice thereof. Such notices shall be posted conspicuously in easily accessible and well-lighted places customarily frequented by employees and applicants for employment.
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**TIP CREDIT** Employers of "tipped employees" who meet certain conditions may claim a partial wage credit based on tips received by their employees. Employers must pay tipped employees a cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour if they claim a tip credit against their minimum wage obligation. If an employee's tips combined with the employer's cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour do not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer must make up the difference.

**PUMP AT WORK** The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing employee to express breast milk for their nursing child for one year after the child's birth each time the employee needs to express breast milk. Employers must provide a place, other than a bathroom, that is shielded from view and free from intrusion from coworkers and the public, which may be used by the employee to express breast milk.

**ENFORCEMENT** The Department of Labor has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in liquidated damages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. The Department may litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the law. Civil money penalties may also be assessed for violations of the FLSA's child labor provisions. Heightened civil money penalties may also be assessed for each child labor violation that results in the death or serious injury of any minor employee, and such assessments may be doubled when the violations are determined to be willful or repeated. The law also prohibits retaliating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the FLSA.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Certain occupations and establishments are exempt from the minimum wage, and/or overtime pay provisions.
- Special provisions apply to workers in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.
- Some employers incorrectly classify workers as "independent contractors" when they are actually employees under the FLSA. It is important to know
  the difference between the two because employees (unless exempt) are entitled to the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime pay protections and
  correctly classified independent contractors are not.
- Certain full-time students, student learners, apprentices, and workers with disabilities may be paid less than the minimum wage under special certificates issued by the Department of Labor.

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## **WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES**

## EMPLOYEE RIGHTS FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES PAID AT SPECIAL MINIMUM WAGES

## THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

This establishment has a certificate authorizing the payment of special minimum wages to workers who are disabled for the work they are performing. Authority to pay special minimum wages to workers with disabilities applies to work covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), McNamara-O'Hara Service Contract Act (SCA), and/or Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act (PCA). Such special minimum wages are referred to as "commensurate wage rates" and are less than the basic hourly rates stated in an SCA wage determination and less than the FLSA minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour beginning July 24, 2009. A "commensurate wage rate" is based on the worker's individual productivity, no matter how limited, in proportion to the wage and productivity of experienced workers who do not have disabilities that impact their productivity when performing essentially the same type, quality, and quantity of work in the geographic area from which the labor force of the community is drawn.

### **WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES**

For purposes of payment of commensurate wage rates under a certificate, a worker with a disability is defined as:

- An individual whose earnings or productive capacity is impaired by a physical or mental disability, including those related to age or injury, for the work to be performed.
- Disabilities which may affect productive capacity include blindness, mental illness, mental retardation, cerebral palsy, alcoholism, and drug addiction. The following do not ordinarily affect productive capacity for purposes of paying commensurate wage rates: educational disabilities; chronic unemployment; receipt of welfare benefits; nonattendance at school; juvenile delinquency; and correctional parole or probation.

#### **KEY ELEMENTS OF COMMENSURATE WAGE RATES**

- Nondisabled worker standard—The objective gauge (usually a time study of the production of workers who do not have disabilities that impair their productivity for the job) against which the productivity of a worker with a disability is measured.
- Prevailing wage rate—The wage paid to experienced workers who do not have disabilities that impair their productivity for the same or similar work and who are performing such work in the area. Most SCA contracts include a wage determination specifying the prevailing wage rates to be paid for SCA-covered work.
- Evaluation of the productivity of the worker with a disability—Documented measurement of the production of the worker with a disability (in terms of quantity and quality).

The wages of all workers paid commensurate wages must be reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at periodic intervals. At a minimum, the productivity of hourly-paid workers must be reevaluated at least every six months and a new prevailing wage survey must be conducted at least once every twelve months. In addition, prevailing wages must be reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, whenever the applicable state or federal minimum wage is increased.

**OVERTIME** Generally, if you are performing work subject to the FLSA, SCA, and/or PCA, you must be paid at least 1 ½ times your regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

CHILD LABOR Minors younger than 18 years of age must be employed in accordance with the child labor provisions of FLSA. No persons under 16 may be employed in manufacturing or on a PCA contract.

**FRINGE BENEFITS** Neither the FLSA nor the PCA have provisions requiring vacation, holiday, or sick pay nor other fringe benefits such as health insurance or pension plans. SCA wage determinations may require such fringe benefit payments (or a cash equivalent). **Workers paid under a certificate authorizing commensurate wage rates must receive the full fringe benefits listed on the wage determination.** 

**WORKER NOTIFICATION** Each worker with a disability and, where appropriate, the parent or guardian of such worker, shall be informed orally and in writing by the employer of the terms of the certificate under which such worker is employed.

**PETITION PROCESS** Workers with disabilities paid at special minimum wages may petition the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor for a review of their wage rates by an Administrative Law Judge. No particular form of petition is required, except that it must be signed by the worker with a disability or his or her parent or guardian and should contain the name and address of the employer. Petitions should be mailed to: Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-3502, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

Employers shall display this poster where employees and the parents and guardians of workers with disabilities can readily see it.

For additional information:

**1-866-4-USWAGE** (1-866-487-9243) TTY: 1-877-889-5627

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## **POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT**

## EMPLOYEE RIGHTS EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

The Employee Polygraph Protection Act prohibits most private employers from using lie detector tests either for preemployment screening or during the course of employment.

## **PROHIBITIONS**

Employers are generally prohibited from requiring or requesting any employee or job applicant to take a lie detector test, and from discharging, disciplining, or discriminating against an employee or prospective employee for refusing to take a test or for exercising other rights under the Act.

## **EXEMPTIONS**

Federal, State and local governments are not affected by the law. Also, the law does not apply to tests given by the Federal Government to certain private individuals engaged in national security-related activities.

The Act permits polygraph (a kind of lie detector) tests to be administered in the private sector, subject to restrictions, to certain prospective employees of security service firms (armored car, alarm, and guard), and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers.

The Act also permits polygraph testing, subject to restrictions, of certain employees of private firms who are reasonably suspected of involvement in a workplace incident (theft, embezzlement, etc.) that resulted in economic loss to the employer.

The law does not preempt any provision of any State or local law or any collective bargaining agreement which is more restrictive with respect to lie detector tests.

## **EXAMINEE RIGHTS**

Where polygraph tests are permitted, they are subject to numerous strict standards concerning the conduct and length of the test. Examinees have a number of specific rights, including the right to a written notice before testing, the right to refuse or discontinue a test, and the right not to have test results disclosed to unauthorized persons.

## **ENFORCEMENT**

The Secretary of Labor may bring court actions to restrain violations and assess civil penalties against violators. Employees or job applicants may also bring their own court actions.

THE LAW REQUIRES EMPLOYERS TO DISPLAY THIS POSTER WHERE EMPLOYEES AND JOB APPLICANTS CAN READILY SEE IT.

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## **YOUR RIGHTS UNDER USERRA**

## THE UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT

USERRA protects the job rights of individuals who voluntarily or involuntarily leave employment positions to undertake military service or certain types of service in the National Disaster Medical System. USERRA also prohibits employers from discriminating against past and present members of the uniformed services, and applicants to the uniformed services.

## REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS

You have the right to be reemployed in your civilian job if you leave that job to perform service in the uniformed service and:

- you ensure that your employer receives advance written or verbal notice of your service;
- you have five years or less of cumulative service in the uniformed services while with that particular employer;
- you return to work or apply for reemployment in a timely manner after conclusion of service; and
- you have not been separated from service with a disqualifying discharge or under other than honorable conditions.

If you are eligible to be reemployed, you must be restored to the job and benefits you would have attained if you had not been absent due to military service or, in some cases, a comparable job.

## RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION & RETALIATION

If you:

- are a past or present member of the uniformed service;
- have applied for membership in the uniformed service; or
- are obligated to serve in the uniformed service; then an employer may not deny you:
- initial employment;
- reemployment:
- retention in employment;
- promotion; or
- any benefit of employment because of this status.

In addition, an employer may not retaliate against anyone assisting in the enforcement of USERRA rights, including testifying or making a statement in connection with a proceeding under USERRA, even if that person has no service connection.

### **HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTION**

- If you leave your job to perform military service, you have the right to elect to continue your existing employer-based health plan coverage for you and your dependents for up to 24 months while in the military.
- Even if you don't elect to continue coverage during your military service, you have the right to be reinstated in your employer's health plan when you are reemployed, generally without any waiting periods or exclusions (e.g., pre-existing condition exclusions) except for service-connected illnesses or injuries.

### **ENFORCEMENT**

- The U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS) is authorized to investigate and resolve complaints of USERRA violations.
- For assistance in filing a complaint, or for any other information on USERRA, contact VETS at 1-866-4-USA-DOL or visit its website at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/. An interactive online USERRA Advisor can be viewed at https://webapps.dol.gov/elaws/vets/userra.
- If you file a complaint with VETS and VETS is unable to resolve it, you may request that your case be referred to the Department of Justice or the Office of Special Counsel, as applicable, for representation.
- You may also bypass the VETS process and bring a civil action against an employer for violations of USERRA.

The rights listed here may vary depending on the circumstances. The text of this notice was prepared by VETS, and may be viewed on the internet at this address:

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/programs/userra/poster. Federal law requires employers to notify employees of their rights under USERRA, and employers may meet this requirement by displaying the text of this notice where they customarily place notices for employees.

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## **KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: WORKPLACE DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL**

### **KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: WORKPLACE DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL**

The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) enforces Federal laws that protect you from discrimination in employment. If you believe you've been discriminated against at work or in applying for a job, the EEOC may be able to help.

#### Who Is Protected?

- Employees (current and former), including managers and temporary employees
- Job applicants
- Union members and applicants for membership in a union

#### What Organizations Are Covered?

- Most private employers
- State and local governments (as employers)
- Educational institutions (as employers)
- Unions
- Staffing agencies

#### What Types Of Employment Discrimination Are Illegal?

Under the EEOC's laws, an employer may not discriminate against you, regardless of your immigration status, on the bases of:

- Race
- Color Religion
- National origin
- Sex (including pregnancy and related conditions, sexual orientation, or gender identity)
- Age (40 and older)
- Disability

- Genetic information (including employer requests for, or purchase, use, or disclosure of genetic tests, genetic services, or family medical history)
- Retaliation for filing a charge, reasonably opposing discrimination, or participating in a discrimination lawsuit, investigation, or

Additional information about the EEOC, including information about filing a charge of discrimination, is available at www.eeoc.gov.



### What Employment Practices Can Be Challenged As Discriminatory?

All aspects of employment, including:

- Discharge, firing, or lay-off
- Harassment (including unwelcome verbal or physical conduct)
- Hiring or promotion
- Assignment
- Pay (unequal wages or compensation)
- Failure to provide reasonable accommodation for a disability; pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical condition; or a sincerelyheld religious belief, observance or practice
- Benefits
- Classification
- Referral

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participating in an investigation or proceeding Conduct that coerces, intimidates, threatens, or interferes with someone exercising their rights, or someone assisting or encouraging someone else to exercise rights, regarding disability discrimination (including accommodation or pregnancy accommodation)

. Obtaining or disclosing genetic information of

Requesting or disclosing medical information of

from opposing discrimination, filing a charge, or

Conduct that might reasonably discourage someone

#### What Can You Do If You Believe Discrimination Has Occurred?

Contact the EEOC promptly if you suspect discrimination. Do not delay, because there are strict time limits for filing a charge of discrimination (180 or 300 days, depending on where you live/work). You can reach the EEOC in any of the following ways

an inquiry through the EEOC's public portal: https://publicportal.eeoc.gov/Portal/Login.aspx

1-800-669-4000 (toll free)

1-800-669-6820 (TTY) 1-844-234-5122 (ASL video phone)

Visit an EEOC field office (information at www.eeoc.gov/field-office)

info@eeoc.gov

#### EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS

The Department of Labor's Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) enforces the nondiscrimination and affirmative action commitments of companies doing business with the Federal Government. If you are applying for a job with, or are an employee of, a company with a Federal contract or subcontract, you are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases:

### Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, National Origin

Executive Order 11246, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination by Federal contractors based on race, color religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin, and requires affirmative action to ensure equality of opportunity in all aspects of employment.

### Asking About, Disclosing, or Discussing Pay

Executive Order 11246, as amended, protects applicants and employees of Federal contractors from discrimination based on inquiring about, disclosing, or discussing their compensation or the compensation of other applicants or employees

#### Disability

Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, protects qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment by Federal contractors. Disability discrimination includes not making reasonable accommodation to the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, barring undue hardship to the employer. Section 503 also requires that Federal contractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities at all levels of employment, including the executive level.

### Protected Veteran Status

The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohibits employment discrimination against, and requires affirmative action to recruit, employ, and advance in employment, disabled veterans, recently separated veterans (i.e., within three years of discharge or release from active duty), active duty wartime or campaign badge veterans, or Armed Forces service medal veterans.

#### Retaliation

Retaliation is prohibited against a person who files a complaint of discrimination, participates in an OFCCP proceeding, or otherwise opposes discrimination by Federal contractors under these Federal laws.

Any person who believes a contractor has violated its nondiscrimination or affirmative action obligations under OFCCP's authorities should contact immediately:

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP)

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

1-800-397-6251 (toll-free)

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services. OFCCP may also be contacted by submitting a question online to OFCCP's Help Desk at https://ofccphelpdesk.dol.gov/s/, or by calling an OFCCP regional or district office, listed in most telephone directories under U.S. Government, Department of Labor and on OFCCP's "Contact Us" webpage at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ofccp/contact.

### PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### Race, Color, National Origin, Sex

In addition to the protections of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. Employment discrimination is covered by Title VI if the primary objective of the financial assistance is provision of employment, or where employment discrimination causes or may cause discrimination in providing services under such programs. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities which receive Federal financial assistance

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of disability in any program or activity which receives Federal financial assistance. Discrimination is prohibited in all aspects of employment against persons with disabilities who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the

Discrimination is prohibited in all aspects of employment against persons with disabilities who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job.

If you believe you have been discriminated against in a program of any institution which receives Federal financial assistance, you should immediately contact the Federal agency providing such assistance.

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## **OSHA**

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## All workers have the right to:

- A safe workplace.
- Raise a safety or health concern with your employer or OSHA, or report a work-related injury or illness, without being retaliated against.
- Receive information and training on job hazards, including all hazardous substances in your workplace.
- Request an OSHA inspection of your workplace if you believe there
  are unsafe or unhealthy conditions, OSHA will keep your name
  confidential. You have the right to have a representative contact
  OSHA on your behalf.
- Participate (or have your representative participate) in an OSHA inspection and speak in private to the inspector.
- File a complaint with OSHA within 30 days (by phone, online or by mail) if you have been retaliated against for using your rights.
- See any OSHA citations issued to your employer.
- Request copies of your medical records, tests that measure hazards in the workplace, and the workplace injury and illness log.

## **Employers must:**

- Provide employees a workplace free from recognized hazards. It is
  illegal to retaliate against an employee for using any of their rights
  under the law, including raising a health and safety concern with
  you or with OSHA, or reporting a work-related injury or illness.
- Comply with all applicable OSHA standards.
- Notify OSHA within 8 hours of a workplace fatality or within 24 hours of any work-related inpatient hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye.
- Provide required training to all workers in a language and vocabulary they can understand.
- Prominently display this poster in the workplace.
- Post OSHA citations at or near the place of the alleged violations.

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## **FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT**

## **EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT**

## **WHAT IS FMLA LEAVE?**

The Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) is a federal law that provides eligible employees with **job-protected leave** for qualifying family and medical reasons. The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division (WHD) enforces the FMLA for most employees.

Eligible employees can take up to 12 workweeks of FMLA leave in a 12-month period for:

- The birth, adoption or foster placement of a child with you,
- Your serious mental or physical health condition that makes you unable to work,
- To care for your spouse, child or parent with a serious mental or physical health condition, and
- Certain qualifying reasons related to the foreign deployment of your spouse, child or parent who is a military servicemember.

An eligible employee who is the spouse, child, parent or next of kin of a covered servicemember with a serious injury or illness <u>may</u> take up to 26 workweeks of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the servicemember.

You have the right to use FMLA leave in **one block of time**. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, you may take FMLA leave **intermittently in separate blocks of time**, **or on a reduced schedule** by working less hours each day or week. Read Fact Sheet #28M(c) for more information.

FMLA leave is <u>not</u> paid leave, but you may choose, or be required by your employer, to use any employer-provided paid leave if your employer's paid leave policy covers the reason for which you need FMLA leave.

## **AM I ELIGIBLE TO TAKE FMLA LEAVE?**

You are an eligible employee if all of the following apply:

- You work for a covered employer,
- You have worked for your employer at least 12 months,
- You have at least 1,250 hours of service for your employer during the 12 months before your leave, and
- Your employer has at least 50 employees within 75 miles of your work location.

Airline flight crew employees have different "hours of service" requirements.

You work for a **covered employer** if **one** of the following applies:

- You work for a private employer that had at least 50 employees during at least 20 workweeks in the current or previous calendar year.
- You work for an elementary or public or private secondary school, or
- You work for a public agency, such as a local, state or federal government agency. Most federal employees are covered by Title II of the FMLA, administered by the Office of Personnel Management.

### **HOW DO I REQUEST FMLA LEAVE?**

Generally, to request FMLA leave you must:

- Follow your employer's normal policies for requesting leave,
- Give notice at least 30 days before your need for FMLA leave, or
- If advance notice is not possible, give notice as soon as possible.

You do <u>not</u> have to share a medical diagnosis but must provide enough information to your employer so they can determine whether the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. You <u>must</u> also inform your employer if FMLA leave was previously taken or approved for the same reason when requesting additional leave.

Your **employer may request certification** from a health care provider to verify medical leave and may request certification of a qualifying exigency.

The FMLA does not affect any federal or state law prohibiting discrimination or supersede any state or local law or collective bargaining agreement that provides greater family or medical leave rights.

State employees may be subject to certain limitations in pursuit of direct lawsuits regarding leave for their own serious health conditions. Most federal and certain congressional employees are also covered by the law but are subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management or Congress.

### WHAT DOES MY EMPLOYER NEED TO DO?

If you are eligible for FMLA leave, your employer must:

- Allow you to take job-protected time off work for a qualifying reason,
- Continue your group health plan coverage while you are on leave on the same basis as if you had not taken leave, and
- Allow you to return to the same job, or a virtually identical job with the same pay, benefits and other working conditions, including shift and location, at the end of your leave.

Your **employer** <u>cannot</u> <u>interfere</u> **with your FMLA rights** or threaten or punish you for exercising your rights under the law. For example, your employer cannot retaliate against you for requesting FMLA leave or cooperating with a WHD investigation.

After becoming aware that your need for leave is for a reason that may qualify under the FMLA, your employer <u>must</u> confirm whether you are eligible or not eligible for FMLA leave. If your employer determines that you are eligible, your employer <u>must</u> notify you in writing:

- About your FMLA rights and responsibilities, and
- How much of your requested leave, if any, will be FMLA-protected leave.

### WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION?

Call 1-866-487-9243 or visit dol.gov/fmla to learn more.

If you believe your rights under the FMLA have been violated, you may file a complaint with WHD or file a private lawsuit against your employer in court. Scan the QR code to learn about our WHD complaint process.

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Wage and Hour Division

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