TENNESSEE

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Package Instructions:

- 1. Depending on the file size, print the relevant PDF files in either 8 $\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ or 8 $\frac{1}{2} \times 14$ sheets of paper in either landscape or portrait format, and unless otherwise specified use the color white.
- 2. The Federal OSHA poster and the Tennessee OSHA Job Safety and Health poster must be printed in 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 14 sheets of paper to be in compliance.
- 3. Post the printed sheets in an area frequented by employees (i.e. lunch rooms, HR offices, employee lounges).



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TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

WAGE REGULATION ACT

It is unlawful for any employer to employ, permit or suffer to work any person without first informing the employee of the amount of wages to be paid (T.C.A. §50-2-101). All wages or compensation of employees in private employments shall be due and payable at least semi-monthly. Notice of regular paydays shall be posted by each employer in at least two conspicuous places.

REGULAR PAYDAY POSTED AS FOLLOWS:

(T.C.A. §50-2-103).

Each employee must have a 30-minute unpaid rest break or meal period if scheduled to work 6 hours consecutively, except in workplace environments that by the nature of business provide for ample opportunity to rest or take an appropriate break. Such break shall not be scheduled during or before the first hour of scheduled work activity (T.C.A. §50-2-103).

No employer shall discriminate between employees in the same establishment on the basis of sex by paying any employee salary or wage rates less than he pays to any employee of opposite sex for comparable skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are performed under similar working conditions (T.C.A. §50-2-202).

CHILD LABOR ACT

Minors 14 and 15 years of age may not be employed (T.C.A. §50-5-104):

- 1. During school hours;
- 2. Between 7:00 pm and 7:00 am;
- 3. More than 3 hours a day on a school day;
- 4. More than 18 hours a week during school weeks;
- 5. More than 8 hours a day on non-school days;
- 6. More than 40 hours a week during non-school weeks.

BREAK OR MEAL PERIOD (T.C.A. §50-5-115)

A minor must have a 30-minute unpaid break or meal period if scheduled to work 6 hours consecutively. Such break shall not be scheduled during or before the first hour of scheduled work activity.

16. Roofing operations;

17. Excavation operations;

OCCUPATIONS PROHIBITED FOR MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 (T.C.A. §50-5-106)

- 1 In or about plants or establishments manufacturing or storing explosives or articles containing explosive components;
- Motor vehicle driving occupations; 2
- Coal mine occupations; 3.
- Logging and sawmill operations; 4
- Operation of power-driven woodworking machines; 5.
- Exposure to radioactive substances and ionizing radiations; 6. Operation of elevator and other power-driven hoisting 7.
- apparatus; 8. Operation of power-driven metal forming, punching and shearing machines;
- Mining elements other than coal; 9
- 10. Slaughtering, meat packing, processing or rendering;
- 11. Operation of power-driven bakery machines;
- 12. Operation of power-driven paper products machines;
- 13. Manufacture of brick, tile and kindred products;
- 14. Operation of circular saws, band saws and guillotine shears;

DUTIES OF EMPLOYERS (T.C.A. §50-5-111)

- Employers of minors shall:
- Post in a conspicuous place on the business premises a printed notice of the provisions of the Child Labor Act furnished by 1. the department;
- 2 Maintain a separate file record for each minor employed which shall be kept at the minor's place of employment and shall include the following:
 - a. Employment application;
 - b. Copy of minor's birth certificate, driver's license, state issued ID or passport, as evidence of age by statute;
 - c. Accurate daily time record for all minors subject to the provisions of this Act;
 - d. Any records qualifying a minor for exemption under T.C.A. §50-5-107 (8)-(13).
- Allow the department to inspect all premises where minors are or could be employed and the contents of the individual file 3 records; and
- Furnish the department with records relative to the employment of minors. 4 If a minor is 16 or 17 years of age and is home schooled, the file must include documentation from the Director of the LEA. 5
- the home school, or church-related school that confirms the minor's enrollment and authorization to work.

For information on state laws contact the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development Labor Standards Unit Toll Free (844) 224-5818 - Option 6 www.tn.gov/workforce

The TN Department of Labor and Workforce Development is committed to principals of equal opportunity, equal access, and affirmative action. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Callers with hearing impairments may use TTY 615-532-2879, TTY 1-800-848-0298, TDD 1-800-848-0299 or TTY/TDD 711.



Minors 16 and 17 years of age may not be employed (T.C.A. §50-5-105):

1. During those hours when the minor is required to attend classes;

2. Between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am, Sunday through Thursday evenings preceding a school day, except with parental or guardian consent. Then, the minor may work until midnight no more than 3 of the Sunday through Thursday nights.

15. Wrecking, demolition and ship-breaking operations;

receipts from the sale of intoxicating beverages

19. Any occupation which the commissioner shall by

photograph, negative, slide or motion picture;

health, safety and welfare of minors;

21. Occupations involved in youth peddling.

exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total gross

18. In any place of employment where the average monthly gross

receipts of the place of employment, or in any place of

employment where a minor will be permitted to take orders

for or serve intoxicating beverages regardless of the amount

of intoxicating beverages sold in the place of employment;

regulation declare to be hazardous or injurious to the life,

20. Posing or modeling alone or with others while engaged in sexual conduct for the purpose of preparing a film,

TENNESSEE LAW PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

IT IS ILLEGAL TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY PERSON BECAUSE OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, RELIGION, SEX, AGE, DISABILITY, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IN RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, HIRING, DISCHARGE, PROMOTION, OR ANY CONDITION, TERM OR PRIVILEGE OF EMPLOYMENT.

If you feel that you have been discriminated against, contact the Tennessee Human Rights Commission.



LA LEY DE TENNESSEE PROHIBE LA DISCRIMINACIÓN EN EL EMPLEO

ES EN CONTRA DE LA LEY DISCRIMINAR EN CONTRA DE CUALQUIER PERSONA DEBIDO EN BASE A LA RAZA, COLOR, CREDO, RELIGIÓN, SEXO, EDAD, INCAPACIDAD U ORÍGEN EN EL SELECCIÓN, ENTRENAMIENTO, EMPLEO, AL DESPEDIR, PROMOVER O CUALQUIER CONDICIÓN, TÉRMINO O PRIVILEGIO DE EMPLEO.

Si usted cree que ha sido víctima de discriminación, comuníquese con la Comisión de Derechos Humanos de Tennessee.



You Have a Right to a Safe and Healthful Workplace. **IT'S THE LAW!**

- You have the right to notify your employer or TOSHA about workplace hazards. You may ask TOSHA to keep your name confidential.
- You have the right to request a TOSHA inspection if you believe that there are unsafe and unhealthful conditions in your workplace. You or your representative may participate in the inspection.
- You can file a complaint with TOSHA within 30 days of discrimination by your employer for making safety and health complaints or for exercising your rights under the TOSHA Act or the Tennessee Hazardous Chemical Right-to-Know Act.
- You have a right to see TOSHA citations issued to your employer. Your employer must post the citations at or near the place of the alleged violation.
- Your employer must correct workplace hazards by the date indicated on the citation and must certify that these hazards have been reduced or eliminated.
- You have rights under the Tennessee Right to Know Law concerning hazardous chemicals in your work area. Your employer must provide training about health effects, protective measures, safe handling procedures, as well as information on interpreting labels and safety data sheets (SDS). You must be provided access to the safety data sheets and the workplace chemical list.
- You have the right to copies of your medical records or records of your exposure to toxic and harmful substances or conditions.
- Your employer must post this notice in your workplace.



The **Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972**, T.C.A. §§ 50-3-101 et seq., assures safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women throughout the state. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Occupational Safety and Health (TOSHA) has the primary responsibility for administering the TOSHA Act. The rights listed here may vary depending on the particular circumstances. To file a complaint, report an emergency or seek TOSHA advice, assistance or information, call 800-249-8510 or your nearest TOSHA office. • Chattanooga (423) 634-6424 • Jackson (731) 423-5640 • Kingsport (423) 224-2042 • Knoxville (865) 594-6180 • Memphis (901) 543-7259 • Nashville (615) 741-2793. To file a complaint online or obtain information on Federal OSHA and other state programs, visit OSHA's website at www. osha.gov. For additional information on TOSHA visit www. http://tn.gov/workforce/section/tosha.



UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE POSTER FOR EMPLOYEES



Your employer provides insurance to help protect you when you become unemployed through no fault of your own. Tennessee employers pay the full cost of unemployment insurance for their employees. Nothing is deducted from your pay to cover the cost of this insurance nor does any money come from State of Tennessee funds.

To be eligible for benefits you must

- Be separated from employment through no fault of your own.
- Have qualifying wages in the base period.
- Be able and available for work.
- Search for work by making a minimum of three tangible job contacts each week and document each work search on a TUC Work Search Log. You may log in to <u>www.Jobs4tn.gov</u> to search for work online.
- Keep a record of your weekly work searches on your TUC Work Search Log and keep a snapshot or copy of your "Sent Items" in your email account; a copy of the confirmation page from an application sent electronically; a confirmation from an employer on company letterhead showing that the application or résumé was received.

Failure to make three weekly work searches will result in a loss of benefits unless you are job attached, a member of a hiring union, or attending training approved by the Commissioner.

If you become unemployed you may file for benefits through the Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Claims Operations.

Unemployment insurance claims may be filed by telephone (877-813-0950) or online at <u>https://www.tn.gov/workforce/topic/unemployment-online-application</u>.

Before beginning the claim filing process, you should have your

- Social Security Number
- Telephone Number
- Address
- Name of county of residence
- Employment data for the last 18 months including employer name and address, and
- Bank routing number and bank account number if you elect to receive benefits by direct deposit; otherwise, you will receive benefits on the Tennessee Automated Payment VISA Card provided by Chase Bank.

You must keep your address current with the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

Go to <u>https://ui.tn.gov/</u> to apply for unemployment benefits, to file a wage protest, to file an appeal of an agency decision, to view/update information, and to view and update your choice of type of unemployment benefit payment.

www.Jobs4tn.gov

You may log in to <u>www.Jobs4tn.gov</u> to register and search for work by using services offered by our Tennessee American Job Centers. The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development has staff available to help you find a job or pursue training opportunities.

You may go to the Department's website at <u>http://www.tn.gov/workforce/topic/find-local-help</u> to find the location of the most convenient Tennessee American Job Center.

Partial Unemployment

If you are still employed, but working less than full-time because your employer schedules you for fewer hours of work in a week, you may be eligible for partial unemployment benefits. Ask your employer to file a claim for you. If your employer cannot file a claim for you, contact Labor and Workforce Development Claims Operations at 877-813-0950.

Please post in a conspicuous place.

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TENNESSEE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE POSTING NOTICE



The law requires this notice to be posted at the employer's place of business so all employees have access to it.

WHICH EMPLOYERS ARE COVERED BY THE TENNESSEE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT?

All employers with five (5) or more full or part-time employees, except as indicated below. All employers engaged in the mining and production of coal with one (1) or more employees. All workers in the construction industry unless they are specifically exempted.

WHAT SHOULD AN EMPLOYEE DO IF INJURED AT WORK?

- 1. Report the injury to the employer immediately;
- 2. Select a treating physician from a panel provided by the employer on the form described below. To report an injury contact:

Name of employer representative to notify in event of a work related injury

Telephone number of employer representative to notify in event of a work related injury

Address of employer representative to notify in event of a work related injury

3. If you have questions or problems, contact the Bureau as indicated below.

WHAT SHOULD AN EMPLOYER DO WHEN AN INJURY IS REPORTED?

- Immediately complete a First Report of Work Injury form and send it to the workers' compensation insurance company or the third party administrator; AND,
- 2. Offer the employee a panel of physicians. The physicians must be provided on the official state form, which is the "AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMPLOYER/EMPLOYEE CHOICE OF PHYSICIAN —Form C-42." Additional instructions are available on the form. The form is available at: http://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/labor/attachments/c42.pdf

The Tennessee Bureau of Workers' Compensation has staff available to help both employees and employers. For more information contact:

TENNESSEE BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION 220 FRENCH LANDING DRIVE, 1-B NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-1002 615-532-4812 OR TOLL FREE 800-332-2667 800-332-2257 (TDD)

http://www.tn.gov/workforce/section/injuries-at-work



PAY DAY NOTICE

Regular Pay Days for Employee	es of
	(Firm Name)
shall be as follows: Weekly Bi-Week	dy Semi Monthly Monthly
Pay Checks will be distributed a	at
	(Place of Distribution)
	accordance with Tennessee State Law Title
EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS For	
(Please Give Exact address of This Worksite Location)	
Physicians:	
Hospitals:	
Ambulances: 911 or	
Fire Department 911 or:	
Police: 911 or	
PLEASE POST IN A CONSPICUOUS LOCATION	

NO SMOKING



NO SMOKING

Effective October 1, 2007, the Smoke-Free Tennessee legislation requires "No Smoking" signs or the international "No Smoking" symbol be posted at every entrance of places of employment where smoking is prohibited.

To file a complaint or report a violation of the Non Smokers Protection Act Call: 1-800-293-8228.

EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

The Employee Polygraph Protection Act prohibits most private employers from using lie detector tests either for pre-employment 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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Equal Employment Opportunity is

Private Employers, State and Local Governments, Educational Institutions, Employment Agencies and Labor Organizations

Applicants to and employees of most private employers, state and local governments, educational institutions, employment agencies and labor organizations are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases:

RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, protects applicants and employees from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), or national origin. Religious discrimination includes failing to reasonably accommodate an employee's religious practices where the accommodation does not impose undue hardship.

DISABILITY

Title I and Title V of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, protect qualified individuals from discrimination on the basis of disability in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. 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.

AGE

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, protects applicants and employees 40 years of age or older from discrimination based on age in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment.

SEX (WAGES)

In addition to sex discrimination prohibited by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, prohibits sex discrimination in the payment of wages to women and men performing substantially equal work, in jobs that require equal skill, effort, and responsibility, under similar working conditions, in the same establishment.

GENETICS

Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 protects applicants and employees from discrimination based on genetic information in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. GINA also restricts employers' acquisition of genetic information and strictly limits disclosure of genetic information. Genetic information includes information about genetic tests of applicants, employees, or their family members; the manifestation of diseases or disorders in family members (family medical history); and requests for or receipt of genetic services by applicants, employees, or their family members.

RETALIATION

All of these Federal laws prohibit covered entities from retaliating against a person who files a charge of discrimination, participates in a discrimination proceeding, or otherwise opposes an unlawful employment practice.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU BELIEVE DISCRIMINATION HAS OCCURRED

There are strict time limits for filing charges of employment discrimination. To preserve the ability of EEOC to act on your behalf and to protect your right to file a private lawsuit, should you ultimately need to, you should contact EEOC promptly when discrimination is suspected:

The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), 1-800-669-4000 (toll-free) or 1-800-669-6820 (toll-free TTY number for individuals with hearing impairments). EEOC field office information is available at www.eeoc.gov or in most telephone directories in the U.S. Government or Federal Government section. Additional information about EEOC, including information about charge filing, is available at www.eeoc.gov.

Employers Holding Federal Contracts or Subcontracts

Applicants to and employees of companies with a Federal government contract or subcontract are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases:

RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN

Executive Order 11246, as amended, prohibits job discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, and requires affirmative action to ensure equality of opportunity in all aspects of employment.

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, protects qualified individuals from discrimination on the basis of disability in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. 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. 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.

DISABLED, RECENTLY SEPARATED, OTHER PROTECTED, AND ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL VETERANS

The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohibits job discrimination and requires affirmative action to employ and advance in employment disabled veterans, recently separated veterans (within

three years of discharge or release from active duty), other protected veterans (veterans who served during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized), and Armed Forces service medal veterans (veterans who, while on active duty, participated in a U.S. military operation for which an Armed Forces service medal was awarded).

RETALIATION

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

Any person who believes a contractor has violated its nondiscrimination or affirmative action obligations under the authorities above 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) or (202) 693-1337 (TTY). OFCCP may also be contacted by e-mail at OFCCP-Public@dol.gov, or by calling an OFCCP regional or district office, listed in most telephone directories under U.S. Government, Department of Labor.

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.

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

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 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.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS

Eligible employees who work for a covered employer can take up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave in a 12-month period for the following reasons:

- The birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption or foster care;
- To bond with a child (leave must be taken within 1 year of the child's birth or placement);
- To care for the employee's spouse, child, or parent who has a qualifying serious health condition;
- For the employee's own qualifying serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee's job;
- For qualifying exigencies related to the foreign deployment of a military member who is the employee's spouse, child, or parent.

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

An employee does not need to use leave in one block. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, employees may take leave intermittently or on a reduced schedule.

Employees may choose, or an employer may require, use of accrued paid leave while taking FMLA leave. If an employee substitutes accrued paid leave for FMLA leave, the employee must comply with the employer's normal paid leave policies.

While employees are on FMLA leave, employers must continue health insurance coverage as if the employees were not on leave.

Upon return from FMLA leave, most employees must be restored to the same job or one nearly identical to it with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms and conditions.

An employer may not interfere with an individual's FMLA rights or retaliate against someone for using or trying to use FMLA leave, opposing any practice made unlawful by the FMLA, or being involved in any proceeding under or related to the FMLA.

An employee who works for a covered employer must meet three criteria in order to be eligible for FMLA leave. The employee must:

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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BENEFITS & PROTECTIONS

• Have worked for the employer for at least 12 months;

- Have at least 1,250 hours of service in the 12 months before taking leave;* and
- Work at a location where the employer has at least 50 employees within 75 miles of the employee's worksite.

*Special "hours of service" requirements apply to airline flight crew employees.

REQUESTING LEAVE Generally, employees must give 30-days' advance notice of the need for FMLA leave. If it is not possible to give 30-days' notice, an employee must notify the employer as soon as possible and, generally, follow the employer's usual procedures.

Employees do not have to share a medical diagnosis, but must provide enough information to the employer so it can determine if the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. Sufficient information could include informing an employer that the employee is or will be unable to perform his or her job functions, that a family member cannot perform daily activities, or that hospitalization or continuing medical treatment is necessary. Employees must inform the employer if the need for leave is for a reason for which FMLA leave was previously taken or certified.

Employers can require a certification or periodic recertification supporting the need for leave. If the employer determines that the certification is incomplete, it must provide a written notice indicating what additional information is required.

EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES

Once an employer becomes aware that an employee's need for leave is for a reason that may qualify under the FMLA, the employer must notify the employee if he or she is eligible for FMLA leave and, if eligible, must also provide a notice of rights and responsibilities under the FMLA. If the employee is not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for ineligibility.

Employers must notify its employees if leave will be designated as FMLA leave, and if so, how much leave will be designated as FMLA leave.

ENFORCEMENT

Employees may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer.

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.



EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE \$7,25 PER HOUR EGINNING JULY 24, 2009

The law requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.

OVERTIME PAY At least 1¹/₂ times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

CHILD LABOR An employee must be at least 16 years old to work in most non-farm jobs and at least 18 to work in non-farm jobs declared hazardous by the Secretary of Labor. Youths 14 and 15 years old may work outside school hours in various non-manufacturing, non-mining, non-hazardous jobs with certain work hours restrictions. Different rules apply in agricultural employment.

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.

NURSING MOTHERS

The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing mother employee who is subject to the FLSA's overtime requirements in order for the employee to express breast milk for her nursing child for one year after the child's birth each time such employee has a need to express breast milk. Employers are also required to 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 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 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

 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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Job Safety and Health IT'S THE LAW!

All workers have the right to:

- A safe workplace.
- Raise a safety or health concern with your employer or OSHA, or report a workrelated 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.
- Report to OSHA all work-related fatalities within 8 hours, and all inpatient hospitalizations, amputations and losses of an eye within 24 hours.
- 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.

FREE ASSISTANCE to identify and correct hazards is available to small and mediumsized employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-supported consultation programs in every state.

This poster is available free from OSHA.

Contact OSHA. We can help.

1-800-321-OSHA (6742) • TTY 1-877-889-5627 • www.osha.gov



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 AND RETALIATION

If you:

- \Rightarrow are a past or present member of the uniformed service;
- \Rightarrow have applied for membership in the uniformed service; or
- \Rightarrow are obligated to serve in the uniformed service;

then an employer may not deny you:

- ☆ initial employment;
- ☆ reemployment;
- \Rightarrow retention in employment;
- ☆ promotion; or
- \Rightarrow 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 http://www.dol.gov/vets. An interactive online USERRA Advisor can be viewed at http://www.dol.gov/elaws/userra.htm.
- ☆ 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: http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/userra/poster.htm. 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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