Maryland Minimum Wage and Overtime Law

Minimum Wage Rates

$8.75
Effective 7/1/16

$9.25
Effective 7/1/17

$10.10
Effective 7/1/18

Minimum Wage
Most employees must be paid the Maryland State Minimum Wage Rate.

Tipped Employees (earning more than $30 per month in tips): must earn the State Minimum Wage Rate per hour. Employers must pay at least $3.63 per hour. This amount plus tips must equal at least the State Minimum Wage Rate.

Amusement and Recreational Establishments (who meet certain requirements): must pay employees at least 85% of the State Minimum Wage Rate or $7.25, whichever is higher.

Employees under 20 years of age: must earn at least 85% of the State Minimum Wage Rate for the first 6 months of employment.

Overtime
Most employees must be paid 1 1/2 times their usual hourly rate for all work over 40 hrs. per week. Exceptions:

- Bowling establishments, and institutions providing on-premise care (other than hospitals) to the sick, the aged, or individuals with disabilities for all work over 48 hrs. per week
- Agricultural workers for all work over 60 hrs. per week

Exemptions
Minimum Wage and Overtime Exemptions:
- Immediate family member of the employer
- Certain agricultural employees
- Executives, administrative, and professional employees
- Volunteers for educational, charitable, religious, and non-profit organizations
- Employees under 16 working less than 20 hours per week
- Outside salesman
- Commissioned employees
- Employees enrolled as a trainee as part of a public school special education program
- Non-administrative employees of organized camps
- Certain establishments selling food and drink for consumption on the premises grossing less than $400,000 annually
- Drive-in theaters
- Establishments engaged in the first canning, packing or freezing of fruits, vegetables, poultry, or seafood

Overtime Only Exemptions (must earn the State Minimum Wage Rate):
- Taxicab drivers
- Certain employees selling/servicing automobiles, farm equipment, trailers, or trucks
- Non-profit concert promoter, theater, music festival, music pavilion, or theatrical show
- Employers subject to certain railroad requirements of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, the Federal Motor Carrier Act, and the Interstate Commerce Commission

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO FILE A COMPLAINT CONTACT:
Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
Division of Labor and Industry—Employment Standards Service
1100 North Eutaw Street, Room 607
Baltimore, MD 21201
Telephone Number: (410) 767-2357 · Fax Number: (410) 333-7303
E-mail: didliemploymentstandards-dllr@maryland.gov

EMPLOYERS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO POST THIS INFORMATION.
PAY RECORDS MUST BE KEPT FOR 3 YEARS ON OR ABOUT THE PLACE OF WORK.
penalties are prescribed for violations of the law.

Rev. 8/2016
MARYLAND EARNED SICK AND SAFE LEAVE
EMPLOYEE NOTICE

The Maryland Healthy Working Families Act requires employers with 15 or more employees to provide paid sick and safe leave for certain employees. It also requires that employers who employ 14 or fewer employees provide unpaid sick and safe leave for certain employees.

Accrual

Earned sick and safe leave begins to accrue on February 11, 2018, or the date on which an employee begins employment with the employer, whichever is later. An employee accrues earned sick and safe leave at a rate of at least one hour for every 30 hours the employee works; however, an employee is not entitled to earn more than 40 hours of earned sick and safe leave in a year or accrue more than 64 hours of earned sick and safe leave at any time.

Leave Usage

An employee is allowed to use earned sick and safe leave under the following conditions:

- To care for or treat the employee’s mental or physical illness, injury, or condition;
- To obtain preventative medical care for the employee or the employee’s family member;
- To care for a family member with a mental or physical illness, injury, or condition;
- For maternity or paternity leave; or
- The absence from work is necessary due to domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking committed against the employee or the employee’s family member and the leave is being used: (1) to obtain medical or mental health attention; (2) to obtain services from a victim services organization; (3) for legal services or proceedings; or (4) because the employee has temporarily relocated as a result of the domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

A family member includes a spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling.

Employees are permitted to use earned sick and safe leave in increments in certain amounts established by their employer. Employees are required to give notice of the need to use earned sick and safe leave when it is foreseeable. An employer may deny leave in certain circumstances.

Reporting

Employers are required to provide employees with a written statement of the employee’s available earned sick and safe leave.

Prohibitions

An employer is prohibited under the law from taking adverse action against an employee who exercises a right under the Maryland Healthy Working Families Act and an employee is prohibited from making a complaint, bringing an action, or testifying in an action in bad faith.

How to File a Complaint or Obtain Additional Information

If you feel your rights have been violated under this law or you would like additional information, you may contact:

COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY
1100 North Eutaw Street, Room 607 | Baltimore, MD 21201
ssl.assistance@maryland.gov
La Ley de Familias Trabajadoras Saludables de Maryland requiere que los empleadores con 15 o más empleados brinden licencia de enfermedad y seguro para ciertos empleados. También requiere que los empleadores que emplean a 14 o menos empleados brinden licencias no remuneradas por enfermedad y seguro para ciertos empleados.

**Acumulación**

El permiso de enfermedad y seguro comienza a acumularse desde 11 de febrero de 2018 o la fecha en que un empleado comienza a trabajar para el empleador. Un empleado acumula un permiso de enfermedad y seguro a una tasa de una hora por cada 30 horas de trabajo. Un empleado tiene derecho a ganar un máximo de 40 horas de licencia de enfermedad y seguro en un año. Lo máximo que un empleado puede acumular es un total de 64 horas de licencia de enfermedad y seguro.

**Uso de Licencia**

Un empleado puede usar la licencia de enfermedad y seguro acumulada bajo las siguientes condiciones:

- Para cuidar o tratar la enfermedad, lesión o condición mental o física del empleado;
- Para obtener atención médica preventiva para el empleado o miembro de la familia del empleado;
- Para cuidar a un miembro de la familia con una enfermedad, lesión o condición mental o física;
- Por licencia de maternidad o paternidad; o
- La ausencia del trabajo es necesaria debido a violencia doméstica, agresión sexual o acoso cometido contra el empleado o el miembro de la familia del empleado y el permiso se usa: (1) para obtener atención médica o de salud mental; (2) para obtener servicios de una organización de servicios para víctimas; (3) para servicios o procedimientos legales; o (4) porque el empleado se ha mudado temporalmente como resultado de la violencia doméstica, la agresión sexual o el acoso.

Un miembro de la familia incluye un cónyuge, hijos, padres, abuelos, nietos o hermanos.

A los empleados se les permite usar la licencia de enfermedad y seguro acumulada en incrementos establecidos por su empleador. Se requiere que los empleados notifiquen la necesidad de utilizar la licencia de enfermedad y seguro ganadas cuando sea previsible. Un empleador puede negar la licencia bajo ciertas circunstancias.

**Informes**

Se requiere que los empleadores proporcionen a los empleados por escrito el balance de las horas de licencia de enfermedad y seguro disponible al empleado.

**Prohibiciones**

La ley prohíbe a un empleador emprender acciones adversas contra un empleado que ejerce su derecho conforme a la Ley de Familias Trabajadoras Saludables de Maryland y se le prohíbe a un empleado presentar una queja, iniciar una acción o testificar en una acción de mala fe.

**Cómo Presentar una Queja u Obtener Información Adicional**

Si considera que se han violado sus derechos según esta ley o si desea obtener información adicional, puede comunicarse con:

**COMISIONADO DE TRABAJO E INDUSTRIA**

1100 North Eutaw Street, Room 607 | Baltimore, MD 21201

ssl.assistance@maryland.gov
The Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1973 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:

Public Employers:
Each public employer shall furnish to each of his or her employees employment and a place of employment free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious harm to employees; and shall comply with occupational safety and health standards issued under the Act.

Public Employees:
Each public employee shall comply with all occupational safety and health standards, rules, regulations and orders issued under the Act that apply to his or her own actions and conduct on the job.

The Commissioner of Labor and Industry has the primary responsibility for administering the Act and issuing occupational safety and health standards.

Inspection:
The Act provides that the State Government and each of its political subdivisions or any agency thereof shall develop, conduct and maintain a program of self-inspection. This program is to be approved and monitored by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry.

The Act requires that a representative or representatives authorized by the employer be given an opportunity to participate in the inspection procedure. Where there is no authorized employee representative, the inspector shall consult with a reasonable number of employees concerning safety and health conditions in the workplace.

Complaint:
Public employees or their representatives have the right to file a complaint with the Commissioner requesting an inspection if they believe unsafe or unhealthful conditions exist in their workplace. The Commissioner will withhold names of employees complaining on request.

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.

A public employee who believes he or she has been discriminated against may file a complaint with the Commissioner within 50 days of the alleged discrimination.

If upon an inspection performed by the Division of Labor and Industry, the Commissioner believes a public employer has violated the Act, a citation alleging such violations shall be issued to the public employer. Each citation shall specify a time period within which the alleged violation must be corrected.

The MOSH citation must be prominently displayed at or near the place of alleged violation for three days, or until it is corrected, whichever is later, to warn employees of dangers that may exist there.

The Act encourages efforts by labor and management to reduce injuries and illnesses arising out of employment. The Commissioner of Labor and Industry encourages employers and employees to reduce workplace hazards voluntarily and to develop and improve safety and health programs in all workplaces and industries. Such cooperative action would initially focus on the identification and elimination of hazards that could cause death, injury, or illness to employees and supervisors.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND COPIES OF THE ACT. SPECIFIC MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS, AND OTHER APPLICABLE REGULATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM

MOSH TRAINING and EDUCATION
16546 Golden West Drive, Suite 160
Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031
Phone: 410-527-2091

Complaints about the Public Employer Self-inspection Program may be made to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry at the above address.
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**Employers:** Each employer shall furnish to each of his or her employees employment and a place of employment free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious harm to employees, and shall comply with occupational safety and health standards issued under the Act.

**Employees:** Each employee shall comply with all occupational safety and health standards, rules, regulations and orders issued under the Act that apply to his or her own actions and conduct on the job.

The Commissioner of Labor and Industry has the primary responsibility for administering the Act and issuing occupational safety and health standards. MOSH Safety and Health Inspectors conduct job site inspections to ensure compliance with the Act.

**Inspection:** The Act requires that a representative authorized by the employees be given an opportunity to accompany the MOSH Inspector for the purpose of aiding the inspection. Where there is no authorized employee representative, the MOSH Inspector shall consult with a reasonable number of employees concerning safety and health conditions in the workplace.

**Complaint:** Employees or their representatives have the right to file a complaint with the Commissioner requesting an inspection if they believe unsafe or unhealthful conditions exist in their workplace. The Commissioner will withhold names of employees complaining on request. The Act provides that employees may not be discharged or discriminated against in any way for filing a complaint with the Commissioner and/or the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration Regional Office within 30 days of the alleged discrimination.

**Citation:** If upon an inspection the Commissioner believes an employer has violated the Act, a citation alleging such violations shall be issued to the employer. Each citation shall specify a time period within which the alleged violation must be corrected. The MOSH citation must be prominently displayed at or near the place of alleged violation for three days, or until it is corrected, whichever is later, to warn employees of dangers that may exist there.

**Proposed Penalty:** The Act provides for mandatory civil penalties against employers of up to $7,000 for each serious violation and for exemplary penalties of up to $7,000 for each willful violation. Civil penalties of up to $7,000 per day may be proposed for failure to correct violations within the time period. Also, any employer who willfully or repeatedly violates the Act may be assessed civil penalties of up to $70,000 for each such violation. Criminal penalties are also provided for in the Act. Any willful violation resulting in death of an employee, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than $10,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both. Conviction of an employer after a first conviction doubles these maximum penalties.

**Voluntary Activity:** While providing penalties for violation, the Act also encourages efforts by labor and management to reduce injuries and illnesses arising out of employment. The Commissioner of Labor and Industry encourages employers and employees to reduce workplace hazards voluntarily and to develop and improve safety and health programs in all workplaces and industries. Such cooperative action would initially focus on the identification and elimination of hazards that could cause death, injury, or illness to employees and supervisors. There are many public and private organizations that can provide information and assistance in this effort, if requested.

**Additional Information and Copies of the Act, Specific Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Standards, and Other Applicable Regulations May Be Obtained From:**

MOSH Training and Education
10946 Golden West Drive, Suite 180
Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031
Phone: 410-527-2091

Complaints about State Program administration may be made to Regional Administrator, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, The Curtis Center, Suite 740 West, 170 S. Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3399

www.complianceassistance.us
DISCRIMINATION IS UNLAWFUL

EQUAL TREATMENT FOR ALL CITIZENS IS THE POLICY OF BALTIMORE CITY

The employment section of the law applies in Baltimore City to
- PRIVATE EMPLOYERS WITH 15 OR MORE EMPLOYEES
- ALL LABOR ORGANIZATIONS
- ALL EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
- CITY AGENCIES

It is UNLAWFUL for an employer
- TO DISCRIMINATE WITH RESPECT TO RECRUITMENT, HIRING, FIRING, AND PLACEMENT
- TO DENY EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR UP-GRADE OR PROMOTION
- TO DISCRIMINATE IN THE AREAS OF TENURE, COMPENSATION, AND OTHER CONDITIONS AND PRIVILEGES OF EMPLOYMENT

It is UNLAWFUL for a labor organization
- TO DENY TO ANY INDIVIDUAL AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING AND APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS
- TO LIMIT, Classify OR SEGREGATE ITS MEMBERSHIP
- TO DENY EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERSHIP

It is UNLAWFUL for an employment agency to discriminate by
- IMPROPERLY CLASSIFYING A JOB APPLICANT
- FAILING TO REFER AN INDIVIDUAL FOR EMPLOYMENT

It is UNLAWFUL for an apprenticeship training program
- TO DISCRIMINATE WITH RESPECT TO RECRUITMENT, MEMBERSHIP, ADMISSION, PLACEMENT OR CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING

YOU ARE PROTECTED IN YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT

It is unlawful for any employer, employment agency or labor organization to retaliate or discriminate in any manner against an individual because he has made a complaint, testified or assisted in any manner in any investigation, proceeding or hearing conducted by the Community Relations Commission.

Except when they pertain to continuous discrimination, complaints must be filed within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory act.

Discrimination is also prohibited in places of public accommodations, educational institutions, health and welfare agencies and housing.

BALTIMORE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION
SUITE 915, 10 N. CALVIER STREET • BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21202
TELEPHONE AREA CODE 410-396-0141

www.complianceassistance.us
**STATE OF MARYLAND**

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION**

**MARYLAND EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS**

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**WORK PERMIT FOR MINORS**

**Employment Standards Service**

1100 N. Eutaw St. Room 607

Baltimore, MD 21201

Phone: 410-767-2357

Email: DLESSMinorWorkPermit_DLLR@maryland.gov

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**APPLYING FOR A WORK PERMIT**

Applications for work permits are accepted online at:

[https://www.dllr.state.md.us/childworkpermit](https://www.dllr.state.md.us/childworkpermit)

- Minor completes required information online
- Minor prints work permit

**TO BE VALID:** The Minor, the Minor’s Parent (Guardian), and the Employer must sign the permit

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**PERMISSIBLE HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL MINORS**

- May not be employed or permitted to work more than 5 hours continuously without a non-working period of at least 3/4 hour.

**MINORS 14 – 15**

- 4 hours on any day when school is in session.
- 8 hours on any day when school is not in session.
- 23 hours in any week when school is in session for 5 days.
- 40 hours in any week when school is not in session.
- May only work between the hours of 7:00 am and 8:00 pm
- May work until 9:00 pm from Memorial Day until Labor Day
- The hours worked by a minor enrolled in a bona fide work-study or student-learner program when school is normally in session may not be counted towards the permissible hours of work prescribed above.

**EXEMPTIONS**

Exceptions to hours and occupations may be granted by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry. Applications for exceptions should be addressed to the Commissioner giving explicit details.

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**NON-EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES**

Activities not considered employment if performed outside of the prescribed school day and the activity does not involve mining, manufacturing or hazardous occupations. The activities include:

- Farm work performed on a farm.
- Domestic work performed in or about a home.
- Work performed in a business owned or operated by a parent or one standing in the place of a parent.
- Work performed by non-paid volunteers, in a charitable or non-profit organization, employed with the written consent of a parent or one standing in the place of a parent.
- Caddying on a golf course.
- Employment as an instructor on an instructional sailboat.
- Manufacturing of evergreen wreaths in or about a home.
- Delivery of newspapers to the consumer.
- Work performed as a counselor, assistant counselor, or instructor in a youth camp certified under the Maryland Youth Camp Act.
- Hazardous work performed by non-paid volunteers of a volunteer fire department or company or volunteer rescue squad who have completed or are taking a course of study relating to firefighting or rescue and who are 16 years of age or older.

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**SPECIAL PERMITS**

Special permits may be issued to minors of any age to be employed as a model, performer, or entertainer. The applications and permits are available only from the Baltimore office of the Division of Labor and Industry.

**FEDERAL RESTRICTIONS**

Restrictions under the child labor provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act may be greater than State Standards. In all cases, the higher or more restrictive standard prevails. Information on Federal Standards is available from the Baltimore office (410) 962-6211 and the Hyattsville office (301) 436-6767 of the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division.
3-301. Definitions.
(a) In general. - In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
(b) Employer. –
   (1) "Employer" means:
      (i) a person engaged in a business, industry, profession, trade, or other enterprise in the State;
      (ii) the State and its units;
      (iii) a county and its units; and
      (iv) a municipal government in the State.
   (2) "Employer" includes a person who acts directly or indirectly in the interest of another employer with
       an employee.
(c) “Gender Identity” has the meaning stated in § 20-101 of the State Government Article. (“Gender identity”
    means the gender–related identity, appearance, expression, or behavior of a person, regardless of the person’s
    assigned sex at birth, which may be demonstrated by consistent and uniform assertion of the person's gender
    identity; or any other evidence that the gender identity is sincerely held as part of the person’s core identity.)
(d) Wage: –
    (1) "Wage" means all compensation for employment.
    (2) "Wage" includes board, lodging, or other advantage provided to an employee for the convenience of
        the employer.

3-302. Scope of subtitle.
This subtitle applies to an employer of both men and women in a lawful enterprise.

3-303. Miscellaneous powers of Commissioner.
In addition to any powers set forth elsewhere, the Commissioner may:
(1) use informal methods of conference, conciliation, and persuasion to eliminate pay practices that are
    unlawful under this subtitle; and
(2) supervise the payment of a wage owing to an employee under this subtitle.

3-304. Equal pay for equal work.
(a) In this section, “providing less favorable employment opportunities” means:
   (1) Assigning or directing the employee into a less favorable career track, if career tracks are offered, or
       position;
   (2) Failing to provide information about promotions or advancement in the full range of career tracks
       offered by the employer; or
   (3) Limiting or depriving an employee of employment opportunities that would otherwise be available to
       the employee but for the employee’s sex or gender identity.
(b) (1) In general. - An employer may not discriminate between employees in any occupation by
   (i) paying a wage to employees of one sex or gender identity at a rate less than the rate paid to
       employees of another sex or gender identity if both employees work in the same establishment and
       perform work of comparable character or work on the same operation, in the same business, or of the
       same type; or
   (ii) providing less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity.
   (2) For purposes of paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection, an employee shall be deemed to work at the same
       establishment as another employee if the employees work for the same employer at workplaces located in
       the same county of the state.
(c) Effect of requirement. – Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, subsection (b) of this section does
    not prohibit a variation in a wage that is based on:
    (1) a seniority system that does not discriminate on the basis of sex or gender identity;
    (2) a merit increase system that does not discriminate on the basis of sex or gender identity;
    (3) jobs that require different abilities or skills;
    (4) jobs that require the regular performance of different duties or services;
    (5) work that is performed on different shifts or at different times of day;
    (6) a system that measures performance based on a quality or quantity or production; or
    (7) a bona fide factor other than sex or gender identity, including education, training, or experience in
        which the factor:
You and other members of your family may be eligible under Maryland law to continue to be covered by your former employer’s health insurance policy if:

- You quit your job or you were terminated from your employment for a reason other than for cause; and
- You are covered by your employer under a group hospital-medical policy or a health maintenance organization (HMO) for at least three (3) months prior to being separated from your employment; and
- You do not have other similar insurance.

If you wish to continue your health insurance, you MUST give your employer written notice no later than forty-five (45) days after your last day of work.

**IMPORTANT:**

You will be responsible for paying the entire cost of the health insurance policy.

For further information about the program, you should contact your employer, or if necessary, telephone the Insurance Administration in Baltimore at (410) 468-2244 or 1-800-492-6116 (Ext. 2244).

State of Maryland
Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

THIS NOTICE APPLIES TO STATE LAW.
YOU MAY HAVE BROADER BENEFITS UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

TO BE POSTED
Know Your Rights!

If you are pregnant, you have a legal right to a reasonable accommodation if your pregnancy causes or contributes to a disability and the accommodation does not impose an undue hardship on your employer. *State Government Article, §20-609(h)*

What Does That Mean?

If you have a disability that is contributed to or caused by pregnancy, you may request a reasonable accommodation at work. Your employer must explore “all possible means of providing the reasonable accommodation.” *State Government Article, §20-609(d)*

The law lists an assortment of options for both you and your employer to consider in order to comply with a request for reasonable accommodation. These include, but are not limited to:

- Changing job duties
- Changing work hours
- Relocation
- Providing mechanical or electrical aids
- Transfers to less strenuous or less hazardous positions
- Providing leave

Every situation is different. You must explore every available option with your employer to decide what accommodation best suits your needs.

What If I Am A Victim Of Discrimination?

If you believe your rights under the law have been violated, you must file a complaint with MCCR within 6 months of the alleged act of discrimination. A trained Civil Rights Officer will work with you to discuss what happened and determine if there is reason to believe a discriminatory violation occurred. You can reach MCCR by phone, email, fax, letter, or walk-in. All procedures by MCCR are confidential until your case is certified for public hearing or trial.

Do I Need A Doctor’s Note?

It depends on what your employer requests. The law allows an employer, at his or her discretion, to require certification from your health care provider regarding the medical advisability of a reasonable accommodation, but only to the same extent certification is required for other temporary disabilities. *State Government Article, §20-609(f)*

If required, the certification must include:

- Date a reasonable accommodation is medically advisable.
- Probable duration of the accommodation should be provided.
- Explanation as to the medical advisability of the reasonable accommodation.

Can I Still Get In Trouble?

Retaliation is prohibited under *State Government Article, §20-609(h)* when exercising your rights. If an employee seeks to exercise her right to request a reasonable accommodation for a temporary disability due to pregnancy, an employer may not:

- Interfere with;
- Restrain;
- Deny the exercise; or
- Deny the attempt to exercise the right.

Any form of retaliation is grounds to file a Complaint of Discrimination with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights (MCCR).
TO EMPLOYEES

YOUR EMPLOYER IS SUBJECT TO the Maryland Unemployment Insurance Law and pays taxes under this law. No deduction is made from your wages for this purpose.

IF YOU ARE LAID OFF or otherwise become unemployed, immediately file a claim by calling the telephone number for the area in which you reside or you may file a claim on the internet at the web site address indicated below.

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, you may be entitled to unemployment insurance benefits for as many as 26 weeks.

IF YOU ARE WORKING LESS THAN FULL TIME, you may be eligible for partial benefits. If your regular hours of work have been reduced, promptly file a claim as instructed above, to determine your benefit rights.

IF YOU HAVE BEEN FILING FOR BENEFITS AND RETURN TO WORK, you must report your gross wages before deductions during the week you return to work regardless of whether or not you have been paid.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BENEFITS IF:

1. You are unemployed through no fault of your own.
2. You have sufficient earnings in your Base Period.
3. You have registered for work and filed a claim for benefits with a Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Claim Center listed below.
4. You are able to work, available for work, and actively seeking work.

NOTE: To insure prompt handing of your claim, it is necessary to have your Social Security number available. If you claim dependents under sixteen (16) years of age, you must know the Social Security number of each dependent when you file. If you do not know the Social Security numbers, you will be provided with instructions on how to provide a copy of the dependent's birth certificate or other forms of proof of dependency.

IF YOU ARE TOTALLY OR PARTIALLY UNEMPLOYED CALL:

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TTY: 301-313-8000

SOLICITUD DE BENEFICIOS DEL DESEMPLEO PARA LA Población DE HABLE HISPANA 301-313-8000

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For Maryland Relay Dial 711

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For Maryland Relay Dial 711

TO FILE A CLAIM VIA THE INTERNET:

www.mdunemployment.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Unemployment Insurance is intended for persons who are unemployed through no fault of their own and who are ready, willing and able to work. Persons who receive benefits through false statements or fail to report ALL earnings will be disqualified and will be subject to criminal prosecution.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 states that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin. If you feel you have been discriminated against in the Unemployment Insurance process because of any of these factors, you may file a complaint with the Office of Fair Practices, 1100 North Eutaw Street, Room 613, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION
OFFICE OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

THIS CARD MUST BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

D L R/D U I 328 (Revised 12-10)
EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE $7.25 PER HOUR
BEGINNING JULY 24, 2009

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

OVERTIME PAY
At least 1 1/2 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 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.
DERECHOS DE LOS TRABAJADORES
BAJO LA LEY DE NORMAS JUSTAS DE TRABAJO (FLSA—siglas en inglés)

SALARIO MÍNIMO FEDERAL
$7.25 POR HORA
A PARTIR DEL 24 DE JULIO DE 2009

La ley exige que los empleadores exhiban este cartel donde sea visible por los empleados.

PAGO POR SOBRETIEMPO
Por lo menos tiempo y medio (1½) de la tasa regular de pago por todas las horas trabajadas en exceso de 40 en una semana laboral.

TRABAJO DE MENORES DE EDAD
El empleado tiene que tener por lo menos 16 años para trabajar en la mayoría de los trabajos no agrícolas y por lo menos 18 años para trabajar en los trabajos no agrícolas declarados peligrosos por la Secretaría de Trabajo. Los menores de 14 y 15 años pueden trabajar fuera del horario escolar en varias ocupaciones que no sean de manufactura, de minería, y que no sean peligrosas con ciertas restricciones al horario de trabajo. Se aplican distintos reglamentos al empleo agrícola.

CRÉDITO POR PROPINAS
Los empleadores de “empleados que reciben propinas” que cumplan con ciertas condiciones, pueden reclamar un crédito de salario parcial basado en las propinas recibidas por sus empleados. Los empleadores les tienen que pagar a los empleados que reciben propinas un salario en efectivo de por lo menos $2.13 por hora si ellos reclaman un crédito de propinas contra su obligación de pagar el salario mínimo. Si las propinas recibidas por el empleado combinadas con el salario en efectivo de por lo menos $2.13 por hora del empleador no equivalen al salario mínimo por hora, el empleador tiene que compensar la diferencia.

MADRES LACTANTES
La FLSA exige que los empleadores le proporcionen un tiempo de descanso razonable a la empleada que sea madre lactante y que esté sujeta a los requisitos de sobretiempo de la FLSA, para que la empleada se extraiga leche manualmente para su niño lactante por un año después del nacimiento del niño, cada vez que dicha empleada tenga la necesidad de extraerse leche. A los empleadores también se les exige que proporcionen un lugar, que no sea un baño, protegido de la vista de los demás y libre de la intrusión de los compañeros de trabajo y del público, el cual pueda ser utilizado por la empleada para extraerse leche.

CUMPLIMIENTO
El Departamento tiene la autoridad de recuperar salarios retroactivos y una cantidad igual en daños y perjuicios en casos de incumplimientos con el salario mínimo, sobretiempo y otros incumplimientos. El Departamento puede litigar y/o recomendar un enjuiciamiento criminal. A los empleadores se les pueden imponer sanciones pecunarias civiles por cada incumplimiento del salario mínimo o de sobretiempo. También se pueden imponer sanciones pecunarias civiles por incumplimiento con las disposiciones de la FLSA sobre el trabajo de menores de edad. Además, se pueden imponer sanciones pecunarias civiles incrementadas por cada incumplimiento con el trabajo de menores que resulte en la muerte o una lesión seria de un empleado menor de edad, y tales avalúos pueden duplicarse cuando se determina que los incumplimientos fueron deliberados o repetidos. La ley también prohíbe tomar represalias o despedir a los trabajadores que presenten una queja o que participen en cualquier proceso bajo la FLSA.

INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL

• Ciertas ocupaciones y ciertos establecimientos están exentos de las disposiciones del salario mínimo, y/o de las disposiciones del pago de sobretiempo.

• Se aplican disposiciones especiales a trabajadores de Samoa Americana, del Estado Libre Asociado de las Islas Marianas del Norte y del Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico.

• Algunas leyes estatales proporcionan protecciones más amplias a los trabajadores; los empleadores tienen que cumplir con ambas.

• Algunos empleadores clasifican incorrectamente a sus trabajadores como “contratistas independientes” cuando en realidad son empleados según la FLSA. Es importante conocer la diferencia entre los dos porque los empleados (a menos que estén exentos) tienen derecho a las protecciones del salario mínimo y del pago de sobretiempo bajo la FLSA y los contratistas correctamente clasificados como independientes no lo tienen.

• A ciertos estudiantes de tiempo completo, estudiantes alumnos, aprendices, y trabajadores con discapacidades se les puede pagar menos que el salario mínimo bajo certificados especiales expedidos por el Departamento de Trabajo.
EMPLOYEE RIGHTS
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.
Equal Employment Opportunity is THE LAW

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.

**RETLATION**
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).

RETAILATION
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.
La igualdad de oportunidades de empleo es **LA LEY**

**Empleadores privados, gobiernos locales y estatales, instituciones educativas, agencias de empleo y organizaciones de trabajo**

Los postulantes y empleados de la mayoría de los empleadores privados, los gobiernos locales y estatales, las instituciones educativas, las agencias de empleo y las organizaciones de trabajo están protegidos por la ley federal contra la discriminación en función de:

**RAZA, COLOR, RELIGIÓN, SEXO, PROCEDENCIA**

El Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles (Civil Rights Act) de 1964, con sus modificaciones, protege a los postulantes y a los empleados contra la discriminación en lo que respecta a la contratación, los ascensos, los despídos, los pagos, las compensaciones adicionales, la capacitación laboral, la clasificación, las referencias y los demás aspectos del empleo, en función de raza, color, religión, sexo (incluidas las embarazadas) o procedencia. La discriminación religiosa se refiere a la falta de adaptación razonable a las prácticas religiosas de un empleado, siempre y cuando dicha adaptación no provoque una dificultad económica desmedida para la compañía.

**DISCAPACIDAD**

Los Títulos I y V de la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (Americans with Disabilities Act) de 1990, con sus modificaciones, protege a las personas idóneas contra la discriminación por discapacidad en lo que respecta a la contratación, los ascensos, los despídos, los pagos, las compensaciones adicionales, la capacitación laboral, la clasificación, las referencias y los demás aspectos del empleo. La discriminación por discapacidad se refiere a la falta de adaptaciones razonables para las limitaciones físicas o mentales de una persona idónea que tiene una discapacidad y que es un postulante o un empleado, salvo que dichas adaptaciones provoquen una dificultad económica desmedida para la compañía.

**EDAD**

La Ley contra la Discriminación Laboral por Edad (Age Discrimination in Employment Act) de 1967, con sus modificaciones, protege a los postulantes y empleados de 40 años o más contra la discriminación por cuestiones de edad en lo que respecta a la contratación, los ascensos, los despídos, los pagos, las compensaciones adicionales, la capacitación laboral, la clasificación, las referencias y los demás aspectos del empleo.

**SEXO (SALARIOS)**

Además de lo establecido en el Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles, con sus modificaciones, la Ley de Igualdad en las Remuneraciones (Equal Pay Act) de 1963, con sus modificaciones, también prohíbe la discriminación sexual en el pago de los salarios a las mujeres y los hombres que realicen básicamente el mismo trabajo, en empleos que requieran las mismas habilidades, esfuerzo y responsabilidad, en condiciones laborales similares, en el mismo establecimiento.

**GENÉTICA**

El Título II de la Ley de No Discriminación por Información Genética (Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, GINA) de 2008 protege a los postulantes y empleados contra la discriminación basada en la información genética en lo que respecta a la contratación, los ascensos, los despídos, los pagos, las compensaciones adicionales, la capacitación laboral, la clasificación, las referencias y los demás aspectos del empleo. La GINA también limita la adquisición de información genética por parte de los empleadores y condiciona de manera estricta su divulgación. La información genética incluye las pruebas genéticas de los postulantes, empleados o integrantes de sus familias, la manifestación de enfermedades o trastornos de los miembros de la familia (historia médica familiar) y las solicitudes o la recepción de servicios genéticos por parte de los postulantes, empleados o integrantes de sus familias.

**REPRESALIAS**

Todas estas leyes federales prohíben a las entidades cubiertas que tomen represalias en contra de una persona que presenta una cargo por discriminación, participa en un procedimiento por discriminación o que, de algún otro modo, se opone a una práctica laboral ilícita.

**QUÉ DEBE HACER SI CONSIDERA QUE ES VÍCTIMA DE LA DISCRIMINACIÓN**

Existen plazos estrictos para presentar cargos por discriminación laboral. A fin de preservar la capacidad de la Comisión para la Igualdad de Oportunidades en el Empleo (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, EEOC) de actuar en representación suya y proteger su derecho a iniciar una demanda privada si fuese necesario en última instancia, debe comunicarse con la EEOC apenas sospeche que se produjo un hecho de discriminación: Comisión para la Igualdad de Oportunidades en el Empleo de los Estados Unidos, 1-800-669-4000 (línea gratuita) o 1-800-669-6820 (línea gratuita TTY para las personas con problemas auditivos). Puede encontrar información sobre las sucursales de la EEOC en www.eeoc.gov o en la mayoría de las guías telefónicas en la sección Gobierno Federal o Gobierno de los Estados Unidos. También puede obtener información adicional sobre la EEOC, incluso cómo presentar un cargo, en www.eeoc.gov.
Empleadores que tengan contratos o subcontratos con el gobierno federal
Los postulantes y empleados de las compañías que tengan un contrato o subcontrato con el gobierno federal están protegidos por la ley federal contra la discriminación en función de:

RAZA, COLOR, RELIGIÓN, SEXO, PROCEDENCIA
El Decreto Ejecutivo 11246, con sus modificaciones, prohíbe la discriminación en el trabajo en función de raza, color, religión, sexo o procedencia y exige que se implementen acciones afirmativas para garantizar la igualdad de oportunidades en todos los aspectos laborales.

PERSONAS CON DISCAPACIDADES
La Sección 503 de la Ley de Rehabilitación (Rehabilitation Act) de 1973, con sus modificaciones, protege a las personas idóneas contra la discriminación por discapacidad en lo que respecta a la contratación, los ascensos, los despidos, los pagos, las compensaciones adicionales, la capacitación laboral, la clasificación, las referencias y los demás aspectos del empleo. La discriminación por discapacidad se refiere a la falta de adaptaciones razonables para las limitaciones físicas o mentales de una persona idónea que tiene una discapacidad y que es un postulante o un empleado, salvo que dichas adaptaciones provoquen una dificultad económica desmedida para la compañía. La Sección 503 también exige que los contratistas federales implementen acciones afirmativas para emplear y avanzar en el empleo de personas idóneas con discapacidades en todos los niveles laborales, incluido el nivel ejecutivo.

VETERANOS DISCAPACITADOS, RECIÉN RETIRADOS, BAJO PROTECCIÓN Y CON MEDALLA POR SERVICIO A LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS
La Ley de Asistencia a la Readaptación de Veteranos de Vietnam (Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act) de 1974, con sus modificaciones, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohíbe la discriminación laboral y exige que se implementen acciones afirmativas para emplear y avanzar en el empleo de los veteranos discapacitados, recién retirados (en el plazo de los tres años posteriores a la baja o al cese del servicio activo), otros veteranos bajo protección (los veteranos que prestaron servicio durante una guerra o en una campaña o expedición para la cual se les autorizó una insignia de campaña) y los veteranos con medalla por servicio a las Fuerzas Armadas (aquellos que durante el servicio activo, participaron en una operación militar de los Estados Unidos por la cual se los reconoció con una medalla por servicio a las Fuerzas Armadas).

REPRESALIAS
Quedan prohibidas las represalias contra una persona que presenta una demanda por discriminación, participa en un procedimiento de la Oficina de Programas de Cumplimiento de Contratos Federales (Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, OFCCP) o que se oponga, de algún otro modo, a la discriminación según estas leyes federales. Toda persona que considere que un contratista violó sus obligaciones de acción afirmativa o no discriminación según las autoridades mencionadas anteriormente debe comunicarse de inmediato con:

La Oficina de Programas de Cumplimiento de Contratos Federales (OFCCP), Departamento de Trabajo de los Estados Unidos, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, teléfono 1-800-397-6251 (línea gratuita) o (202) 693-1337 (línea TTY). También puede enviar un mensaje de correo electrónico a la OFCCP (OFCCP-Public@dol.gov) o bien, llamar a una de sus oficinas regionales o del distrito, las cuales aparecen en la mayoría de las guías telefónicas en la sección Gobierno de los Estados Unidos, Departamento de Trabajo.

Programas o actividades que reciben asistencia financiera federal

RAZA, COLOR, PROCEDENCIA, SEXO
Además de las protecciones establecidas en el Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 y sus modificaciones, el Título VI de dicha ley, con sus modificaciones, prohíbe la discriminación por raza, color o procedencia en los programas o las actividades que reciban asistencia financiera federal. La discriminación laboral está cubierta por el Título VI si el objetivo principal de la asistencia financiera es brindar empleo, o si la discriminación laboral provoca o puede provocar discriminación cuando se proporcionan los servicios de dichos programas. El Título IX de las Reformas Educativas de 1972 prohíbe la discriminación laboral según el sexo en los programas o las actividades educativas que reciben asistencia financiera federal.

PERSONAS CON DISCAPACIDADES
La Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, con sus modificaciones, prohíbe la discriminación laboral por discapacidad en cualquier programa o actividad que reciba asistencia financiera federal. Queda prohibida la discriminación en todos los aspectos laborales contra las personas discapacitadas que, con o sin adaptaciones razonables, pueden desempeñar las funciones esenciales del trabajo. Si cree que ha sido víctima de discriminación en algún programa de una institución que reciba asistencia financiera federal, debe comunicarse de inmediato con la agencia federal que brinda dicha asistencia.
EMPLOYEE RIGHTS
UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

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.

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

- 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.

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.

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.

For additional information or to file a complaint:

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

www.dol.gov/whd

U.S. Department of Labor | Wage and Hour Division

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
OVERTIME PAY
At least 1½ times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.
Law enforcement and fire protection personnel: You may be paid overtime on the basis of a “work period” of between 7 and 28 consecutive days in length, rather than on a 40-hour workweek basis.

COMPENSATORY TIME
Employees may receive compensatory time off instead of cash overtime pay, at a rate of not less than 1½ hours for each overtime hour worked, where provided pursuant to an agreement or understanding that meets the requirements of the Act.

EXEMPTIONS
The Act does not apply to persons who are not subject to the civil service laws of State or local governments and who are: elected public officials, certain immediate advisors to such officials, certain individuals appointed or selected by such officials to serve in various capacities, or employees of legislative branches of State and local governments. Employees of legislative libraries do not come within this exclusion and are thus covered by the Act.

Certain types of workers are exempt from the minimum wage and overtime pay provisions, including bona fide executive, administrative, and professional employees who meet regulatory requirements.

Any law enforcement or fire protection employee who in any workweek is employed by a public agency employing less than 5 employees in law enforcement or fire protection activities is exempt from the overtime pay provisions.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
16 years old is the minimum age for most occupations. An 18-year old minimum applies to hazardous occupations. Minors 14 and 15 years old may work outside school hours under certain conditions. For more information, visit the YouthRules! website at www.youthrules.gov

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 INFORMATION
• Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.
• Employees under 20 years of age may be paid a youth minimum wage of not less than $4.25 an hour during their first 90 consecutive calendar days after initial employment by an employer.
• Employers are required to display this poster where employees can readily see it.

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MINIMUM WAGE

The Fair Labor Standards Act requires the payment of the minimum wage listed above if you perform covered work for an employer who used more than 500 man-days of farm labor in any calendar quarter of the preceding year. A man-day means any day when an employee (except for a member of the employer’s immediate family) does agricultural work for at least one hour.

Note: Under specific exemptions in the law, employers do not have to pay the minimum wage to the following:

- Members of the employer’s immediate family;
- Local hand-harvest workers who are paid on a piece-rate basis and who worked fewer than 13 weeks in agriculture during the preceding calendar year;
- Migrant hand-harvest workers 16 and younger who are employed on the same farm as their parents and who receive the same piece rates as employees older than 16 working on the same farm;
- Workers mainly engaged in the range production of livestock.

CHILD LABOR

At age 16, you may work at any time in any farm job, including those declared hazardous by the Secretary of Labor. At age 14, you may work in nonhazardous farm jobs outside school hours. Minors 12 and 13 years old may work outside school hours with written parental consent or on farms where a parent of the minor is employed, and those under 12 may work with parental consent outside school hours on farms not subject to the minimum wage. Although the FLSA authorizes the Secretary of Labor to issue waivers that would, under specified conditions, permit the employment of local minors 10 and 11 years of age to work outside school hours in the hand harvesting of crops, the Department of Labor has been enjoined from issuing such waivers since 1980.

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- Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.
- 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 the Labor.
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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 AND 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 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.
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.

This poster is available free from OSHA.

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 medium-sized employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-supported consultation programs in every state.

Contact OSHA. We can help.

1-800-321-OSHA (6742) • TTY 1-877-889-5627 • www.osha.gov
Todos los trabajadores tienen el derecho a:

- Un lugar de trabajo seguro.
- Decir algo a su empleador o a la OSHA sobre preocupaciones de seguridad o salud, o reportar una lesión o enfermedad en el trabajo, sin sufrir represalias.
- Recibir información y entrenamiento sobre los peligros del trabajo, incluyendo sustancias toxicas en su sitio de trabajo.
- Pedirle a la OSHA inspeccionar su lugar de trabajo si usted cree que hay condiciones peligrosas o insalubres. Su información es confidencial. Algún representante suyo puede comunicarse con OSHA a su nombre.
- Participar (o su representante puede participar) en la inspección de OSHA y hablar en privado con el inspector.
- Presentar una queja con la OSHA dentro de 30 días (por teléfono, por internet, o por correo) si usted ha sufrido represalias por ejercer sus derechos.
- Ver cualquiera citaciones de la OSHA emitidas a su empleador.
- Pedir copias de sus registros médicos, pruebas que miden los peligros en el trabajo, y registros de lesiones y enfermedades relacionadas con el trabajo.

Este cartel está disponible de la OSHA para gratis.

Los empleadores deben:

- Proveer a los trabajadores un lugar de trabajo libre de peligros reconocidos. Es ilegal discriminar contra un empleado quien ha ejercido sus derechos bajo la ley, incluyendo hablando sobre preocupaciones de seguridad o salud a usted o con la OSHA, o por reportar una lesión o enfermedad relacionada con el trabajo.
- Cumplir con todas las normas aplicables de la OSHA.
- Reportar a la OSHA todas las fatalidades relacionadas con el trabajo dentro de 8 horas, y todas hospitalizaciones, amputaciones y la perdida de un ojo dentro de 24 horas.
- Proporcionar el entrenamiento requerido a todos los trabajadores en un idioma y vocabulario que pueden entender.
- Mostrar claramente este cartel en el lugar de trabajo.
- Mostrar las citaciones de la OSHA acerca del lugar de la violación alegada.

Los empleadores de tamaño pequeño y mediano pueden recibir ASISTENCIA GRATIS para identificar y corregir los peligros sin citación o multa, a través de los programas de consultación apoyados por la OSHA en cada estado.
The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against employees or applicants because they have inquired about, discussed, or disclosed their own pay or the pay of another employee or applicant. However, employees who have access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of their essential job functions cannot disclose the pay of other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to compensation information, unless the disclosure is (a) in response to a formal complaint or charge, (b) in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or (c) consistent with the contractor’s legal duty to furnish information. 41 CFR 60-1.35(c)

If you believe that you have experienced discrimination contact OFCCP
1.800.397.6251 | TTY 1.877.889.5627 | www.dol.gov/ofccp