

# IF YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO WORK, Don't let anyone take it away.



**If you have a legal right to work in the United States, there are laws to protect you against discrimination in the workplace.**

#### You should know that –

No employer can deny you a job or fire you because of your national origin.

Unless mandated by law or government contract, employers cannot require you to be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident or refuse any legally acceptable documents.

If any of these things have happened to you, you may have a valid charge of discrimination that can be filed with the OSC. Contact the OSC for assistance in your own language.

Call 1-800-255-7688. TDD for the hearing impaired is 1-800-237-2515.

In the Washington, D.C., area, please call  
202-616-5594, TDD  
202-616-5525

Or write to:  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Special Counsel - NYA  
950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, DC 20530

#### **U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division**

Office of Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices



# SI USTED TIENE DERECHO A TRABAJAR, no deje que nadie se lo quite.



**Si tiene derecho a trabajar legalmente en los Estados Unidos, existen leyes para protegerlo contra la discriminación en el trabajo.**

## Debe saber que -

Ningún patrón puede negarle trabajo, ni puede despedirlo, debido a su país de origen o su condición de inmigrante.

En la mayoría de los casos, los patrones no pueden exigir que usted sea ciudadano de los Estados Unidos o residente permanente o negarse a aceptar documentos válidos por ley.

Si se ha encontrado en cualquiera de estas situaciones, usted podría tener una queja válida de discriminación.

Comuníquese con OSC para obtener ayuda en español.

Llame al **1-800-255-7688**.

La línea telefónica para personas con problemas de audición, es

**1-800-237-2515.** En Washington, D.C., llame al **202-616-5594**, o al **202-616-5525** (personas con problemas de audición), o

escriba a la Oficina del Consejero Especial, División de Derechos Civiles, P.O. Box 27728, Washington, DC 20038-7728.



# 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.

### **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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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 en el Empleo es **LA LEY**

## **Empleadores privados, autoridades locales y estatales, instituciones educativas, agencias de empleo y organizaciones laborales**

Los solicitantes de empleo y los empleados de la mayoría de los empleadores privados, autoridades locales y estatales, instituciones educativas, agencias de empleo y organizaciones laborales están protegidos conforme a la ley federal contra la discriminación por cualquiera de los siguientes motivos:

### **RAZA, COLOR, RELIGIÓN, SEXO, ORIGEN NACIONAL**

El Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, y sus enmiendas, protege a los solicitantes de empleo y a los empleados contra la discriminación en la contratación, ascenso, despido, sueldo, beneficios adicionales, capacitación laboral, clasificación, referencia, y otros aspectos del empleo, debido a la raza, color, religión, sexo (incluido el embarazo) u origen nacional. La discriminación religiosa incluye el no realizar los arreglos razonables para las prácticas religiosas de un empleado, cuando tales arreglos no impongan una dificultad indebida.

### **DISCAPACIDAD**

El Título I y el Título V de la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades de 1990, y sus enmiendas, protegen a los individuos que califiquen contra la discriminación por una discapacidad en la contratación, ascenso, despido, sueldo, beneficios adicionales, capacitación laboral, clasificación, referencia, y otros aspectos del empleo. La discriminación por discapacidad incluye el no realizar los arreglos razonables para las limitaciones mentales o físicas conocidas de un individuo con una discapacidad quien solicite empleo o sea empleado, salvo que implique una dificultad indebida.

### **EDAD**

La Ley Contra la Discriminación por Edad en el Empleo de 1967, y sus enmiendas, protege a los solicitantes de empleo y a los empleados que tengan 40 años de edad o más contra la discriminación por la edad en la contratación, ascenso, despido, sueldo, beneficios adicionales, capacitación laboral, clasificación, referencia, y otros aspectos del empleo.

### **SEXO (SALARIOS)**

Adicionalmente a la prohibición de la discriminación por sexo estipulada en el Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles, y sus enmiendas, la Ley de Igualdad Salarial de 1963, y sus enmiendas, prohíbe la discriminación por sexo en el pago de salarios a los hombres y mujeres que realicen un trabajo sustancialmente similar, en empleos que requieran iguales destrezas, esfuerzos y responsabilidades, bajo condiciones laborales similares, en el mismo establecimiento.

### **GENÉTICA**

El Título II de la Ley contra la Discriminación por Información Genética de 2008 (GINA) protege a los solicitantes de empleo y a los empleados contra la discriminación basada en información genética, en la contratación, ascenso, despido, sueldo, beneficios adicionales, capacitación laboral, clasificación, referencia, y otros aspectos del empleo. GINA también restringe la adquisición de la información genética por parte de los empleadores y limita estrictamente la divulgación de la información genética. La información genética incluye la información sobre las pruebas genéticas de los solicitantes de empleo, los empleados o sus familiares; la manifestación de enfermedades o desórdenes en los familiares (historial médico familiar); y las solicitudes o recibo de servicios genéticos por los solicitantes de empleo, los empleados o sus familiares.

### **REPRESALIA**

Todas estas leyes federales prohíben a las entidades cubiertas tomar represalias contra una persona que presente un cargo de discriminación, participe en un procedimiento de discriminación o se oponga a una práctica laboral ilegal.

### **QUÉ DEBE HACER SI CONSIDERA QUE HA OCURRIDO UNA DISCRIMINACIÓN**

Hay límites estrictos de tiempo para presentar cargos de discriminación en el empleo. Para conservar la capacidad del EEOC de actuar en su nombre y para proteger su derecho de presentar una demanda privada, en caso de que en última instancia lo necesite, usted debe comunicarse con el EEOC de manera oportuna cuando sospeche de la discriminación:

La Comisión para la Igualdad de Oportunidades en el Empleo de los EE.UU. (EEOC), 1-800-669-4000 (número gratuito) o 1-800-669-6820 (número TTY gratuito para las personas con dificultades auditivas). La información de las oficinas de campo del EEOC está disponible en [www.eeoc.gov](http://www.eeoc.gov) o en la mayoría de los directorios telefónicos en la sección de Gobierno de los EE.UU. o Gobierno Federal. Puede encontrar información adicional sobre el EEOC, incluida la información sobre la presentación de cargos, en [www.eeoc.gov](http://www.eeoc.gov).

## Empleadores que tengan contratos o subcontratos federales

Los solicitantes de empleo y los empleados de compañías con un contrato o subcontrato gubernamental federal están protegidos conforme a las leyes federales contra la discriminación por los siguientes motivos:

### RAZA, COLOR, RELIGIÓN, SEXO, ORIGEN NACIONAL

La Orden Ejecutiva 11246, y sus enmiendas, prohíbe la discriminación en el trabajo por motivo de raza, color, religión, sexo u origen nacional, y exige la aplicación de acción afirmativa para garantizar la igualdad en las oportunidades en todos los aspectos del empleo.

### INDIVIDUOS CON DISCAPACIDADES

La Sección 503 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, y sus enmiendas, protege a los individuos que califiquen contra la discriminación por una discapacidad en la contratación, ascenso, despido, sueldo, beneficios adicionales, capacitación laboral, clasificación, referencia, y otros aspectos del empleo. La discriminación por discapacidad incluye el no realizar los arreglos razonables para las limitaciones mentales o físicas conocidas de un individuo con una discapacidad quien solicite empleo o sea empleado, salvo que implique una dificultad indebida. La Sección 503 también exige que los contratistas federales tomen las acciones afirmativas para emplear y ascender en el empleo a individuos calificados con discapacidades en todos los niveles laborales, incluido el nivel ejecutivo.

### VETERANOS CON MEDALLAS DEL SERVICIO DE LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS Y VETERANOS DISCAPACITADOS, SEPARADOS RECENTEMENTE Y DE OTRO ESTATUS PROTEGIDO

La Ley de Asistencia a la Readaptación de los Veteranos de Vietnam de 1974, y sus enmiendas, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohíbe la discriminación laboral y exige la acción afirmativa para emplear y ascender en el empleo a veteranos discapacitados, veteranos separados

del servicio recientemente (dentro de los tres años dados de baja del servicio activo), otros veteranos protegidos (quienes hayan prestado el servicio militar en una guerra o en una campaña o expedición para la cual se haya autorizado una insignia de campaña), y los veteranos con medallas del Servicio de las Fuerzas Armadas (veteranos quienes, mientras se encontraban en el servicio activo, participaron en una operación militar de EE.UU. para la cual se les otorgó una medalla del Servicio de las Fuerzas Armadas).

### REPRESALIA

Se prohíben las represalias contra una persona que presente un cargo de discriminación, participe en un procedimiento de la Oficina de Programas de Cumplimiento de Contratos Federales (OFCCP), o quien se oponga a la discriminación de conformidad con estas leyes federales.

Toda persona quien considere que un contratista ha incumplido sus obligaciones antidiscriminatorias o de acción afirmativa conforme a las autoridades antes indicadas, debe contactar de inmediato a:

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 (número gratuito) o (202) 693-1337 (número TTY). También puede contactar a la OFCCP por el correo electrónico OFCCP-Public@dol.gov, o llamando a una oficina distrital o regional de la OFCCP, la cual puede encontrar en la mayoría de los directorios telefónicos en la sección U.S. Government (Gobierno de los EE.UU.), Department of Labor (Departamento del Trabajo).

## Programas o actividades que reciban asistencia financiera federal

### RAZA, COLOR, ORIGEN NACIONAL, SEXO

Adicionalmente a las protecciones del Título VII de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, y sus enmiendas, el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, y sus enmiendas, prohíbe la discriminación por raza, color u origen nacional en los programas o actividades que reciban asistencia financiera federal. La discriminación en el empleo está cubierta por el Título VI si el objetivo principal de la asistencia financiera es la provisión del empleo, o donde la discriminación laboral cause o pueda causar una discriminación en la provisión de los servicios conforme a tales programas. El Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación de 1972 prohíbe la discriminación en el empleo por motivo del sexo en las actividades o programas educativos que reciban asistencia financiera federal.

### INDIVIDUOS CON DISCAPACIDADES

La Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, y sus enmiendas, prohíbe la discriminación en el empleo por una discapacidad, en cualquier programa o actividad que reciba asistencia financiera federal. Se prohíbe la discriminación en todos los aspectos del empleo contra las personas con discapacidades quienes, con o sin arreglos razonables, puedan realizar las funciones esenciales del trabajo.

Si usted considera que ha sido discriminado en un programa de alguna institución que reciba asistencia financiera federal, debe contactar inmediatamente a la agencia federal que proporciona dicha asistencia.

# EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

## FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE

**\$7.25** PER HOUR

BEGINNING JULY 24, 2009

### OVERTIME PAY

At least 1½ times your 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 under the following conditions:

**No more than**

- **3** hours on a school day or **18** hours in a school week;
- **8** hours on a non-school day or **40** hours in a non-school week.

Also, work may not begin before **7 a.m.** or end after **7 p.m.**, except from June 1 through Labor Day, when evening hours are extended to **9 p.m.** Different rules apply in agricultural employment.

### TIP CREDIT

Employers of “tipped employees” must pay 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. Certain other conditions must also be met.

### ENFORCEMENT

The Department of Labor may recover back wages either administratively or through court action, for the employees that have been underpaid in violation of the law. Violations may result in civil or criminal action.

Employers may be assessed civil money penalties of up to \$1,100 for each willful or repeated violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the law and up to \$11,000 for each employee who is the subject of a violation of the Act's child labor provisions. In addition, a civil money penalty of up to \$50,000 may be assessed for each child labor violation that causes the death or serious injury of any minor employee, and such assessments may be doubled, up to \$100,000, when the violations are determined to be willful or repeated. The law also prohibits discriminating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the Act.

### 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 and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.
- The law requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.
- Employees under 20 years of age may be paid \$4.25 per hour during their first 90 consecutive calendar days of employment with an employer.
- 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.

For additional information:



**1-866-4-USWAGE**

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



**WWW.WAGEHOUR.DOL.GOV**

# DERECHOS DEL EMPLEADO BAJO LA LEY DE NORMAS JUSTAS DE TRABAJO

SECCIÓN DE HORAS Y SUELdos DEL DEPARTAMENTO DE TRABAJO DE EEUU

## SALARIO MÍNIMO FEDERAL

**\$7.25** POR HORA

A PARTIR DEL 24 DE JULIO DE 2009

### PAGO DE SOBRETIEMPO

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

### EMPLEO DE MENORES DE EDAD

El empleado ha de tener por lo menos **16** años de edad para trabajar en la mayoría de los trabajos no agrícolas y por lo menos tener **18** años para trabajar en trabajos no agrícolas declarados arriesgados por el/la Secretario(a) de Trabajo.

Jóvenes de **14** y **15** años de edad pueden trabajar fuera de horas escolares en varios trabajos que no sean en fabricación, minería, o arriesgados, bajo las siguientes condiciones:

**No más de**

- **3** horas en un día escolar o **18** horas en una semana escolar;
- **8** horas en un día no escolar o **40** horas en una semana no escolar.

Además, el trabajo no puede empezar antes de las **7 de la mañana** o terminar después de las **7 de la tarde** salvo del primero de junio hasta el Día de Labor, cuando las horas de la tarde se extienden hasta las **9 de la noche**. Se aplican reglas distintas al empleo agrícola.

### CRÉDITO POR PROPINAS

Empresarios de empleados que reciben propinas han de pagar un salario en efectivo de por lo menos \$2.13 por hora si declaran un crédito por propina contra sus obligaciones hacia el salario mínimo. Si las propinas del empleado combinadas con el salario en efectivo que paga el empresario de por lo menos \$2.13 por hora no equivalen al salario mínimo por hora, el empresario ha de suplir la diferencia. También se tiene que cumplir con otras condiciones.

### CUMPLIMIENTO

El Departamento de Trabajo puede recuperar salarios atrasados administrativamente o mediante acción legal en los tribunales, para empleados a los cuales se les haya pagado por debajo y en violación de la ley.

A los empresarios se les puede imponer penas pecuniarias civiles de hasta \$1,100 por cada infracción intencional o repetida de las provisiones de la ley del pago del salario mínimo y del pago de sobretiempo y hasta \$11,000 por cada empleado que sea empleado en violación de las provisiones de la ley sobre el empleo de menores. Adicionalmente, se puede imponer una pena pecuniaria civil de hasta \$50,000 por cada infracción de las provisiones sobre el empleo de menores si causa la muerte o una lesión seria de un empleado menor de edad, y se pueden doblar dichas evaluaciones, hasta \$100,000, cuando se determinan que las infracciones son intencionales o repetidas. La ley también prohíbe la discriminación o el despido del trabajador por haber presentado una denuncia o por participar en cualquier procedimiento bajo la Ley.

### INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL

- Ciertas ocupaciones y ciertos establecimientos están exentos de las provisiones de pago de salario mínimo y de sobretiempo.
- Se aplican provisiones especiales a trabajadores de Samoa Americana y de la Comunidad de las Islas Marianas del Norte.
- Algunas leyes estatales proveen más protecciones al empleado; el empresario ha de cumplir con ambas.
- La ley exige que los empresarios pongan este cartel donde los empleados lo puedan ver fácilmente.
- A los empleados menores de 20 años de edad se les puede pagar menos de \$4.25 por hora durante los primeros 90 días civiles consecutivos de empleo con un empresario.
- Se les puede pagar menos del salario mínimo bajo ciertos certificados especiales emitidos por el Departamento de Trabajo a ciertos estudiantes de tiempo completo, estudiantes aprendices y a trabajadores con impedimentos.



Para información adicional:

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

## **Basic Leave Entitlement**

FMLA requires covered employers to provide up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave to eligible employees for the following reasons:

- For incapacity due to pregnancy, prenatal medical care or child birth;
- To care for the employee's child after birth, or placement for adoption or foster care;
- To care for the employee's spouse, son or daughter, or parent, who has a serious health condition; or
- For a serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee's job.

## **Military Family Leave Entitlements**

Eligible employees with a spouse, son, daughter, or parent on active duty or call to active duty status in the National Guard or Reserves in support of a contingency operation may use their 12-week leave entitlement to address certain qualifying exigencies. Qualifying exigencies may include attending certain military events, arranging for alternative childcare, addressing certain financial and legal arrangements, attending certain counseling sessions, and attending post-deployment reintegration briefings.

FMLA also includes a special leave entitlement that permits eligible employees to take up to 26 weeks of leave to care for a covered servicemember during a single 12-month period. A covered servicemember is a current member of the Armed Forces, including a member of the National Guard or Reserves, who has a serious injury or illness incurred in the line of duty on active duty that may render the servicemember medically unfit to perform his or her duties for which the servicemember is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy; or is in outpatient status; or is on the temporary disability retired list.

## **Benefits and Protections**

During FMLA leave, the employer must maintain the employee's health coverage under any "group health plan" on the same terms as if the employee had continued to work. Upon return from FMLA leave, most employees must be restored to their original or equivalent positions with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms.

Use of FMLA leave cannot result in the loss of any employment benefit that accrued prior to the start of an employee's leave.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

Employees are eligible if they have worked for a covered employer for at least one year, for 1,250 hours over the previous 12 months, and if at least 50 employees are employed by the employer within 75 miles.

## **Definition of Serious Health Condition**

A serious health condition is an illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves either an overnight stay in a medical care facility, or continuing treatment by a health care provider for a condition that either prevents the employee from performing the functions of the employee's job, or prevents the qualified family member from participating in school or other daily activities.

Subject to certain conditions, the continuing treatment requirement may be met by a period of incapacity of more than 3 consecutive calendar days combined with at least two visits to a health care provider or one visit and a regimen of continuing treatment, or incapacity due to pregnancy, or incapacity due to a chronic condition. Other conditions may meet the definition of continuing treatment.

## **Use of Leave**

An employee does not need to use this leave entitlement in one block. Leave can be taken intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule when medically necessary. Employees must make reasonable efforts to schedule leave for planned medical treatment so as not to unduly disrupt the employer's operations. Leave due to qualifying exigencies may also be taken on an intermittent basis.

## **Substitution of Paid Leave for Unpaid Leave**

Employees may choose or employers may require use of accrued paid leave while taking FMLA leave. In order to use paid leave for FMLA leave, employees must comply with the employer's normal paid leave policies.

## **Employee Responsibilities**

Employees must provide 30 days advance notice of the need to take FMLA leave when the need is foreseeable. When 30 days notice is not possible, the employee must provide notice as soon as practicable and generally must comply with an employer's normal call-in procedures.

Employees must provide sufficient information for the employer to determine if the leave may qualify for FMLA protection and the anticipated timing and duration of the leave. Sufficient information may include that the employee is unable to perform job functions, the family member is unable to perform daily activities, the need for hospitalization or continuing treatment by a health care provider, or circumstances supporting the need for military family leave. Employees also must inform the employer if the requested leave is for a reason for which FMLA leave was previously taken or certified. Employees also may be required to provide a certification and periodic recertification supporting the need for leave.

## **Employer Responsibilities**

Covered employers must inform employees requesting leave whether they are eligible under FMLA. If they are, the notice must specify any additional information required as well as the employees' rights and responsibilities. If they are not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for the ineligibility.

Covered employers must inform employees if leave will be designated as FMLA-protected and the amount of leave counted against the employee's leave entitlement. If the employer determines that the leave is not FMLA-protected, the employer must notify the employee.

## **Unlawful Acts by Employers**

FMLA makes it unlawful for any employer to:

- Interfere with, restrain, or deny the exercise of any right provided under FMLA;
- Discharge or discriminate against any person for opposing any practice made unlawful by FMLA or for involvement in any proceeding under or relating to FMLA.

## **Enforcement**

An employee may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer.

FMLA does not affect any Federal or State law prohibiting discrimination, or supersede any State or local law or collective bargaining agreement which provides greater family or medical leave rights.

**FMLA section 109 (29 U.S.C. § 2619) requires FMLA covered employers to post the text of this notice. Regulations 29 C.F.R. § 825.300(a) may require additional disclosures.**



# Job Safety and Health

## It's the law!

### EMPLOYEES:

- You have the right to notify your employer or OSHA about workplace hazards. You may ask OSHA to keep your name confidential.
- You have the right to request an OSHA inspection if you believe that there are unsafe and unhealthful conditions in your workplace. You or your representative may participate in that inspection.
- You can file a complaint with OSHA within 30 days of retaliation or discrimination by your employer for making safety and health complaints or for exercising your rights under the *OSH Act*.
- You have the right to see OSHA citations issued to your employer. Your employer must post the citations at or near the place of the alleged violations.
- 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 the right to copies of your medical records and records of your exposures to toxic and harmful substances or conditions.
- Your employer must post this notice in your workplace.
- You must comply with all occupational safety and health standards issued under the *OSH Act* that apply to your own actions and conduct on the job.

### EMPLOYERS:

- You must furnish your employees a place of employment free from recognized hazards.
- You must comply with the occupational safety and health standards issued under the *OSH Act*.

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# OSHA

Occupational Safety  
and Health Administration  
U.S. Department of Labor



Free assistance in identifying and correcting hazards or complying with standards is available to employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-supported consultation programs in each state.

1-800-321-OSHA

[www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov)

OSHA 2195-12-06R



# 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

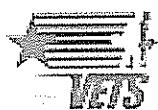
## HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTION

- ★ 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.



**U.S. Department of Labor**  
**1-866-487-2365**

**U.S. Department of Justice**

**Office of Special Counsel**

**1-800-336-4590**

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**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION**

**Wage and Hour Division  
Washington, D.C. 20210**



# **NOTICE**

## **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.

## **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 up to \$10,000 against violators. Employees or job applicants may also bring their own court actions.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information may be obtained, and complaints of violations may be filed, at local offices of the Wage and Hour Division. To locate your nearest Wage-Hour office, telephone our toll-free information and help line at 1 - 866 - 4USWAGE (1 - 866 - 487 - 9243). A customer service representative is available to assist you with referral information from 8am to 5 pm in your time zone; or if you have access to the internet, you may log onto our Home page at [www.wagehour.dol.gov](http://www.wagehour.dol.gov).

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

*\*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.*

Departamento de Trabajo de EE UU  
Administración de Normas de Empleo  
Sección de Horas y Sueldos  
Washington, D.C. 20210



# Aviso

## Ley Para La Protección del Empleado contra la Prueba del Polígrafo

La Ley Para La Protección del Empleado contra la Prueba de Polígrafo le prohíbe a la mayoría de los empleadores del sector privado que utilice pruebas con detectores de mentiras durante el período de pre empleo o durante el servicio de empleo.

### PROHIBICIONES

Generalmente se le prohíbe al empleador que le exija o requiera a un empleado o a un solicitante a un trabajo que se someta a una prueba con detector de mentiras, y que despida, discipline, o discrimine de ninguna forma contra un empleado o contra un aspirante a un trabajo por haberse negado a someterse a la prueba o por haberse acogido a otros derechos establecidos por la Ley.

### Exenciones\*

Esta Ley no afecta a los empleados de los gobiernos federal, estatales y locales. Tampoco se aplica a las pruebas que el Gobierno Federal les administra a ciertos individuos del sector privado que trabajan en actividades relacionadas con la seguridad nacional.

La Ley permite la administración de pruebas de polígrafo (un tipo de detector de mentiras) en el sector privado, sujeta a ciertas restricciones, a ciertos aspirantes para empleos en compañías de seguridad (vehículos blindados, sistemas de alarma y guardias). También se les permite el uso de éstas a compañías que fabrican, distribuyen y dispensan productos farmacéuticos.

La Ley también permite la administración de estas pruebas de polígrafo, sujeta a ciertas restricciones, a empleados de empresas privadas que estén bajo sospecha razonable de estar involucrados en un incidente en el sitio de empleo (tal como un robo, desfalco, etc.) que le haya ocasionado daños económicos al empleador.

## **DERECHOS DE LOS EXAMINADOS**

En casos en que se permitan las pruebas de polígrafo, éstas deben ser administradas bajo una cantidad de normas estrictas en cuanto a su administración y duración. Los examinados tienen un número de derechos específicos, incluyendo el derecho de advertencia por escrito antes de someterse a la prueba, el derecho a negarse a someterse a la prueba o a descontinuarla, al igual que el derecho a negarse a que los resultados de la prueba estén al alcance de personas no autorizadas.

## **CUMPLIMIENTO**

El/La Secretario(a) de Trabajo puede entablar pleitos para impedir violaciones y puede imponer penas pecuniarias civiles de hasta \$10,000 contra los violadores. Los empleados o solicitantes a empleo también tienen derecho a entablar sus propios pleitos en los tribunales.

## **INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL**

Se puede obtener información adicional al igual que se pueden presentar quejas de violaciones en las oficinas locales de la Sección de Horas y Sueldos. Para localizar la oficina de la Sección más cercana a usted, llame a nuestra línea gratuita de información y asistencia al 1-866-4US-WAGE (1-866-487-9243) o TTY: 1 - 877 - 889 - 5627. Un representante de servicios al cliente estará disponible para asistirle con información de referencia de las 8 de la mañana a las 5 de la tarde de su huso horario. Si tiene acceso a la Internet, puede ir a nuestro "Home Page" bajo la dirección [www.wagehour.dol.gov](http://www.wagehour.dol.gov).

**La Ley exige que los empleadores exhiban este aviso donde los empleados y los solicitantes de empleo lo puedan ver fácilmente.**

*\* La Ley no substituye ninguna provisión de cualquier otra ley estatal o local ni tampoco a tratos colectivos que sean más rigurosos con respecto a las pruebas de polígrafo.*

**Departamento de Trabajo de EE UU  
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800|424-9098

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THE PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
20301-1900

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Find out if you qualify for the **EITC**. Call 1-800-829-3676 to order the free IRS Publication 596, *Earned Income Credit*. You can also download it from the internet at the IRS Web site: [www.irs.gov/eitc](http://www.irs.gov/eitc)

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The **EITC** is a tax credit for lower income workers who meet certain rules. Taxpayers who qualify and claim the credit could pay less federal tax, pay no tax, or receive a refund.

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# RECIBA CRÉDITO

EL CRÉDITO POR INGRESO DEL TRABAJO



PARA FINANCIAR NUESTRA PRÓXIMA GRAN IDEA ☀



PARA NUESTRO RETIRO



EITC Infórmese si califica para recibir el Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo (**EITC**). LLame al 1-800-829-3676 para obtener gratis la Publicación 596SP, *Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo*. También puede descargarla en el sitio del IRS en Internet: [www.irs.gov/eitc](http://www.irs.gov/eitc)

El **EITC** es un beneficio tributario que pueden recibir las personas que trabajan, no ganan mucho y cumplen con ciertos requisitos. Los contribuyentes que califican y reclaman el crédito podrían pagar menos impuesto federal, no pagar impuesto o recibir un reembolso.

Usted podría calificar para recibir el Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo en su declaración de impuestos.

Más de 22 millones de contribuyentes ya reciben beneficios del **EITC**, y sin embargo, algunas personas que califican desconocen este beneficio, los requisitos, o cómo reclamarlo.



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DE LA GUARDERÍA INFANTIL DE  
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# This Employer Participates in E-Verify

# E-Verify™



This employer will provide the Social Security Administration (SSA) and, if necessary, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), with information from each new employee's Form I-9 to confirm work authorization.

**IMPORTANT:** If the Government cannot confirm that you are authorized to work, this employer is required to provide you written instructions and an opportunity to contact SSA and/or DHS before taking adverse action against you, including terminating your employment.

Employers may not use E-Verify to pre-screen job applicants or to re-verify current employees and may not limit or influence the choice of documents presented for use on the Form I-9.

In order to determine whether Form I-9 documentation is valid, this employer uses E-Verify's photo screening tool to match the photograph appearing on some permanent resident and employment authorization cards with the official U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' (USCIS) photograph.

If you believe that your employer has violated its responsibilities under this program or has discriminated against you during the verification process based upon your national origin or citizenship status, please call the Office of Special Counsel at

1-800-255-7688 (TDD: 1-800-237-2515).

**Employment Verification.**  **Done.**

For more information on E-Verify, please contact DHS at:

**1-888-464-4218**



E-VERIFY IS A SERVICE OF DHS AND SSA

# Este Empleador Participa en E-Verify



Este empleador le proporcionará a la Administración del Seguro Social (SSA), y si es necesario, al Departamento de Seguridad Nacional (DHS), información obtenida del Formulario I-9 correspondiente a cada empleado recién contratado con el propósito de confirmar la autorización de trabajo.

**IMPORTANTE:** En dado caso que el gobierno no pueda confirmar si está usted autorizado para trabajar, este empleador está obligado a proporcionarle las instrucciones por escrito y darle la oportunidad a que se ponga en contacto con la oficina del SSA y, o el DHS antes de tomar una determinación adversa en contra suya, inclusive despedirlo.

Los empleadores no pueden utilizar E-Verify con el propósito de realizar una preselección de aspirantes a empleo o para hacer nuevas verificaciones de los empleados actuales, y no deben

restringir o influenciar la selección de los documentos que sean presentados para ser utilizados en el Formulario I-9.

## A V I S O:

**La Ley Federal le exige a todos los empleadores que verifiquen la identidad y elegibilidad de empleo de toda persona contratada para trabajar en los Estados Unidos.**

A fin de poder determinar si la documentación del Formulario I-9 es valida o no, este empleador utiliza la herramienta de selección fotográfica de E-Verify para comparar la fotografía que aparece en algunas de las tarjetas de residente y autorizaciones de empleo, con las fotografías oficiales del Servicio de Inmigración y Ciudadanía de los Estados Unidos (USCIS).

Si usted cree que su empleador ha violado sus responsabilidades bajo este programa,

o ha discriminado en contra suya durante el proceso de verificación debido a su lugar de origen o condición de ciudadanía, favor ponerse en contacto con la Oficina de Asesoría Especial llamando al 1-800-255-7688 (TDD: 1-800-237-2515).

Employment Verification.  Done.

Para mayor información sobre E-Verify, favor ponerse en contacto con la oficina del DHS llamando al:

**1-888-464-4218**



# EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

## UNDER THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT

The NLRA guarantees the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively with their employers, and to engage in other protected concerted activity. Employees covered by the NLRA\* are protected from certain types of employer and union misconduct. This Notice gives you general information about your rights, and about the obligations of employers and unions under the NLRA. Contact the National Labor Relations Board, the Federal agency that investigates and resolves complaints under the NLRA, using the contact information supplied below, if you have any questions about specific rights that may apply in your particular workplace.

### **Under the NLRA, you have the right to:**

- Organize a union to negotiate with your employer concerning your wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment.
- Form, join or assist a union.
- Bargain collectively through representatives of employees' own choosing for a contract with your employer setting your wages, benefits, hours, and other working conditions.
- Discuss your terms and conditions of employment or union organizing with your co-workers or a union.
- Take action with one or more co-workers to improve your working conditions by, among other means, raising work-related complaints directly with your employer or with a government agency, and seeking help from a union.
- Strike and picket, depending on the purpose or means of the strike or the picketing.
- Choose not to do any of these activities, including joining or remaining a member of a union.

### **Under the NLRA, it is illegal for your employer to:**

- Prohibit you from soliciting for a union during non-work time, such as before or after work or during break times; or from distributing union literature during non-work time, in non-work areas, such as parking lots or break rooms.
- Question you about your union support or activities in a manner that discourages you from engaging in that activity.
- Fire, demote, or transfer you, or reduce your hours or change your shift, or otherwise take adverse action against you, or threaten to take any of these actions, because you join or support a union, or because you engage in concerted activity for mutual aid and protection, or because you choose not to engage in any such activity.
- Threaten to close your workplace if workers choose a union to represent them.
- Promise or grant promotions, pay raises, or other benefits to discourage or encourage union support.
- Prohibit you from wearing union hats, buttons, t-shirts, and pins in the workplace except under special circumstances.
- Spy on or videotape peaceful union activities and gatherings or pretend to do so.

### **Under the NLRA, it is illegal for a union or for the union that represents you in bargaining with your employer to:**

- Threaten you that you will lose your job unless you support the union.
- Refuse to process a grievance because you have criticized union officials or because you are not a member of the union.
- Use or maintain discriminatory standards or procedures in making job referrals from a hiring hall.
- Cause or attempt to cause an employer to discriminate against you because of your union-related activity.
- Take other adverse action against you based on whether you have joined or support the union.

If you and your coworkers select a union to act as your collective bargaining representative, your employer and the union are required to bargain in good faith in a genuine effort to reach a written, binding agreement setting your terms and conditions of employment. The union is required to fairly represent you in bargaining and enforcing the agreement.

**Illegal conduct will not be permitted.** If you believe your rights or the rights of others have been violated, you should contact the NLRB promptly to protect your rights, generally within six months of the unlawful activity. You may inquire about possible violations without your employer or anyone else being informed of the inquiry. Charges may be filed by any person and need not be filed by the employee directly affected by the violation. The NLRB may order an employer to rehire a worker fired in violation of the law and to pay lost wages and benefits, and may order an employer or union to cease violating the law. Employees should seek assistance from the nearest regional NLRB office, which can be found on the Agency's website: [www.nlrb.gov](http://www.nlrb.gov).

Click on the NLRB's page titled "About Us," which contains a link, "Locating Our Offices." You can also contact the NLRB by calling toll-free: **1-866-667-NLRB (6572)** or (TTY) **1-866-315-NLRB (6572)** for hearing impaired.

**\*The National Labor Relations Act covers most private-sector employers.** Excluded from coverage under the NLRA are public-sector employees, agricultural and domestic workers, independent contractors, workers employed by a parent or spouse, employees of air and rail carriers covered by the Railway Labor Act, and supervisors (although supervisors that have been discriminated against for refusing to violate the NLRA may be covered).



# DERECHOS DE LOS EMPLEADOS

## SEGÚN LA LEY NACIONAL DE RELACIONES DEL TRABAJO

La Ley Nacional de Relaciones del Trabajo (LNRT) garantiza el derecho de los empleados a organizarse y negociar colectivamente con sus empleadores, y a participar en otras actividades concertadas protegidas. Los empleados cubiertos por la LNRT\* están protegidos contra ciertos tipos de conductas inapropiadas por parte de los empleadores y sindicatos. En este Aviso encontrará información general sobre sus derechos y las obligaciones de los empleadores y los sindicatos según la LNRT. Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre derechos específicos que puedan ser aplicables a su lugar de trabajo, utilice la información de contacto que se proporciona más adelante para contactarse con la Junta Nacional de Relaciones Laborales, la agencia federal que investiga y resuelve las quejas basadas en la LNRT.

### Según la LNRT, usted tiene derecho a:

- Organizar un sindicato para negociar con su empleador respecto de su salario, sus horarios de trabajo y otros términos y condiciones de empleo.
- Fundar, unirse o ayudar a un sindicato.
- Negociar colectivamente con su empleador, a través de representantes elegidos por los empleados, los contratos que fijen su salario, beneficios, horarios y otras condiciones laborales.
- Discutir sus términos y condiciones de empleo, o la organización de su sindicato, con sus compañeros de trabajo o un sindicato.
- Actuar con uno o más compañeros de trabajo para mejorar sus condiciones laborales ocupándose, entre otras cosas, de hacer llegar directamente a su empleador o a un organismo gubernamental las quejas relacionadas con su trabajo, y buscar ayuda de un sindicato.
- Realizar huelgas y piquetes, según el propósito o los medios de esas huelgas o piquetes.
- Decidir no participar en cualquiera de esas actividades, incluso la de unirse o continuar como miembro de un sindicato.

### Según la LNRT, es ilegal que su empleador:

- Le prohíba solicitar para un sindicato durante horarios no laborables –como antes o después del trabajo, o durante los recreos–, o distribuir materiales sobre el sindicato fuera de los horarios laborables y fuera de las zonas de trabajo, como en estacionamientos o salas de descanso.
- Lo cuestione sobre su apoyo al sindicato o sus actividades relacionadas en forma tal que desaliente su participación en ello.
- Lo despida, lo baje de categoría o lo transfiera, reduzca la cantidad de horas que trabaja o cambie su turno, tome cualquier otro tipo de acción en su contra, o amenace con hacerlo, porque usted se ha unido o apoya a un sindicato, o porque ha participado en actividades concertadas de asistencia y protección mutua, o haya decidido no participar en ese tipo de actividades.

### Según la LNRT, es ilegal que un sindicato, o el sindicato que lo representa en las negociaciones con su empleador:

- Lo amenace con la pérdida de su trabajo a menos que apoye al sindicato.
- Rechace procesar una queja porque usted ha criticado a los representantes sindicales o porque no es miembro del sindicato.
- Use o mantenga estándares o procedimientos discriminatorios al realizar recomendaciones desde una oficina de contratación.
- *Cause o intente causar que un empleador discrimine en contra suya por sus actividades relacionadas con el sindicato.*

- Amenace cerrar su lugar de trabajo si los trabajadores eligen un sindicato para que los represente.
- Prometa u otorgue promociones, o pague aumentos u otros beneficios para desalentar o alentar el apoyo a un sindicato.
- Le prohíba usar gorras, botones, camisetas y prendedores del sindicato en el lugar de trabajo, excepto bajo circunstancias especiales.
- Espíe o filme actividades y reuniones sindicales pacíficas, o simule hacerlo.

**Los comportamientos ilegales no serán permitidos.** Si usted cree que sus derechos, o los de otros, han sido violados, debe contactarse con la NLRB rápidamente para protegerlos, por lo general dentro de los seis meses de la actividad ilegal. Puede preguntar sobre posibles infracciones sin que se informe a su empleador, o a cualquier otra persona, sobre su consulta. Los cargos pueden ser presentados por cualquier persona, no es necesario que lo haga el empleado directamente afectado por la infracción. La NLRB puede obligar a un empleador a recontratar a un empleado y pagarle por los salarios y beneficios no percibidos cuando haya sido despedido en contra de la ley; también puede obligar a un empleador o a un sindicato a dejar de infringir la ley. Los empleados deben buscar asistencia en la oficina regional más cercana de la NLRB; podrán encontrarla en el sitio web de la agencia: [www.nlrb.gov](http://www.nlrb.gov).

Haga clic sobre la página de la NLRB titulada “Quienes somos” (About Us), que contiene el enlace “Encuentre nuestras oficinas” (Locating Our Offices). También puede contactar a la NLRB a través de su línea telefónica gratuita: **1-866-667-NLRB (6572)** ó (TTY) **1-866-315-NLRB (6572)** para los sordos e hipoacúsicos.

**\*La Ley Nacional de Relaciones del Trabajo afecta a la mayoría de los empleadores del sector privado.** Entre quienes están excluidos de la LNRT se encuentran los empleados del sector público, los trabajadores agrícolas y domésticos, los contratistas independientes, los trabajadores empleados por sus padres o sus cónyuges, los empleados de los transportes aéreos y ferroviarios cubiertos por la Ley Laboral de Ferrocarriles, y los supervisores (aunque los supervisores que hayan sido discriminados por rehusarse a infringir la LNRT pueden estar cubiertos por ella).

Este es un Aviso Oficial del Gobierno  
y no debe ser dañado por nadie.

- Emprenda acciones en su contra que dependan de si usted se unió a un sindicato o no.

Si usted y sus compañeros de trabajo eligen un sindicato para que los represente en forma colectiva, su empleador y el sindicato deben negociar en buena fe con genuino esfuerzo para lograr un acuerdo vinculante y por escrito que fije los términos y condiciones de su empleo. El sindicato está obligado a representarlo justamente en las negociaciones y el cumplimiento del acuerdo.



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# EMPLOYEE RIGHTS ON GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

This establishment is performing Government contract work subject to (check one)

- SERVICE CONTRACT ACT (SCA) or**
- PUBLIC CONTRACTS ACT (PCA)**

**MINIMUM WAGES** Your rate must be no less than the Federal minimum wage established by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

A higher rate may be required for SCA contracts if a wage determination applies. Such wage determination will be posted as an attachment to this Notice.

**FRINGE BENEFITS** SCA wage determinations may require fringe benefit payments (or a cash equivalent). PCA contracts do not require fringe benefits.

**OVERTIME PAY** You must be paid 1.5 times your basic rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a week. There are some exceptions.

**CHILD LABOR** No person under 16 years of age may be employed on a PCA contract.

**SAFETY & HEALTH** Work must be performed under conditions that are sanitary, and not hazardous or dangerous to employees' health and safety.

**ENFORCEMENT** Specific DOL agencies are responsible for the administration of these laws. To file a complaint or obtain information for: Contact the Wage and Hour Division by calling its toll-free help line at 1-866-4-USWAGE (1-866-487-9243), or visit its Web site at [www.wagehour.dol.gov](http://www.wagehour.dol.gov).

Contact the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) by calling 1-800-321-OSHA (1-800-321-6742), or visit its Web site at [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov).

For additional information:



**1-866-4-USWAGE**   
U.S. Wage and Hour Division

(1-866-487-9243)

TTY: 1-877-889-5627

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# U.S. Department of Labor

Washington, D.C. 20210

The purpose of the discussion below is to advise contractors which are subject to the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act or the Service Contract Act of the principal provisions of these acts.

## Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act

**General Provisions** — This act applies to contracts which exceed or may exceed \$10,000 entered into by any agency or instrumentality of the United States for the manufacture or furnishing of materials, supplies, articles, or equipment. The act establishes minimum wage, maximum hours, and safety and health standards for work on such contracts, and prohibits the employment on contract work of convict labor (unless certain conditions are met) and children under 16 years of age. The employment of homeworkers (except homeworkers with disabilities employed under the provisions of Regulations, 29 CFR Part 525) on a covered contract is not permitted.

In addition to its coverage of prime contractors, the act under certain circumstances applies to secondary contractors performing work under contracts awarded by the Government prime contractor.

All provisions of the act except the safety and health requirements are administered by the Wage and Hour Division.

**Minimum Wage** — Covered employees must currently be paid not less than the Federal minimum wage established in section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

**Overtime** — Covered workers must be paid at least one and one-half times their basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 a week. Overtime is due on the basis of the total hours spent in all work, Government and non-Government, performed by the employee in any week in which covered work is performed.

**Child Labor** — Employers may protect themselves against unintentional child labor violations by obtaining certificates of age. State employment or age certificates are acceptable.

**Safety and Health** — No covered work may be performed in plants, factories, buildings, or surroundings or under work conditions that are unsanitary or hazardous or dangerous to the health and safety of the employees engaged in the performance of the contract. The safety and health provisions of the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act are administered by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

**Posting** — During the period that covered work is being performed on a contract subject to the act, the contractor must post copies of Notice to Employees Working on Government Contracts in a sufficient number of places to permit employees to observe a copy on the way to or from their place of employment.

**Responsibility for Secondary Contractors** — Prime contractors are liable for violations of the act committed by their covered secondary contractors.

## Service Contract Act

**General Provisions** — The Service Contract Act applies to every contract entered into by the United States or the District of Columbia, the principal purpose of which is to furnish services in the United States through the use of service employees. Contractors and subcontractors performing on such Federal contracts must observe minimum wage and safety and health standards, and must maintain certain records, unless a specific exemption applies.

**Wages and Fringe Benefits** — Every service employee performing any of the Government contract work under a service contract in excess of \$2,500 must be paid not less than the monetary wages, and must be furnished the fringe benefits, which the Secretary of Labor has determined to be prevailing in the locality for the classification in which the employee is working or the wage rates and fringe benefits (including any accrued or prospective wage rates and fringe benefits) contained in a predecessor contractor's collective bargaining agreement. The wage rates and fringe benefits required are usually specified in the contract but in no case may employees doing work necessary for the performance of the contract be paid less than the minimum wage established in section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Service contracts which do not exceed \$2,500 are not subject to prevailing rate determinations or to the safety and health requirements of the act. However, the act does require that employees performing work on such contracts be paid not less than the minimum wage rate established in section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

**Overtime** — The Fair Labor Standards Act and the Contract Work Hours Safety Standards Act may require the payment of overtime at time and one-half the regular rate of pay for all hours work on the contract in excess of 40 a week. The Contract Work Hours Safety Standards Act is more limited in scope than the Fair Labor Standards Act and generally applies to Government contracts in excess of \$100,000 that require or involve the employment of laborers, mechanics, guards, watchmen.

**Safety and Health** — The act provides that no part of the services in contracts in excess of \$2,500 may be performed in buildings or surroundings or under working conditions, provided by or under the control or supervision of the contractor or subcontractor, which are unsanitary or hazardous or dangerous to the health or safety of service employees engaged to furnish the services. The safety and health provisions of the Service Contract Act are administered by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

**Notice to Employees** — On the date a service employee commences work on a contract in excess of \$2,500, the contractor (or subcontractor) must provide the employee with a notice of the compensation required by the act. The posting of the notice (including any applicable wage determination) contained on the reverse in a location where it may be seen by all employees performing on the contract will satisfy this requirement.

**Notice in Subcontracts** — The contractor is required to insert in all subcontracts the labor standards clauses specified by the regulations in 29 CFR Part 4 for Federal service contracts exceeding \$2,500.

**Responsibility for Secondary Contractors** — Prime contractors are liable for violations of the act committed by their covered secondary contractors.

**Other Obligations** — Observance of the labor standards of these acts does not relieve the employer of any obligation he may have under any other laws or agreements providing for higher labor standards.

**Additional Information** — Additional Information and copies of the acts and applicable regulations and interpretations may be obtained from the nearest office of the Wage and Hour Division or the National Office in Washington D.C. Information pertaining to safety and health standards may be obtained from the nearest office of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration or the National Office in Washington, D.C.

# EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

## FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES PAID AT SPECIAL MINIMUM WAGES

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

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

#### WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES

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

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

#### KEY ELEMENTS OF COMMENSURATE WAGE RATES

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

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

#### OVERTIME

Generally, if you are performing work subject to the FLSA, SCA, and/or PCA, you must be paid at least 1½ times your regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

#### CHILD LABOR

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

#### FRINGE BENEFITS

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

#### WORKER NOTIFICATION

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

#### PETITION PROCESS

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

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



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