

MARYLAND MINIMUM WAGE AND OVERTIME LAW



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Minimum Wage Rates

\$8.75

Effective 7/1/16

\$9.25

Effective 7/1/17

\$10.10

Effective 7/1/18

Effective July 1, 2016 Montgomery Co. and **Effective** Oct. 1, 2016 Prince George's Co. NEW minimum wage

rates take effect. Employers in these counties are required to post the applicable rate information.

(Labor and Employment Article, Title 3, Subtitle 4, Annotated Code of Maryland)

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 1.5 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 Non-profit concert promoter, theater, 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
- 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: <u>dldliemploymentstandards-dllr@maryland.gov</u>

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.

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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'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



MARYLAND LICENCIA DE ENFERMEDAD Y SALIDA SEGURA AVISO DE EMPLEADO

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

MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT

safety and health protection on the job

MARYLAND

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY and HEALTH ACT

PUBLIC SECTOR

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:

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 stendards.

Inspection:

Complaint:

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 employees 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.

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

A public employee who believes he or she has been discriminated against may file a complaint with the Commissioner within 30 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.

Voluntary Activity:

Citation:

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 10946 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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PRIVATE SECTOR

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:

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 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 jobsite inspections to ensure compliance with the Act.

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:

Inspection:

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.

An employee who believes he or she has been discriminated against may file 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 optional penalties of up to \$7,000 for each nonserious violation. Civil penalties of up to \$7,000 per day may be proposed for failure to correct violations within the proposed 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 that \$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 improvers.

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.

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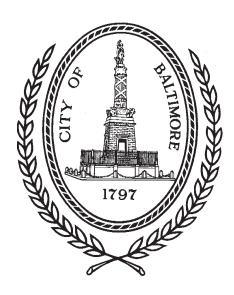
10946 Golden West Drive, Suite 160

Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031

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 19106-3309



MARYLAND EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION IS UNLAWFUL



Article IV of the Baltimore City Code prohibits discrimination in employment because of RACE, RELIGION, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, PHYSICAL or MENTAL DISABILITY, AGE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY or EXPRESSION, and MARITAL STATUS (the prohibitions of age discrimination are limited to individuals who are at least 18 years of age but less than 65 years of age.)

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-GRADING 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. CALVERT STREET • BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21202 TELEPHONE AREA CODE 410•396•3141

MARYLAND EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS



WORK PERMIT FOR MINORS

Employment Standards Service

1100 N. Eutaw St. Room 607 Baltimore, MD 21201 Phone: 410-767-2357

 $Email: DLESSMinorWorkPermit_DLLR@maryland.gov$

A minor under the age of 14 may not be employed or permitted to work.

Minors <u>14 through 17</u> years of age may only work with a work permit.

- The work permit must be in the employer's possession before the minor is permitted to work.
- Employers must keep the work permit on file for three years.

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 ½ 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 workstudy or student-learner program when school is normally in session may not be counted towards the permissible hours of work prescribed above.

MINORS 16-17

May spend no more than 12 hours in a combination of school hours and work hours each day.

Must be allowed at least 8 consecutive hours of non-work, non-school time in each 24-hour period

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.

APPYING FOR A WORK PERMIT

Applications for work permits are accepted online at: https://www.dllr.state.md.us/childworkpermit
Steps:

- 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

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.

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.



MARYLAND EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK FACT SHEET



3-301. Definitions.

Maryland Equal Pay for Equal Work (Labor and Employment Article Title 3, Subtitle 3)



- (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:



MARYLAND HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

TO BE POSTED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

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

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MARYLAND NOTICE TO TIPPED EMPLOYEES



Notice to Tipped Employees



Under Maryland law, a tipped employee is an employee who customarily and regularly received more than \$30 each month in tips or gratuities.

Maryland law prohibits an employer from requiring a tipped employee to reimburse an employer or pay an employer for the amount of a customer's charge for food or beverage if the customer leaves the employer's place of business without paying for the charges. In addition, unless otherwise provided by law, and employer is prohibited from making a deduction to an employee's wages to cover the cost of a customer's charge for food or beverage if the customer leaves the employer's place of business without paying the charge for food or beverages.

If you think you have been required to make an improper payment or there has been an improper deduction from your wages related to a customer's charges if the customer leaves the place of business without paying the charges, you may contact the Commissioner of Labor and Industry at:

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: <u>dldliemploymentstandards-dllr@maryland.gov</u>

PURSUANT TO §3-713 (C) OF THE LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT ARTICLE OF THE MARYLAND ANNOTATED CODE, EMPLOYERS ARE REQUIRED TO CONSPICUOUSLY POST THIS NOTICE IN A PLACE WHERE ANY TIPPED EMPLOYEE IS EMPLOYED.

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MARYLAND PREGNANT & WORKING

Pregnant & Working

State of Maryland Commission on Civil Rights

6 Saint Paul Street, Suite 900 Baltimore, MD 21202-1631

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(b)

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.

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).

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.

Main: (410) 767-8600 | Toll Free: 1 (800) 637-6247 | TTY: (410) 333-1737 | Fax: (410) 333-1841 mccr@maryland.gov | www.mccr.maryland.gov

MARYLAND DLLR/OUI 328 TO EMPLOYEES

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 callling 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:

Phone Number To File A Claim	Area Served	Phone Number To File A Claim	Area Served	Phone Number To File A Claim	Area Served
410-368-5300 1-877-293-4125 (toll free)	Baltimore City Anne Arundel Howard	301-723-2000 1-877-293-4125 (toll free)	Allegany Frederick Garrett	410-334-6800 1-877-293-4125 (toll free)	Caroline Dorchester Kent
301-313-8000 1-877-293-4125 (toll free)	Calvert Charles Montgomery Prince George's St. Mary's	410-853-1600 1-877-293-4125 (toll free)	Washington Baltimore Carroll Cecil Harford		Queen Anne Somerset Talbot Wicomico Worcester
Para Relevos en Maryland presione 711		For Maryland Relay Dial 711		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.

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THIS CARD MUST BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

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