

Your Employee Rights Under the Family and Medical Leave Act

What is FMLA leave?

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

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

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

You have the right to use FMLA leave in **one block of time**. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, you may take FMLA leave **intermittently in separate blocks of time**, or on a **reduced schedule** by working less hours each day or week. Read Fact Sheet #2816(c) for more information.

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

Am I eligible to take FMLA leave?

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

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

What does my employer need to do?

You are eligible for FMLA leave, your employer must:

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

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

How do I request FMLA leave?

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

Follow your employer's normal policies for requesting leave.

You must also **inform your employer if FMLA leave was previously taken** or approved for the same reason when requesting additional leave.

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

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

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

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

WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

1-866-487-9243
www.dol.gov/agencies/whd

Ref.: 29 CFR 825.200

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\$15.00 MISSOURI MINIMUM WAGE

IN EFFECT FOR 2026

Beginning August 28, 2025, the minimum wage will be based on the provisions set forth by HR 567 (2025), signed into law on July 10, 2025.

TIPPED EMPLOYEES

Employers are required to pay tipped employees at least 50 percent of the minimum wage, \$7.50 per hour, plus any amount necessary to bring the employee's total compensation to a minimum of \$15.00 per hour.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Overtime compensation must also be paid at a rate of at least one and one-half times a covered employee's regular rate for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

EXCEPTIONS

All non-exempt employees are required to pay, at minimum, the \$15.00 per hour rate, except retail and service businesses whose annual gross sales are less than \$500,000.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

An employer not being paid the correct wages can file a minimum wage complaint at labor.mo.gov/LS/MinimumWage and is entitled to pursue a private legal right of action to collect any wages due.

Learn more at labor.mo.gov/LS/MinimumWage

421 East Dunklin Street
P.O. Box 449
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0449

573-751-9303
573-751-9371
laborstandards@labor.mo.gov

Ref.: Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 290.522

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE

\$7.25 PER HOUR

BEGINNING JULY 24, 2009

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

OVERTIME PAY

At least 1 1/2 times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

CHILD LABOR

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

TIP CREDIT

Employers of "tipped employees" who meet certain conditions may claim a partial wage credit based on tips received by their employees. Employers must pay tipped employees a cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour if they claim a tip credit against their minimum wage obligation. If an employer's tips combined with the employer's cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour do not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer must make up the difference.

PUMP AT WORK

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

ENFORCEMENT

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Ref.: 29 CFR 816.4

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MISSOURI COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT IS PROHIBITED

TAKE ACTION FILE A COMPLAINT

If you believe you have been discriminated against in regard to employment, you may contact us about filing a complaint of discrimination using the information below.

Note: complaints must be filed within 180 days of the alleged discrimination.

CONTACT US

MISSOURI COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Email: mchr@labor.mo.gov

421 East Dunklin Street
P.O. Box 1129
Jefferson City, MO 65102-1129
573-751-3325

Toll-free Discrimination Complaint Hotline: 877-781-4236
TDD/TTY: 800-735-2966
Relay Missouri: 711

The Missouri Human Rights Act makes it illegal to discriminate in any aspect of employment because of an individual's race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, disability, or age (40 through 69).

An employment agency includes any person or agency, public or private, regularly undertaking with or without compensation to procure employees for an employer or to procure for employees opportunities to work for an employer.

THE MISSOURI HUMAN RIGHTS ACT APPLIES TO:

- Private employers with six or more employees.
- All employment agencies.
- All apprenticeship or training programs.
- All state and local government agencies.
- All labor organizations.

DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES PROHIBITED BY THE MISSOURI HUMAN RIGHTS ACT INCLUDE:

- Hiring and firing; compensation, assignment, or classification of employees; transfer, promotion, layoff, or recall; job advertisements, recruitment, testing, use of company facilities, training, and apprenticeship programs; fringe benefits, pay, retirement plans, or disability leave; or other terms and conditions of employment.
- Harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, disability, or age.
- Retaliating against an individual for filing a complaint of discrimination, participating in a discrimination investigation or hearing, or opposing discriminatory practices.
- Discriminating in any aspect of employment against an individual because of the individual's association with a person in one of the protected categories.

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

State regulation 8 CSR 60-3.010 requires this notice be posted in all places of business or establishments that are subject to the Missouri Human Rights Act.

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS

NOTICE TO WORKERS

Your employer is subject to the Missouri Unemployment Security Law and pays tax contributions to cover unemployment insurance (UI) benefits in case you become unemployed through no fault of your own.

Nothing is deducted from your pay to cover its cost.

WHEN TO APPLY FOR UI BENEFITS

- If you are unemployed, laid off or working less than full time; or
- If you lose your job through no fault of your own or quit for a valid reason related to the work of the employer; and
- If you are able to work, available for work and actively seeking employment.

HOW TO APPLY FOR UI BENEFITS

- To apply, visit unemploy.labor.mo.gov to create a new user account and file your initial claim; or
- If you do not have internet access, call a Regional Claims Center during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Jefferson City 573-751-9040 Springfield 417-895-6851
Kansas City 816-889-3101 St. Louis 314-340-4950
Outside Local Calling Area 800-330-2519

If you believe someone is fraudulently collecting unemployment benefits, email ReportUIFraud@labor.mo.gov or call 573-751-4058, option 5.

PROPER WORKER CLASSIFICATION

Missouri law defines who is considered an employee or an independent contractor. Businesses that improperly treat workers as independent contractors have an unfair competitive advantage. Improperly classified workers miss out on unemployment benefits, workers' compensation coverage and employer tax contributions.

If you think you may be improperly classified or suspect a business of improperly classifying workers, visit labor.mo.gov/ufwbbooks or call 573-751-1099.

LEARN MORE AT [LABOR.MO.GOV/UNEMPLOYED-WORKERS](http://labor.mo.gov/UNEMPLOYED-WORKERS)

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

P.O. Box 59
Jefferson City, MO 65104-0059

Fax: 573-751-9730
labor.mo.gov/claimant-form

Ref.: Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 208.130

Know Your Rights: Workplace Discrimination is Illegal

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

Who is Protected?

Employees (current and former), including managers and temporary employees

Job applicants

Union members and applicants for membership in a union

What Organizations are Covered?

Most private employers

State and local governments (as employers)

Educational institutions (as employers)

Unions

Staffing agencies

What Types of Employment Discrimination are Illegal?

Race

Color

Religion

National origin

Disability (including pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions, sexual orientation, or gender identity)

Age (40 and older)

Genetic information (including employee genetic tests for the purpose of, or on the basis of, genetic tests, or disclosure of genetic tests, or purchase, use, or disclosure of genetic tests, or family medical history)

Retaliation for filing a charge, reasonably opposing discrimination, or participating in a discrimination lawsuit, investigation, or proceeding

Harassment, including sexual harassment related to sex, pregnancy, or other protected characteristics

Rights regarding disability discrimination or pregnancy accommodation

What Employment Practices can be Challenged as Discriminatory?

Discharge, firing, or layoff

Harassment (including non-sexual verbal or physical harassment)

Hiring or promotion

EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS

The Department of Labor's Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) enforces the nondiscrimination and affirmative action commitments of companies doing business with the Federal Government. If you are applying for a job with, or are an employee of, a:

- Contractor with a Federal contract or subcontract, you are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases:
- Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, National Origin
- Executive Order 12868, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination by Federal contractors based on race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin, and requires affirmative action to ensure equality of opportunity in all aspects of employment.
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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 phases of 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. (Revised 02/2022)

Ref.: 29 CFR 816.4

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OSHA CARES

As an employee, you have the right to:

- A safe workplace
- Speak up about safety and health concerns without retaliation
- Report an injury or illness
- Training in a manner you understand
- Be provided required safety equipment
- Request an OSHA inspection and speak with the inspector
- File a complaint with OSHA about workplace hazards
- Free safety and compliance assistance from OSHA at any time

THAT YOU GO HOME SAFE

Call us at 800-321-OSHA or visit OSHA.gov/workers

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STATE AND FEDERAL LABOR LAW

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EMPLOYEE RIGHTS EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

The Employee Polygraph Protection Act prohibits most private employers from using lie detector tests both for pre-employment screening and 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 (terrorism, espionage, and guard, and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers).

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

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

EXAMINEE RIGHTS

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

ENFORCEMENT

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

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

Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation
P.O. Box 58, Jefferson City, MO 65102
573-751-4231

Insurance Company, Third Party Administrator, Service Company, or Designated Individual If Self-Insured

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

Employee Information

The Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) administers programs for workers who have been injured on the job or exposed to an occupational disease arising out of and in the course of employment. The Division's Administrative Law Judges have the authority to approve settlements or issue awards after a hearing relating to an injured employee's entitlement to benefits.

Steps to Take When Injured on the Job

- Notify your employer immediately (written notice must be provided within 30 days of the accident or 30 days after the diagnosis of any occupational disease or repetitive trauma) by contacting:
 - employer representative _____ phone number _____
- Ask your employer to provide medical treatment (your employer is responsible for providing medical treatment and paying the medical fees and charges unless you choose to treat with another doctor at your own expense without your employer/insurer's approval).
- Get more information about the benefits available under the Workers' Compensation Program or about the steps you may take to get the benefits you need. Visit www.labor.mo.gov/DWC or call 800-775-COMP.

Benefits for Injured Employees

Medical Care

The employer or insurer is required to provide medical treatment and care that is reasonably required to cure and relieve the effects of the injury. This includes all costs for authorized medical treatment, prescriptions, and medical devices. There is no deductible, and all costs are paid by the employer or its workers' compensation insurance company. If you receive a bill, contact your employer or the insurance company immediately. The employer/insurer has the right to choose the healthcare provider or treating physician. You may select a different healthcare provider or treating physician, but if you do so, it may be at your own expense.

Payment for Lost Wages

- If a doctor says you are unable to work due to your injuries or recovery from a surgery, you may be entitled to temporary total disability (TTD) benefits. If a doctor says that you can perform light or modified duty work and your employer offers you such work, you may not be eligible for TTD benefits. TTD benefits should be continued until the doctor says you can return to work, or when your treatment is concluded because your condition has reached "maximum medical improvement," whichever occurs first.
- If you return to light or modified duty for less than full pay, you may be entitled to temporary partial disability benefits.

Permanent Disability Benefits

If the injury or illness results in a permanent disability, you may be entitled to receive either permanent partial or permanent total disability benefits.

Survivor Benefits

If a work-related injury causes an employee's death, the surviving dependents may receive weekly death benefits paid at 66 2/3% of the deceased employee's average weekly wage along with funeral expenses up to \$5,000 from the employer/insurer. For additional information relating to survivor's benefits, including college scholarship opportunities for surviving children, please visit www.labor.mo.gov/DWC.

Additional Benefits for Occupational Diseases Due to Toxic Exposure - Permanent Total Disability and/or Death:

For information relating to additional benefits available, please refer to the Division's website at www.labor.mo.gov/DWC/Injured_Workers/benefits_available.

Make sure your data is turned on and scan the QR Code with your smartphone's camera to go to the Division of Workers' Compensation's Website for more information. If you are not redirected, you may need to update your smartphone's operating system or download a QR Code reader app.

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Ref.: Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 287.127

EMERGENCY NUMBERS CALL 911

POLICE: _____

AMBULANCE: _____

PHYSICIAN: _____

HOSPITAL: _____

FIRE DEPARTMENT: _____

POISON CONTROL: _____

OSHA: _____

DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

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PAY DAY NOTICE

PAY DAY IS ON:

MONDAY FRIDAY

TUESDAY SATURDAY

WEDNESDAY SUNDAY

THURSDAY

PAY SCHEDULE IS:

WEEKLY SEMI MONTHLY

BIWEEKLY MONTHLY

PAYCHECKS ARE ISSUED ON THE: _____ AND _____ OF THE MONTH

AT: _____

TIME: _____

Workers' Compensation Law

Roles and Responsibilities for Employers and Employees

EMPLOYER INFORMATION

With some exceptions, all employers with five or more employees, and construction industry employers with one or more employees, are required to insure their workers' compensation liability, either by purchasing a policy or obtaining self-insurance authority. Workers' compensation insurance provides benefits to workers injured on the job. Employers also are required to post this notice in the workplace for every worker. This poster is required by section 287.127, RSMo, and is available to employers and insurers free of charge by contacting the Division at 800-775-COMP.

Steps to Take When an Injury Occurs

- Be sure first aid is administered and the employee is taken to a physician or hospital for further medical care, if necessary.
- Report the injury to the insurance company / Third Party Administrator (TPA) within five days of the date of injury or within five days of the date on which the injury was reported by the employee by the employer, whichever is later. The insurer, TPA, or Division approved self-insurer is responsible for filing a [File a Report of Injury](http://www.labor.mo.gov) with the Division of Workers' Compensation within 30 days of knowledge of the injury.
- Pay medical bills related to the work injury for treatment reasonably required to cure and relieve the employee of the effects of the injury. This includes all costs for authorized medical treatment, prescriptions, and medical devices. The employer has the right to choose the healthcare provider or treating physician. The employer may select a different healthcare provider or treating physician, but if the employer does so, it may be at his/her own expense.
- For more liability and insurance information relating to the Workers' Compensation Program, visit www.labor.mo.gov/DWC or call 800-775-COMP.

Workers' Safety

Developing and implementing a comprehensive safety and health program can reduce occupational injuries and help lower workers' compensation costs. Insurance carriers in the state of Missouri must provide safety assistance at the request of the insured employer. The Missouri Department of Labor evaluates these services and provides additional assistance through its Missouri Workers' Safety Program.

Visit www.labor.mo.gov/MWSP or call 573-751-4231 for more information about these programs or for a registry of independent consultants who are certified in the state of Missouri to provide safety assistance.

Fraud/Noncompliance

Employer Fraud - knowingly making a claim for workers' compensation benefits to which an employer knows he/she is not entitled or knowingly presenting multiple claims for the same occurrence with intent to defraud is a class E felony, punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000, or double the value of the fraud, whichever is greater. A subsequent violation is a class D felony.

Employer Fraud - knowingly misrepresenting an employee's job classification or any other fact to obtain insurance at less than the proper rate is a class A misdemeanor. A subsequent violation is a class E felony. An employer's knowingly misrepresenting an employee's entitlement to benefits to discourage the worker from making a legitimate claim or who knowingly makes a false or fraudulent material statement or material representation to deny benefits to a worker is guilty of a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000. A subsequent violation is a class D felony.

Insurer Fraud - knowingly and intentionally failing to comply with workers' compensation obligations to which an insurance company or self-insurer knows an employee is entitled is a class E felony, punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 or double the value of the fraud, whichever is greater. A subsequent violation is a class D felony.

Employer Noncompliance - knowingly failing to insure workers' compensation liability under the law is a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to three times the annual premium the employer would have paid had it been insured or up to \$50,000, whichever is greater. A subsequent violation is a class E felony. An employer who willfully fails to post the notice of workers' compensation at the workplace is guilty of a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$50 to \$1,000 or by imprisonment or both fine and imprisonment.

Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. WCV-106 (07-19) AI

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