# Federal Labor Law Poster



## Job Safety and Health **IT'S THE LAW!**

### All workers have the right to:

- A safe workplace.
- Raise a safety or health concern with your employer or OSHA, or report a work-related injury or illness, without being retaliated against.
- Receive information and training on job hazards, including all hazardous substances in your workplace.
- Request a confidential OSHA inspection of your workplace if you believe there are unsafe or unhealthy conditions. You have the right to have a representative contact OSHA on your behalf.
- Participate (or have your representative participate) in an OSHA inspection and speak in private to the inspector.
- File a complaint with OSHA within 30 days (by phone, online or by mail) if you have been retaliated against for using your rights.
- See any OSHA citations issued to your employer.
- Request copies of your medical records, tests that measure hazards in the workplace, and the workplace injury and illness log.

This poster is available free from OSHA.

#### **Employers must:**

Provide employees a workplace free from recognized hazards. It is illegal to retaliate against an employee for using any of their rights under the law, including raising a health and safety concern with you or with OSHA, or reporting a work-related injury or illness.

NURSING

MOTHERS

ADDITIONAL

- Comply with all applicable OSHA standards.
- Notify OSHA within 8 hours of a workplace fatality or within 24 hours of any work-related inpatient hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye.
- Provide required training to all workers in a language and vocabulary they can understand.
- Prominently display this poster in the workplace.
- Post OSHA citations at or near the place of the alleged violations.
- On-Site Consultation services are available to small and medium-sized employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-supported consultation programs in every state.

### **EMPLOYEE RIGHTS** UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT



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

- OVERTIME PAY At least 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.
- CHILD LABOR An employee must be at least 16 years old to work in most non-farm jobs and at least 18 to work in non-farm jobs declared hazardous by the Secretary of Labor. Youths 14 and 15 years old may work outside school hours in various non-manufacturing, non-mining, non-hazardous jobs with certain work hours restrictions. Different rules apply in agricultural employment.
- **TIP CREDIT** Employers of "tipped employees" who meet certain conditions may claim a partial wage credit based on tips received by their employees. Employers must pay tipped employees a cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour if they claim a tip credit against their minimum wage obligation. If an employee's tips combined with the employer's cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour do not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer must make up the difference.
  - The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing mother employee who is subject to the FLSA's overtime requirements in order for the employee to express breast milk for her nursing child for one year after the child's birth each time such employee has a need to express breast milk. Employers are also required to provide a place, other than a bathroom, that is shielded from view and free from intrusion from coworkers and the public, which may be used by the employee to express breast milk.
- ENFORCEMENT The Department has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in liquidated damages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. The Department may litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the law. Civil money penalties may also be assessed for violations of the FLSA's child labor provisions. Heightened civil money penalties may be assessed for each child labor violation that results in the death or serious injury of any minor employee, and such assessments may be doubled when the violations are determined to be willful or repeated. The law also prohibits retaliating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the FLSA.
- · Certain occupations and establishments are exempt from the minimum INFORMATION wage, and/or overtime pay provisions.
  - · Special provisions apply to workers in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
  - Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both
  - Some employers incorrectly classify workers as "independent contractors" when they are actually employees under the FLSA. It is important to know the difference between the two because employees (unless exempt) are entitled to the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime pay protections and correctly classified independent contractors are not.

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• 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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VAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

### **EMPLOYEE RIGHTS** EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

The Employee Polygraph Protection Act prohibits most private employers from using lie detector tests either for pre-employment screening or during the course of employment.

- PROHIBITIONS Employers are generally prohibited from requiring or requesting any employee or job applicant to take a lie detector test, and from discharging, disciplining, or discriminating against an employee or prospective employee for refusing to take a test or for exercising other rights under the Act.
- **EXEMPTIONS** Federal, State and local governments are not affected by the law. Also, the law does not apply to tests given by the Federal Government to certain private individuals engaged in national security-related activities.

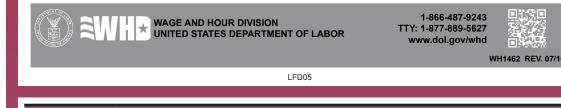
The Act permits polygraph (a kind of lie detector) tests to be administered in the private sector, subject to restrictions, to certain prospective employees of security service firms (armored car, alarm, and guard), and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers.

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

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

- Where polygraph tests are permitted, they are subject to numerous strict standards concerning the conduct and length of the test. Examinees have a number of specific rights, including the right to a written notice before testing, the right to refuse or discontinue a test, and the right not to have test results disclosed to unauthorized persons.
- **ENFORCEMENT** The Secretary of Labor may bring court actions to restrain violations and assess civil penalties against violators. Employees or job applicants may also bring their own court actions.

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





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 Job applicants

**EXAMINEE** 

RIGHTS

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1-800-3	21-OSHA (6742) TTY 1-877-899-5627 www.osha.gov	You have the right to be reemployed in your civilian job if you leave that job to perform service in the uniformed service and:	<ul> <li>Race</li> <li>Color</li> <li>Genetic information (including employer requests for, or</li> </ul>
	LFD2 EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT	<ul> <li>you ensure that your employer receives advance written or verbal notice of your service;</li> <li>you have five years or less of cumulative service in the uniformed services while with that particular employer;</li> <li>you return to work or apply for reemployment in a timely manner after conclusion of service; and</li> <li>you have not been separated from service with a disqualifying discharge or under other than honorable conditions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Religion</li> <li>National origin</li> <li>Sex (including pregnancy and related conditions, sexual orientation, or gender identity)</li> <li>Age (40 and older)</li> <li>Disability</li> </ul>
THE U	NITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION	If you are eligible to be reemployed, you must be restored to the job and benefits	proceeding.
LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS BENEFITS & PROTECTIONS	<ul> <li>Eligible employees who work for a covered employer can take up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave in a 12-month period for the following reasons:</li> <li>The birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption or foster care;</li> <li>To bond with a child (leave must be taken within 1 year of the child's birth or placement);</li> <li>To care for the employee's spouse, child, or parent who has a qualifying serious health condition;</li> <li>For the employee's own qualifying serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee's job;</li> <li>For qualifying exigencies related to the foreign deployment of a military member who is the employee's spouse, child, or parent.</li> <li>An eligible employee who is a covered servicemember's spouse, child, parent, or next of kin may also take up to 26 weeks of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the servicemember with a serious injury or illness.</li> <li>An employee does not need to use leave in one block. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, employees may take leave intermittently or on a reduced schedule.</li> <li>Employees may choose, or an employer may require, use of accrued paid leave while taking FMLA leave. If an employee sommal paid leave policies.</li> <li>While employees are on FMLA leave, employers must continue health insurance coverage as if the employees were not on leave.</li> <li>Upon return from FMLA leave, most employees must be restored to the same job or one nearly identical to it with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms and conditions.</li> <li>An employer may not interfere with an individual's FMLA rights or retaliate against someone for using or trying to use FMLA leave, opposing any practice made unlawful by the FMLA, or being</li> </ul>	you would have attained if you had not been absent due to military service or, in some cases, a comparable job. <b>RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION AND RETALIATION</b> If you:         • are a past or present member of the uniformed service;       • are obligated to serve in the uniformed service;         • have applied for membership in the uniformed service; or       • are then an employer may not deny you:         • initial employment;       • retention in employment;         • reemployment;       • 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. <b>HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTION</b> • If you leave your job to perform military service, you have the right to elect to	EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL C         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 company 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 11246, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination by Federal contractors bas 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.
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	<ul> <li>involved in any proceeding under or related to the FMLA.</li> <li>An employee who works for a covered employer must meet three criteria in order to be eligible for FMLA leave. The employee must:</li> <li>Have worked for the employer for at least 12 months;</li> <li>Have at least 1,250 hours of service in the 12 months before taking leave;* and</li> <li>Work at a location where the employer has at least 50 employees within 75 miles of the employee's worksite.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>If you leave your job to perform minutary 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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	Asking About, Disclosing, or Discussing Pay Executive Order 11246, as amended, protects applicants and employees of Federal contractors from discrimination based on inquiring about, disclosing, or discussing their compensation or the compensation of other applicants or employees. Disability
REQUESTING LEAVE	*Special "hours of service" requirements apply to airline flight crew employees. Generally, employees must give 30-days' advance notice of the need for FMLA leave. If it is not possible to give 30-days' notice, an employee must notify the employer as soon as possible and, generally, follow the employer's usual procedures. Employees do not have to share a medical diagnosis, but must provide enough information to the employer so it can determine if the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. Sufficient information could include informing an employer that the employee is or will be unable to perform his or her job functions, that a family member cannot perform daily activities, or that hospitalization or continuing medical treatment is necessary. Employees must inform the employer if the need for leave is for a reason for which FMLA leave was previously taken or certified.	<ul> <li>ENFORCEMENT</li> <li>The U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS) is authorized to investigate and resolve complaints of USERRA violations.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, protects qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment by Federal contractors. Disability discrimination includes not making reasonabl accommodation to the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, barring undu hardship to the employer. Section 503 also requires tha Federal contractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with

 Obtaining or disclosing physical conduct) genetic information of Hiring or promotion employees Assignment Requesting or disclosing Pay (unequal wages or medical information of compensation) employees Conduct that might Failure to provide reasonable reasonably discourage accommodation for a someone from opposing ss of your immigration disability or a sincerely discrimination, filing a held religious belief, charge, or participating in an investigation or observance or practice proceeding. Benefits What can You Do if You Believe **Discrimination has Occurred?** sts. aenetic services. family medical history) Contact the EEOC promptly if you suspect discrimination. Do not delay, because there are strict taliation for filing a time limits for filing a charge of discrimination (180 or 300 days, depending on where you live/work). You can oosing discrimination, reach the EEOC in any of the following ways: crimination lawsuit, Submit an inquiry through the EEOC's public portal: https://publicportal.eeoc.gov/Portal/Login.aspx 1-800-669-4000 (toll free) Call 1-800-669-6820 (TTY) 1-844-234-5122 (ASL video phone) Visit an EEOC field office (information at www.eeoc.gov/field-office) E-Mail info@eeoc.gov Additional information about the EEOC, including information about filing a charge of discrimination, is available at

What Employment Practices can be

Job training

Referral

Classification

**Challenged as Discriminatory?** 

All aspects of employment, including

• Discharge, firing, or

Harassment (including

unwelcome verbal or

lay-off



#### FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS

#### **Protected Veteran Status**

www.eeoc.gov.

The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohibits employment discrimination against, and requires affirmative action to recruit, employ, and advance in employment, disabled veterans, recently separated veterans (i.e., within three years of discharge or release from active duty), active duty wartime or campaign badge veterans, or Armed Forces service medal veterans.

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

Any person who believes a contractor has violated its nondiscrimination or affirmative action obligations under OFCCP's authorities 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)

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services. OFCCP may also be contacted by submitting a question online to OFCCP's Help Desk at https://ofccphelpdesk.dol.gov/s/, or by calling an OFCCP regional or district office, listed in most telephone directories under U.S. Government. Department of Labor and on OFCCP's "Contact Us" webpage at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ofccp/contact

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

- **EMPLOYER** Once an employer becomes aware that an employee's need for leave is for a reason that may RESPONSIBILITIES qualify under the FMLA, the employer must notify the employee if he or she is eligible for FMLA leave and, if eligible, must also provide a notice of rights and responsibilities under the FMLA. If the employee is not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for ineligibility. Employers must notify its employees if leave will be designated as FMLA leave, and if so, how much leave will be designated as FMLA leave.
- **ENFORCEMENT** Employees may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer. The FMLA does not affect any federal or state law prohibiting discrimination or supersede any state or local law or collective bargaining agreement that provides greater family or medical leave rights.

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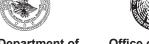


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employer for violations of USERRA.



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If you file a complaint with VETS and VETS is unable to resolve it, you may

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

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disabilities at all levels of employment, including the executive level.

#### request that your case be referred to the Department of Justice or the Office of Special Counsel, as applicable, for representation. PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE You may also bypass the VETS process and bring a civil action against an Race, Color, National Origin, Sex Individuals with Disabilities In addition to the protections of Title VII of the Civil Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title VI of the Civil amended, prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of disability in any program or activity which Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination The rights listed here may vary depending on the circumstances. This notice on the basis of race, color or national origin in programs receives Federal financial assistance. Discrimination was prepared by VETS, and may be viewed on the internet at this address: or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. is prohibited in all aspects of employment against Employment discrimination is covered by Title VI persons with disabilities who, with or without reasonable http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/userra/poster.htm. Federal law requires f the primary objective of the financial assistance accommodation, can perform the essential functions of employers to notify employees of their rights under USERRA, and employers may is provision of employment, or where employment the job. meet this requirement by displaying this notice where they customarily place notices for discrimination causes or may cause discrimination in If you believe you have been discriminated against in providing services under such programs. Title IX of the a program of any institution which receives Federal Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits employment financial assistance, you should immediately contact the discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities which receive Federal financial Federal agency providing such assistance. assistance. (Revised 10/20/2022) LFD03 1-800-336-4590 **Office of Special** Compliance Check √ GovDocs Counsel Scan this code with your smartphone



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