EEOC - 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) All aspects of employment, including: Educational institutions (as employers)

Unions Staffing agencies

Race

**What Types of Employment Discrimination are Illegal?** 

Under the EEOC's laws, an employer may not discriminate against you, regardless of your immigration status, on the bases of:

condition; or a sincerely-held religious Color belief, observance or practice Religion Benefits National origin Job training

· Sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, Classification and related medical conditions, sexual Referral orientation, or gender identity) Obtaining or disclosing genetic Age (40 and older) information of employees

 Disability Genetic information (including employer requests for, or purchase, use, or disclosure of genetic tests, genetic services, or family medical history) Retaliation for filing a charge, reasonably

opposing discrimination, or participating

in a discrimination lawsuit, investigation, Conduct that coerces, intimidates, threatens, or interferes with someone or proceeding Interference, coercion, or threats exercising their rights, or someone related to exercising rights regarding assisting or encouraging someone else to exercise rights, regarding disability disability discrimination or pregnancy discrimination (including accommodation) accommodation or pregnancy accommodation

**What Employment Practices can be Challenged as Discriminatory?** What can You Do if You Believe **Discrimination has Occurred?** Contact Discharge, firing, or lay-off the EEOC promptly if you suspect Harassment (including unwelcome verbal discrimination. Do not delay, because there or physical conduct) are strict time limits for filing a charge of

 Hiring or promotion discrimination (180 or 300 days, depending on where you live/work). You can reach the Assignment EEOC in any of the following ways: Pay (unequal wages or compensation) • Failure to provide reasonable Submit an inquiry through the EEOC's accommodation for a disability; public portal: <a href="https://publicportal.eeoc.gov/">https://publicportal.eeoc.gov/</a>

pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical Portal/Login.aspx **Call** 1–800–669–4000 (toll free) 1-800-669-6820 (TTY) 1–844–234–5122 (ASL video phone) Visit an EEOC field office (information at

> E-Mail <u>info@eeoc.gov</u> Additional information about the EEOC, including information about filing a charge of discrimination, is available at www.eeoc.gov.

www.eeoc.gov/field-office)



### **EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS Protected Veteran Status** The Vietnam Era Veterans'

Conduct that might reasonably discourage

someone from opposing discrimination,

filing a charge, or participating in an

• Requesting or disclosing medical

information of employees

investigation or proceeding

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 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.

**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** 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 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 to the employer. 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.

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

> **Retaliation** 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"

https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ofccp/contact.

### PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE **Individuals with Disabilities** Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

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.

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. (Revised 6/27/2023)

# REEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

## **Notice to Employees: Availability of Unemployment Compensation**

Employees in this establishment are covered under the South Dakota Reemployment Assistance (RA) law. Benefits are available to workers who become unemployed or whose working hours are reduced to less than full time, if they are:

> Able to work, Available for full-time work, and

 Meet certain eligibility requirements. Employees who voluntarily quit without good cause, are discharged or suspended for misconduct, or refuse to accept

suitable work may be denied benefits. You may file an RA claim in the first week employment ends or hours are reduced.

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To file a claim online, visit **RAclaims.sd.gov** 24 hours a day, seven

To file a claim by phone, call the Claims Call Center at 605.626.3179, Monday through Friday, 8a.m. to 4:20p.m. (Central Time). Applicants with speech or hearing impairments can call 711 or 800.877.1113. You will need to provide the following information for DLR to process your claim:

 Full legal name Social Security Number

• Driver's license number or State ID number

• Employment history for the last 18 months

• Authorization to work (if you are not a U.S. citizen or resident)

Winner

Employees working less than full time or who become totally unemployed, if available for work, should register for work at one of the Job Service offices listed below. View an office directory at www.sdjobs.org.

 Madison Rapid City Vermillion Yankton Brookings Mitchell Sioux Falls Watertown (Sisseton) Huron If you have questions about the status of your RA claim, you can call the Customer Service Center at 605.626.2452, email

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PLEASE POST THIS NOTICE IN A VISIBLE PLACE.

**DLRRADivision@state.sd.us**, or log in to your account.

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SOUTH DAKOTA Reemployment Assistance Division DEPT. OF **LABOR** 420 S Roosevelt St | PO Box 4730 Aberdeen, SD 57402-4730 & REGULATION

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# **WORKPLACE SAFETY PHONE NUMBERS**

# It is our company policy to ensure the safety of our employees!

If you have a safety-related issue, please contact:

**WORKPLACE SAFETY!** 

Name: **Job Title: Department:** 

**Phone Number:** 

# FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE

**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 violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the

employees can readily see it. **OVERTIME PAY** At least 1 ½ 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 nonmanufacturing, 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. **PUMP AT WORK** The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing employee to express breast milk for their 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 litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated

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 **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** 

# proceeding under the FLSA.

of Labor.

 Certain occupations and establishments are exempt from the minimum wage, and/or overtime pay provisions. Special provisions apply to workers in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.

• Some employers incorrectly classify workers as "independent contractors" when they are actually employees under the FLSA. It is important to know the difference between the two because employees (unless exempt) are entitled to the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime pay protections and correctly classified independent contractors are not.

 Certain full-time students, student learners, apprentices, and workers with disabilities may be paid less than the minimum wage under special certificates issued by the Department



### EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

SOUTH DAKOTA & FEDERAL LABOR LAW POSTER

### 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

**EXEMPTIONS** Federal, State and local governments are not affected by the law. Also, the law does not apply to tests given by the Federal Government to certain private individuals engaged in national

security-related activities. The Act permits polygraph (a kind of lie detector) tests to be administered

in the private sector, subject to restrictions, to certain prospective employees of security service firms (armored car, alarm, and guard), and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers. The Act also permits polygraph testing, subject to restrictions, of certain employees of private firms who are reasonably suspected of involvement in a workplace incident (theft, embezzlement, etc.) that resulted in economic loss to the employer. The law does not preempt any provision of any State or local law or any collective bargaining agreement which is more restrictive with respect to lie detector tests.

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

**ENFORCEMENT** The Secretary of Labor may bring court actions to restrain violations and assess civil penalties against violators. Employees or job applicants may also bring their own court actions. THE LAW REQUIRES EMPLOYERS TO DISPLAY THIS POSTER WHERE EMPLOYEES AND JOB APPLICANTS CAN READILY SEE IT.



WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR 1-866-487-9243 www.dol.gov/agencies/whd



### **PAYDAY NOTICE**

# **Regular Paydays for Employees of**

(Company Name) Shall be as follows: Other Bi-Weekly

## WITHHOLDING STATUS

### YOU MAY NEED TO CHECK YOUR WITHHOLDING

**Since you last filed form W-4 with your employer** See your employer for a copy of Form W-4 or call did you...

Marry or divorce? Gain or lose a dependent?

Change your name? Were there major changes to...

file a new form W-4.

Your nonwage income (interest, dividends, capital gains, etc.)? Your family wage income (you or your spouse

started or ended a job)? Your itemized deductions? Your tax credits?

If you can answer "YES"... To any of these questions or you owed extra tax when you filed your last return, you may need to the IRS at 1-800-829-3676. Now is the time to check your withholding. For more details, get Publication 919, How Do I

Adjust My Tax Withholding?, or use the Withholding Calculator at www.irs.gov/individuals on the IRS web site.

**Employer**: Please post or publish this Bulletin Board Poster so that your employees will see it. Please indicate where they can get forms and information on this subject.

Internal Revenue Service www.irs.gov

Publication 213 (Rev. 8-2009) Cat. No. 11047P Department of the Treasury

## ANTI-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE

It is illegal to discriminate against work-authorized individuals. Employers CANNOT specify which document(s) they will accept from an employee. The refusal to hire an individual because the documents have a future expiration date may also constitute illegal discrimination.

### For information, please contact The Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices Office

at 800-255-7688.

**CHILD LABOR LAWS** 

# CHILD LABOR LAWS

**How Do Child Labor Laws Affect Teenagers?** 

Most teenagers would probably yell and scream if anyone called them a child, but when it comes to employment, that's how the law views anyone under 18.

The laws aren't there to prevent young people from getting a job; in fact the laws recognize that many young people want to work. The main reason for child labor laws is to protect young people from hazardous jobs, and to make sure employers aren't asking them to work long hours, especially during the school year. Child labor laws are broken down into three age groups: \*16 and 17-year-olds \*14 and 15-year-olds \*Under 14 16 and 17 Year Olds

The only job restrictions for 16 and 17-year-olds are hazardous occupations. Jobs in this category

Working with explosives and radioactive materials. Mining of any kind.

Logging and saw milling. Manufacturing brick, tile or similar products.

Excavation, wrecking, demolition and salvage work. Operating power-driven bakery machines, including dough mixers used in pizza restaurants.

Operating power-driven woodworking machines, including circular band saws and table saws. Operating power-driven metal forming, punching or shearing machines.

Operating power-driven paper product machines, including paper balers. Operating or riding on power-driven hoisting apparatus, including non-automatic elevators, fork lifts and cranes, and work that involves riding on a manlift or unattended freight elevator.

All jobs in roofing operations, except work on gutters and downspouts, or installing air conditioners or ventilation equipment. Most jobs involved in slaughtering and meatpacking, and all jobs involved with operating meat slicing or processing machines. Driving and/or delivery work (As of October 31, 1998, 16-year-olds are no

longer permitted to perform on-the-job driving. The minimum age to drive on public roadways as part of employment is now 17. Seventeen-year-olds are not prevented from occasionally using a vehicle to run an errand for an employer. They may do so only during daylight hours, they must have completed a driver's education course, and they must wear seat belts). Exemptions are provided in some of the hazardous occupations for apprentices and students in vocational education programs. 14 and 15 Year-Olds Youth in this age group may work in various jobs outside school hours, but the types of jobs open to

them are more restricted than 16 and 17-year-olds. Workers under 16 cannot use ladders or scaffolds, or work from windows sills washing outside windows. They cannot work in freezers or meat coolers or in meat preparation, except packaging it away from the prohibited areas. They may not operate most power-driven machinery. They may not load or unload goods from trucks, railroad cars or conveyors. They also may not work in warehouses or on construction sites. The following types of employment are generally open to 14 and 15-year-olds:

They can perform office and clerical work.

They can cashier, sell, model, produce artwork and work in advertising departments. They can bag and carry out customers orders.

They can price, mark and tag merchandise, as well as assemble, pack and shelve. They can perform grounds maintenance and clean-up work, including the use of a vacuum cleaner or floor waxer, but not a power driven mower or cutter.

They can wait on tables and work in kitchens including the use of dishwashers, toasters, popcorn poppers and blenders. They can also prepare salads and other food, but only at lunch counters or diners where the work can be seen from the counter.

They can work at service stations pumping gasoline or oil, washing or vacuuming cars and providing other

They can perform errand and delivery work by foot, bicycle or using public transportation.

**Under Age 14** 

Fourteen is the minimum age for employment outside of school hours, but there are some jobs open to those in the under 14 age group. They may work for their parents as long as it's not one of the hazardous

newspaper delivery, household cleaning, babysitting, snow shoveling or yard work. Exempt work also includes performing in theatrical, motion picture or broadcast productions. **Limitations on Hours Worked** The law limits the number of hours that children under 16 are allowed to work. They may not work

occupations described in this article. They may also perform "independent contractor" services such as

during school hours except as part of a Work Experience or Career Exploration program. They may not work before 7:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m., except during the summer months when the evening hour is extended to 9:00 p.m. They may not work more than three hours a day on a school day and no more than 18 hours a week during a school week. They may not work more than eight hours a day on nonschool days or more than 40 hours a week in non-school weeks.

### **Agricultural Employment is Different** A different set of laws applies to work performed on farms and ranches. Generally speaking, there are

no restrictions on agricultural employment for anyone 16 or older. Fourteen and 15-year-olds can work on a farm or ranch outside of schools hours, as long as the job doesn't involve any hazardous work. Jobs considered hazardous would involve: Operating a tractor of over 20 PTO horsepower.

Operating any harvesting or hay cutting equipment or feed grinders. Working around bulls, boars, stud horses, sows with suckling pigs or cows with newborn calves. Working inside grain storage bins, silos within two weeks after silage has been added, or in manure pits. Applying a chemicals or anhydrous ammonia, or handling or using a blasting agent. There are a couple exceptions to these laws. The prohibition does not apply to youths employed on farms

owned or operated by their parents. In addition, a 14 or 15-year-old may perform some hazardous farm work if they are enrolled in a vocational agricultural program, if there is a written training agreement with the employer and the student is closely supervised. They may also operate machinery if they have completed a 4-H or other approved tractor or machine operation program. There are some other exceptions to the agricultural employment laws. Youths 12 and 13 years old may work outside school hours on a farm with their parent's consent. In addition, local youth 10 and 11 years old may work outside school hours to hand harvest crops such as fruits and vegetables.

Youths of any age may work at any time in any job on a farm owned or operated by their parents. **Minimum Wage for Children** The federal minimum wage is \$5.85 per hour effective July 24, 2007, \$6.55 per hour effective

July 24, 2008, \$7.25 per hour effective July 24, 2009. **Summary** There are many regulations affecting the employment of children, and there are also a number of exceptions. Anyone who has a question about whether a particular job can be performed by someone under 18 should contact the South Dakota Division of Labor and Management at (605) 773-3682.

### FMLA - 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 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. An eligible employee who is the spouse, child, parent or next of kin of a covered servicemember with a serious injury or illness **may** take up to **26 workweeks** of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the

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 #28M(c) for

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

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. Airline flight crew employees have different "hours of service"

You work for a **covered employer** if **one** of the following applies: You work for a private employer that had at least 50 employees during at least 20 workweeks in the current or previous calendar year, You work for an elementary or public or private secondary school, or You work for a public agency, such as a local, state or federal government agency. Most federal employees are covered by Title II of the FMLA, administered by the Office of Personnel Management. How do I request FMLA leave? Generally, to request FMLA leave you

Follow your employer's normal policies for requesting leave, Give notice at least 30 days before your need for FMLA leave, or If advance notice is not possible, give notice as soon as possible.

**Your Employee Rights Under the Family and Medical Leave Act** You **do not have to share a medical diagnosis** but must provide

> enough information to your employer so they can determine whether the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. You must also inform your employer if FMLA leave was previously taken or approved for the same reason when requesting additional leave. Your **employer may request certification** from a health care provider

to verify medical leave and may request certification of a qualifying 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 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. What does my employer need to do? If 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

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

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: About your FMLA rights and responsibilities, and

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



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**SAFETY POSTER** 

complaint process

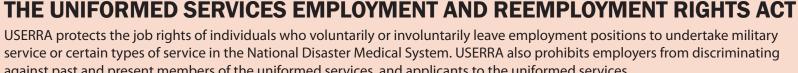
# TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

BE PART OF THE SAFETY TEAM

## USERRA - UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT







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

RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION AND RETALIATION

discharge or under other than honorable conditions. f 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.

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;

retention in employment; promotion; or any benefit of employment because of this status.

representation. • You may also bypass the VETS process and bring a civil action In addition, an employer may not retaliate against anyone against an employer for violations of USERRA. assisting in the enforcement of USERRA rights, including testifying Publication Date — May 2022



reemployment;



U.S. Department of Justice

# **Job Safety and Health**

# All workers have the right to:

A safe workplace.

 Raise a safety or health concern with your employer or OSHA, or report a workrelated 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
- employer. Request copies of your medical records, tests that measure hazards in the

See any OSHA citations issued to your

illness log.

workplace, and the workplace injury and

This poster is available free from OSHA.

Contact OSHA. We can help.

# location, at the end of your leave.

cooperating with a WHD investigation.

• How much of your requested leave, if any, will be FMLA-protected Where can I find more information?



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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.

> 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.

or making a statement in connection with a proceeding under

 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.

• 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 https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/. An interactive online

USERRA Advisor can be viewed at https://webapps.dol.gov/elaws/vets/userra • 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

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: https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/programs/userra/poster Federal law requires employers to notify employees of their rights

Office of Special Counsel

# OSHA - THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT



# IT'S THE LAW!

standards.

**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.
- any work-related inpatient hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye. Provide required training to all workers

workplace fatality or within 24 hours of

 Prominently display this poster in the workplace.

of the alleged violations. On-Site Consultation services are available to small and medium-sized employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-

1-800-321-OSHA (6742) • TTY 1-877-889-5627 • www.osha.gov

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in a language and vocabulary they can understand.

Comply with all applicable OSHA

Notify OSHA within 8 hours of a

Post OSHA citations at or near the place

supported consultation programs in every state.

