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U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

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.

discrimination (including accommodation) or pregnancy

an inquiry through the EEOC's public portal:

1-800-669-4000 (toll free)

1-844-234-5122 (ASL video phone)

**EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR** 

SUBCONTRACTS

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

Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Sexual Orientation, Gender

Executive Order 11246, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination

orientation, gender identity, or national origin, and requires affirmative

action to ensure equality of opportunity in all aspects of employment.

Executive Order 11246, as amended, protects applicants and employees

of Federal contractors from discrimination based on inquiring about,

Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, protects

qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination in hiring,

referral, and other aspects of employment by Federal contractors.

promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification,

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

Disability discrimination includes not making reasonable accommodation

by Federal contractors based on race, color, religion, sex, sexual

Asking About, Disclosing, or Discussing Pay

The Department of Labor's Office of Federal Contract Compliance

an EEOC field office (information at

1-800-669-6820 (TTY)

www.eeoc.gov/field-office)

info@eeoc.gov

Additional information about the EEOC

charge of discrimination, is available at

discrimination on the following bases:

Identity, National Origin

applicants or employees.

Disability

including information about filing a

https://publicportal.eeoc.gov/Portal/Login.aspx

encouraging someone else to exercise rights, regarding disability

If you believe you've been discriminated against at work or in applying for a job, the EEOC may be able to help.

accommodation

EEOC in any of the following ways:

Submit

Call

Visit

E-Mail

www.eeoc.gov.

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER TH	EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT		
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BEGINNING JULY 24, 2009	The Department has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in liquidated damages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. T		
v requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.	Department may litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may la assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated violation of the minimun wage or overtime pay provisions of the law. Civil money penalties may also be asses		

#### **OVERTIME PAY**

At least 11/2 times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek

#### **CHILD LABOR**

The law

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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, nonmining, 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 redit 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.

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What is FMLA leave?

2-month period for:

unable to work

(WHD) enforces the FMLA for most employees.

physical health condition, and

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

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

Eligible employees can take **up to 12 workweeks** of FMLA leave in a

The birth, adoption or foster placement of a child with you,

Your serious mental or physical health condition that makes you

To care for your spouse, child or parent with a serious mental or

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



nt has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in nages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. The nay litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be 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

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

YOUR EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

How do I request FMLA leave?

Generally, to request FMLA leave you must:

same reason when requesting additional leave.

- 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" 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 of Labor.



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.

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

Your **employer may request certification** from a health care provider to

verify medical leave and may request certification of a qualifying exigency.

discrimination or supersede any state or local law or collective bargaining

The FMLA does not affect any federal or state law prohibiting

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.



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### YOUR RIGHTS UNDER USERRA THE UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT

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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.

**EMPLOYEE RIGHTS** 

EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

The Employee Polygraph Protection Act prohibits most private employers from using lie detector tests either for pre-employment

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.

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

The Act permits polygraph (a kind of lie detector) tests to be administered in the private sector, subject to restrictions, to certain prospective employees

The Act also permits polygraph testing, subject to restrictions, of certain employees of private firms who are reasonably suspected of involvement in a

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

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

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

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

of security service firms (armored car, alarm, and quard), and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

workplace incident (theft, embezzlement, etc.) that resulted in economic loss to the employer.

#### REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS

- You have the right to be reemployed in your civilian job if you leave that job to perform service in the uniformed service and:
- you ensure that your employer receives advance written or verbal
- notice of your service; you have five years or less of cumulative service in the uniformed services while with that particular employer
- you return to work or apply for reemployment in a timely manner after conclusion of service; and
  - you have not been separated from service with a disqualifying discharge or under other than honorable conditions

If you are eligible to be reemployed, you must be restored to the job and benefits you would have attained if you had not been absent due to

#### **HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTION** If you leave your job to perform military service, you have the right to elect to continue your existing employer-based health plan coverage for you and your dependents for up to 24 months while in the military Even if you don't elect to continue coverage during your military

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.

1-866-487-9243

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www.dol.gov/agencies/whd

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

- Who is Protected? Employees (current and former), including managers and temporary employees
- Job applicants Union members and applicants for membership in a union
- 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:

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- Religion
  - National origin
  - Sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions, sexual orientation, or gender identity
  - Age (40 and older)
  - 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, or proceeding
- Interference, coercion, or threats related to exercising rights regarding disability discrimination or pregnancy accommodation

#### What Organizations are Covered?

- Most private employers
- State and local governments (as employers) Educational institutions (as employers)
- Union
- Staffing agencies

#### What Employment Practices can be Challenged as **Discriminatory**?

- All aspects of employment, including:
- Discharge, firing, or lay-off
- Harassment (including unwelcome verbal or physical conduct)

- Failure to provide reasonable accommodation for a disability; pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical condition; or a sincerely
- held religious belief, observance or practice
- **Benefits** Job training
- Classification
- Referral
- Obtaining or disclosing genetic information of employees
- Requesting or disclosing medical information of employees
- Conduct that might reasonably discourage someone from opposing discrimination, filing a charge, or participating in an investigation or proceeding
- Conduct that coerces, intimidates, threatens, or interferes with someone exercising their rights, or someone assisting or

**Protected Veteran Status** What can You Do if You Believe Discrimination has Occurred? The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as Contact the EEOC promptly if you suspect discrimination. Do not delay, amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohibits employment discrimination against, because there are strict time limits for filing a charge of discrimination and requires affirmative action to recruit, employ, and advance in (180 or 300 days, depending on where you live/work). You can reach the 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.

including the executive level.

#### 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.

qualified individuals with disabilities at all levels of employment,

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)

f 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.

**PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** 

#### Race, Color, National Origin, Sex

In addition to the protections of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. Employment discrimination is covered by Title VI if the primary objective of the financial assistance is provision of employment, or where employment discrimination causes or may cause discrimination in providing services under such programs. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or activities which receive Federal financial assistance.

#### disclosing, or discussing their compensation or the compensation of other Individuals with Disabilities

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of disability in any program or activity which receives Federal financial assistance. Discrimination is prohibited in all aspects of employment against persons with disabilities who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the iob.

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.

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military service or, in some cases, a comparable job.

### RETALIATION

## **RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION AND**

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service, you have the right to be reinstated in your employer's

### Hiring or promotion

- Assignment
- Pay (unequal wages or compensation)



DISCRIMINATION The Missouri Human Rights Act makes it illegal to discriminate in any aspect of employment because of an

> 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 or employment against an individual because of the individual's association with a person in one of the protected categories.



State regulation 8 CSR 60-3.010 requires this notice be posted in all places of business

# **Job Safety and Health**



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EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

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

wages due. An employer who unlawfully pays sub-minimum wages will be liable for the full amount of wages due (plus twice the amount left unpaid as liquidated damages) less any amount actually paid. The employer is also liable for costs and reasonable attorney fees as may be allowed by the court or jury.

<b>LEARN MORE AT</b>	LABOR.MO.GOV/DLS/MINIMUMWAGE

DIVISION OF	421 East Dunklin Street	573-751-3403
LABOR	P.O. Box 449	Fax: 573-751-3721
<b>S</b> tandards	JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65102-0449	laborstandards@labor.mo.gov

or interfere with collective bargaining agreement rights.

f vou have served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and would like information about veteran's services and benefits, please complete the survey here mvc.dps.mo.gov/MoVeteransInformation/Survev/DOLIR.

Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations is an equal opportunity employer/program. TDD/TTY: 800-735-2966 Relay Missouri: 711

OTICE: This state has its own minimum wage law. Employers are also required to display the federal Employee Rights Under the Fair Labor Standards Act posting, which indicates the deral minimum wage. Where federal and state rates both apply to an employee, the U.S. Department of Labor dictates that the employee is entitled to the higher minimum wage rate.

THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Standards **Required Poster: Employers Employing Workers Under the Age of 16** 

Youth Employment List

Employers are required to post this list of employed youth under the age of 16 in the workplace.

NAME OF WORKER	School Term Shift (7 a.m. – 7 p.m.)	Non-School Shift (7 a.m 9 p.m.)
1)		
2)		
3)		
4)		
5)		
6)		
7)		
8)		
9)		
10)		

Work certificates are required for youth 14 to 15 years of age before they start employment at any job (other than in the entertainment industry) during the school year. No child under the age of 14 may be employed in any capacity (other than in the entertainment industry or in newspaper delivery, babysitting, occasional yard or farm work with parental consent, or some youth sporting events). Work certificates are issued by school officials or their designees (or a parent of a home-schooled child) only upon application requested in person by the child with the written consent of his/her parent, legal custodian or guardian or, if deemed necessary, by the issuing officer, the child shall be accompanied by his parent, guardian or custodian. The school official has the right to deny a certificate if deemed not in the best interest of the youth. School officials should keep copies of certificates issued, and cancellation notices.

#### Unacceptable Types of Work and Workplaces for All Youth Under 16

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	<u>Door-to-door sales</u> (excluding churches, schools, scouts) Operating hazardous equipment: ladders, scaffolding, freight elevators, cranes,		al-producing industries including stamping, punching, cold rolling, shearing, eating
	hoisting machines, man lifts, etc.	• Saw	mills or cooperage stock (barrel) mills or where woodworking machinery is
•	Handling/maintaining power-driven machinery (with the exception of lawn/garden machinery in a domestic setting) ( <u>RSMo 294.011(7)(c)</u> , and <u>RSMo 294.040(1)</u> ) Mining, quarrying, or stone cutting/polishing (except in jewelry stores)	• Jobs	d s involving ionizing or non-ionizing radiation or radioactive substances s in hotels, motels, or resorts unless the work performed is physically arated from the sleeping accommodations
•	Transporting or handling Type A and B explosives or ammunition Operation of any motor vehicle	bott	s in any establishment in which alcoholic beverages are sold, manufactured, tled or stored unless 50 percent of the workplace sales are generated from er goods job dangerous to the life, limb, health, or morals of youth

Acceptable Work Hours for 14 and 15 year olds

S.	In any Common Third
s 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	Insurance Company, Third Administrator, Service Company, or Designated Individual If Self
trauma) by contacting	Nаме
EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE	
PHONE NUMBER	Address
*Failure to do so may jeopardize your ability to receive benefits	
Ask your employer to provide medical treatment (your employer/insurer is	

573-751-4231

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.

ettlements or issue awards after a hearing relating to an injured employee's entitlement to

Visit www.labor.mo.gov/DWC or call 800-775-COMP.

#### Benefits for Injured Employees

#### Medical Care:

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**Steps to Take When** 

Get

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. 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 at 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.

> 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 employees to view. 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 or 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 to the employer by the employee, whichever is later. The insurer, TPA, or Division approved self-insurer is responsible for filing a First Report of Injury 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 employee may select a different healthcare provider or treating physician, but if the employee does so, it may be at his/her own
- 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

Employee Fraud — knowingly making a claim for workers' compensation benefits to which an employee 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 who knowingly makes a false or fraudulent statement regarding 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 refusing 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.



# **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 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 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.

## Contact OSHA. We can help.

### **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.
- 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.



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