Labor Law Posters 2022

Your resource for office posting requirements.



INTRODUCTION

It's one of HR's most important, and seemingly antiquated, responsibilities: hanging up workplace posters. Employers are federally required to display notices covering a broad range of topics, including the minimum wage, workplace safety, and family and medical leave.

Try as you might to make your department's operations paperless, workplace posters have become a part of HR tradition and aren't fading from the scene any time soon. This guide will cover what posters you're federally required to display.

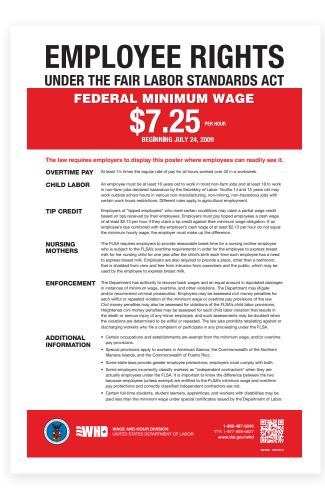
Ready? Read on to learn more.



"Employee Rights Under the Fair Labor Standards Act"

The Fair Labor Standards Act poster prominently displays the federal minimum wage and covers a broad swath of topics, including overtime, tipping, and child labor. It comes in a variety of languages, and certain industries like the agricultural sector have their own versions. Note that federal contractors have a special variation, as they are often subject to higher standards (like a minimum wage of \$10.80 per hour, for example).

Though this poster does not carry a size requirement, it must be printed legibly. The Department of Labor (DOL) recommends printing it on 11-by-17 paper.



"Job Safety and Health: It's the Law"

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) sets and enforces workplace safety standards. While you may think their reach extends only to hands-on work like construction, the agency's rules cover all employers.

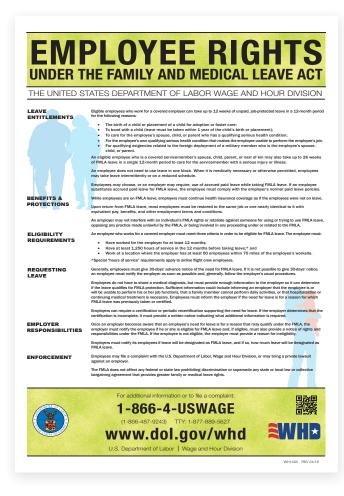
OSHA requires companies to display their poster, which outlines workers' rights and employer responsibilities. Though businesses only need to display the English poster, the agency recommends displaying other versions depending on your demographics. You can order a poster online or by phone. If you decide to print your own, it'll need to be, at a minimum, on legal size paper.



"Employee Rights Under the Family Medical Leave Act"

The Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) entitles some workers to jobprotected, unpaid leave for a variety of reasons, including giving birth to a child and caring for a health condition. The law also comes with a mandatory workplace poster, which outlines the FMLA's scope and eligibility requirements.

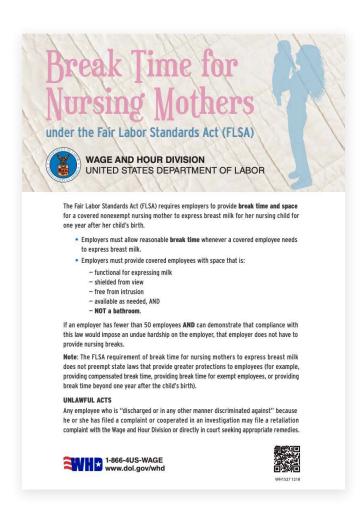
Unlike the posters described previously, if a large number of a company's employees have a preferred language other than English, a translated version of the poster must be displayed. While the DOL does not specify a size requirement, it does require that notice is "easy to read" and "fully legible." Our recommendation is to err on the side of caution and go for legal size paper or larger.



Break Time for Nursing Mothers

The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) requires employers to provide break time and space for a covered nonexempt nursing mother to express breast milk for her nursing child for one year after her child's birth.

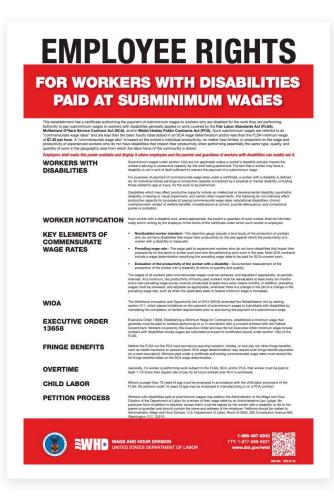
This is an optional poster, so while it is recommended that you post this if it is relevant to your employees, you are not required to by the Department Of Labor.



"Employee Rights for Workers with Disabilities/Special Minimum Wage"

This poster is only required for those employers who has workers with disabilities under special minimum wage certificates authorized by the Fair Labor Standards Act, the McNamara-O'Hara Service Contract Act, and/or the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act.

You must display the poster in a conspicuous place where employees and the parents or guardians of workers with disabilities can readily see it. The DOL recommends that you print this poster on 11 x 17 paper.



"Equal Opportunity is the Law"

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) has its own mandatory poster, which outlines employee discrimination protections. It also features a list of all the protected classes (e.g., gender, race, national origin) and employee instructions on how to file a claim.

Neither the DOL nor EEOC require employers to display bilingual versions of the poster, and there is no specific size requirement. Note that this poster features a second page, which applies directly to federal contractors or companies receiving federal financial assistance.

Equal Employment Opportunity is

Private Employers, State and Local Governments, Educational Institutions, Employment Agencies and Labor Organizations Applicants to and employees of most private employers, state and local governments, educational institutions, employment agencies and labor organizations are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following be

RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN

DISABILITY

ultifiel and Title V of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, protect qualified individuals from discrimination on the basis of disability in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. Disability discrimination includes not making reasonable commodation to the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, barring undue hardship.

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, protects applicants and employees 40 years of age or older from discrimination based on age in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment.

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RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL UNGIN ETILE VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as anneeded, protects applicants and employees from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), or national origin, Religious discrimination includes failing to reasonably accommodate an employee's religion practices where the accommodation does not impose undue hardship. includes information about genetic tests of applicants, employees, or their family members; the manifestation of diseases or disorders in family members (family medical history); and requests for or receipt of genetic services by applicants employees, or their family members.

RETALIATION

All of these Federal laws prohibit covered entities from retaliating against a person who files a charge of discrimination, participates in a discrimination proceeding, or otherwise opposes an unlawful employment practice.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU BELIEVE DISCRIMINATION HAS OCCURRED

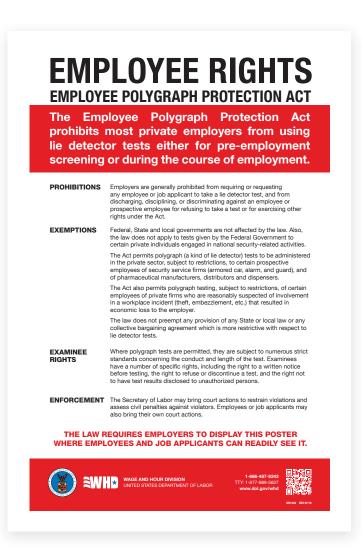
There are strict time limits for filing charges of employment discrimination. To preserve the ability of EEOC to act on your behalf and to protect your right to file a private lawsuit, should you ultimately need to, you should contact EEOC promptly here liver the strict in the strict s

private lawsair, should you minimately need to, you should contact EEOC promp when discrimination is suspected: The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), 1-800-669-4000 (toll-free) or 1-800-669-6820 (toll-free TTY number for individuals with hearing impairments). EEOC field office information is available at www.eeoc.gov or in most telephone directories in the U.S. Government or Federal Government section. Additional information about EEOC, including information about charge filing, is available at www.eeoc.gov.

"Employee Rights - Employee Polygraph Protection Act"

Lie detectors might be all the rage on daytime television, but they're a big no-no in the workplace. Federal law prohibits most businesses from using polygraph readers on individuals during the interview process or active employment. Trust us, we're telling the truth.

With a few exceptions (federal, state, and local government offices), employers are required to prominently display a poster outlining the Employee Polygraph Protect Act's prohibitions and exemptions. There are no size requirements.



"Your Rights Under USERRA"

The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), signed in 1994, protects non-career members of the military from losing their jobs or benefits when called into active service.

The law comes bundled with a posting requirement, which describes reemployment rights, insurance protections, and how individuals can report violations. As an alternative to posting this notice, employers may opt to share it digitally via email.



E-Verify and Right to Work Posters

E-Verify is an optional, electronic service that supplements the traditional Form I-9. If a company does choose to opt-into the service, however, doing so comes with new posting requirements.

The Department of Homeland security mandates that E-Verify subscribers prominently display two posters, one confirming E-Verify participation and the other outlining foreign national labor protections. Both can be downloaded from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) website.



Placement

As the saying goes, "location, location, location." Workplace posters need to be displayed prominently. They should be in full view in a public area, unobstructed by doors, machinery, or strategically placed ferns. In particularly large offices, or those with multiple floors, cover your bases by hanging duplicate posters throughout. They may not mesh with the rest of your office decor, but at the very least you'll be compliant.

Note that these posters aren't just required to be visible to active employees. For example, the required FMLA poster needs to be visible to job applicants, too. It's best practice to find a conspicuous location visible to both visiting candidates and employees. That may mean hanging your posters in a high-traffic hallway, in the kitchen, or even by the restrooms (make sure both the men and women's rooms are covered). Additionally, companies with remote workers should make digital versions of the posters available via your HRIS or company intranet.

Other Situations

Note that this guide only represents what is federally required, and that separate, state-specific posting requirements are available at your jurisdiction's labor department website. Additionally, depending on your company's industry, there may be additional federal posters you'll need to display. Employers in the agricultural sector, for example, need to display the mandatory Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act (MSPA) Notice. A comprehensive list of posting requirements can be found on the Department of Labor's website.