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## REQUIRED POSTER GENERAL REQUIREMENTS The Michigan Minimum Wage Law Of 1964 1964 PA 154 MCL 408.381 et. seq.



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### Coverage

The Michigan Minimum Wage Law covers employers who employ 2 or more employees 16 years of age and older.

### Minimum Hourly Wage Rate

Employees must be paid at least

Effective Date	Section 4 Minimum Hourly Wage Rate	85% of Minimum Hourly Wage Rate
July 24, 2009	\$7.40	\$7.25*

\*The state 85% rate of \$6.29 is valid between July 1, 2008 and July 23, 2008, effective July 24, 2009 the federal minimum wage rate increased to \$7.25.

- ▶ Minors 16-17 years of age may be paid 85% of the minimum hourly wage rate.
- ▶ Tipped employees may be paid an hourly wage rate of \$2.65 an hour provided they receive tips which combined with the hourly wage, equals or exceeds the minimum hourly wage rate listed above and provide a signed tip statement.

### Training Wage

A training wage of \$4.25 an hour may be paid to employees 16 to 19 years of age for the first 90 days of employment.

### Overtime

Non-exempt employees covered by the Michigan Minimum Wage Law must be paid 1-1/2 times their regular rate of pay for hours worked over 40 in a workweek. The following are exempt from overtime requirements: employees exempt from the minimum wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 USC 201 to 219 (except certain domestic service employees), professional, administrative, or executive employees; elected officials and political appointees; employees of amusement and recreational establishments operating less than 7 months of the year; agricultural employees, and any employee not subject to the minimum wage provisions of the act.

### Compensatory Time

If an employer meets certain conditions, employees may agree to receive compensatory time of 1-1/2 hours for each hour of overtime worked. The agreement must be voluntary, in writing, and obtained before the compensatory time is earned. All compensatory time earned must be paid to an employee. Accrued compensatory time may not exceed 240 hours. Employers must keep a record of compensatory time earned and paid. Contact the Wage & Hour Division for information on the conditions an employer must meet in order to offer compensatory time off in lieu of overtime compensation.

### Equal Pay

An employer shall not discriminate on the basis of sex by paying employees a rate which is less than the rate paid to employees of the opposite sex for equal work on jobs requiring equal skill, effort, and responsibility performed under similar working conditions - except where payment is pursuant to a seniority system, merit system or system measuring earnings on the basis of quantity or quality of production or a differential other than sex.

### Enforcement

An employee may either file civil action for recovery of unpaid minimum wages or overtime, or they may file a complaint with the Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth. The department may investigate a complaint and file civil action to collect unpaid wages or overtime due the employee and all employees of an establishment. Recovery under this act can include unpaid minimum wages or overtime, plus an equal additional amount as liquidated damages, costs, and reasonable attorney fees. A civil fine of \$1,000 can be assessed to an employer who does not pay minimum wage or overtime.

**For more information or to file a complaint, contact:**  
**Wage & Hour Division at 517-322-1825**  
**or write P.O. Box 30476, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7976**  
**[www.michigan.gov/wagehour](http://www.michigan.gov/wagehour)**