Office of Labor Standards Enforcement

Minimum Wage Ordinance (MWO)

MWO News

The San Francisco minimum wage increases to \$13.00 on July 1, 2016

• On November 4, 2014, San Francisco voters passed Proposition J, raising the minimum wage to \$15.00 by 2018. The San Francisco minimum wage will increase according to the following schedule:

Effective Date
Minimum Wage Rate
5/1/2015
\$12.25
7/1/2016
\$13.00
7/1/2017
\$14.00
7/1/2018
\$15.00
July 1st Each Following Year

CPI Increase

- Required Minimum Wage Poster: All covered employers must post the required 2016 San Francisco Minimum Wage Poster at each workplace or jobsite as of July 1, 2016. The Poster should be printed on 8.5x14"paper.
- A small number of "Government Supported Employees" are subject to a minimum wage rate of \$12.53 as of July 1,
 2016. Only the following types of employees should be paid this rate:
 - Employees under the age of 18 and employed as an after-school or summer Employee in a bona fide training or apprenticeship program in a position that is subsidized by the federal, state, or local government; or
 - 2. Employees over the age 55 and are employed by a Non-Profit Corporation that provides social welfare services as a core mission to individuals who are over the age of 55 and is in a position that is subsidized by federal, state, or local government. This category is subject to additional limitations. See San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12R.3.

If you have questions about which employees are covered by this rate, please contact the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement at (415) 554-6292.

MWO Overview

- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) PDFs English Chinese Spanish
- Historical San Francisco Minimum Wage Rates:
 - May 1, 2015: \$12.25/hour
 - January 1, 2015: \$11.05/hour
 - o 2014: \$10.74/hour
 - o 2013: \$10.55/hour
 - 2012: \$10.24/hour
 - o 2011: \$9.92/hour
 - o 2010: \$9.79/hour
 - 2009: \$9.79/hour
 - o 2008: \$9.36/hour
 - o 2007: \$9.14/hour
 - 2006: \$8.82/hour
 - 2005: \$8.62/hour (\$7.75 for nonprofit & small business)
 - 2004: \$8.50/hour (nonprofit & small business exempt)

- For more information, call 415-554-6292 or email mwo@sfgov.org.
- As of July 1, 2016, Government Supported Employees are covered by to a different minimum wage rate than most employees in San Francisco. These are defined in San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12R.3 as employees who are:
 - 1. under the age of 18 and are employed as an after-school or summer Employee in a bona fide training or apprenticeship program in a position that is subsidized by the federal, state, or local government; or
 - 2. over the age 55 and are employed by a Non-Profit Corporation that provides social welfare services as a core mission to individuals who are over the age of 55 and is in a position that is subsidized by federal, state, or local government. This category is subject to additional limitations.



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Statutory Authority

- Minimum Wage Ordinance, San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 12R
- Personal Services Minimum Contractual Rate Ordinance, Administrative Code Chapter 12V

Filing a Complaint

To report a violation of the Minimum Wage Ordinance, please complete the Minimum Wage Ordinance Complaint Form and submit it to the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement.

You can email it to mwo@sfgov.org, fax it to (415) 554-6291, or bring it to the OLSE office at:

City Hall, Room 430
Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.
San Francisco, CA 94102

For questions, please call (415)554-6292.

Forms & Documents

- Minimum Wage Ordinance Poster Effective July 1, 2016 Must be displayed at each workplace or jobsite. The Poster should be printed on 8.5x14"paper.
- Minimum Wage Ordinance Poster Effective May 1, 2015 (PDF)
- Minimum Wage Ordinance Poster Effective January 1 April 30, 2015(PDF)
- OLSE Complaint Form (PDFs) English Chinese Spanish
- Know Your Right Under San Francisco Labor Laws Flier English Chinese Spanish
- The Office of Labor Standards Enforcement's Annual Report on the Minimum Wage Ordinance for FY 2012-2013 (PDF)

Hearing Officer Decisions

- European Food Wholesale Inc., DBA Popkoff's Frozen Food November 17, 2015
- All Day Homecare, Inc. September 21, 2010
- Cell Pro May 18, 2009
- Papa Potrero's Pizza May 1, 2009
- Chinatown Restaurant February 13, 2007
- Golden Dragon Restaurant October 2, 2006

Notice of Administrative Review Hearings

Related Web Links

- Working Families Credit
- California Department of Industrial Relations
- U.S. Department of Labor
- Consumer Price Index FAQs