



NOTICE OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

Under New York City's Earned Safe and Sick Time Act (Paid Safe and Sick Leave Law), certain employees have a right to safe and sick leave. Go to nyc.gov/PaidSickLeave to learn which employees are covered by the law.

Employees who work for employers with five or more employees who work more than 80 hours a calendar year in New York City have a right to *paid* safe and sick leave. Employees who work for employers with fewer than five employees have a right to *unpaid* safe and sick leave.

Employees who work for employers who must provide safe and sick leave must receive this written notice from their employer when they begin employment or by June 4, 2018, whichever is later.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO SAFE LEAVE, which you can use to seek assistance or take other safety measures if you or a family member may be the victim of any act or threat of domestic violence or unwanted sexual contact, stalking, or human trafficking.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO SICK LEAVE, which you can use for the care and treatment of yourself or a family member.

AMOUNT OF SAFE AND SICK LEAVE:

- Your employer must provide up to a total of 40 hours of safe and sick leave every calendar year. You may use any earned leave for either safe or sick leave purposes. Your employer's calendar year is:

START OF CALENDAR YEAR : _____
END OF CALENDAR YEAR : _____

RATE OF ACCRUAL:

- You accrue safe and sick leave at the rate of one hour for every 30 hours worked, up to a maximum of 40 hours of safe and sick leave per calendar year.

DATE ACCRUAL BEGINS:

You begin to accrue safe and sick leave on April 1, 2014 or on your first day of employment, whichever is later.

Exception: If you are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that was in effect on April 1, 2014, you begin to accrue safe and sick leave under City law beginning on the date that the agreement expires.

DATE SAFE AND SICK LEAVE IS AVAILABLE FOR USE:

- You could begin using sick leave on July 30, 2014 or 120 days after you begin employment, whichever is later.
- You could begin using safe leave on May 5, 2018 or 120 days after you begin employment, whichever is later.

ACCEPTABLE REASONS TO USE SAFE AND SICK LEAVE:

You can use safe and sick leave to take time off from work when:

- You have a mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; you need to get a medical diagnosis, care, or treatment of your mental or physical illness, injury, or condition; you need to get preventive medical care.
- You must care for a family member who needs medical diagnosis, care, or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition, or who needs preventive medical care.
- Your employer's business closes due to a public health emergency or you need to care for a child whose school or child care provider closed due to a public health emergency.
- You or a family member may be the victim of any act or threat of domestic violence or unwanted sexual contact, stalking, or human trafficking and you need to take actions necessary to restore the physical, psychological, or economic health or safety of you or your family members or to protect those who associate or work with you, including to:
 - Obtain services from a domestic violence shelter, rape crisis center, or other services program.
 - Participate in safety planning, relocate, or take other actions to protect your safety or that of your family members, including enrolling children in a new school.

- Meet with an attorney or social service provider to obtain information and advice related to custody; visitation; matrimonial issues; orders of protection; immigration; housing; discrimination in employment, housing, or consumer credit.
- File a domestic incident report with law enforcement or meet with a district attorney's office.

FAMILY MEMBERS:

The law recognizes the following individuals as "family members:"

- Any individual whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of family
 - Parent
 - Grandparent
- Child (biological, adopted, or foster child; legal ward; child of an employee standing *in loco parentis*)
 - Child or Parent of an employee's spouse or domestic partner
- Sibling (including a half, adopted, or step sibling)
- Grandchild
- Spouse
- Any other individual related by blood to the employee
- Domestic Partner

ADVANCE NOTICE:

If the need is foreseeable, your employer can require up to seven days advance notice of your intention to use safe or sick leave. If the need is unforeseeable, your employer may require you to give notice as soon as practicable.

DOCUMENTATION:

Your employer can require documentation if you use more than three consecutive workdays as safe or sick leave. The Paid Safe and Sick Leave Law prohibits employers from requiring the health care provider to specify the medical reason for sick leave or requiring safe leave documentation to specify the details of any act or threat of domestic violence or unwanted sexual contact, stalking, or human trafficking. Disclosure may be required by other laws.

UNUSED SAFE AND SICK LEAVE:

Up to 40 hours of unused safe and sick leave can be carried over to the next calendar year. However, your employer is only required to let you use up to 40 hours of safe and sick leave per calendar year.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM RETALIATION FROM YOUR EMPLOYER FOR USING SAFE AND SICK LEAVE.

Your employer cannot retaliate against you for:

- Requesting and using safe and sick leave.
- Filing a complaint for alleged violations of the law with DCA.
- Communicating with any person, including coworkers, about any violation of the law.
- Participating in a court proceeding regarding an alleged violation of the law.
- Informing another person of that person's potential rights.

Retaliation includes any threat, discipline, discharge, demotion, suspension, or reduction in your hours, or any other adverse employment action against you for exercising or attempting to exercise any right guaranteed under the law.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT.

You can file a complaint with DCA. To get the complaint form, go online to

nyc.gov/PaidSickLeave or contact 311 (212-NEW-YORK outside NYC).

DCA will conduct an investigation and try to resolve your complaint. DCA will keep your identity confidential unless disclosure is necessary to conduct the investigation, resolve the complaint, or is required by law.

Keep a copy of this notice and all documents that show your amount of safe and sick leave accrual and use.

Note: The Earned Safe and Sick Time Act sets the minimum requirements for safe and sick leave. Your employer's leave policies may already meet or exceed the requirements of the law.

You have a right to be given this notice in English and, if available on the DCA website, your primary language.

For more information, including Frequently Asked Questions, go to nyc.gov/PaidSickLeave or call 311 and ask for more information about Paid Safe and Sick Leave.

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NOTICE

Pregnancy Accommodations at Work

The NYC Human Rights Law requires all employers with four or more employees to provide reasonable accommodations to employees related to pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions to enable them to continue working and/or return to work promptly while maintaining a healthy pregnancy. Employers are required to provide written notice of employees' rights under the Law, and can use this document to satisfy that requirement. As such, it should be posted in the workplace.

EMPLOYERS

Provide a clear policy and protocol for employees to request a reasonable accommodation. Work with your pregnant employee to promptly agree on a reasonable accommodation that:

- Values your employee's contributions to the workplace
- Helps your employee satisfy the essential requisites of her job
- Keeps them in the workplace for as long as they are able to continue working
- Is right for your employee and does not cause undue hardship to your business

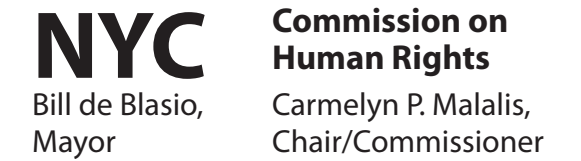
Ignoring a request for a reasonable accommodation, failing to respond quickly, punishing, or firing your employee after they request one can expose you to damages and civil penalties. Employers are prohibited from asking for proof of pregnancy. Employers may request a doctor's note only when the accommodations requested by the employee involve time away from the workplace and when not otherwise prohibited by city, state, or federal law, including the NYC Earned Sick Time Act.

EMPLOYEES

If you need a reasonable accommodation to continue working or remain employed, you can request one. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Breaks (e.g. to use the bathroom, eat or drink, or provide necessary rest)
- Changes to your work environment such as a seat or a fan
- Assistance with physically demanding tasks
- Time off or schedule adjustments
- A private, clean, non-bathroom space and breaks for expressing breast milk
- Light duty or a temporary transfer to a different position
- Time off to recover from childbirth

The type of reasonable accommodation appropriate for an employee should be tailored to the needs of the employee and the employer. If your request for a reasonable accommodation has been ignored or denied without an appropriate alternative, we can help. Call the NYC Commission on Human Rights at 718-722-3131 to report it.



nyc.gov/HumanRights OR call (718) 722-3131
Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube @NYCCHR

STOP SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT NOTICE

All employers are required to provide written notice of employees' rights under the Human Rights Law both in the form of a displayed poster **and** as an information sheet distributed to individual employees at the time of hire. This document satisfies the poster requirement.

The NYC Human Rights Law

The NYC Human Rights Law, one of the strongest anti-discrimination laws in the nation, protects all individuals against discrimination based on gender, which includes sexual harassment in the workplace, in housing, and in public accommodations like stores and restaurants. Violators can be held accountable with civil penalties of up to \$250,000 in the case of a willful violation. The Commission can also assess emotional distress damages and other remedies to the victim, require the violator to undergo training, and mandate other remedies such as community service.

Sexual Harassment Under the Law

Sexual harassment, a form of gender-based discrimination, is unwelcome verbal or physical behavior based on a person's gender.

Some Examples of Sexual Harassment

- unwelcome or inappropriate touching of employees or customers
- threatening or engaging in adverse action after someone refuses a sexual advance
- making lewd or sexual comments about an individual's appearance, body, or style of dress
- conditioning promotions or other opportunities on sexual favors
- displaying pornographic images, cartoons, or graffiti on computers, emails, cell phones, bulletin boards, etc.
- making sexist remarks or derogatory comments based on gender

Retaliation Is Prohibited Under the Law

It is a violation of the law for an employer to take action against you because you oppose or speak out against sexual harassment in the workplace. The NYC Human Rights Law prohibits employers from retaliating or discriminating "in any manner against any person" because that person opposed an unlawful discriminatory practice. Retaliation can manifest through direct actions, such as demotions or terminations, or more subtle behavior, such as an increased work load or being transferred to a less desirable location. The NYC Human Rights Law protects individuals against retaliation who have a good faith belief that their employer's conduct is illegal, even if it turns out that they were mistaken.

Report Sexual Harassment

If you have witnessed or experienced sexual harassment inform a manager, the equal employment opportunity officer at your workplace, or human resources as soon as possible.

Report sexual harassment to the NYC Commission on Human Rights. Call 718-722-3131 or visit nyc.gov/HumanRights to learn how to file a complaint or report discrimination. You can file a complaint anonymously.

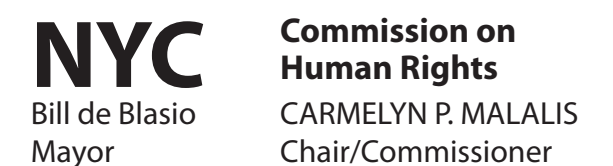
State and Federal Government Resources

Sexual harassment is also unlawful under state and federal law, where statutes of limitations vary.

To file a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights, please visit the Division's website at www.dhr.ny.gov.

To file a charge with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), please visit the EEOC's website at www.eeoc.gov.

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nyc.gov/HumanRights



You Have a Right to Temporary Changes to Your Work Schedule

Under NYC's Temporary Schedule Change Law, covered employees have a right to temporary changes to their work schedule for certain "personal events." Employers must post this notice where employees can easily see it at each NYC workplace.

Employees Covered by the Law

All employees who work 80+ hours per calendar year in NYC and who have been employed by their employer 120 or more days

The law applies regardless of immigration status.

Employees NOT Covered by the Law

- Government employees
- Certain employees subject to a collective bargaining agreement
- Certain employees in motion picture, television, and live entertainment industries

Employers cannot punish, penalize, retaliate, or take any action against employees that might stop or deter them from exercising their rights under the law. Workers should immediately contact OLPS about retaliation. See below.

Definitions

Personal event

A "personal event" can be any of the following:

- The need to care for a child under the age of 18
- The need to care for a "care recipient," a person with a disability who is a family or household member and relies on you for medical care or to meet the needs of daily living
- The need to attend a legal proceeding or hearing for public benefits to which the employee, a family member, or the employee's minor child or care recipient is a party
- Any other reason for which the employee may use leave under NYC's Paid Safe and Sick Leave Law

Temporary change

A "temporary change" means an adjustment to your usual schedule. This can include: using short-term unpaid leave, paid time off, working remotely, or swapping or shifting working hours.

Note: The law does not require employers to offer paid time off, and you do not need to accept such an offer.

Your employer may NOT:

- Require you to use leave earned under NYC's Paid Safe and Sick Leave Law for a temporary schedule change.

If you need a temporary change to your work schedule:

As soon as you become aware of the need for a temporary schedule change, request one from your employer or direct supervisor either orally or in writing. Your request should include the date of the change, that the change is due to a personal event, and propose the type of temporary change you want (for example, to work from home), unless you would like to use leave without pay.

- Your employer must respond immediately.
- If you requested the schedule change orally (for example, in person or by phone), you must submit a written request no later than the second business day after you return to work. Include in the written request the date of the temporary schedule change and that the change was due to a personal event. Your employer must provide a written response within 14 days. If you do not submit a written request, your employer is not required to provide a written response but cannot deny your request because you did not submit a written request.
- Make sure to keep all of your schedules and any communications with your employer about scheduling.

Temporary change to work schedule on up to two (2) occasions each calendar year

The change must be to accommodate a personal event. See Definitions. Your employer must grant requests for up to:

- Two (2) separate occasions, each totaling one (1) business day OR
- One (1) occasion for up to two (2) business days

Freedom from retaliation for additional schedule change requests

You can request additional changes to your schedule. Employers are not required to grant additional requests; however, they cannot retaliate against you.

Ability to propose type of temporary change

You can propose the type of temporary change you would like when you request it. See Definitions.

Your employer must:

- Approve your proposal. OR
- Provide leave without pay.

Your employer may:

- Offer you the ability to use paid time off.

File a Complaint

The Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) Office of Labor Policy & Standards (OLPS) enforces NYC's Temporary Schedule Change Law and other NYC workplace laws.

To file a complaint with OLPS, go to nyc.gov/dca or contact 311 (212-NEW-YORK outside NYC) and ask for "Temporary Schedule Change Law." OLPS will conduct an investigation and try to resolve your complaint. **OLPS will keep your identity confidential unless disclosure is necessary to complete an investigation or is required by law.**

You can also file an action in court. However, you cannot have a complaint with OLPS and a claim in court at the same time.

Contact OLPS

Visit nyc.gov/dca, email olps@dca.nyc.gov, or contact 311 (212-NEW-YORK outside NYC) and ask for "Temporary Schedule Change Law."



You have a right to be given this notice in English and in any language that is the primary language of at least 5 percent of the workers at your workplace if the translation is available on the DCA website.

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