## pennsylvania DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY BUREAU OF LABOR LAW COMPLIANCE

# ABSTRACT OF THE CHILD LABOR ACT **HOURS PROVISIONS**

## MUST BE POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE WHERE ANY PERSON UNDER AGE 18 IS EMPLOYED

This summary is for general information, and is not to be considered in the same light as official statements contained in the Act or its regulations.

Minors under 16 must have a written statement by the minor's parent or guardian acknowledging the duties and hours of employment and granting permission to work.

## HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT—AGES 14 & 15\*

#### HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT

During School Term: Maximum three hours on school days, eight hours on any other day, and 18 hours per school week (Monday-Friday), and only at a time that does not interfere with school attendance. Plus eight additional hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

Exception: Students 14 and older, whose employment is part of a recognized school work program, may be employed for hours, when combined with school hours, not exceeding eight in a day.

During School Vacations: Maximum eight hours/day, 40 hours/week.

Employment prohibited after 7 p.m. and before 7 a.m.

**Exceptions:** During school vacations, minors may be employed until 9p.m. Minors at least age 11 may be employed in newspaper delivery from 5a.m. to 8 p.m., except during school vacation, then until 9 p.m. Members of volunteer fire companies may participate in training and firefighting activities until 10 p.m. with written parental consent.

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## HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT-AGES 16 & 17\* \*\*

#### HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT

During School Term: Maximum eight hours a day and 28 hours per school week (Monday-Friday). Plus eight additional hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

During School Vacations: Maximum 48 hours/week; 10 hours/day; a minor may refuse any request to work greater than 44 hours/week.

\* Minors employed as sports attendants are not subject to the Act's hours and work time restrictions.

\*\*EXCEPT: A) Minors who have graduated from high school or who are exempt from compulsory attendance under the Public School Code are not subject to the Act's hours of employment or work time restrictions.

> B) Special rules apply to young adults, 16 and 17 years of age, employed during a school vacation as a counselor by a summer resident camp operated by a religious or scout organization.

## MAXIMUM EMPLOYMENT: NOT MORE THAN six CONSECUTIVE DAYS (except newspaper delivery). 30 MINUTE MEAL PERIOD REQUIRED ON OR BEFORE five CONSECUTIVE HOURS OF WORK.

EMPLOYER NOTIFICATION: Within five days of the minor's beginning of employment, an Employer's must submit written notification of the minor's normal duties and employment hours, the minor's age and the work permit number to the issuing officer who issued that work permit. Within five days of the minor's last day of emploment, the minor shall submit written notification to the issuing officer that the minor is no longer employed.

## For further information on the Child Labor Act,

## please consult the Department of Labor & Industry's website at www.dli.pa.gov and click on "Labor Law Compliance."

Address inquiries and complaints to one of the offices of the Bureau of Labor Law Compliance:

Altoona District Office 1130 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 200 Altoona, PA 16601 814-940-6224 or 877-792-8198

> Pittsburgh District Office 301 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 330 Pittsburgh, PA 15222 412-565-5300 or 877-504-8354

Harrisburg District Office 1301 Labor & Industry Building 651 Boas St. Harrisburg, PA 17121 717-705-5969 or 800-932-0665

Philadelphia District Office 110 North 8<sup>th</sup> St. Suite 203 Philadelphia, PA 19107 215-560-1858 or 877-817-9497

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Exceptions: During school vacations, minors may be employed until 1 a.m. Members of volunteer fire companies may continue serving in answer to a fire call until excused by chief.

Employment prohibited before 6 a.m. and after 12 a.m.

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## CHILD LABOR ACT HOURS RULES FOR PERFORMANCES BY MINORS

## **Child Labor Act Hours Rules for Performances By Minors**

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Age	Max. hours (24-hour period) at place of employment (does not include hours at minors' residences	Max. work hours (24-hour period) (including work time at minors' residences)
Infants < 6 mos.	2	Not Applicable
6 mos.—1 year	4	2
2—5 years	6	3
6—8	8	4
9—15	9	5
16—17	10	6
<ul> <li>Meal periods of half place of employmer</li> <li>Non-work time at plate</li> <li>Work days for minor school days or by 12</li> <li>12 hours must elapse</li> <li>Age 14—17 may wor consecutive days, b</li> <li>Performances rules of</li> </ul>	maximum number: three/day or 10/calendar week (Sunday hour—one hour are not counted toward maximum hours/n nt. ace of employment includes education, rest and recreation. s may not begin before 5 a.m., and must end by 10 p.m. on e 2:30 a.m. on evenings preceding nonschool days. e between time of dismissal and time of call on the following rk during school hours with permission from school authoriti ut may not work in excess of eight hours in 24-hour period. do not apply to minors who have graduated from high school ance under the Public School Code.	on-work time at evenings preceding g day. ies for up to two

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