

WRC Regional Structure

Regional Offices	Counties
Carlow	Carlow, Kildare, Offaly , Westmeath, Wicklow, Wexford, Laois, Kilkenny
Dublin	Dublin, Meath, Louth, Monaghan, Cavan.
Cork	Cork, Kerry, Waterford, Tipperary South
Shannon	Clare, Limerick, Galway, Tipperary North.
Sligo	Sligo, Donegal, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon, Longford





First time Working or **Employing** Somebody?





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Statement of Terms of Employment

Terms and Conditions of Employment are the basis of the employment relationship

 Must be issued to employee within 2 months of starting work





National Minimum Wage Act

What is the current rate of National Minimum Wage?



National Minimum Wage (from 1st January 2018)

Experienced Adult Worker	€9.55
1st Year Of Employment Over Age Of 18	€7.64
2nd Year Of Employment Over Age Of 18	€8.60
Under 18	€6.69



National Minimum Wage (from 1st January 2019)

Experienced Adult Worker	€9.80
1st Year Of Employment Over Age Of 18	€7.84
2nd Year Of Employment Over Age Of 18	€8.82
Under 18	€6.86



Payment of Wages Act



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- An employee must be given a payslip with each payment of wages
- Gross wage and all deductions must be shown on the payslip



Payment of Wages Act

Deductions can only be made if:

- required by law
- made with the written consent of the employee
- provided for in the written contract



Organisation of Working Time Act



Rest Periods





Annual Leave

1/3 of a working week per calendar month

8% of hours worked

Max 4 working weeks



Public Holidays

Days you normally work

- Paid day off
- Paid day off within a month
- Additional day annual leave
- Additional days pay

Days you do not work

- 1/5 normal weekly wage
- Paid day off within a month
- Additional day annual leave
- Additional days pay



Records to be kept under OWT Act

In the absence of an electronic clocking system a paper record should be kept of the employees hours of work.



Time Record OWT1 form

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Employment Permits Act



Who is eligible to work in the State?

- All EEA Nationals
- Holders of Valid Work Permits
- Individuals on Stamp 5 Permission
- Individuals on Stamp 4 Permission
- Individuals on Stamp 2 Permission



Employment Permits Act

- Stamp 1 Visa requires a Work Permit
- Stamp 2 Visa Student Visa employees can work for 20 hours during School/College Term and full time on holidays
- Stamp 3 Visa Not permitted to work (Spousal Visa)
- Stamp 4 Can work without restrictions
- Stamp 5 Can work without restrictions



Life and Work



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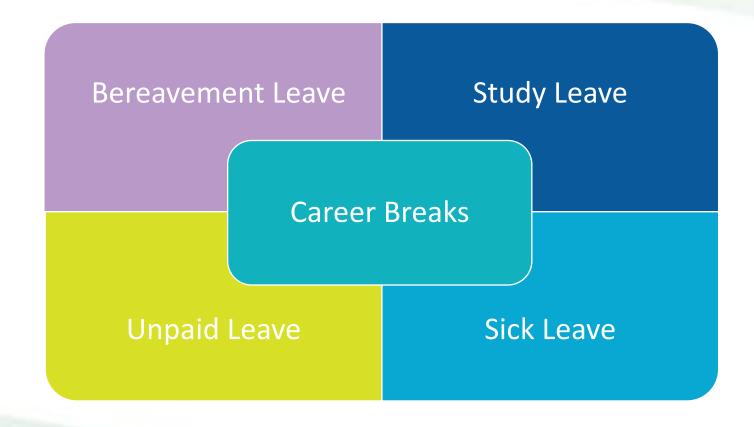
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Family Friendly Leave

Maternity	26 weeks minimum, Additional 16 weeks
Paternity	2 weeks within 26 of birth of a child
Adoptive	24 weeks minimum, Addition 16 weeks
Parental	18 weeks, Up to child's 8 th birthday
Carer's Leave	Minimum 13 weeks, Maximum 104 weeks, May work up to 15 hours a week



Other Types of Leave





Issues at Work



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Grievance and Disciplinary

Attempts should be made to resolve grievance and disciplinary issues in the workplace in line with the grievance and disciplinary procedures in place.

- A matter for each individual employer.
- Copies of the procedure should be given to all employees
- Code of Practice on Grievance and Disciplinary Procedures on website



Bullying and Harassment

Any form of unwanted conduct related to any of the discriminatory grounds

Could be employer, work colleague, client, customer or other business contact

Duty of care to all employees

Code of practice



Equality

Gender	Civil status	Family status
Sexual orientation	Religious belief	Age
Disability		Membership of the Traveller community



Coimisiún na hÉireann um Chearta an Duine agus Comhionannas

Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission

www.ihrec.ie 1890 245 545 YourRights@ihrec.ie



Leaving Work



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Minimum Notice

- Minimum notice periods apply after 13 weeks work
 - Employee must give 1 week's notice
 - Employer must give 1-8 week's notice dependent on length of employment

Length of Service	Minimum Notice
Thirteen weeks to two years	One week
Two to five years	Two weeks
Five to ten years	Four weeks
Ten to fifteen years	Six weeks
More than fifteen years	Eight weeks



Redundancy

- Redundancy occurs where an employee's position ceases to exist and the employee is not replaced.
- Two week's gross pay per year of service plus one week's pay
- subject to the ceiling of €600.
- Payment is tax-free



Retirement/Longer Working Life

- No single retirement age 65 traditionally age of retirement
- In terms of employment
- May request to work longer than contracted retirement age
- Employer must justify if the retirement
 - Health & safety issues
 - Balanced age structure in workplace
 - Allowing younger workers to progress



Dismissal

Employer dismisses

Unfair

Burden of proof on employer

Employee leaves

Constructive

Burden of proof on employee



