

CHILD LABOR LAWS



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Informational Sheet

Youth Employment Standards Act 90 of 1978, as amended

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POSTING REQUIREMENT

MCL 409.110 Minor under 16 years; days and hours of employment.

Sec. 10. A minor under 16 years shall not be employed in an occupation subject to this act for more than 6 days in 1 week, nor for a period longer than a weekly average of 8 hours per day or 48 hours in 1 week, nor more than 10 hours in 1 day. The minor shall not be employed between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. A minor who is a student in school shall not be employed more than a combined school and work week of 48 hours during the period when school is in session.

MCL 409.111 Minor 16 years and over; days and hours of employment; employment in agricultural processing.

Sec. 11. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3), a person shall not employ a minor 16 years of age or older in an occupation subject to this act for more than any of the following periods: (a) Six days in 1 week. (b) An average of 8 hours per day in 1 week. (c) Ten hours in 1 day. (d) Subject to subdivision (e), 48 hours in 1 week. (e) If the minor is a student in school and school is in session, 24 hours in 1 week.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (3), a person shall not employ a minor 16 years of age or older between 10:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. However, except as provided in subsection (3), a person may employ a minor 16 years of age or older who is a student in school until 11:30 p.m. on any of the following days: (a) On Fridays and Saturdays. (b) During school vacation periods. (c) During periods when the minor is not regularly enrolled in school.

(3) A person may employ a minor 16 years of age or older in farming operations involved in the production of seed or in agricultural processing for a period greater than the periods described in subsections (1) and (2) if all of the following conditions are met: If a minor is a student in school, the period greater than the periods described in subsections (1) and (2) occurs when school is not in session. (a) The minor is employed for not more than 11 hours in 1 day. (b) The minor is employed for not more than 62 hours in any week. However, the employer shall not require the minor to work more than 48 hours during any week without the consent of the minor. (c) The minor is not employed between 2 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. (d) The agricultural processing employer maintains on file a written acknowledgment of the minor's parent or guardian consenting to the period of employment authorized under this subsection.

(4) As used in this section: (a) "Agricultural processing" means the cleaning, sorting or packaging of fruits or vegetables. (b) "Farming operations involved in the production of seed" means farming activities and research involved in the production of seed, including plant detasseling, hand-pollination, roguing, or hoeing, and any other similar farming activity required for commercial seed production.

History: Am. 1978, Act 90, Eff. June 1, 1978 ;-- Am. 1995, Act 251, Eff. Mar. 28, 1996 ;-- Am. 1996, Act 499, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 1997 ;-- Am. 2000, Act 418, Imd. Eff. Jan. 8, 2001 ;-- Am. 2011, Act 197, Imd. Eff. Oct. 18, 2011

MCL 409.112 Meal and rest period.

Sec. 12. A minor shall not be employed for more than 5 hours continuously without an interval of at least 30 minutes for a meal and rest period. An interval of less than 30 minutes shall not be considered to interrupt a continuous period of work.

MCL 409.112a Prohibition of minors working alone in occupation involving a cash transaction after sunset or 8 p.m. at fixed location.

Sec. 12a. A minor who would otherwise be permitted under this act to be employed in an occupation subject to this act shall not be employed in an occupation that involves a cash transaction subject to this act after sunset or 8 p.m., whichever is earlier, at a fixed location unless an employer or other employee 18 years of age or older is present at the fixed location during those hours.

History: Add. 1980, Act 436, Eff. Mar. 31, 1981.

IMPORTANT: *Administrative Rule, R408.6207 REQUIRES A MINOR SUBJECT TO ACT 90 BE SUPERVISED BY THE EMPLOYER OR ANOTHER EMPLOYEE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER*

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