

# OFFICIAL NOTICE

## OAKLAND MINIMUM WAGE

**\$12.25** PER HOUR

Rate Effective Date: March 2, 2015

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Beginning March 2, 2015, employees who perform at least two (2) hours of work in a particular workweek and within the geographic limits of the City of Oakland **must** be paid wages of not less than **\$12.25 per hour**.

Oakland's minimum wage requirement, pursuant to Measure FF and set forth in the Oakland Municipal Code section 5.92.020, applies to any employee (part-time or full-time) who performs work within the City of Oakland. Each year, the minimum wage will increase, effective January 1, by an amount corresponding to the prior calendar year's increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for urban wage earners and clerical workers for the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA metropolitan statistical area.

Under Section 5.92 et seq., employees who assert their rights to receive the City's minimum wage are protected from retaliation. Employees may file a civil lawsuit against their employers for any violation of this law and may seek remedies in the form of back pay, reinstatement and/or injunctive relief. Employees may also file a complaint with the City's Contracts and Compliance Division. The City will investigate possible violations and will have access to payroll records. Employers who violate Section 5.92 et seq. will be liable for civil penalties for each violation up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 per violation.

If you have questions, need additional information, or believe you are not being paid correctly, please contact your employer or the City of Oakland's Contracts and Compliance Division at:

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250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 3341, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
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## **OAKLAND PAID SICK LEAVE**

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Pursuant to Measure FF and Oakland Municipal Code section 5.92.030, all employers must provide paid sick leave to each employee (part-time, full-time, and temporary) who performs at least two (2) hours of work in a particular workweek and within the geographic limits of the City of Oakland. Employees begin accruing paid sick leave on March 2, 2015 for employees working for an employer on or before that date. Employees who are hired after March 2, 2015 may not use any paid sick leave until after ninety (90) calendar days of employment.

Employees accrue one (1) hour of paid sick leave for every thirty (30) hours worked in the City of Oakland. Employees of employers for which fewer than ten (10) persons (including full-time, part-time, and temporary employees) work for compensation during any given week may have up to forty (40) hours of accrued paid sick leave saved at any time. Employees of other employers may have up to seventy-two (72) hours of accrued paid sick leave at any time. Employers may provide greater sick leave benefits than that mandated by Section 5.92.030. An employee's accrued paid sick leave will carry over from year to year but is not paid out at the time of separation of employment. Employees may use their accrued paid sick leave for their own medical care or to aid or care for a family member or designated person.

Under Section 5.92 et seq., employees who assert their rights to paid sick leave are protected from retaliation. Employees may file a civil lawsuit against their employers for any violation of this law and may seek remedies in the form of back pay, reinstatement and/or injunctive relief. Employees may also file a complaint with the City's Contracts and Compliance Division. The City will investigate possible violations and will have access to payroll records. Employers who violate Section 5.92 et seq. will be liable for civil penalties for each violation up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 per violation.

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# **OAKLAND SERVICE CHARGE LAW**

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Pursuant to Measure FF and Oakland Municipal Code section 5.92.040, Hospitality Employers who collect service charges from customers must pay the entirety of those charges to the hospitality workers who performed those services for which the charge was collected. A Hospitality Employer is a business who owns, controls, or operates any part of a hotel, restaurant, or banquet facility within the City of Oakland. A hospitality worker is any individual who works for a Hospitality Employer and who performs a service for which a Hospitality Employer imposes a service charge.

A service charge includes all separately designated amounts collected by a Hospitality Employer from customers that are for service performed by hospitality workers or are described in such a way that customers might reasonably believe that the amounts are for those services, including without limitation to charges designated as a “service charge,” “delivery charge,” or “portage charge.” Any tip, gratuity, money, or part of any tip, gratuity or money that has been paid or given to or left for the hospitality worker by a customer over and above the actual amount due for services rendered or for goods, food, drink or articles sold or served to the customer are excluded from Section 5.92.040.

Under Section 5.92 et seq., employees who assert their rights under Oakland’s Service Charge law are protected from retaliation. Employees may file a civil lawsuit against their employers for any violation of this law and may seek remedies in the form of back pay, reinstatement and/or injunctive relief. Employees may also file a complaint with the City’s Contracts and Compliance Division. The City will investigate possible violations and will have access to payroll records. Employers who violate Section 5.92 et seq. will be liable for civil penalties for each violation up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 per violation.

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