# Maryland Minimum Wage and Overtime Law

## Minimum Wage

Most employees must be paid the Maryland State Minimum Wage Rate. **Tipped Employees** (earning more than $30 per month in tips) must earn the State Minimum Wage Rate per hour. Employers must pay at least $3.63 per hour. This amount plus tips must equal at least the State Minimum Wage Rate. Subject to the adoption of related regulations, restaurant employers who utilize a tip credit are required to provide employees with a written or electronic wage statement for each pay period showing the employee’s effective hourly rate of pay including employer paid cash wages plus tips for tip credit hours worked for each workweek of the pay period. Additional information and updates will be posted on the Maryland Department of Labor website.

### Montgomery Co. & Prince Georges Co.:

- **Employers with 14 or fewer employees:**
  - $12.20
    - Until 1/1/22
  - $12.80
    - Scheduled 1/1/23
  - $13.40
    - Scheduled 1/1/24

- **Employers with 15 or more employees:**
  - $12.50
    - Until 1/1/2022
  - $13.25
    - Scheduled 1/1/23
  - $14.00
    - Scheduled 1/1/24

Different minimum wage rates are in effect. Employers in these counties are required to post the applicable rate information.

### Employees under 18 years of age

Must earn at least 85% of the State Minimum Wage Rate.

## Overtime

Most employees must be paid **1.5 times** their usual hourly rate for all work over **40 hrs.** per week. Exceptions:

- Bowling establishments, and institutions providing on-premise care (other than hospitals) to the sick, the aged, or individuals with disabilities for all work over **48 hrs.** per week
- Agricultural workers for all work over **60 hrs.** per week

## Exemptions

### Minimum Wage and Overtime Exemptions:

- Immediate family member of the employer
- Certain agricultural employees
- Executives, administrative, and professional employees
- Volunteers for educational, charitable, religious, and non-profit organizations
- Employees under 16 working less than 20 hours per week
- Outside salespersons
- Commissioned employees
- Employees enrolled as a trainee as part of a public school special education program
- Non-administrative employees of organized camps
- Certain establishments selling food and drink for consumption on the premises grossing less than $400,000 annually
- Drive-in theaters
- Establishments engaged in the first canning, packing or freezing of fruits, vegetables, poultry, or seafood

### Overtime Only Exemptions (must earn the State Minimum Wage Rate):

- Taxicab drivers
- Certain employees selling/servicing automobiles, farm equipment, trailers, or trucks
- Non-profit concert promoter, theater, music festival, music pavilion, or theatrical show
- Employers subject to certain railroad requirements of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, the Federal Motor Carrier Act, and the Interstate Commerce Commission
- Seasonal amusement and recreational establishments that meet certain criteria

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO FILE A COMPLAINT CONTACT:**

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**EMPLOYERS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO POST THIS INFORMATION. PAY RECORDS MUST BE KEPT FOR 3 YEARS ON OR ABOUT THE PLACE OF WORK. PENALTIES ARE PRESCRIBED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE LAW.**

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