

Employer's Liability and Workers' Compensation

NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

This employer,	State of Oregon	, has complied
with the provisions of Title 21 of the Vermont Statutes, Annotated §687, by		
obtaining Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage through:		
Zurich American Insurance Company		
(Insurance Carrier)		

Workers' Compensation benefits for lost time, medical expenses, disability or death because of a work-related injury are available through the above named company.

- An injured employee MUST immediately notify his/her employer of an injury.
- The employer MUST file an Employee Claim and Employer's First Report of Injury (Form 1) with the Vermont Department of Labor within 72 hours of the notice of an injury that requires medical attention or results in time lost from work. The employer must also provide a copy of the Form 1 to the injured worker and to the insurance carrier.
- If the employer fails to file a First Report, an employee may file a
 <u>Notice of Injury and Claim for Compensation</u> (Form 5) with the Vermont
 Department of Labor within six months of the date of injury.
- Information concerning injured worker rights and benefits is available on the department's Workers' Compensation website at http://www.labor.vermont.gov or by calling (802) 828-2286.

Equal Opportunity is the Law

The State of Vermont is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Applications from women, individuals with disabilities, and people from diverse cultural backgrounds are encouraged. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. 711 (TTY/Relay Service) or 802-828-4203 TDD (Vermont Department of Labor).

To Report A Claim Contact: ZURICH CLAIMS SERVICES Telephone: 800-987-3373

POSTING OF SAFETY RECORDS NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

Under Vermont law (21 V.S.A. §691a) all Vermont employers must advise their employees of where they may review the employer's record of workplace safety, including workplace injury and illness. The employer's data shall be available for review by any employee and by the Commissioner of Labor, but this information shall not otherwise be public information.

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The employer's data is available at:

State of Oregon STE U150 Salem, OR 97309-0009

(Location)

Employer Contact:

Todd Brown

(Name)

971-374-3816

Work Telephone:

todd.f.brown@das.oregon.gov

Email:

For more information, contact the Vermont Department of Labor at (802) 828-2286.

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Workers' Compensation Reinstatement Rights

VERMONT LAW REQUIRES POSTING OF THIS NOTICE

21 VSA §643b Reinstatement; seniority and benefits protected

This law provides that an employer who regularly employs **ten or more** people (at least 10 of whom work more than 15 hours a week), has an obligation to rehire a worker who has suffered a work related injury **provided** that the following conditions are met:

- 1. The worker recovers from the injury within two (2) years of the onset of disability; and
- 2. The worker keeps the employer informed of his or her interest in reinstatement and his or her current mailing address; and
- 3. The worker had an expectation of continuing work had the injury not occurred; and
- 4. The worker is physically capable of performing either his or her prior job, if available, or an alternative suitable position.

Reinstatement must be with all benefits earned up to the date of injury, including both seniority and accrued leave time. Obviously, such benefits need not accrue **during** the period of actual disability.

Please note that the right to reinstatement applies only to the first **available** suitable job. Thus, the employer is not obligated either to create an "extra" position for a returning worker or to lay-off a current employee in order to comply with this law.

Should you have questions regarding the above, please contact the Vermont Department of Labor, Workers' Compensation and Safety Division at 802-828-2286 or our website: www.labor.vermont.gov.

www.labor.vermont.gov FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vermont Department of Labor P. O. Box 488 Montpelier, Vermont 05601-0488

Email: LABOR.WCComp@vermont.gov

Telephone: (802) 828-2286 TDD: (800) 650-4152 Fax: (802) 828-2195







Job Safety and Health IT'S THE LAW!

All workers have the right to:

- A safe workplace.
- Raise a safety or health concern with your employer or OSHA, or report a workrelated injury or illness, without being retaliated against.
- Receive information and training on job hazards, including all hazardous substances in your workplace.
- Request a confidential OSHA inspection of your workplace if you believe there are unsafe or unhealthy conditions. You have the right to have a representative contact OSHA on your behalf.
- Participate (or have your representative participate) in an OSHA inspection and speak in private to the inspector.
- File a complaint with OSHA within 30 days (by phone, online or by mail) if you have been retaliated against for using your rights.
- See any OSHA citations issued to your employer.
- Request copies of your medical records, tests that measure hazards in the workplace, and the workplace injury and illness log.

This poster is available free from OSHA.

Contact OSHA. We can help.

Employers must:

- Provide employees a workplace free from recognized hazards. It is illegal to retaliate against an employee for using any of their rights under the law, including raising a health and safety concern with you or with OSHA, or reporting a work-related injury or illness.
- Comply with all applicable OSHA standards.
- Notify OSHA within 8 hours of a workplace fatality or within 24 hours of any work-related inpatient hospitalization, amputation, or loss of an eye.
- Provide required training to all workers in a language and vocabulary they can understand.
- Prominently display this poster in the workplace.
- Post OSHA citations at or near the place of the alleged violations.

On-Site Consultation services are available to small and medium-sized employers, without citation or penalty, through OSHA-supported consultation programs in every state.



Safety and Health Protection on the Job

The Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Code (Title 21 V.S.A. Chapter 3, Sub-Chapters 4 and 5, and the rules adopted (there under) provides job safety and health protection for workers.

The purpose of the law is to assure safe and healthful working conditions throughout the State.

- You have the right to notify your employer or VOSHA about workplace hazards. You may ask VOSHA to keep your name confidential.
- You have the right to request a VOSHA inspection if you believe that there are unsafe and unhealthful conditions in your workplace.
- You or your representative may participate in the inspection.
- You can file a complaint with VOSHA within 30 days of discrimination by your employer for making safety and health complaints or for exercising your rights under the Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Act.
- You have a right to see VOSHA citations issued to your employer.
 Your employer must post the citations at or near the place of the alleged violation.
- Your employer must correct workplace hazards by the date indicated on the citation and must certify that these hazards have been reduced or eliminated.
- You have the right to copies of your medical records or records of your exposure to toxic and harmful substances or conditions.
- Your employer must post this notice in your workplace.
- The Statute provides that employees may not be discharged or discriminated against in any way for filing safety or health complaintsor otherwise exercising their rights under the Code.
- The Statute also provides that employees who are discriminated against may bring a private action in Superior Court for appropriate relief Including reinstatement, triple wages, damages, costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act), P.L. 91-596, assures safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women throughout the Nation. To obtain more information on OSHA federal programs, call 1-800-321-OSHA or visit OSHA's website at www.osha.gov.

The Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Administration (VOSHA), in the Vermont Department of Labor, has the primary responsibility for administering the OSH Act in Vermont. To file a complaint, report an emergency, or seek VOSHA advice or assistance call 1-800-287-2765.

Under a plan approved October 1, 1973, by the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the State of Vermont is providing job safety and health protection for workers throughout the State. OSHA will monitor the operation of this plan to assure that continued approval is merited. Any person may make a complaint regarding Vermont's administration of this plan directly to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Room E-340, Boston, MA, 02203, Telephone (617) 565-9860.

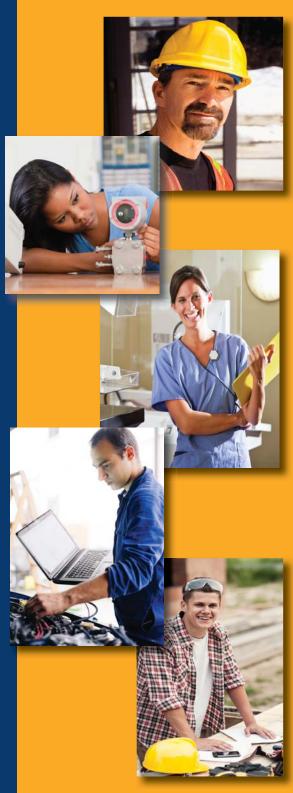
ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION:

The plan provides that employers and employees may request free voluntary compliance consultative or training assistance, which is provided by non-enforcement Project WorkSAFE personnel.

1-800-287-2765 www.labor.vermont.gov

You have a right to a safe and healthy workplace.

IT'S THE LAW!



Further information, including copies of the Code and of specific safety and health standards, may be obtained by contacting:

Project WorkSAFE
Department of Labor
5 Green Mountain Drive
P. O. Box 488
Montpelier, Vermont 05601-0488
Telephone (888) SAFE-YES
Toll-free at 1-888-723-3937.



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