Paid Leave Oregon

What you need to know

Paid Leave Oregon serves most employees in Oregon by providing paid leave for the birth, foster care placement, or adoption of a child, a serious illness of yours or a loved one, or if you or your child experience sexual assault, domestic violence, harassment, bias crimes, or stalking.

What benefits does Paid Leave Oregon provide and who is eligible?

Employees in Oregon that have earned at least \$1,000 in their base year may qualify for up to 12 weeks of paid family, medical or safe leave in a benefit year. While on leave, Paid Leave pays employees a percentage of their wages. Benefit amounts depend on what an employee earned in their base year. See the Paid Leave website for a definition of base year.

Who pays for Paid Leave Oregon?

Employees and employers contribute to Paid Leave Oregon through payroll taxes. Contributions are calculated as a percentage of wages and your employer will deduct your portion of the contribution rate from your paycheck.

When do I need to tell my employer about taking leave?

If your leave is foreseeable, you must give notice to your employer at least 30 days before starting paid family, medical or safe leave. If you don't give the required notice, Paid Leave Oregon may reduce your first weekly benefit by 25%.

How do I apply for Paid Leave?

If your employer participates in the state program, you can apply for leave with Paid Leave benefits online at

frances.oregon.gov or download a paper application at paidleave.oregon.gov. If The Oregon Employment Department (OED) denies your benefits, you can appeal the decision.

What are my rights?

If you are eligible for paid leave, your employer can't prevent you from taking it. Your job is protected while you take paid leave if you have worked for your employer for at least 90 consecutive days. You won't lose your pension rights while on leave and your employer must keep giving you the same health benefits as when you are working.

How is my information protected?

Any health information related to family, medical or safe leave that you choose to share with your employer is confidential and can only be released with your permission, unless the release is required by law.

What if I have questions about my rights?

It is unlawful for your employer to discriminate or retaliate against you because you asked about or claimed paid leave benefits. If your employer isn't following the law, you have the right to bring a civil suit in court or to file a complaint with the Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries (BOLI). You can file a complaint with BOLI online, via phone or email:

Web: www.oregon.gov/boli

Call: 971-245-3844

Email: help@boli.oregon.gov

Learn more about Paid Leave Oregon

Web: paidleave.oregon.gov

Call: 833-854-0166

Email: paidleave@oregon.gov

