

Required Forms and Pamphlets for New Hires in California April 2016

Get off on the right foot and ensure that you are giving all your new hires the proper forms and pamphlets on their first day. Below we have provided a list and explanation of the forms and pamphlets that are required to give newly hired employees in California:

Federal

I-9- must be completed and verified within 3 business days of the Employee's start date

Insurance Exchange Notice (ACA)- All Employers subject to FLSA must provide a notice to all new employees of their coverage options under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). There are 2 notices, 1 for employers who offer coverage, 1 for employers who do not offer coverage. For sample notices, go to the Department of Labor website:

<http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform/regulations/coverageoptionsnotice.html>

Job-related

Offer letter- Offer letters serve as a legal basis for employment and can be valuable documents if there are future questions or issues

Employment application- Applications allow employers to consistently gather the same data in the same format from each prospective employee. They also collect information that isn't on a resume such as reasons candidates left a prior employer, felony or misdemeanor crime convictions, and names and contact information for references. Applications also obtain the applicant's signature attesting that all statements on the employment application are true.

Payroll

W-4- Required by the IRS to set up tax withholding in payroll for federal income tax.

DE6 CA State tax form- Required by state tax agencies to set up tax withholding in payroll for California state income tax.

California Brochures and Notices

DE 2511- Paid Family Leave Pamphlet:

http://www.edd.ca.gov/pdf_pub_ctr/de2511.pdf

DE 2515- State Disability Insurance Pamphlet:

http://www.edd.ca.gov/pdf_pub_ctr/de2515.pdf

DFEH 185- Facts About Sexual Harassment Pamphlet:

<http://www.dfeh.ca.gov/res/docs/Publications/Brochures/2015/DFEH-185.pdf>

DFEH 188- California Family Rights Act (CFRA) Pamphlet:

<http://www.dfeh.ca.gov/res/docs/publications/dfeh-188.pdf>

DE 1857- California Unemployment Notice:

http://www.edd.ca.gov/pdf_pub_ctr/de1857a.pdf

LC 2810.5- Wage Theft notice:

https://www.dir.ca.gov/dlse/LC_2810.5_Notice.pdf

Worker's Compensation "Time of Hire" Pamphlet:

<https://www.dir.ca.gov/dwc/DWCPamphlets/TimeOfHirePamphlet.pdf>

These pamphlets and brochures can be found in Spanish and other languages on the websites above.

California employers face many challenges in ensuring compliance with employment laws, this checklist provides you a guideline to ensure you have the proper foundation for all your new hires.

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