

FLSA Information Session for Employee Changing from Exempt to Non-Exempt

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INCLUDES UPDATED STATUS EFFECTIVE DATE CHANGE INFORMATION TO DECEMBER 1



Agenda

Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)

- What is FLSA?
- What is new in 2016?
- How do you determine exemption status?

Transitioning to Exempt

- Leave Accruals & "grand-fathered" status
- Considerations for impacted employee, pay, deductions, personal finance, etc.
- Questions



What is FLSA?

The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) determines whether a position is eligible for overtime pay

Positions are either exempt or non-exempt

- Exempt Not eligible for overtime pay
- Non Exempt Overtime pay at time-and-a-half for hours worked over 40 hours per workweek



What is new in 2016?

On May 18, 2016 the U.S. Department of Labor issued a final overtime rule that increases the number of employees eligible for overtime across the country.

- New exempt employee minimum salary to \$47,476 more than double the old minimum of \$23,660.
- No changes to duties test.
- New rule effective December 1, 2016



Determining Exempt Status

Position must pass all three tests

- Salary Basis Test: Be paid on a fixed salary basis, not hourly;
- 2. Duties Test: Must pass tests under executive, administrative or professional requirements and;
- **3. Salary Test:** Must be above the minimum *current* threshold of \$23,660

If any of these test are not met, then the position is nonexempt and eligible of overtime pay.



Duties Test Exemption

Executive	Administrative	Professional
Primary Duties: Managing the enterprise or department or subdivision of the enterprise and manage at least 2 FT employees	Primary Duties: Includes independent discretion and judgement in matters of significance	Primary Duties: Perform work that requires advanced knowledge in science, learned or creative professional



Transitioning to Non-Exempt

Effective December 1, 2016, if you received a notification letter, you will now be eligible for overtime pay.

- Begin to track all hours worked, including any overtime hours.
- Review overtime pre-approval guidelines with supervisor. Overtime hours must be approved.
- Submit bi-weekly timesheet for supervisor approval.



Transitioning to Non-Exempt

- All hours worked must be paid. No "comp" time is allowed
- Overtime must be pre-approved by supervisor.
- Overtime hours are based on UofL workweek of Friday though Thursday.
 - 37.5 to 40 hours paid straight overtime pay at your regular hourly rate.
 - Hours above 40 hours paid at time-and-a-half of your regular hourly rate.



Leave Accruals

ANNUAL LEAVE ACCRUAL RATES

Leave Accrual Rates will stay the same*



PERSONAL DAYS

Receive TWO personal days per calendar year**

* As long as you are in your current job title

** In 2016, you will have ONE personal day to use in November and December 2016.



Accrual "Grand-fathered" Status

 Impacted employees are only "grand-fathered" for their current job title.

• If the employee leaves that job title for any reason, they will no longer have the "grand-fathered" status, and will receive leave accrual rates based on their new job title's exemption.



"Grand-fathered" Status Examples

Example 1 Example 2 **Example 3** A person moves from A person transitions A person moves from Job Title X in one to non-exempt in Job Job Title X in one department to Job Title X, and then a department to Job Title Y in another year later is Title X in another department on reclassified to Job department on campus. Job Title Y is Title Y, also noncampus also non-exempt. exempt.

Do they get to keep their "grand-fathered" status?

YES NO NO





Transition Dates

November 30, 2016 - Last monthly paycheck. Does <u>not</u> include health Insurance premiums.

November 28 – Dec 2, 2016 - Window to make any desired deduction changes for first bi-weekly check

December 1, 2016 - Begin non-exempt status. Start reporting all hours worked.

December 16, 2016 - First bi-weekly paycheck for 6 out of 10 days (Dec 1-8). Includes ½ of monthly benefits deductions.

December 22, 2016 - Second bi-weekly paycheck, received early due to winter break. Includes ½ of monthly benefits deductions.

January 13, 2017 - Bi-weekly payday

January 27, 2017 - Bi-weekly payday



Receiving Pay Bi-Weekly

EXEMPT

 Receive pay monthly for the month just worked.

NON-EXEMPT

- Receive pay bi-weekly (every other Friday) from two previous workweeks worked.
 - Example: Pay day of Friday, Sept 23 is for previous two workweeks Sept 2-15.

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Paycheck Changes

 Bi-weekly employees are paid 26 times a year vs. 12 times a year for monthly employees.

 This means bi-weekly pay is <u>not</u> simply 1/2 of your previous monthly pay.



Calculate Bi-weekly Check

EXAMPLE: Annual Salary: \$55,294 Standard Hour: 37.5

Gross pay is before taxes and deductions.

Calculate hours worked per week

Determine hourly rate

Determine hours per pay period

Determine gross biweekly paycheck amount 37.5×52 (weeks in year) = **1950** (work hours per year)

\$55,294 (annual salary)/**1950** (work hours per year) = **\$28.36**

37.5 x 2 weeks = **75** (hours per bi-weekly pay period)

\$28.36 (hourly rate) x 75 (hours per bi-weekly pay period) = \$2,127 gross per paycheck

\$2,127 x 26 (paydays in a year) **= \$55,302** per typical year

For fiscal transition year of 2016/17, see next slide for calculations.

Paycheck calculator is available online <u>louisville.edu/hr/flsa</u>.





Salary Snapshot for Transition during 2016-17 Fiscal Year

Sample Annual Salary: \$55,294 Hourly rate: \$28.36

Pay period	Gross Monthly Take Home Pay	Notes		
2016				
July	\$4,504.74	(without merit)		
August	\$4,710.91	(with merit & retro merit for July)		
September	\$4,607.83			
October	\$4,607.83			
November	\$4,607.83			
December	\$3,403.20	(2 checks, 12/16 (6 out of 10 days), 12/22 (full biweekly check)		
2017				
January	\$4,254	(2 checks, 1/13, 1/27)		
February	\$4,254	(2 checks)		
March	\$4,254	(2 checks)		
April	\$4,254	(2 checks)		
May	\$4,254	(2 checks)		
June	\$6,381	(3 checks)		
6 days in June (included on 1 st July check)	\$1,276.20	(this amount is only for the last 6 days worked in June – not the entire amount of first July check)		

Total Gross Salary in this 12 month fiscal year = \$55,369.54.



Other Considerations

Deductions

- Review the deduction handout with your letter or online
- Changes must be made from Nov 28 Dec 2, 2016
- Benefit deductions will be split between two checks in December.

Personal Finances

 Review non-UofL related automatic payments (i.e. mortgage payments) to make sure timing appropriate





Can I use my phone or computer after hours?

Any use of a mobile phone or computer outside of normal work hours are considered "hours worked" and potential overtime.

Using devices after normal working hours for non-exempt employees



Answer phone calls, read email or listen to voicemail **NO**, unless approved by the supervisor and paid for time worked.



Read/respond to email, or any additional work on computer **NO**, unless approved by the supervisor and paid for time worked.



What if I have to work an event in outside normal working hours?

Two options:

- 1. Receive overtime pay
- 2. Supervisor can approve adjustments to your schedule for that workweek (Friday through Thursday).

Adjustments to a schedule can only be made during the same workweek.

Example:

- You must work a four hour event Tuesday night
- Your supervisor can have you report to work four hours later Wednesday or two hours late Wednesday and Thursday.
- Friday starts the new workweek



Can I still travel?

Yes. Time as part of the principle activity is work time and must be counted as hours work.

Review travel guidelines on <u>louisville.edu/hr/flsa</u> under Employee Resources.



How do lunch and break times work?

LUNCH

Eligible for 30 minutes of uninterrupted lunch break

 Must be reported on timesheet

BREAKS

Eligible for two 15 minute breaks.

- Cannot be combined or used to shorten workweek
- Must not be reported on timesheet



Questions



For additional information, visit louisville.edu/hr/flsa.