

The Clock Is Ticking on New Overtime Rules



The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) has announced its Final Rule that may make millions more employees eligible for overtime pay by December 1, 2016. Miscalculating overtime pay can result in penalties under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and/or applicable state law. If these hours aren't paid correctly, you may open yourself up to costly fines and penalties.

Here's a look at some key numbers employers should know:

Current OVERTIME RULE

923,660

Today, employees who meet the criteria for the Executive, Administrative, and Professional (EAP) white collar exemptions, including but not limited to receiving a salary of at least \$455/week (\$23,660/year), are exempt from the overtime protections of the FLSA.

New OVERTIME RULE

947,476

On December 1, 2016, workers who meet the criteria for the EAP white collar exemptions, including but not limited to receiving a salary of at least \$913/week (\$47,476/year) as prescribed under the Final Rule, would be exempt from the overtime protections of the FLSA.

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Today, just 8 percent of full-time salaried workers fall below the current salary threshold for the EAP white collar exemptions and are therefore eligible for overtime pay.

ELIGIBLE ON DEC. 1, 2016

4.2MILLION

According to the DOL,

4.2 million workers may be
affected by the Final Rule based
on their current salaries.

EVERY 3 YEARS



Under the Final Rule, salary thresholds for the EAP exemptions will be adjusted every three years to ensure the threshold is maintained at the 40th percentile of full-time salaried workers in the lowest income census region.

BACK WAGES



\$801,077,901

The DOL's Wage and Hour Division collected more than \$800 million in back wages owed to employees for overtime violations from 2010 to 2015.

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