

Safe Time Leave Law

Effective October 30, 2019

UNDER WESTCHESTER COUNTY'S SAFE TIME LEAVE LAW, COVERED EMPLOYERS IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY MUST PROVIDE PAID SAFE TIME LEAVE.

In general, covered employees who work for a covered employer in Westchester County for more than 90 days in a year, full-time or part-time, are covered by the Safe Time Leave Law and entitled to take up to 40 hours of paid safe time leave in full days or increments. Certain exceptions apply.

VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND/OR HUMAN TRAFFICKING CAN USE SAFE TIME LEAVE TO:

- Attend or testify in criminal and/or civil court proceedings relating to domestic violence;
- Attend or testify in criminal and/or civil court proceedings relating to human trafficking; and/or
- Move to a safe location.

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM RETALIATION FROM YOUR EMPLOYER FOR:

- Using safe time leave;
- Requesting safe time leave;
- Informing other employees of their rights under the law; and/or
- Filing a complaint alleging a violation of the law.

COVERED EMPLOYEES ARE ELIGIBLE TO USE SAFE TIME LEAVE WHEN THEY HAVE WORKED FOR A COVERED EMPLOYER FOR 90 DAYS.

- Employees who have already worked for an employer for 90 days by October 30, 2019 can use leave starting October 30, 2019.
- Newly or recently hired employees are eligible 90 days after the first day of employment.

If you think you've been subjected to a violation of any rights granted under the Safe Time Leave Law, please contact the Westchester County Department of Consumer Protection. Visit www.consumer.westchestergov.com or call (914) 995-2155. For general information about the law, contact the Human Rights Commission at (914) 995-7710 or by email at humanrights@westchestergov.com. FAQs can be found at www.humanrights.westchestergov.com/resources.