# Washington State Department of Labor & Industries

### **Prevailing Wage Worker Complaint**

#### Instructions:

#### Type of prevailing wage complaints L&I accepts:

This form is be completed **only** if your complaint is about wages owed for work you performed in Washington State on a public works project. A "Public Works Project" is any work on a building, road, or janitorial/maintenance project for a public agency such as a city, county, state, school district, or other public agency.

# Complaints must be filed within 60 days of the date the public agency accepted the project as complete.

Important: L&I cannot guarantee the collection of unpaid wages. A private attorney may be necessary to assess your ability to pursue a civil lawsuit against your employer to collect unpaid wages. L&I cannot act as your attorney or provide legal advice.

If your complaint is about general wages, not a public works project or it's about other worker rights issues, you must use the Worker Rights Complaint form (F700-148-000).

You can get a copy of the Worker Rights Complaint form by calling or visiting any L&I office listed online at <a href="https://lni.wa.gov/workers-rights/">https://lni.wa.gov/workers-rights/</a>.

Substantiated prevailing wage complaints for someone other than the worker, must be filed on the Interested Party Prevailing Wage Complaint form F700-129-000. That form may be obtained at the following link: <a href="https://lni.wa.gov/forms-publications/F700-129-000.pdf">https://lni.wa.gov/forms-publications/F700-129-000.pdf</a>.

L&I does not accept complaints against a business in which you own 30% or more or against a business that owes money to a company you own.

#### How to file your prevailing wage complaint

- Complete and sign the attached form. A separate sheet of paper may be used if you need to explain your complaint.
- Attach any information or records, such as time sheets/cards, calendars, or any personal records you
  have to show the days and hours you worked and the tasks you performed. This is important to help
  L&I staff better understand your complaint.
- If you are filing a complaint against an employer for work performed in Washington State on more than one public works project, you must provide project information on all projects in which you are owed wages (The "Prevailing Wage Project" section must be completed for each project. Use an additional sheet of paper or make/request additional copies of this section of the form.) You can find project information on L&I's website at: <a href="https://lni.wa.gov/licensing-permits/public-works-projects/workers">https://lni.wa.gov/licensing-permits/public-works-projects/workers</a>
- Mail the form and records to the address listed on this form.

#### If your prevailing wage complaint is accepted by L&I, we:

- Assign an Industrial Relations Agent to investigate your complaint.
- Prevailing wage investigations generally take 180 days to complete. Complicated investigations may take longer. L&I will contact you when we complete the investigation and make a decision regarding your complaint.

Important: All information provided in this complaint is subject to public disclosure under Washington's Public Records Act.



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Please mail the completed and signed form to:

Department of Labor & Industries Prevailing Wage Program PO Box 44540 Olympia WA 98504-4540



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Send completed forms to appropriate office. See list on previous page.

For L&I Use Only			For L&I Use Only			
L&I Date Stamp:				UBI: (Use this to find employer)		
				DIMOT Investigation	San ID.	
				PWCT Investigat	lion ID:	
<b>Employer Inform</b>	nation					
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Name of Company			Name o	Name of Company Owner, Manager, or Supervisor		
Company Mailing Address			City		State	Zip Code
Company Phone	Company Ce	II Phone	E-mail a	address if known		
		Is the compa	any still in bu	ısiness?		
		☐ Yes ☐	No 🗌 Do	on't know		
Worker Informat	tion					
Language Preference (0	Check one)					
☐ English	Spanish	Russ	sian	☐ Korean		] Chinese
☐ Vietnamese	Laotian	☐ Cam	bodian	Other		
Your Name (Last, First, Mi	ddle Initial)				Social Se	ecurity Number
Mailing Address			City		State	Zip
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Home Phone Number	Cell Phone N	umper	Email Ad	aaress		

### Important:

IF you or your attorney have already filed a complaint about these wages in court, we cannot accept your claim.

Wage Complaint Information					
Type(s) of Complaint: (You may check more than one box)					
		did not pay any prevailing wage rate(s) to employees.)			
☐ Incorrect Scope of Work (M	isclassification –	employer paid me at the wrong prevailing wage rate.)			
☐ Incorrect Hourly Rate (Employage rate(s)).	loyer used correc	ct scope of work, but paid less than the required prevailing			
	is unpaid and/or	calculated at the wrong rate).			
Fringe (Usual) Benefits (Emfide and/or credit calculated		nge credit but benefits were not provided and/or not bona			
☐ Apprenticeship Prevailing W	/age Rate Violati	on			
☐ Travel Time Prevailing Wag	e Rate Violations	S			
Tell us in detail why you are filing t	his complaint։ Yoւ	u may attach additional sheets if you need more room.			
Provide any document(s) you have to support your prevailing wage claim					
Were other workers affected?		Are you still working for this employer?			
☐ Yes ☐ No   Date you started? Date Last Worked					
If no longer working for this employer, give reason:					
Quit Fired Laid Off Don't Know					
☐ Other:					
To better assist the investigation, please provide as many of the following records as possible.  List other records you can provide					
□ Written wage □ At	tendance rosters				
☐ Shift schedules ☐ Lo	og Books				
	ayroll check ubs/statements				
□ Time Card □ Co	Copies of had				
Copies of any Employee Correspondence Handbook/Manual					
Do you have a written employment agreement?  Yes No If yes, provide copy					
Are you represented by a union?  Excluding taxes, have you authorized any other deductions?  Yes No  If yes, what? If available, provide copy of written authorization.					
Did you receive pay stubs?  Do you have your pay stubs?  Do you have a record of payment other than pay stubs?  If yes, please provide copies.					

What wages do you believe are owed to you?					
How often are you paid?					
☐ Monthly ☐ Bi-Monthly ☐ Weekly ☐ Bi-Weekly	☐ Daily ☐ Other				
Rate of Pay per:  Hour Day Week Month  Other rate of pay per: Piece rate Commission Sq. Ft. Flat Rate Other  S					
Were you paid straight time for overtime hours		time cards?  Did your employer record overtime hours by another method?  Yes No Don't Know			
Check any benefits provided by the employer:  Medical Dental Vision Pension	☐ Holiday ☐ Othe	er			
If "Other" is checked above, please explain the other benefi	t(s)?				
Did you ask the employer for your wages?  ☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes", state the dates:					
Reason employer gave for not paying you:					
When is/was the scheduled payday for these wages?					
Do you have an attorney who is working to collect the wages for you?  Yes No If "Yes", we cannot accept your complaint.					
Prevailing Wage Project Information:					
If you are filing a complaint against an employer on more than one project, please complete a separate "Prevailing Wage Project Information" section for each project. You do not need to complete the whole complaint form for each project.					
Project Name	Awarding agency (public e	entity for whom work is being performed)			
Name of general contractor (prime contractor)	Phone Number				
Location / Address where you worked	City	State Zip Code			
Job classification (type of work performed)	Hourly rate paid	Prevailing Wage Rate (if known)			
First day you worked on project	Last date you worked				
Was an "Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages" form posed on the job site?  Yes No Don't Know  Was any work performed outside of Washington?  Yes Don't Know					
Is the project completed? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know	Project completion dat	e:			

own.)				
Your Contact's Name				
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Contact phone number	Contact cell phone number	Contact work	Contact work phone number	
Worker Signature Required				
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Signature		Da	ate	

Please provide information of a contact person NOT living with you who will always know how to reach you. This is necessary in the event we cannot locate you. (Must be different address and phone number than your

**Contact Person Information**