

# WORKER RIGHTS UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 14026

## FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE FOR CONTRACTORS

# \$17.75

PER HOUR

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025–DECEMBER 31, 2025

The law requires certain federal contractors to display this poster where employees can easily see it.

**MINIMUM WAGE** Executive Order (EO) 14026 requires that federal contractors pay workers performing work on or in connection with covered contracts at least (1) \$15.00 per hour beginning January 30, 2022, and (2) beginning January 1, 2023, and every year thereafter, an inflation-adjusted amount determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with EO 14026 and appropriate regulations. The EO 14026 minimum wage in effect from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 is **\$17.75 per hour**.

**TIP CREDIT** Contractors may not credit employee tips toward the EO 14026 minimum wage. Similar to other workers subject to EO 14026, tipped employees must be paid a cash wage of at least \$17.75 per hour, effective January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

**EXCLUSIONS**

- The EO 14026 minimum wage may not apply to some workers who provide support “in connection with” covered contracts for less than 20 percent of their hours worked in a week.
- The EO 14026 minimum wage may not apply to certain other occupations and workers.

**ENFORCEMENT** The U.S. Department of Labor’s Wage and Hour Division (WHD) is responsible for enforcing this law. WHD can answer questions about your workplace rights and protections, investigate employers and recover back wages. All WHD services are free and confidential. Employers cannot retaliate or discriminate against someone who files a complaint or participates in an investigation. WHD will accept a complaint in any language. You can find your nearest WHD office online at [dol.gov/agencies/whd/contact/local-offices](https://dol.gov/agencies/whd/contact/local-offices) or by calling toll-free 866-4US-WAGE (866-487-9243). We do not ask workers about their immigration status. **We can help.**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- EO 14026 only applies to certain federal construction and service contracts that were renewed, extended, or entered into on or after January 30, 2022. Contracts that were awarded between January 1, 2015 and January 29, 2022, that were not renewed or extended on or after January 30, 2022, and some procurement contracts entered into on or between January 30, 2022 and March 30, 2022, may be subject to EO 13658, which provides a lower minimum wage requirement than EO 14026. More information about the differences between EO 14026 and EO 13658 is available at [dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/eo14026/side-by-side](https://dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/eo14026/side-by-side)
- Workers with disabilities whose wages are governed by special certificates issued under section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act must receive no less than the full minimum wage rate under EO 14026 for time spent performing on or in connection with covered contracts.
- Some state or local laws may provide greater worker protections; employers must follow the law that requires the highest rate of pay.
- More information about the EO is available online at [dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/eo14026](https://dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/eo14026)



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