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National Minimum wage

| Category of worker | From 1 April 2023 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Apprentice | £5.28 |
| Aged 16-17 | £5.28 |
| Aged 18-20 | £7.49 |
| Aged 21-22 | £10.18 |
| 23 + (National Living Wage) | £10.42 |
| Accommodation offset | £9.10 |

Sick pay from 6 April 2023

| Payment | Rate | Maximum period |
|--------------------|---------|----------------|
| Statutory sick pay | £109.40 | 28 weeks |

Statutory minimum notice to employers

| Length of employment | Notice required |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Under 1 month | No statutory notice requirement |
| 1 month or more | 1 week |

Statutory minimum notice to employees

| Length of employment | Notice required |
|----------------------|--|
| Under 1 month | No statutory notice requirement |
| 1 month to 2 years | 1 week |
| 2 years to 12 years | 1 week for each completed year of employment |
| 12 years or more | 12 weeks |

Calculating statutory redundancy pay

| 1½ week's pay | Each year in employment aged 41+ |
|-------------------------|---|
| 1 week's pay | Each year in employment aged 22-40 |
| ½ week's pay | Each year in employment aged 21 and under |
| Maximum week's pay | £643 |
| Maximum number of years | Last 20 worked |



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Working time (subject to some exceptions and special cases)

| Type of leave | Minimum amount |
|------------------------------|--|
| Paid annual leave | 5.6 weeks |
| Rest break after 6 hours | 20 minutes (30 minutes after 4½ hours for 16-17 year olds) |
| Daily rest period | 11 hours (12 hours for 16-17 year olds) |
| Weekly rest period | 24 hours for (48 hours for 16-17 year olds) |
| Maximum average working time | 48 hours per week (in last 17 weeks) |

Family friendly payments

| | From 3 April 2023 | Maximum period |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Statutory Maternity Pay (higher rate) | 90% of normal weekly earnings | 6 weeks |
| Statutory Maternity Pay (basic rate) | £172.48 or 90% of normal weekly earnings if lower | 33 weeks |
| Maternity Allowance | £172.48 or 90% of normal weekly earnings if lower | 39 weeks |
| Statutory Paternity Pay | £172.48 or 90% of normal weekly earnings if lower | 2 weeks |
| Statutory Shared Parental Pay | £172.48 or 90% of normal weekly earnings if lower | 39 weeks |
| Statutory Adoption Pay | As statutory maternity pay | 39 weeks |

Family friendly leave

| | Maximum entitlement |
|-------------------------|--|
| Statutory maternity | 52 weeks (26 weeks ordinary and 26 weeks additional) |
| Shared parental leave | 52 weeks (less any maternity/adoption leave taken) |
| Statutory adoption | 52 weeks (26 weeks ordinary and 26 weeks additional) |
| Statutory paternity | 2 weeks |
| Parental leave | 18 weeks unpaid in respect of children up to their 18th birthday |
| Time off for dependants | Reasonable amount |

Compensation limits from 6 April 2023

| Complaint | Maximum award |
|---|---|
| Discrimination | Unlimited |
| Unfair dismissal: • Basic award (5 April 2023) • Compensatory award | £19,290 £105,707 (or one year's salary if lower) |
| Additional award for failure to reinstate | 26 to 52 weeks' pay (£16,718 to £33,436) |
| A week's pay used to calculate basic awards and statutory redundancy payments | €643 |
| Statutory redundancy pay | £19,290 |
| Dismissal for acting as union or employee representative or for pension trustee reasons: Basic award Compensatory award | £19,290 (minimum £6,959) £105,707 (or one year's salary if lower) |
| Dismissal for health and safety reasons: Basic award Compensatory award | £19,290 (minimum £6,959) No limit |
| Dismissal for making a protected disclosure: Basic award Compensatory award | £19,290 No limit |
| Contract claims | £25,000 in the Employment Tribunal (no limit in the High or County Courts) |
| Failure to conduct collective consultation | 90 days' actual pay |
| Failure to inform or consult over a TUPE transfer | 13 weeks' actual pay |
| Breach of right to be accompanied | 2 weeks' pay (up to £1,286) |
| Breach of flexible working regulations | 8 weeks' pay (up to £5,144) |
| Failure to give statement of employment particulars | £1,286 to £2,572 |
| Guarantee pay of no work is provided | £35.00 per day up to a maximum of 5 days or £175 in any 3 month period |

Qualifying periods and time limits

| Complaint | Qualifying period | Time to bring claim |
|--|-------------------|--|
| Discrimination | None | 3 months from the date of the act complained of |
| Equal pay | None | 6 months from the last day of employment for claims in the Employment Tribunal (6 years from breach in the High Court or County Court) |
| Written reasons for dismissal | 2 years | 3 months starting from EDT* |
| Unfair dismissal | 2 years | 3 months starting from EDT* |
| Automatically unfair dismissal e.g. pregnan- cy, health & safety and whistleblowing | None | 3 months starting from EDT* |
| Statutory redundancy payment | 2 years | 6 months from relevant date |
| Failure to conduct collective consultation | None | 3 months starting with the date the last dismissal takes effect |
| Failure to consult under TUPE | None | 3 months from the date of the transfer |
| Written particulars of employment | None | 3 months from the date employment ceased |
| Contract claim | None | 3 months from EDT* in the employment tribunal (6 months from breach in the High Court or County Court) |

*EDT – effective date of termination

