

**CHAPTER 60**

**PREVAILING WAGES FOR PUBLIC WORKS**

**Authority**

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See: 41 N.J.R. 1157(a), 41 N.J.R. 3091(c).

**Chapter Expiration Date**

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, expires on July 23, 2014.

**Chapter Historical Note**

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations, was adopted and became effective prior to September 1, 1969. Subsequent prevailing wage rate determinations for construction workers on public works projects were filed, but not reproduced in Chapter 60. Those filings were: R.1973 d.61, filed March 7, 1973. See: 5 N.J.R. 114(b), R.1973 d.330, filed November 26, 1973. See: 6 N.J.R. 16(b), R.1974 d.223, filed August 14, 1974. See: 6 N.J.R. 352(a), R.1975 d.323, filed October 28, 1975. See: 7 N.J.R. 569(b), R.1976 d.301, filed September 23, 1976. See: 8 N.J.R. 517(b), R.1977 d.383, filed October 11, 1977. See: 9 N.J.R. 537(a), R.1978 d.377, filed October 24, 1978. See: 10 N.J.R. 553(c), R.1979 d.370, filed September 19, 1979. See: 11 N.J.R. 561(a), R.1980 d.410, filed September 24, 1980. See: 12 N.J.R. 666(b).

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works (Subchapters 1 through 5), was adopted as R.1988 d.113, effective March 21, 1988. See: 19 N.J.R. 345(b), 20 N.J.R. 664(a). Subchapter 6, Inspection of Records, was adopted as R.1988 d.398, effective August 15, 1988. See: 20 N.J.R. 1164(a), 20 N.J.R. 2064(a). Subchapter 7, Criteria for Determining Apprentice to Journeyman Ratio, was adopted as R.1988 d.399, effective August 15, 1988. See: 20 N.J.R. 1164(b), 20 N.J.R. 2064(b). Subchapter 8, Debarment from Contracting, was adopted as R.1989 d.23, effective January 3, 1989. See: 20 N.J.R. 2520(a), 21 N.J.R. 21(b). Subchapter 9, Violations, Penalties, and Fees, was adopted as R.1991 d.611, effective December 16, 1991. See: 23 N.J.R. 2945(b), 23 N.J.R. 3812(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, was readopted as R.1993 d.164, effective March 19, 1993. See: 25 N.J.R. 453(a), 25 N.J.R. 1771(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, was readopted as R.1998 d.182, effective March 16, 1998. See: 30 N.J.R. 17(a), 30 N.J.R. 1292(a).

Subchapter 2A, Application of the Prevailing Wage Act to Off-site Activities, was adopted as new rules by R.2002 d.380, effective November 18, 2002. See: 34 N.J.R. 2254(a), 34 N.J.R. 2549(b), 34 N.J.R. 3967(a).

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, expired on September 12, 2003.

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, was adopted as new rules by R.2004 d.54, effective February 2, 2004. As a part of R.2004 d.54, Subchapter 3, Categories of Crafts, Trades or Classes of Workmen was repealed effective February 2, 2004 and existing Subchapters 4 through 8 were recodified as 3 through 9. See: 35 N.J.R. 1041(a), 36 N.J.R. 667(a).

Chapter 60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works, was readopted as R.2009 d.260, effective July 23, 2009. See: Source and Effective Date. See, also, section annotations.

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## SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

**12:60-1.1 Title and citation**

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as N.J.A.C. 12:60, Prevailing Wages for Public Works.

**12:60-1.2 Authority**

These rules are promulgated pursuant to the authority of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.

**12:60-1.3 Purpose**

(a) The purpose of this chapter is to:

1. List each and every craft, trade, or class of workmen employed on public works in each of the 21 counties of the State; and
2. List the criteria to be used when an issue regarding the establishment of a craft, trade or class of workmen arises.

**12:60-1.4 Scope**

(a) This chapter shall implement the Act by listing by name each craft, trade or class of workmen utilized in the various counties of the State; and

(b) This chapter shall apply to every contract in excess of \$11,892 awarded in whole or in part by a municipal public body and to every subcontract pursuant to said contract. It shall also apply to every contract in excess of \$2,000 awarded by a nonmunicipal public body and to every subcontract pursuant to said contract.

Amended by R.1998 d.182, effective April 6, 1998.  
See: 30 N.J.R. 17(a), 30 N.J.R. 1292(a).  
Rewrote (b).  
Administrative change.  
See: 31 N.J.R. 1617(a).  
Administrative change.  
See: 36 N.J.R. 3398(c).

**12:60-1.5 Documents referred to by reference**

The availability of standards and publications referred to in this chapter is explained in N.J.A.C. 12:60-4.

Amended by R.2009 d.260, effective August 17, 2009.  
See: 41 N.J.R. 1157(a), 41 N.J.R. 3091(c).  
Updated the N.J.A.C. reference.

**12:60-1.6 Validity**

Should any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this chapter be declared for any reason to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this chapter.

## SUBCHAPTER 2. DEFINITIONS

**12:60-2.1 Definitions**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Act” means the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.

“Certified payroll record” means a payroll record which is attested to by the employer, or the owner of the company doing business as the employer, or a corporate officer of such company, or an authorized agent of the employer.

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Labor, or his duly authorized designee.

“Custom fabrication” means the fabrication of plumbing, heating, cooling, ventilation or exhaust duct systems, and mechanical insulation.

“Department” means the Department of Labor.

“Division of Wage and Hour Compliance” means the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance, New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, PO Box 389, Trenton, N.J. 08625-0389.

“Employer” means any natural person, company, firm, subcontractor or other entity engaged in public work.

“Locality” means any political subdivision of the State, combination of the same or parts thereof, or any geographical area or areas classified, designated and fixed by the commissioner from time to time, provided that in determining the “locality” the commissioner shall be guided by the boundary lines of political subdivisions or parts thereof, or by a consideration of the areas with respect to which it has been the practice of employers of particular crafts or trades to engage in collective bargaining with the representatives of workmen in such craft or trade.

“N.J.A.C.” means the New Jersey Administrative Code.

“N.J.S.A.” means the New Jersey Statutes Annotated.

“Payroll record” means a form satisfactory to the Commissioner, wherein is shown employee information such as name, address, social security number, craft or trade, together with actual hourly rate of pay, actual daily, overtime and weekly hours worked in each craft or trade, gross pay, itemized deductions, and net pay paid to the employee; such record shall also include:

1. Any fringe benefits paid to approved plans, funds or programs on behalf of the employee; and
2. Fringe benefits paid in cash to the employee.