

Ontario Minimum Wage to Increase on October 1, 2017

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On October 1, 2017, the general minimum wage in Ontario will increase from \$11.40 to \$11.60 an hour. This minimum wage applies to most employees.

Minimum wage rates for specified students, liquor servers, hunting and fishing guides and homeworkers will [increase on the same date](#).

Note that the Ontario government has tabled legislation to increase the general minimum wage on January 1, 2018 to \$14.00 an hour, and on January 1, 2019 to \$15.00 an hour. For more information on that legislative initiative, see our *FTR News* of June 5, 2017 [Ontario Proposes Legislative Overhaul of *Labour Relations Act, 1995* in Bill 148- Are you Prepared?](#), June 7, 2017 [Bill 148 and the ESA – Changes are on the Horizon for Ontario Employers](#) and August 25, 2017 [Big Changes to Bill 148 after Committee Review](#).