

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS (RFBT)

CPALE Concept Notes

LABOR LAW

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Topics Covered:

8. Law on Other Business Transactions
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Preliminaries

- **Labor Standards** - minimum requirements of employment
- **Labor Relations** - regulation of relationship between EE and ER

Coverage of the Labor Standards under the Labor Code

- All employees in all establishments and undertakings whether for profit or not

XPNS (Excluded in the Coverage of the Labor Code):

- Government employees (Civil Service Law)
- Managerial employees and their officers - a position of trust and confidence (Serves at the pleasure of the board)
- Field personnel
- Persons in the personal service of another, such as secretary and personal or executive secretary (Unpredictable demand at work)
- Domestic helpers (Kasambahay Law)
- Workers paid by results
- Dependent family member (who is also an employee) of the employer

Summary of Applicable Rates

For Regular Hourly Wage (Normal 8 Hours)	
Ordinary Working Day	100%
Rest Day OR Special Holiday	130%
Rest Day AND Special Holiday	150%
Regular Holiday	200%
- If Not Worked	100%
Regular Holiday AND Rest Day	260%
Double Regular Holiday	300%
- If Not Worked	200%
Double Regular Holiday AND Rest Day	390%

For Overtime Hours (Exceeding Normal Hours)	
Ordinary Working Day	125%
Rest Day and/or Any Holiday	130%

Basic, Night Shift Differential, and Overtime Pay

BASIC PAY: Based on Normal Hours of Work

- **Normal Hours of Work:** Maximum of 8 hours per day

Includes:

- Time wherein employee is required to be on duty
- Time wherein employee is to be at a prescribed workplace (whether or not on duty)
- Time wherein employee is suffered or permitted to work, regardless of place (work from home set-ups)
- Rest periods of short duration, not exceeding 20 minutes (coffee breaks)

Excludes:

- Mandatory meal periods of at least 60 minutes

NIGHT SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL PAY: Minimum of 10% of Basis

- For work done **between 10PM to 6AM**, regardless if part of the employee's regular shift
- Basis (Both Adjusted as to any Premium Pay subject to):
 - **Regular Hourly Wage** if within the normal (8) hours of work
 - **Overtime Hourly Wage** if beyond the normal hours of work

OVERTIME PAY

Minimum of 25% of Basis for a Regular Working Day

Minimum of 30% of Basis for a Rest Day or Any Holiday

- Basis: **Regular Hourly Wage, Adjusted by any Premium Pay**
- In any case, overtime work shall be paid with the additional compensation, whether voluntary or required

General Rule:

Overtime is voluntary

XPNS (May be required by employer):

- Country is **at war** or a declared national or local emergency
- Necessary to prevent loss of life or property, or in case of imminent danger to public safety due to an **emergency** (also applies to rest days)
- Necessary to prevent loss or damage to **perishable goods** (also applies to rest days)
- Work completion is necessary to prevent **serious** obstruction or prejudice to **employer's business or operations**
- Urgent work to be performed on machines, installations, or equipment to **avoid serious loss or damage to the employer** (also applies to rest days)

Overtime Premium (Different to Overtime Pay)

- Difference of what was paid for the overtime hours as to what would have been paid if it was within normal work hours

Overtime Pay (Regular Wage x No. of OT Hrs.)	xx
What if Normal Hours (Normal Wage x No. of OT Hrs.)	(xx)
Overtime Premium	xx

Rest Day and Holidays

WEEKLY REST DAY

- **Right to Weekly Rest Day:**
At least 24 consecutive hours after every 6 consecutive normal work day (G.R.)

XPNS (Employer may require work on a rest day):

- Necessary to prevent loss of life or property, or in case of imminent danger to public safety due to an **emergency**
- Urgent work to be performed on machines, installations, or equipment to **avoid serious loss or damage to the employer**
- Necessary to prevent loss or damage to **perishable goods**
- **Abnormal pressure** of work due to **special circumstances** where the employer can't be ordinarily expected to resort to other measures
- **Nature of the work** requires continuous operations, and its stoppage may result in irreparable injury or loss to the employer
- Other analogous or similar circumstances as determined by the DOLE Secretary

General Rule:

The **employer** determines the employee's rest day

XPNS (Limitations):

- Collective bargaining agreement
- Rules and regulations by the DOLE Secretary
- Employee's preference based on **religious** grounds

SPECIAL HOLIDAY

Holidays, working or non-working, that are:

- **Not within the list of the Regular Holidays** under the Labor Code (plus the two Muslim holidays)
- **Common Special Non-Working Holidays**
 - Ninoy Aquino Day (Aug. 21)
 - All Saints Day (Nov. 1)
 - All Souls Day (Nov. 2)
 - Feast of the Immaculate Concepcion (Dec. 8)
 - Christmas Eve (Dec. 24)
 - Last Day of the Year (Dec. 31)
 - Black Saturday
 - Chinese New Year
- May be observed only in one locality or throughout the country (as opposed to regular holidays - country-wide)
- Not compensable if unworked

Worked on	Applicable Rate
Either a Rest Day or Special Holiday	130%
Both a Rest Day and Special Holiday	150%

REGULAR HOLIDAY

Exclusive to the following list under the Labor Code:

1. New Year (January 1)
2. Maundy Thursday
3. Good Friday
4. Araw ng Kagitingan (April 9)
5. Labor Day (May 1)
6. Eid'l Fitr
7. Independence Day (June 12)
8. Eid'l Adha
9. National Heroes Day (Last Monday of August)
10. Bonifacio Day (November 30)
11. Christmas Day (December 25)
12. Rizal Day (December 30)
13. The day designated by law for holding a general election (every 3 years only)

As to a Regular Holiday	Applicable Rate
Worked	200% (Double Pay)
Did Not Work*	100% (as a General Rule)
Worked on a Double Regular Holiday	300%

*If Did Not Work on a Regular Holiday

General Rule:

Entitled to 100% of the Regular Daily Wage

XPNs (Not entitled to Holiday Pay):

- Absent without pay (leave) on the **day prior to the holiday**
- Absent without pay (leave) on the day prior to successive holidays (such as Maundy Thursday and Good Friday)
 - If he worked on the first holiday, he is entitled to holiday pay of the following holiday
- Absent without pay (leave) on the **day prior to his rest day or a special holiday, followed by a regular holiday**

Comprehensive Example or Situations

SITUATION 1:

Leana worked from 8AM to 5PM, with a one-hour meal break. Her regular hourly rate is 500. Compute her wage for the day. (Work hours is only 8 hours, as the meal break is not compensable)

Case 1: Worked on an Ordinary Working Day

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 100\% = 500$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 500 per hour = **4,000**

Case 2: Worked on her Rest Day OR a Special Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 130\% = 650$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 650 per hour = **5,200**

Case 3: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Special Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 150\% = 750$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 750 per hour = **6,000**

Case 4: Worked on a Regular Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 200\% = 1,000$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 1,000 per hour = **8,000**

Case 5: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Regular Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 260\% = 1,300$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 1,300 per hour = **10,400**

Case 6: Worked on a Double Regular Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 300\% = 1,500$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 1,500 per hour = **12,000**

Case 7: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Double Regular Holiday

Rate per Hour: $500 \times 390\% = 1,950$ rate per hour
Wage (Pay) for the Day: 8 hours x 1,950 per hour = **15,600**

SITUATION 2:

Mark worked from 9AM to 7PM, with a lunch break from 12nn to 1PM. His regular hourly wage rate is 200. Compute his wage for the day. (Work hours is only 9 hours, as the meal break is not compensable)

- First 8 Hours is from 9AM to 6PM, including the lunch break
- Overtime Hour is 1 hour (9hrs - 8hrs normal)

Case 1: Worked on an Ordinary Working Day

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$200 \times 100\% = 200$	x 8 hours	= 1,600
Overtime Pay	$200 \times 100\% \times 125\% = 250$	x 1 hour	= 250
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>1,850</u>

Case 2: Worked on her Rest Day OR a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$200 \times 130\% = 260$	x 8 hours	= 2,080
Overtime Pay	$200 \times 130\% \times 130\% = 338$	x 1 hour	= 338
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>2,418</u>

Case 3: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$200 \times 150\% = 300$	x 8 hours	= 2,400
Overtime Pay	$200 \times 150\% \times 130\% = 390$	x 1 hour	= 390
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>2,790</u>

Case 4: Worked on a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$200 \times 200\% = 400$	x 8 hours	= 3,200
Overtime Pay	$200 \times 200\% \times 130\% = 520$	x 1 hour	= 520
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>3,720</u>

Case 5: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$200 \times 260\% = 520$	x 8 hours	= 4,160
Overtime Pay	$200 \times 260\% \times 130\% = 676$	x 1 hour	= 676
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>4,836</u>

SITUATION 3:

Porter worked from 4PM to 1AM as his regular shift, inclusive of a one-hour dinner break from 8PM to 9PM. His regular rate is 300 per hour. Compute his wage for the day. (Work hours meet the normal working day of 8 hours, as the dinner break is not compensable)

- Night Shift Differential Hours is 10PM to 1AM (3 hours)
Basis: Regular hourly wage as NSD falls to normal hours

Case 1: Worked on an Ordinary Working Day

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$300 \times 100\% = 300$	x 8 hours	= 2,400
NSD Pay	$300 \times 100\% \times 10\% = 30$	x 3 hours	= 90
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>2,490</u>

Case 2: Worked on her Rest Day OR a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$300 \times 130\% = 390$	x 8 hours	= 3,120
NSD Pay	$300 \times 130\% \times 10\% = 39$	x 3 hours	= 117
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>3,237</u>

Case 3: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$300 \times 150\% = 450$	x 8 hours	= 3,600
NSD Pay	$300 \times 150\% \times 10\% = 45$	x 3 hours	= 405
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>4,005</u>

Case 4: Worked on a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$300 \times 200\% = 600$	x 8 hours	= 4,800
NSD Pay	$300 \times 200\% \times 10\% = 60$	x 3 hours	= 180
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>4,980</u>

Case 5: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$300 \times 260\% = 780$	x 8 hours	= 6,240
NSD Pay	$300 \times 260\% \times 10\% = 78$	x 3 hours	= 234
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>6,474</u>

SITUATION 4:

Maddy worked from 1PM to 12AM, with a one-hour meal break. Her regular rate is 500 per hour. Compute her wage for the day. (Work hours is only 10 hours, as the meal break is not compensable)

- First 8 Hours is from 1PM to 10PM, including the meal break
- Night Shift Differential Hours is 10PM to 12AM (2 hours)
Basis: Overtime hourly wage as NSD falls to overtime hours
- Overtime Hours is 2 hours (10hrs - 8hrs as normal)

Case 1: Worked on an Ordinary Working Day

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$500 \times 100\% = 500$	x 8 hours	= 4,000
Overtime Pay	$500 \times 100\% \times 125\% = 625$	x 2 hours	= 1,250
NSD Pay	$500 \times 100\% \times 125\% \times 10\% = 62.50$	x 2 hours	= 125
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>5,375</u>

Case 2: Worked on her Rest Day OR a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$500 \times 130\% = 650$	x 8 hours	= 5,200
Overtime Pay	$500 \times 130\% \times 130\% = 845$	x 2 hours	= 1,690
NSD Pay	$500 \times 130\% \times 130\% \times 10\% = 84.50$	x 2 hours	= 169
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>7,059</u>

Case 3: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$500 \times 150\% = 750$	x 8 hours	= 6,000
Overtime Pay	$500 \times 150\% \times 130\% = 975$	x 2 hours	= 1,950
NSD Pay	$500 \times 150\% \times 130\% \times 10\% = 97.50$	x 2 hours	= 195
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>8,145</u>

Case 4: Worked on a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$500 \times 200\% = 1,000$	x 8 hours	= 8,000
Overtime Pay	$500 \times 200\% \times 130\% = 1,300$	x 2 hours	= 2,600
NSD Pay	$500 \times 200\% \times 130\% \times 10\% = 130$	x 2 hours	= 260
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>10,860</u>

Case 5: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Regular Wage (Normal Hours)	$500 \times 260\% = 1,300$	x 8 hours	= 10,400
Overtime Pay	$500 \times 260\% \times 130\% = 1,690$	x 2 hours	= 3,380
NSD Pay	$500 \times 260\% \times 130\% \times 10\% = 169$	x 2 hours	= 338
Total Wage (Pay) for the Day			= <u>14,118</u>

SITUATION 5:

Same with Situation 4 - Maddy, but instead, compute for her Overtime Premium for the day.

Case 1: Worked on an Ordinary Working Day

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Computed Overtime Pay	$500 \times 100\% \times 125\% = 625$	x 2 hours	= 1,250
Less: Usual Regular Pay	$500 \times 100\% = 500$	x 2 hours	= (1,000)
Overtime (OT) Premium			= <u>250</u>

Case 2: Worked on her Rest Day OR a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Computed Overtime Pay	$500 \times 130\% \times 130\% = 845$	x 2 hours	= 1,690
Less: Usual Regular Pay	$500 \times 130\% = 650$	x 2 hours	= (1,300)
Overtime (OT) Premium			= <u>390</u>

Case 3: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Special Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Computed Overtime Pay	$500 \times 150\% \times 130\% = 975$	x 2 hours	= 1,950
Less: Usual Regular Pay	$500 \times 150\% = 750$	x 2 hours	= (1,500)
Overtime (OT) Premium			= <u>450</u>

Case 4: Worked on a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Computed Overtime Pay	$500 \times 200\% \times 130\% = 1,300$	x 2 hours	= 2,600
Less: Usual Regular Pay	$500 \times 200\% = 1,000$	x 2 hours	= (2,000)
Overtime (OT) Premium			= <u>600</u>

Case 5: Worked on her Rest Day, which is also a Regular Holiday

	Hourly Rate	x No. of Hrs.	= Total
Computed Overtime Pay	$500 \times 260\% \times 130\% = 1,690$	x 2 hours	= 3,380
Less: Usual Regular Pay	$500 \times 260\% = 1,300$	x 2 hours	= (2,600)
Overtime (OT) Premium			= <u>780</u>

13th Month Pay

Equivalent to **1/12 of the Total Basic Salary Earned** (excludes de minimis benefits and allowances, unless the employer allowed to do so) by the employee within a calendar year

Payment:

- Not later than December 24
- Only through **cash**, but may be in the form of Christmas bonus, midyear bonus, profit sharing payments and other cash bonuses
 - Free rice, share dividends, cost of living allowances are not valid substitutes

Entitlement:

- All rank-and-file employees who have **worked for at least 1 month during the calendar year** (full-time or part-time)

Leaves

SERVICE INCENTIVE LEAVE (SIL) - Art. 95, Labor Code

- At least **5 days with pay** annually
- Applies to both full-time and part-time workers, as long as the employee has rendered at least 1 year of service
- Separate and distinct from a CBA-governed Vacation (VL) and Sick Leaves (SL), but may absorb such VL/SL

	Mandatory (Required by Law)	Purpose
SIL	✓	To alleviate workers' economic condition
VL/SL	✗ (Employer's Discretion, and may be absorbed by the SIL)	To afford a laborer a rest and acquire new vitality

General Rule:

Not cumulative and not commutable (convertible) to cash

XPN:

- Convertible to cash **upon employee's choice**

PATERNITY LEAVE (PL) - RA 8187

- 7 days with full pay** for the first 4 deliveries
- Not cumulative nor commutable to cash

Requisites for Entitlement:

- Married** male, employed at the time of delivery
- Birth, miscarriage, or abortion of the legitimate spouse he co-habits with
- Within the first four deliveries (including miscarriages)
- Notified the employer of the pregnancy and the expected date of delivery (unless miscarried or aborted)
- Must be availed not later than 60 days after the date of delivery (may be enjoyed before, during, or after the delivery)

SOLO PARENTS LEAVE (SPL) - RA 8792, as amended by RA 11861

- Maximum of **7 days annually**, in addition to any other leaves
- Not cumulative
- Must have rendered at least 6 months of service (previously 1 year)

VAWC VICTIMS' LEAVE

- Maximum of **10 days with pay**, in addition to other paid leaves
- Not cumulative nor convertible to cash

SPECIAL LEAVE FOR WOMEN AFTER SURGERY CAUSED BY GYNECOLOGICAL DISORDERS (GDL)

- 2 months with full pay**, based on gross monthly compensation
- Must have rendered at least 6 months of continuous aggregate service for the last 12 months

MATERNITY LEAVE (ML) - SSS Law and RA 11210

- Applies to all female workers, regardless of civil status or the child's legitimacy
- Granted **at every instance of pregnancy, miscarriage, or emergency termination of pregnancy** (no more limit as to frequency; old law - only up to 4 pregnancies)
- Availed in a **continuous and uninterrupted manner**

As to Live Birth:

- 105 days** with full pay
- Additional:
15 days with full pay if solo parent
- Optional:
Additional 30 days **without pay** (upon written notice to the employer at least 45 days before the end of the original leave)
- Post-natal (after delivery) period
Shall be a **minimum of 60 days** of the whole leave
 - Thus, the earliest that a female worker can file for leave is 45 days before expected delivery

○ **Allocable (Exclusive to Live Birth):**

Instances	Allocable To	Days Allocated
At the female worker's option (still alive and capacitated)	Child's Father (Whether married to or not)	Up to 7 Days
Upon the female worker's death, absence, or permanent incapacity	- Child's Father, or - A Qualified Alternate Caregiver	The Balance of the Benefit

- The benefits may be allocated to the child's father or an alternate qualified caregiver, provided that a written notice is provided to their respective employers

Qualified Alternate Caregiver:

- A relative within the 4th degree of consanguinity, or
- The current partner of the female worker **sharing the household** (any gender)

As to Miscarriage and Emergency Termination:

- **60 days** with full pay
- Additional:
15 days with full pay if solo parent
- Optional:
Additional 30 days **without pay**

Summary of Leaves

	Entitled Period	Required Period of Service	Convertible to Cash?	Cumulative?
SIL	5 Days, Minimum	At least 1 year	X (XPN: Employee's choice)	X
PL	7 Days, Fixed	No minimum required	X	X
SPL	7 Days, Maximum	At least 6 months	X	X
VAWC	10 Days, Maximum	No minimum required	X	X
GDL	2 Months, Maximum	At least 6 months in the past 12 months	X	X
ML	105 Days, Extendable	No minimum required (only as to SSS contributions)	X	X

- Only **Service Incentive Leave** is specifically provided under the Labor Code