

Self-Employed Checklist

Use this checklist to prepare for choosing coverage as a self-employed person for Paid Leave Oregon.

Information: paidleave.oregon.gov

Paid Leave Oregon allows employees in Oregon to take paid time off for family, medical, and safe leave.

Important dates to note

Jan. 1, 2023 Self-employed individuals can start choosing Paid Leave

coverage

Sept. 3, 2023 Benefits begin

If you are self-employed, you are not automatically covered under Paid Leave Oregon. You can choose coverage if:

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☐ You earned at least \$1,000 in Oregon net income from self-employment (income after your expenses) in the prior tax year before you apply.

Am I self-employed?

Here's how Paid Leave Oregon generally defines what it means to be self-employed:

- $\ \square$ If you work for your business instead of working for a specific employer; and
- ☐ You report profits from your business as self-employed income on your taxes.



Get ready

You can choose Paid Leave Oregon coverage beginning Jan. 1, 2023. You'll start by creating an account on Frances Online. Here are some things to keep in mind: ☐ You'll create an account on Frances Online as Self-Employed. ☐ If you choose Paid Leave Oregon coverage, you will need to agree to pay contributions for at least three years. ☐ You will need a copy of your Oregon and federal personal income tax return for the prior year.

How to choose Paid Leave Oregon

Step 1: Gather your documents

You'll need to have the following documents ready before you apply:

- ☐ Prior year's Oregon and federal personal income tax return (if you don't have a copy, you can request a copy from the Oregon Department of Revenue).
- ☐ Net income from self-employment (income after your expenses) from the prior tax year.

Step 2: Apply for self-employed coverage

Use Frances Online to apply for Paid Leave coverage.

Step 3: Pay contributions quarterly

After your application has been approved, the Oregon Employment Department will send you payment coupons for the contribution amount due for the quarter (self-employed individuals pay the employee portion, 60% of the 1% of net income from self-employment divided into four quarterly payments).

Pay the amount on Revenue Online.

Step 4: Annual income verification

By April 30 each year (or by October 30 if you file your tax return on extension), you must provide a copy of your Oregon and federal personal income tax return to the Oregon Employment Department using Frances Online.

