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## 2003 Handbook of Employment Regulations Affecting Florida Farm Employers and Workers: Human Rights Act of 1977 [State]<sup>1</sup>

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### Purpose

To protect employees from workplace discrimination.

### Who Must Comply

All employers of fifteen or more workers for at least twenty weeks in the current or preceding year.

## **Employers Must**

Refrain from any discriminatory practices based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status, such as:

- Discharge or failure or refusal to hire.
- Discrimination on compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment.
- Limiting, segregating, or classifying employees or applicants for employment.
- Discrimination in apprenticeship or training programs.
- Printing or causing to be printed or published any notice of employment which specifies a discriminatory preference or limitation.
- Discrimination against anyone who opposes discriminatory practices or assists, testifies, or participates in any discrimination investigation.

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• Discrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of housing.

Post a notice, in a conspicuous place, setting forth the basic provisions of the Human Rights Act of 1977 and indicating how and where to file complaints.

Preserve all employment records once a complaint has been filed against the employer.

Employees have 180 days from the date of a perceived discriminatory act to file a complaint with the Florida Commission on Human Relations at its offices in Tallahassee.

#### **Other Information**

- Chapter 760, Florida Statutes
- Section 22-T, Florida Administrative Code

#### **Responsible Agency**

Florida Commission on Human Relations

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