Chicago Paid Sick & Safe Leave

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Hours Available	Up to 40 hours of Paid Sick Leave in a 12-month period.	Up to 40 hours of Paid Leave in a 12-month period.
Carryover	Up to 80 hours; potentially more if not meaningfully allowed to access.	Up to 16 hours unless frontload; potentially more if not meaningfully allowed to access.
Accrual Rate	Accrue 1 hour of each type for every 35 hours worked.	Accrue 1 hour of each type for every 35 hours worked.
Accrual Start and Frontloading	Employees begin accruing on their first day of employment, based on hours worked within the City of Chicago.	Employees begin accruing on their first day of employment, based on hours worked within the City of Chicago.
	If an Employer chooses to frontload, they must provide the 40 hours of Paid Sick Leave within 30 days of employment.	If an Employer chooses to frontload, they must provide the 40 hours of Paid Leave within 90 days of employment.
Eligibility and Waiting Periods	Any employee who works 80 hours in the City of Chicago in a 120-day period is eligible. Once an employee is eligible they remain eligible.	Any employee who works 80 hours in the City of Chicago in a 120-day period is eligible. Once an employee is eligible they remain eligible.
	Employers may require employees be employed 30 calendar days before using Paid Sick Leave.	Employers may require employees be employed 90 calendar days before using Paid Leave.
Minimum Increments	Employers may require use in increments of at least 2 hours.	Employers may require use in increments of at least 4 hours.
Notice & Approval	If foreseeable, may require not more than 7 days' notice.	May require 7 days' notice and require pre-approval. May only deny if necessary based on reasonable, pre-established rationale.
Use & Documentation	May be used for own or family member illness, injury, care, treatment; sexual or domestic violence; public health emergency.	May be used for any reason.
	Cannot request certification (documentation) until after the third consecutive day of Paid Sick Leave.	Cannot request any documentation.

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Payment on Termination	Not required to be paid on separation. Note: If combined with PTO/Vacation, need to pay out all.	Depends on size of employer: Small Employers (50 or fewer employees): No payment required. Medium Employers (51-100 employees): Up to 16 hours until 7/1/25, then up to 56 hours (or 40 if frontload). Large Employers (101+ employees): Up to 56 hours (or 40 if frontload). Note: If combined with PTO/Vacation, need to pay out all.
Other Policy Requirements	All policy changes must be provided to employees 5 days before effective. Policy changes to the employer's paid time off policies that affect a covered employee's right to final compensation for such leave must be provided to employees 14 days before effective.	If denying, employer must provide written notice with a pre-established policy rationale (i.e., business/operational needs, staffing requirements, specific blackout days). All policy changes must be provided to employees 5 days before effective. Policy changes to the employer's paid time off policies that affect a covered employee's right to final compensation for such leave must be provided to employees 14 days before effective.
Record Retention Requirements	Employers must maintain employee census information (name, contact information, job title, ability to earn tips, hire date, rate of pay, hours worked per day and per week, and payment type (hourly, salary, commission, etc)). Employers must maintain Chicago Ordinance employee data (date of eligibility under ordinance, hours accrue or awarded for each type of leave, hours used and dates of usage of each type of leave).	

