

Brisbane and Gold Coast tiling audits released

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More than 90 per cent of Brisbane and Gold Coast-based tiling businesses randomly audited during a recent campaign were compliant with workplace laws, the Fair Work Ombudsman has revealed.

Fair Work inspectors audited 12 tiling businesses - nine in Brisbane and three on the Gold Coast - to check record-keeping and pay slip practices and to ensure they were paying employees correctly.

Eleven of the businesses (92 per cent) were found to be compliant with workplace laws.

The one non-compliant business, based in Brisbane, had inadvertently underpaid three employees \$2283.

Fair Work Ombudsman Executive Director Michael Campbell says the business voluntarily rectified the underpayments and there was no need for further action.

"The results of this campaign are encouraging and suggest employers in this sector have a good understanding of their obligations under workplace laws," Mr Campbell said.

The Fair Work Ombudsman has a number of tools and resources on its website at www.fairwork.gov.au to assist employees and employers to check minimum rates of pay.

Small to medium-sized businesses without human resources staff can also ensure they are better equipped when hiring, managing and dismissing employees by using free template employment documentation available Online.

The 'Industries' section on the Fair Work Ombudsman's website provides information specifically tailored for employers and workers in the retail, cleaning, clerical, hair and beauty, security, horticulture, fast food and hospitality industries.

Employers or employees seeking assistance or further information can also contact the Fair Work Infoline on 13 13 94 from 8am-6pm weekdays.

A free interpreter service is available on 13 14 50.

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