

Avon Valley employers are focus of latest Fair Work Ombudsman campaign

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Businesses in the Avon Valley in regional Western Australia are the focus of a new education and compliance campaign by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

Fair Work inspectors will send information to 200 businesses in Northam, Toodyay and York to explain the role of the Fair Work Ombudsman and the services it offers.

Up to 70 businesses will then be randomly selected for audit and asked to supply time-and-wages records for assessment.

"Where inspectors find records are not adequate or identify other non-compliance issues, they will provide information and assistance to employers and ask that they voluntarily rectify any problems," says Fair Work Ombudsman Executive Director Michael Campbell.

Mr Campbell says one of the main aims of the campaign is to ensure employers are aware of the assistance the Fair Work Ombudsman can provide to help them understand and comply with workplace laws, including Modern Awards.

"Information packs will be distributed to employers which include helpful resources such as fact sheets, templates and Best Practice Guides," he said.

The Fair Work Ombudsman has a number of tools and user-friendly resources on its website at www.fairwork.gov.au to assist employees and employers.

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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