

## Service stations and roadhouses the focus of new campaign in WA, SA and NT

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The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 180 fuel retailers across Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory over the next few months as part of a new education and compliance campaign.

The campaign will focus on company-owned, franchised and independent service stations and roadhouses in metropolitan and regional areas.

Fair Work inspectors will check employers are paying workers in-line with minimum wage rates, penalty rates and overtime rates and are complying with record-keeping and pay slip obligations.

Audits will be conducted in areas including:

WA: Perth, Albany, Bunbury, Broome, Busselton, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie, Mandurah, Margaret River and Port Hedland.

SA: Adelaide, Barossa Valley, Coober Pedy, Eyre Peninsula, Limestone Coast, Port Augusta, Port Lincoln, Port Pirie, Roxby Downs, Whyalla and Yorke Peninsula.

NT: Darwin, Alice Springs and Katherine.

Fair Work Ombudsman Nicholas Wilson says the sector was selected for an education and compliance campaign following a number of substantiated underpayment complaints.

Mr Wilson says the campaign aims to increase awareness of workplace laws and the free resources the Fair Work Ombudsman has available to assist employers to understand and comply with workplace laws.

“Fuel retailing businesses generally have long operating hours, so this campaign provides a good opportunity for employers in the sector to ensure they understand their obligations in regards to penalty and overtime rates,” he said.

In cases where contraventions are identified, the preference of Fair Work inspectors will be to educate employers and assist them to voluntarily rectify non-compliance issues.

“We are committed to providing free education, assistance and advice to make it easier for employers to comply with workplace laws,” Mr Wilson says.

Workers or employers seeking support should get in touch with the Fair Work Ombudsman via the website [www.fairwork.gov.au](http://www.fairwork.gov.au) or call the Fair Work Infoline on 13 13 94.

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