

November 2013

Fair Work Ombudsman focuses on cherry farms (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131128-cherry-farm-audits>)

28 Nov 2013

Inspectors from the Fair Work Ombudsman will visit cherry farms in NSW, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania to check employers are paying fruit pickers their full entitlements during the harvest period.

Findings on investigation relating to ACT Ambulance Service (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131127-act-ambulance-service>)

27 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has today published a report detailing the findings of its investigation relating to workers at the ACT Ambulance Service.

10 million visits to FWO's website, record-keeping templates popular (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131126-record-keeping-templates>)

26 Nov 2013

It's a good thing record-keeping templates were among the most popular downloads during the 10 million visits to www.fairwork.gov.au last financial year, according to the Fair Work Ombudsman.

Illawarra workers back-paid \$33,000 (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131125-illawarra-recoveries>)

25 Nov 2013

Underpaid workers in the Illawarra region in NSW have been back-paid \$33,900 following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

Fair Work Ombudsman a White Ribbon Workplace (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131125-fwo-white-ribbon>)

25 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has become a White Ribbon Workplace after establishing policies for operating at best practice when it comes to preventing and responding to violence against women.

Retailers focus of new campaign in WA, SA and NT (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131121-wa-sa-nt-retail-campaign-awareness-phase>)

21 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is writing to almost 3,000 retailers across Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory as part of a new campaign.

[Melbourne worker back-paid \\$117,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131120-melbournes-n-and-nw-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131120-melbournes-n-and-nw-recoveries)

20 Nov 2013

An underpaid worker in Melbourne's North has been back-paid \$117,000 in termination entitlements following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Court action over alleged underpayment of Sydney security guards \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131119-safecorp-security-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131119-safecorp-security-litigation)

19 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has launched legal action against the operators of a Sydney security business, alleging 42 security guards were underpaid a total of more than \$35,000.

[Fast Food businesses focus of national campaign \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131118-fast-food-awareness-phase\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131118-fast-food-awareness-phase)

18 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is writing to almost 7,000 fast food businesses across the country as part of a national campaign.

[\\$94,000 back-paid to Sydney workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131114-sydney-w-and-sw-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131114-sydney-w-and-sw-recoveries)

14 Nov 2013

Underpaid workers in Sydney's West and South-West have been repaid \$94,300 in wages and entitlements following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Retailer faces Court over alleged sham contracting, underpayments \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131113-ecosway-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131113-ecosway-litigation)

13 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has launched legal action against an international retail company, alleging it engaged in sham contracting activity that resulted in an Adelaide employee being underpaid more than \$32,000 over just 18 months.

[Tamworth and Armidale the focus of new campaign \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131112-tamworth-armidale-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131112-tamworth-armidale-campaign)

12 Nov 2013

Inspectors from the Fair Work Ombudsman will visit up to 100 businesses in Tamworth and Armidale next week as part of a new education and compliance campaign.

[Court action over alleged underpayment of Melbourne childcare workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131111-vivien-mahomet-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131111-vivien-mahomet-litigation)

11 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman has launched legal action against the owner-operator of a Melbourne childcare business, alleging she underpaid five workers a total of more than \$15,000.

[Record penalties imposed in pregnancy discrimination matter \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131108-felix-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131108-felix-penalty)

8 Nov 2013

The operators of a chain of Victorian discount retail stores have been fined a record total of \$53,592 for discriminating against a pregnant employee.

[NSW Central Coast workers back-paid \\$63,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131106-nsw-central-coast-recoveries\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131106-nsw-central-coast-recoveries)

6 Nov 2013

NSW Central Coast workers have been repaid \$63,700 in wages and entitlements following recent intervention by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Fair Work Ombudsman to visit Thursday Island and the Northern Peninsula Area next week \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131105-thursday-island-and-northern-peninsula-area-visit\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131105-thursday-island-and-northern-peninsula-area-visit)

5 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman will visit Thursday Island and the Northern Peninsula Area, in Queensland, next week to help employers and workers learn more about their workplace rights and responsibilities.

[Legal action dismissed in Federal Court \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131104-pocomwell-judgement\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131104-pocomwell-judgement)

4 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman's legal action relating to alleged underpayments of Filipino nationals who worked on oil rigs off Western Australia has been dismissed in Court.

[Fair Work Ombudsman to audit Kangaroo Island businesses \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131104-sa-kangaroo-island-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131104-sa-kangaroo-island-campaign)

4 Nov 2013

The Fair Work Ombudsman is visiting businesses at Kangaroo Island, South Australia in the week of 11-15 November to ensure workers are being paid correctly.

Northern NSW security company fined for underpaying guards' penalty rates (<http://www.fair-work.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2013-media-releases/november-2013/20131101-alarcorp-penalty>)

1 Nov 2013

The operators of a Northern NSW security company have been fined a total of \$129,888 after underpaying the penalty rates of seven security guards, following legal action by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

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