

**STATE OF NEW YORK WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD**

**DISABILITY AND PAID FAMILY LEAVE BENEFITS LAW**

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF PLAN OF EMPLOYER  
PROVIDING DISABILITY AND/OR PAID FAMILY LEAVE BENEFITS**

Name of Employer (herein called the Employer)		
Name under which Business is Conducted		
Mailing Address (Number and Street, City, State and Zip Code)		
Telephone #	FEIN	WCB Plan #

The EMPLOYER requests acceptance of the PLAN and AGREEMENT (copy of Plan must be attached to this form):

1. The Plan described herein is (check A or B):  
☐ A. Initial Form DB-800 filed by Employer.  
☐ B. Modification or Extension of a Plan previously accepted on Form DB-800 and supersedes such previous Form DB-800.  
Description of Modification: \_\_\_\_\_
2. The Plan described herein provides the following benefits:  
☐ Both disability and paid family leave benefits  
☐ Disability benefits only  
☐ Paid family leave benefits only
3. The Plan as described herein is effective from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and in the event that this Plan  
Effective Date Termination Date (if indefinite, so state)  
is terminated before the Termination Date entered above - or if no Termination Date is entered above - the Employer agrees that the Plan benefits described herein will be continued until written the Employer has filed with the Chair written notice of termination of the Plan.
4. The Plan covers the following employees:  
☐ All employees eligible for benefits under the Law.  
☐ All employees eligible for benefits under the Law except those classes of employees eligible to receive benefits under another policy or plan accepted by the Chair.  
☐ Only the following class or classes of employees: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. A. Date of approval as self-insurer\* under the Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law \_\_\_\_\_  
OR  
B. Insurer for Enriched Paid Family Leave Benefits \_\_\_\_\_
6. The Employer agrees to pay the assessments levied on the total covered payrolls of the employees covered by the Plan, for the Special Fund for Disability Benefits and for expenses of administration under Sec. 214 and 228 of the Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law.

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO **PAU@WCB.NY.GOV**  
OR MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO:

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD**  
PLANS ACCEPTANCE UNIT  
PO BOX 5200  
BINGHAMTON, NY 13902-5200

**7. PART A - Disability Benefits**

If the Plan provides disability benefits, please fill out Part A. If there are more classes of employees covered, attach additional sheets as necessary.

- A. **WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT OR RATE:** The weekly benefit amount must be at least 1/2 of the employee's average weekly wage, up to a maximum of 170 dollars a week. An employee making less than 20 dollars per week must receive at least his or her average weekly wage (WCL Section 204).
- B. **DURATION OF BENEFIT (IN WEEKS):** The duration of disability benefits must be at least 26 weeks within a 52 consecutive calendar week period or for any one period of disability, less any days taken for paid family leave (WCL Section 205).
- C. **WAITING PERIOD (DAYS):** Under Section 204 of the WCL, the waiting period cannot be longer than 7 days of disability.
- D. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT:** Employees working a normal work week must become eligible after 4 weeks of work; those working less than the employer's normal work week must become eligible with 25 days (WCL Section 203).
- E. **EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION PER WEEK:** If the total amount of employee contributions entered above is in excess of one-half of 1% of wages paid or more than \$.60 per week, such contributions must be entered into by agreement and reasonably related to the value of the benefits as determined by the Chair under Section 211 of the WCL.

	A	B	C	D	E
CLASS OR CLASSES OF EMPLOYEES	BENEFIT AMOUNT OR RATE	MAXIMUM DURATION (Weeks)	WAITING PERIOD (Days)	ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT	EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION (Weekly)

**ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY**

## 7. PART B - PAID FAMILY LEAVE BENEFITS

If the Plan provides paid family leave benefits, please fill out Part B. If there are more classes of employees covered, attach additional sheets as necessary.

- A. **WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT OR RATE:** The minimum acceptable weekly benefit amount is, on or after January 1, 2018, at least 50% of the employee's average weekly wage or 50% of the state average weekly wage, whichever is less. Beginning January 1, 2019, at least 55% of the employee's average weekly wage or 55% of the state average weekly wage, whichever is less. Beginning January 1, 2020, at least 60% of the employee's average weekly wage or 60% of the state average weekly wage, whichever is less. Beginning on January 1, 2021 and thereafter, at least 67% of the employee's average weekly wage or 67% of the state average weekly wage, whichever is less. In all cases, if the employee's average weekly wage is less than \$100, the benefit amount must be at least the employee's average weekly wage.
- B. **DURATION OF BENEFIT (IN WEEKS):** Under Section 204 of the WCL, the minimum acceptable duration benefit periods are: on or after January 1, 2018, at least 8 weeks during any 52 week period; on or after January 1, 2019, at least 10 weeks during any 52 week period; and on January 1, 2021, at least 12 weeks during any 52 week period.
- C. **ELIGIBILITY PERIOD:** Employees working a normal work week must become eligible after 26 consecutive weeks of work; those working less than the employer's normal work week must become eligible within 175 days of work (Section 203 of the WCL). If the employee is eligible for paid family leave (after working 26 consecutive weeks or 175 days), there can be no waiting period for paid family leave benefits.
- D. **EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION PER WEEK:** If the total amount of employee contributions entered above is in excess of the maximum statutory contributions set annually by the Department of Financial Services pursuant to Section 209 of the WCL, such contributions must be entered into by agreement and reasonably related to the value of the benefits as determined by the Chair under Section 211 of the WCL.
- E. **NOTICE REQUIRED FOR FORESEEABLE LEAVE:** The Plan cannot require an employee to give more than 30 days of notice for foreseeable leave, or as soon as practicable for unforeseeable leave (Section 205 of the WCL).
- F. **EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION:** If an employee is covered by group health insurance, an employer cannot require an employee on paid family leave to contribute more than the amount he or she did prior to beginning leave.

**NOTE:** The Plan cannot negate the employee's right to reinstatement, to the same or an equivalent job, on return from paid family leave (Section 203-b of the WCL).

	A	B	C	D	E	F
CLASS OR CLASSES OF EMPLOYEES	BENEFIT AMOUNT OR RATE	MAXIMUM DURATION (Weeks)	ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT	EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION	NOTICE REQUIREMENT	HEALTH INSURANCE

**ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY**

8. Is the employee contribution amount greater than .60 cents per week for disability benefits or greater than the maximum rate set by the Department of Financial Services for paid family leave benefits? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", are such contributions by employee agreement? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. The Employer agrees that any excess of the aggregate contributions of the employees over the cost of providing benefits and any uncommitted balance of employee contributions remaining at the termination of this Plan shall be distributed or applied for the sole benefit of employees or otherwise applied or disposed of pursuant to Section 210, subdivision 4, and Section 216 of the Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law.
10. Except as stated above, does the Plan contain any restrictions or limitations on the payment of disability or paid family leave benefits other than as specified in the Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law and in the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", describe each such restriction or limitation in full (Attach additional sheet, if necessary).

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The Employer certifies that all eligible employees are to be provided disability and paid family leave benefits either by the Plan described above or in one or more of the ways specified in Section 211 of the Disability and Paid Family Leave Benefits Law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Owner, Partner or Authorized Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name and Title

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_

State of New York  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he or she is  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the above named Employer and that he or she is duly authorized to make this affidavit  
on behalf of said Employer. That he or she has carefully read the foregoing APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT and the facts therein  
stated or annexed thereto are true and correct.

Sworn to me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Owner, Partner or Authorized Officer

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Signature of Notary Public