



Hastings Highlands Public Library

Area: Human Resources
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Employees are granted paid leave of absence in the event of death in the family.

PROCEDURE:

- 1) The following apply to permanent **full-time** employees:
 - a) The employer pays an employee up to a maximum of Five (5) consecutive days pay at the employee's straight time hourly rate for all regular time lost in the event of the death of the employee's spouse (including common-law) son, daughter, common-law and step relationships, mother and father.
 - b) The employer pays an employee up to a maximum of Three (3) consecutive days pay at the employee's straight time hourly rate for all regular time lost in the event of a brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law or daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law and grandparent.
 - c) The Employer pays an employee One (1) day's pay at the employee's straight time hourly rate for the death of an aunt, uncle, niece and nephew.
 - d) Common-law status is recognized but in no event is an employee eligible for paid leave for a former common-law relationship.
 - e) When the funeral occurs outside the area, such leave shall include the employee's reasonable travelling time, not exceeding Seven (7) days. The employee shall not be paid during such allowable travelling time beyond the stated days leave with pay.
 - f) When burial involves an internment an employee shall be entitled to use One (1) day from the stated days leave with pay.
 - g) One (1) day leave is granted without loss of salary or wages to attend a funeral as a pallbearer, a request for such leave is given Twenty-Four (24) hours in advance of such leave, unless, under extenuating circumstances, such notice of time is not possible.

- h) In the event that bereavement leave is required while an employee is on paid vacation, such paid vacation is re-credited to the employee.
- 2) The following apply to permanent **part-time** employees;
 - a) Bereavement leave is applicable to part-time employees that they shall be paid their regular pay for up to three (3) working days on days that coincide with the date of the funeral, on days that part-time employees are scheduled to work.

Upon return to work all employees shall file a Leave of Absence Form (Appendix D) with their Manager.

See Note: Appendix D

APPENDIX D

Leave of Absence Form