

GUIDELINES FOR PREVENTION AND ERADICATION OF CHILD LABOUR

What is the minimum working age in Brazil?

Brazilian law prohibits night work, or work of a dangerous or unhealthy nature, for children under eighteen (18) years of age, and any form of work for children under sixteen (16) years of age, except as an apprentice, in which they may start from fourteen (14) years of age.

What is professional learning?

Professional learning, or on-the-job training, is conducted through a special employment contract, which must be done in writing and can last a maximum of two (2) years. The adolescent must be enrolled in a Professional Learning Program, in which he/she will receive technical-professional training alongside attending school.

For on-the-job training, the trainee is guaranteed to receive hands-on experience or practical training in a specific environment as part of the educational process.

What are the prohibited activities for workers under the age of 18?

Workers under the age of eighteen (18) are prohibited from engaging in activities that are unhealthy, dangerous, arduous, or occur at night-time, or that are harmful to morality, school attendance, or physical, psychological, moral and social development, as well as the activities listed among the Worst Forms of Child Labor.

What are the Worst Forms of Child Labor?

Examples of the Worst Forms of Child Labor include sexual and commercial exploitation, recruitment for drug trafficking, forced labor, machine operation, construction, the alcohol trade, and open-air activities, among others.

The full list of the Worst Forms of Child Labour (TIP list) can be found on the following website:

http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/_ato2007-2010/2008/decreto/d6481.htm

What are the consequences of child labor?

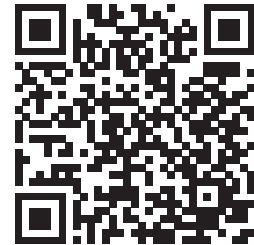
Child labor can damage the physical, psychological, moral and social development and health of children and adolescents.

Child labor impairs learning and is a contributing factor to school dropout rates.

Child labor can expose children and adolescents to violence, sexual harassment, intense physical exertion, poisoning and accidents at work.

How can child labor be reported?

To report cases of child labor, visit the Ipê Child Labor System, available at:
<https://ipetrabalhoinfantil.trabalho.gov.br>



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