EXEMPT OR NON-EXEMPT DECISION CHART

1. Employee earns at least twice the California State	Yes	No 🗆
minimum wage (for 2023 that is \$1240 per week or	If was an annual museling 2	If a consideration of the second of the seco
\$64,480 per year)	If yes, answer question 2.	If no, employee is non-exempt. Skip to question 7.
2. Employee's weekly wage is fixed. In other words,	Yes	No 🗆
the employee earns the same amount (at least twice		
the State minimum wage) no matter how many hours		
a day or days a week the employee works.*		
* Special rules apply for pay for certain kinds of time	If yes, answer question 3.	If no, employee is non-exempt. Skip to question 7.
off; see Administrative Handbook 5.6.1.1	il yes, aliswer question 5.	in no, employee is non-exempt. Skip to question 7.
3. Employee customarily and regularly exercises	Yes	No 🗆
discretion and independent judgment.		
	If yes, answer questions 4, 5 a-c and 6 as	If answers to questions 1-3 include a "no,"
	directed.	employee is non-exempt. Skip to question 7.
4. Employee's spends more than 50% of the time	Yes	No 🗆
directing, supervising, managing 2 or more		
employees (not volunteers); has authority to hire,	If yes to questions 1-4, employee is	If the only "no" to questions 1-4 is the answer to
discipline, and fire or has significant input into these	exempt. No need to answer 5a-c or 6.	question 4, answer questions 5a-c and 6.
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[Executive/Managerial Exemption]	V	N. \square
5a. Employee is State-licensed or certified and practices law, medicine, dentistry, optometry,	Yes	No 🗆
architecture, engineering, teaching, or accounting.	If yes to questions 1-3 and 5a employee	If the only "no" to questions 1-5a are the answers
architecture, engineering, teaching, or accounting.	is exempt. No need to answer 5b-c or 6.	to questions 4 and 5a, answer questions 5b-c and 6.
[Professional Exemption]	is exempt. No need to answer 35-c or o.	to questions 4 and 3a, answer questions 3b-c and 6.
5b. Employee is primarily engaged in a "learned"	Yes	No 🗆
profession – i.e., the work requires a prolonged	_	_
course of specialized intellectual instruction and	If answers to questions 1-3 and 5b are	If the only "no" to questions 1-5b are the answers
study, as distinguished from a general academic	"yes" employee is exempt. No need to	to questions 4, 5a-b, answer questions 5c and 6.
education and from an apprenticeship.	answer 5c or 6.	
[Learned Exemption]		

5c. Employee does work that is artistic, creative,	Yes \square	No ⊔
original and depends primarily on the invention,		
imagination, or talent of the employee.	If answers to questions 1-3 and 5c are	If the only "no" to questions 1-5c are the answers
	"yes" employee is exempt. No need to	to questions 4, 5a-c, answer question 6.
[Artistic Exemption]	answer question 6.	
6. Employee spends more than 50% of the time doing	Yes	No 🗆
office work directly related to:		
(i) significant management policies or general	If answers to questions 1-3 and 6 are	If answers to questions 1-3 include one or more
business operations of the employer, or	"yes" employee is exempt.	"no," and the answer to questions 5a-c and 6 is
(ii) the <i>academic</i> instruction or training engaged in by		"no" employee is non-exempt. Go to question 7.
an educational institution; and		
(iii) regularly and directly assists an executive or	[Note: determining if an employee fits	
administrator, or	this classification is quite complicated;	
(iv) performs, under only general supervision, work	consult with Human Resources before	
along specialized or technical lines requiring special	checking "yes"].	
training, experience, or knowledge, or		
(v) executes, under only general supervision, special		
assignments and tasks.		
[Administrative Exemption]		
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8. Is the employee scheduled to work more than 8 hours in a day?	Yes □ Employee must be paid time-and-a-half	No No evertime new is due
	for all time worked over 8 hours in a day	No overtime pay is due
9. Is the employee scheduled to work more than 12 hours in a day?	Yes	No 🗆
	 Employee must be paid double time for all time worked over 12 hours in a day Employee is entitled to a second 30-minute meal break (must be recorded on time card; need not be paid) However, if employee is scheduled to work 10 hours or less, employee may voluntarily waive the second meal break 	Overtime pay at time-and-a-half is due only for hours over 8 and less than 12
10. Is the employee scheduled to work more than 40 hours in a week?	Yes	No □
	Employee must be paid time-and-a-half for all hours worked over 40 in a week • If the 40 hours include time worked more than 8 hours a day during this work week, no additional overtime pay is due if employee is paid overtime for the more than 8-hour day (i.e., no "pyramiding" of overtime)	No overtime pay is due for hours worked over 40 if some of those hours are worked over 8 or over 12 on one or more days
11. Employee is going to chaperone or conduct an overnight retreat	Overtime pay rules in questions 7-9 apply.	
	The employee's work schedule for the week before or after the overnight retreat may be adjusted to reduce total hours worked during that particular pay period	