



Employee Handbook Essentials Checklist

What a handbook needs to actually hold up.

FOUNDATIONAL POLICIES

- ☐ Employment standards compliance statement
- ☐ Hours of work, overtime, and scheduling
- ☐ Vacation and statutory holidays
- ☐ Leaves of absence

CONDUCT & CULTURE

- ☐ Code of conduct
- ☐ Workplace harassment and violence prevention policy
- ☐ Anti-discrimination and accommodation policy
- ☐ Confidentiality and social media use

OPERATIONAL

- ☐ Health and safety responsibilities
- ☐ Progressive discipline framework
- ☐ Termination and resignation process
- ☐ Signed acknowledgment and receipt on file for every employee