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Informational Sheet: Youth Employment Standards

**HOURS OF WORK STANDARDS FOR
EMPLOYMENT IN AGRICULTURAL PROCESSING**

The following pertains to 16 and 17 year olds employed in agricultural processing and corn detasseling:

- 1) The following standards apply if the 16/17 year old **is attending school**:
 - 10 hours per day
 - 48 hours per week school and work combined
 - 6 days per week
 - Weekly average not exceeding 8 hours
 - No work between 10:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; or 11:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, during school vacation periods and during periods when a minor is not regularly enrolled in school, without an approved deviation
- 2) The following standards apply if the 16/17 year old **is not enrolled in school**, or when school is not in session, and **does not have written approval** from a parent/guardian as well as the minor's consent for an extended work schedule permitted by Section 11(3) of the Youth Employment Standards Act:
 - 10 hours per day
 - 48 hours per week
 - 6 days per week
 - Weekly average not exceeding 8 hours
 - No work between 11:30 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- 3) The following standards apply when the 16/17 year old **is not enrolled in school**, or when school is not in session, and **does have written approval** from a parental/guardian to work extended hours on file before the employment begins:
 - 11 hours per day
 - 62 hours per week with the minor's consent
 - No work between 2:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m.; no deviation is permitted

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