

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
Washington

HANDICAPPED WORKERS SPECIAL CERTIFICATES EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1940

The termination date of all special certificates for handicapped workers issued under the Fair Labor Standards Act, which do not expire before September 1, 1939, was extended today to September 1, 1940, unless otherwise modified by future regulations.

Acting Administrator Paul Sifton, in signing the amendment to the regulation (Federal Register, August 12, 1939), explained that "the regulations may be changed before September 1, 1940, chiefly for the purpose of enabling the Wage and Hour Division to handle these applications at regional offices for the greater convenience of the handicapped worker and his employer."

These special certificates permit the employment of handicapped persons at wages lower than the minimum set by the wage and hour law, which is 25 cents an hour and after October 24, 1939, 30 cents an hour. Certificates are granted wherever it is shown that this special treatment is necessary to prevent curtailment of opportunities for employment.

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