

Your Breastfeeding Rights in Louisiana

Yes, you can breastfeed in public! Mothers can breastfeed in any public place, and breastfeeding is not a violation of the law.

Yes, you can pump at work! Employers are required to give their hourly employees a private space and break time to breastfeed or pump milk to feed their babies.

Yes, you can choose any child care facility! Child care facilities are prohibited from discriminating against breastfed babies.

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State and Federal Breastfeeding Laws

Louisiana law RS.51.2247.1 says that a mother can breastfeed in any public place, and clarifies that breastfeeding is not a violation of state law.

The **Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (Section 4207)** requires employers to provide break time and a private space for female hourly employees who are breastfeeding or pumping milk in the workplace. In Louisiana, law 17:81 (W) requires school boards to develop a written policy to support school employees who are breastfeeding.

R.S. 46.1409B(5) prohibits child care facilities from discriminating against breastfed babies.

R.S. 47:305.67 exempts breastfeeding items from state sales tax (applies to breast pumps, parts, nursing bras, and storage bags).

