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New Ontario Public Holiday – Family Day

On October 12, 2007, the Ontario Legislature amended the Regulations under the *Employment Standards Act, 2000*, and declared Family Day to be a public holiday. Accordingly, with limited exceptions, eligible employees in Ontario will enjoy another day off work each year with public holiday pay. Family Day will occur on the third Monday of each February beginning in February 2008.

Ontario now has nine public holidays under the *Employment Standards Act, 2000*: New Year's Day, Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

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