

CHILD ENTERTAINMENT POLICIES

In Oklahoma, state and federal child labor laws currently do not regulate children employed as actors or performers in motion pictures, theatrical, radio, or television productions. Union projects must defer to the strict policies as implemented by the Screen Actors Guild. Non-union projects must insure that care is taken to protect the safety and well-being of the child.

Summary of exemption and contacts as of 5/1/2015:

1) [Oklahoma Statutes, Title 40 - Oklahoma Department of Labor](#)

“No child under the age of sixteen (16) shall be permitted to work in any occupation or in any establishment other than those occupations permitted by the Fair Labor Standards Act”

2) [Fair Labor Standards Act - United States Department of Labor \(USDOL\)](#)

“The federal youth employment provisions do not apply to children employed as actors or performers in motion pictures, theatrical, radio or television productions”

3) [USDOL Child Entertainment Provisions Chart by State](#)

Detailed state-by-state chart highlighting guidelines for child entertainers

4) [Screen Actors Guild National Headquarters](#)

Contact toll-free 855-724-2387

For recorded information about child actors, contact 323-549-6030

5) [Oklahoma Film and Music Office](#)

Contact Film & Locations Coordinator Yousef Kazemi at Yousef.Kazemi@TravelOK.com

6) [Oklahoma Department of Labor](#)

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