

EUT POLICY ON GIFTS

It is against State policy for an employee to accept gifts from any person or business that conducts business, or expects to conduct business, with the State of Maine.

Further, it is unlawful (Title 17-A M.R.S.A. Sections 602, 604, 605 and 606) for persons or businesses to give gifts to State employees and for State employees to accept gifts that are intended to improperly influence the State employees in the exercise of their duties.

For the purpose of administrative guidance, gifts do not include advertising items of nominal value such as calendars, pens, or pencils. However, goods and services which involve a pecuniary benefit should be considered to be gifts.

REFERENCE:

[Holiday Gift Memo \(November 30, 2009\)](#)