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(e) Foreign or Migrant Workers – If foreign or migrant workers are working for you, you must follow the labor and immigration laws of the host country. Before hiring, the basic terms of the employment must be provided to the workers in a language they understand. Workers will be able to keep their own passports and other forms of personal identification, which are never to be withheld by you or any third party.

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