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Domestic Partner Definition

Domestic partner means either of the following:

An Oregon Registered Domestic Partner is a person who is:

1. At least 18 years of age;
2. Has entered into a domestic partnership with a subscriber of the same sex; and
3. Has legally registered a Declaration of Domestic Partnership and obtained a Certificate of Registered Domestic Partnership in accordance with Oregon state law.

A domestic partner who is not an Oregon Registered Domestic Partner is a person at least 18 years of age who:

1. Shares a close personal relationship with a subscriber such that each is responsible for each other's welfare;
2. Is the subscriber's sole domestic partner;
3. Is not married to any person and has not had another domestic partner within the prior six months;
4. Is not related by blood to the subscriber as a first cousin or nearer;
5. Shares with the subscriber the same regular and permanent residence, with the current intention of doing so indefinitely;
6. Is jointly financially responsible with the subscriber for basic living expenses such as food and shelter;
7. Was mentally competent to consent to contract when the domestic partnership began; and
8. Has provided the required employer documentation establishing that a domestic partnership exists.