

Directive 2009/52/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 providing for minimum standards on sanctions and measures against employers of illegally staying third-country nationals

*Article 3*

**Prohibition of illegal employment**

- 1 Member States shall prohibit the employment of illegally staying third-country nationals.
- 2 Infringements of this prohibition shall be subject to the sanctions and measures laid down in this Directive.
- 3 A Member State may decide not to apply the prohibition referred to in paragraph 1 to illegally staying third-country nationals whose removal has been postponed and who are allowed to work in accordance with national law.