

International LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE UNION

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LOCAL 500 BULLETIN

## **It is Your Responsibility**

When you are not working you have to let the **Union Office Staff** know.

You must let the **Union Office Staff** know **the day of or just prior to your return to work**.

Do not think that because you told someone else (ie: Business Agent or Secretary Treasurer) that the **Union Office Staff** has received the information. Do not think that because you told the BCMEA that they would tell the Union. The computers do not talk to each other.

It is your responsibility to let the **Union Office Staff** know. **<u>Pick up a</u> <u>phone.</u>** 

It is very important to you that you tell the **Union Office Staff** if you stop work and when you return to work from:

- Being on Weekly Indemnity (Sick Benefits)
- WCB (Compo) injury
- Taking a Foreman's job

If you do not let the **Office Staff** know that you have returned to work, your accumulated dues and assessments will be deducted from your first cheque. You have to talk to the **Union Office Staff** before you return to work so that they can call the Pay Office and adjust your dues.

If you are off work for 30 days or more on Weekly Indemnity or WCB we do not collect dues of \$149. If you are off work for 90 days or more on Weekly Indemnity or WCB we do not collect dues or assessments. Currently dues and assessments are \$189 a month. If you are off work for 90 days or more, and you return to work without telling us, the Pay Office will deduct a minimum of \$567 from your first cheque.

There is no pro rating of dues if you are off less than 30 days. All adjustments are done in 30-day increments.

ILWU Local 500 Secretary Treasurer