



Sheet Metal Workers' & Roofers' Local 30

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Sheet Metal Bereavement Benefit Coverage

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In the 2001 Contract Negotiations, it was agreed by Memorandum of Settlement between the Ontario Sheet Metal and Air Handling Group and the Ontario Sheet Metal Workers' and Roofers' Conference dated May 4, 2001, that the employers covered by the Collective Agreement would make a \$0.02 contribution to a bereavement fund for each hour worked by each of their employees.

A Board of Trustees, consisting of Brothers Jason Addison, Allan Boyce and Chris Paswisty was established. After monitoring the monthly contributions, and taking into account the size of our membership, the Board has set in place the following guidelines and extent of coverage.

As of May 1, 2003, Bereavement Pay Benefits in the amount of \$150.00 per day shall be paid to any member for up to two (2) full days of lost work, or opportunity to work, in relation to the member's attendance at a funeral or memorial service upon the death of a member's Spouse, Child, Parent, Parent-in-Law, Grandparent or Sibling. Bereavement Pay Benefits in a lesser amount than \$150.00 per day may be paid if a member has lost less than a full day's work or opportunity to work.

Bereavement Pay Benefits shall only be paid to members who:

- a) were employed at the time of the funeral or memorial service and were not reimbursed for lost wages for the days claimed by their employer, or were properly registered for work through the Union's hiring hall and were otherwise willing to work;
- b) if employed at the time of the funeral, obtain a Declaration Letter, from their employer for confirmation that the member was away from work for the day(s) in question and was not reimbursed by the employer for the time lost from work due to bereavement;

- c) have filed a claim for benefits on the required form within 60 calendar days of the death of one of the above-described persons;
- d) At the time of funeral or memorial service, have entitlement to welfare benefits under the Sheet Metal Workers' Local 30 Welfare Trust Fund;
- e) Provide a photocopy of the deceased person's death certificate within 60 calendar days of death.

Claims should be submitted to:

Bereavement Fund Trustees
Sheet Metal Workers' & Roofers' Local 30
190 Milner Avenue
Toronto, ON M1S 5B6

The Trustees look forward to assisting you in easing the financial burden and hardship that occurs at a time of great loss.

Fraternally yours,



Arthur E. White, Business Manager
Financial Secretary/Treasurer
On behalf of the Board of Trustees
S.M.W.I.A. Local 30 Bereavement Trust Fund

Bereavement Benefit Form

First Name

Initial

Last Name

Street No.

Street Name

APT. #

City

Province

Postal Code

Area Code

Telephone

Membership No.

Social Insurance Number

MUST BE COMPLETED BY MEMBER

1. I hereby claim \$150.00* per day for _____ 20____
(dates not worked)

during which I was away from or unavailable for work because I was attending a funeral or memorial service for _____.

(Name of deceased)

2. The deceased person was related to me as a (please check appropriate box):

Spouse

Brother

Child

Sister

Parent

Grandparent

Parent-in-law

3. At the time of the funeral or memorial service I was a Member in good standing of the Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, Local Union 30, I was:

(Check one)

- (a) employed by _____, and did not receive any reimbursement for lost wages for the days claimed above (member must supply a letter from his or her employer confirming wage loss);
- (b) was unemployed, but properly registered on the Union's out of work list and otherwise available for employment; or
- (c) other: (please explain)

_____.

✓ **All members claiming bereavement benefits must file a claim and submit a copy of the deceased person's death certificate within 60 calendar days of the death.**

✓ **To qualify for benefits, members must have entitlement to welfare benefits under the Sheet Metal Workers' Local 30 Welfare Trust Fund.**

DATED at _____ this ___ day of _____ 20__.

Member's Signature

*Note 1: The maximum claim is \$150.00 per day for up to 2 days. A lesser amount than \$150.00 per day may be paid if a Member has lost less than a full day's work or opportunity to work. Bereavement Pay Benefits are payable in relation to deaths which occur on or after May 1, 2003.