

**CARPENTER 1588 INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS  
COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT  
2020 - 2025**

**- BETWEEN -**

**NOVA SCOTIA CONSTRUCTION LABOUR RELATIONS  
ASSOCIATION LIMITED**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "CLRA")

**- AND -**

**UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS & JOINERS  
OF AMERICA, LOCAL UNION 1588**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Union")

*THIS AGREEMENT* dated at Sydney, Nova Scotia this 4th day of November, 2020.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: AUGUST 13, 2020**  
**EXPIRATION DATE: JUNE 30, 2025**

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Amendment #2 – January 1, 2023  
Amendment #3 – April 24, 2023  
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**BETWEEN**

**NOVA SCOTIA CONSTRUCTION LABOUR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION LIMITED**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "CLRA")

*OF THE FIRST PART*

- AND -

**UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS & JOINERS OF AMERICA**  
**LOCAL UNION 1588, SYDNEY, NS**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Union")

*OF THE SECOND PART*

Definition of terms required for interpretation of this Agreement are attached hereto and form part hereof.

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**DIRECTORY**


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Amendment #3 – April 24, 2023

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**ARTICLE 1A - PURPOSE**

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- 1A.01 The CLRA, the employers and the Union wish to make a Collective Agreement (with Trade Appendix appended) respecting the employees of the employers engaged in the Construction Industry on Industrial projects and wish to ensure uniform interpretation and application in the administration of this Collective Agreement with a speedy and equitable adjustment of any grievances which may occur.
- 1A.02 This Agreement is intended for an Area Agreement, therefore, it is agreed that the scope of this Agreement is the Island of Cape Breton.
- 1A.03 This Agreement is intended to cover the employer's work on all Industrial projects as defined under Article 1A and shall exclude all road building and paving construction.
- 1A.04 This Agreement shall be a Collective Agreement consisting of both the Articles and Trade Appendix attached hereto.

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**ARTICLE 1B - INDUSTRIAL DEFINITION**

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1B.01 Industrial projects shall be defined as the initial construction or modernization of an Industrial Project such as listed in sub-paragraph (a), with a total Tender Value in excess of twenty-one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$21,900,000.00) regardless of the individual Contractor's Tender Value, regardless of whether the Owner or their Consultant/Management decided to call Tenders for their respective Industrial Projects in phases and the Dollar Tender Value of phasing is maintained at twenty-one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$21,900,000.00) or less. This amount shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the Consumer Price Index as reported by Statistics Canada.

(a)

- Oil Refineries
- Pulp & Paper Mills
- Chemical Plants
- Manufacturing Plants, Processing Plants
- Assembling Plant
- Rubber Plants (such as Michelin)
- Deep Sea Ports or Docks
- Steel Mills
- Basic Metal Producing Facilities
- Power Plants
- Heavy Equipment Manufacturing
- Ore Reduction Plants
- Construction on Mine Sites
- Cement Plants
- Industrial Transportation Centres
- Construction on Shipyards
- Coal Liquefaction Projects
- Syn-Fuels Projects
- Coal-Water (Carbogel) Fuel Projects
- Fluidization Projects
- Gas Projects
- Wharves constructed as part of an ongoing Industrial Agreement
- Wind Mills and Wind Mill Farms (as per Schedule “B”)

All work on an existing Industrial facility or facilities as listed above will be carried out under the terms and conditions of the Industrial Agreement.

1B.02 The CLRA or the Union shall be entitled to call a joint meeting of the Parties to clarify the classification of any job as industrial or commercial, prior to tender closing.

- 1B.03 All shut-down work shall be performed under the terms and conditions of this Agreement. A shut-down is defined as all major mechanical maintenance on processing equipment performed on a site or facility constructed under this Agreement.
- 1B.04 Remediation work on Industrial, former Industrial, and Commercial sites shall be performed under the terms and conditions of the Commercial Agreement.

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## ARTICLE 2 - RECOGNITION

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- 2.01 For the purpose of this Agreement, the term "employee" shall mean all hourly rated employees employed by the employer but does not include office and clerical workers, guards, watchpersons, time checkers, material superintendents, technical personnel, superintendents, assistant superintendents, craft supervisors or classifications above the rank of general foreman as provided for in Trade Appendix, and persons transporting materials (including concrete and gravel), equipment or supplies from a point of origin outside the site to a destination inside the site or from a point of origin inside the site to a destination outside the site.
- 2.02 If the workers on work over which the Union has jurisdiction are required in classifications not listed in the Trade Appendix, the Appendix shall be amended by adding such classifications at the agreed wage rates.
- 2.03 The Union recognizes the Nova Scotia Construction Labour Relations Association Limited as the sole collective bargaining agent for all unionized employers as covered by Accreditation Order L.R.B. No. 428C, dated April 5, 1977.
- 2.04 In order to bind non-CLRA employers to the provisions of this Agreement, the Union should file any letter of agreement/recognition with the Minister of Labour in accordance with Section 30 of the Trade Union Act.
- 2.05 No employer bound to this Agreement shall, acting as a Project Manager or Construction Manager, provide Supervisors, Foremen, Lead Hands or manpower to work directly with non-unionized workers on any project in the Industrial/Commercial Sector of the construction industry.

Failure to comply with this Article will result in grievances and claims for compensation.



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**ARTICLE 3 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

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- 3.01a Subject to the limitations and specific terms of this Agreement, the management of the project and the discretion of the working force including, but not limited to, the right to plan, direct and control operations, hire, lay off, transfer on site, maintain discipline and efficiency of employees, establish and enforce rules of conduct, discipline and discharge employees for just cause, increase or decrease the working force, determine methods and schedules of construction operation, material and equipment to be used, are vested solely in the employer. The Parties agree that the foregoing enumeration of employer rights shall not be deemed to exclude other functions not specifically covered by this Agreement. The employer in the exercise of these rights shall not discriminate against any member of the Union.
- 3.01b Site Rules, if used, must be provided at mark-up meetings or as soon as possible thereafter and each employee must be given a copy to read and sign upon hiring.
- 3.02 It is agreed among the Parties that the past practices relating to transfer of employees will continue.

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**ARTICLE 4A - UNION SECURITY**

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- 4A.01 When employees are required, the employer shall request the Union to furnish competent and qualified workers in the classifications listed in the Trade Appendix appended hereto and, insofar as possible, all workers, so furnished will be recruited from the jurisdiction of the Union. (The referral slip system may be used at the option of the Union, if the referral slip is used it shall show the employee's permanent address.) If after a period of forty-eight (48) hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and designated holidays, from the time the request is made the Union is unable to supply the quantity and/or skills required, the employer may procure such workers elsewhere. All employees secured from other sources will be cleared by the Union before commencing work for the employer. The provisions of Article 4A.01 shall be modified according to the Trade Appendix of this agreement.
- 4A.02 The employer agrees that employees employed within categories covered by the terms of this Collective Agreement shall be required as a condition of continued employment to become and remain a member of the Union. Forms authorizing the check-off of Union dues and initiation fee will be supplied by the Union to the employer. The employer will distribute these forms to the employee which will be affected, collect them when signed, retain the check-off authorization and forward them to the Union(s) at the proper address on file.
- 4A.03 Empowered by the authorization forms signed by each employee, the employer agrees to deduct weekly, or from the first (1<sup>st</sup>) pay period of each month, the amount certified by the Union as dues. The check-off remittance form shall include the Social Insurance number of the employee.

- 4A.04 Should the employee be newly joining the Union, the employer agrees to deduct the initiation fee in the amount that has been certified as the then current fee in the Union when such deduction is authorized by the signature of the employee on the proper form. If the Union agrees, such initiation fees shall be deducted in weekly instalments.
- 4A.05 The amounts so deducted shall be remitted by the employer to the proper Union at the address on file during the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) week of each month, together with a list of all employees on whose behalf such deductions have been made.
- 4A.06 The Union shall indemnify and save the employer harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of, or by reason of, action taken or not taken by the employer for the purpose of complying with any of the provisions of this section, or in reliance on any list, notice or assignment furnished under any of such provision.
- 4A.07 The Union agrees that membership will be granted to all employees under the terms and conditions that prevail in the Union.
- 4A.08 The employer shall not discriminate against any employee by reason of their membership in the Union and/or their participation in its lawful activity.
- 4A.09 All workers secured from sources other than the Union will be commonly known as Travel Card Workers and will be cleared by the Union before commencing work for the employer.
- 4A.10 Travel Card Workers shall be replaced by Union members when such members are available:
- (a) after the Travel Card Worker has been employed for at least one (1) month; and
  - (b) after they receive a notice of layoff of one (1) working day.
- 4A.11 The Union shall have the right to amend its dues structure provided that the structure is not changed more than once in any twelve (12) month period and the CLRA and the employer receives two (2) months notice of such change.
- 4A.12 Employers shall not transfer their employees from their payroll to another employer on the same site or project unless agreed to by the Union.
- 4A.13 Employers shall not hire for employment employees laid off or terminated by another employer on the same site or project (subject to the policy of the Union).
- 4A.14 The Parties agree to cooperate to facilitate broad and liberal leaves for operations and training military leave for workers who serve as members of the Canadian Forces Reserves, in accordance with provincial and federal law and the Declaration of Support for the Reserve Force signed by the Canadian Office of the Building and Construction Trades Department and the National Construction Labour Relations Alliance, dated May 12, 2010.

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**ARTICLE 4B - STEWARDS**

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- 4B.01 The Business Agent or Business Manager shall appoint job Stewards and prior to such appointment shall discuss the appointment with the employer. The Steward of the Union will be an employee of the employer who is a qualified journeyperson and who will perform the work of a journeyperson at the journeyperson's rate of pay. In addition to their duties as a journeyperson, they shall be permitted reasonable time to perform such of their Union duties as cannot be performed off the job. If it is necessary for the Steward to leave their work they must first obtain permission from the Foreman or Superintendent whenever possible. Such permission would not be unreasonably withheld. They shall assist the employer and the Union members in carrying out the provisions of this Agreement.
- 4B.02 It is agreed that only one (1) Steward and one (1) alternate on each shift shall be recognized by each employer and the Union shall notify the employer in writing of the name of the Steward and their alternate.
- 4B.03 Once appointed by the Business Manager for their respective shifts, Stewards shall not be transferred from job to job or shift to shift without approval of the Business Agent or Business Manager.
- 4B.04 The employment of the alternate Steward shall not be terminated until:
- a) there are twenty (20) or fewer employees on site; and
  - b) the employer has discussed the matter with the Business Agent/Manager or the Steward.
- The alternate Steward shall not assume any Steward duties unless the regular Steward is off-site.
- 4B.05 The employer agrees to recognize the Steward and alternate Steward appointed by the Business Agent/Manager. The Steward or alternate (alternate when the designated Steward is unavailable) shall be on the site whenever more than three (3) employees, including Foremen, of their craft from the shift are working, including overtime hours, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- 4B.06 Subject to all other items and conditions of this Agreement, the Steward shall be the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) last person remaining on the job.
- 4B.07 The Steward may be on all committees pertaining to their craft. Under no circumstances shall the job Steward make any arrangements with the General Foreman, Foreman or Management that will change or conflict in any way with any section or terms of this Collective Agreement.

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**ARTICLE 5 - ACCESS TO THE JOB SITE**

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- 5.01 Business Representatives of the Union and International Representatives shall have access to the project during working hours, but in no case shall their visits interfere with the progress of the work. Arrangements will be made with the employer's representative on the job. Conduct on the project will be subject to the general regulations of the employer.

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**ARTICLE 6 - NO STRIKE - NO LOCKOUT**

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- 6.01 The Union and employees agree that there will be no strike or other collective action which will interfere with, or stop, the efficient operation of construction work of the employer or any of them for the duration of this Agreement.
- 6.02 Participation by an employee, or group of employees, in any act violating the above provision will be cause for disciplinary action.
- 6.03 The employer agrees that there will not be any lockout of employees during the term of this Agreement.

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**ARTICLE 7 - HEALTH AND SAFETY**

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- 7.01 Employer and employee shall comply with all applicable provisions of provincial health, sanitation and safety laws and regulations, in addition to those rules established by the employer.
- 7.02 Employees shall not be required to work with unsafe equipment, nor where proper safeguards are not provided, nor under conditions which are injurious to health when the employer has any control over such conditions. Employees failing to comply with the Occupational Health & Safety Act are subject to dismissal.
- 7.03 Employees are required to report any unsafe work conditions or unsafe equipment used to perform their jobs which they determine is hazardous to working conditions and report such observations to a Safety Committee comprising of Shop Steward, Foreman and Site Superintendent.
- 7.04 (a) Each Contractor shall have a Safety Committee comprising of Shop Steward, Foreman and Site Superintendent. This Committee shall investigate such unsafe conditions as reported to them. The Committee shall study the reports made and determine what, if any, unsafe conditions exist and will recommend changes to remedy any unsafe working conditions.
- (b) All safety meetings shall be conducted according to the provisions and requirements of existing or future provincial legislation. Safety meetings will be held once a week at break time. This break time will be extended for Five (5) minutes in order to conduct said meetings.
- 7.05 Safety hats (liners when required) must be worn by all employees on the job site at all times; same to be supplied by the employer, cost to be deducted from employee's pay if not returned upon termination.
- 7.06 Sanitary facilities and fresh drinking water with ice and paper cups will be provided by the employer.
- 7.07 Fresh drinking water, tool sheds, and lunch rooms shall normally be maintained by the Craft using same except where other general arrangements have been made for a site.
- 7.08 Adequate quarters, heated and ventilated by window or by louver, when necessary shall be provided for employees to change clothes and eat lunch. Such quarters shall have benches and tables and be kept clean and no tools or equipment shall be stored in said quarters while employees are on the job.

- 7.09 Climatic protective clothing is to be supplied to the employees by the employer in accordance with the specifications of the Trade Appendix.
- 7.10 If an employee sustains an accidental injury during working hours, and has to receive off-site medical attention, the prevailing provincial legislation shall apply.
- 7.11 If an employee is injured while working on a premium rate of pay, the prevailing provincial legislation shall apply.
- 7.12 There will be no termination of an employee on compensation unless they so request or there is a lay-off of their trade until thirty-five (35) days after the employee's accidental injury.
- 7.13 Safety items and climatic protective clothing issued to the employee must be returned to the employer on termination; if not, cost to be deducted from the employee's pay, reasonable wear and tear accepted.
- 7.14 Employees shall be provided with a proper and adequate place of shelter, complete with heating facilities. The shelter shall have proper heating, lighting, ventilation and shall be lockable. Hand cleaner and paper towels shall be supplied in reasonable quantities. The employer agrees to normally provide the above facility before construction work commences on the project.
- 7.15 The Parties agree to observe the applicable provincial legislation or Worker Compensation.
- 7.16 There shall be discussion with representatives of the Union regarding the operation of any camp facilities provided.

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**ARTICLE 8A - PAY PERIODS**

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- 8A.01 Employees shall be paid by cheque during the regular working hours on Thursday of each week. If Thursday or Friday is a holiday, pay will be distributed on Wednesday. Employees shall be paid in a sealed envelope. Pay may be made by way of direct deposit provided pay stubs (including a full statement of hours worked, Pension & benefit and all contributions) are issued to employees on Thursday.
- 8A.02 There shall be a clear statement of all earnings and deductions on each employees' payroll slip. All employers shall include a full statement of employer contributions on the wage stub and provide a clear statement of earnings, deductions and contributions including year to date totals excluding non-payroll contributions to the employees weekly, if paid direct deposit, or on the job on Thursday each week, if paid by cheque. If Thursday or Friday is a holiday, the clear statement of earnings, deductions and contributions will be distributed on Wednesday.
- 8A.03 Where no work is provided on pay day prior to the commencement of the regular starting time, all employees entitled to reporting pay shall receive their regular pay cheques prior to 11:00 a.m. Failing issuance of such cheques by 11:00 a.m., the employer shall pay all such employees an additional one (1) hours pay at the regular straight time rate.
- 8A.04 Where no work is provided at the commencement of the second half of the shift on the regular pay day and the employees have not received their regular pay cheque prior to 1:00 p.m., all such employees shall receive an additional one (1) hours pay at the regular straight time rate.
- 8A.05 The employer agrees to issue with each pay (cash or cheque) or postmarked no later than Friday of the same week, either on the cheque or on a separate statement, information including the name of the employer, the name of the employee, period the pay covers, rate of pay, hours worked, regular or overtime, all additions and deductions, gross and net pay.
- 8A.06 In the event the Pension or Welfare Plan is discontinued for any reason whatsoever, the contribution shall be added to the hourly rate and become part of the wage package.
- 8A.07 Should the cheques not be distributed as set out herein, the employee shall immediately notify the employer.
- 8A.08 When cheques are not distributed on Thursday in accordance with this Article, the employees shall be allowed one-half (½) hour (paid) off to cash cheque on Friday. Should the employee not be paid until Monday of the following week, the employee shall receive one (1) days pay at the basic hourly rate for each working day until the day the cheque is paid, commencing Monday through Friday.
- 8A.09 The employees' work week shall be from 12:01 a.m. Sunday to 11:59 p.m. Saturday.

8A.10 If working a four (4) by ten (10) hour day work week, a clear statement of earnings and deductions is to be given to the employee by afternoon break on Wednesday, if direct deposit is used.

If paid on Wednesday by cheque onsite, the employee shall receive the cheque along with a clear statement of earnings and deductions by afternoon break.

In the event of failure to comply with the above, the employee shall receive two (2) hours pay for each day until the cheque and statement of earnings and deductions, (or statement of earnings and deductions, if direct deposit), is provided.

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**ARTICLE 8B - WAGES**

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8B.01 The regular hourly rates of pay for each classification of workers shall be in accordance with the rates contained in the Trade Appendix and which apply to their classification. The Trade Appendix is attached hereto and is hereby made part of this Collective Agreement.

8B.02 In the event the Pension or Welfare Plan is discontinued for any reason whatsoever, any employer contribution shall be added to the hourly rate and become part of the wages paid.

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**ARTICLE 8C - EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS & DEDUCTIONS AND  
EMPLOYEE DEDUCTIONS**

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8C.01 Employers signatory to this Agreement shall remit monthly the contributions and deductions in accordance with the Benefit/Welfare/Pension and other Fund contributions and deductions set forth in the Trade Appendix. In addition, employers will remit the amount set forth in Article 8D – Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund. The employer may remit these contributions and deductions by way of a bank transfer rather than by way of cheque.



**ARTICLE 8D –THE CARPENTER 1588 CONSOLIDATED FUND**

8D.01 The parties agree to a Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund as follows:

8D.02 During the term of this Collective Agreement, before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of each and every month during the said term, each employer shall supply and file such information as may reasonably be required by the Administrator, designated by the parties to be the Administrator, and included in such information for each single trade shall be the name of each employee, the Social Insurance Number of each employee and a schedule of total labour hours paid during the previous calendar month by Union members in its employ together with a cheque in the amount as set forth in 8D.03 of this Article.

8D.03 (a) Each employer bound by this Collective Agreement agrees to contribute to the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund, for each hour paid:

	<b>Effective <u>August 13, 2020</u></b>
Carpenters Union Local 1588	\$0.25
Nova Scotia Construction Sector Council	\$0.03
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTION FOR EACH HOUR PAID</b>	<b><u>\$0.28</u></b>

(b) Should the CLRA and Union desire to increase the contribution provisions of the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund as set forth in paragraph (a), the parties agree that such increase in contribution shall be implemented if so desired provided that the parties provide thirty (30) days notice of such amendment.

(c) Each employer must forward to the Administrator, along with the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund contribution, a statement of all hours worked in the appropriate period.

8D.04 The parties hereto agree that either party pursuant to the Collective Agreement establishing the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund, shall have the authority to utilize the arbitration procedure set forth herein for the collection of delinquent accounts for individual contributions required to be made pursuant to this Article. Any arbitrator appointed pursuant to this clause, is hereby expressly conferred jurisdiction to deal with the awarding contributions, damages and all related costs.

8D.05 No grievance instituted by either party pursuant to this Article shall be defeated on the basis of any technical or procedural objection as to arbitrability, including any objection based on provisions of timelines.

8D.06 In the event any one of the funds in Article 8D.03 (a) are wound up the following subdivision shall apply:

1. Carpenters Union Local 1588 portion of the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund shall be reduced by twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per hour paid and shall be added to the wage package.
2. Nova Scotia Construction Sector Council portion of the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund shall be reduced by three cents (\$0.03) per hour paid and shall be added to the wage package.

8D.07 **Nova Scotia Construction Sector Council and Carpenters Union Local 1588**

The employer shall remit twenty-eight cents (\$0.28) per hour for each hour paid per employee as part of the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund to:

**Carpenters Union Local 1588**  
24 Cossitt Heights Drive  
Sydney, Nova Scotia  
B1P 7E8

This twenty-eight cents (\$0.28) is a contribution from the employee and the wage rates printed in the Trade Appendix of this Collective Agreement have been adjusted to reflect that fact.

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**ARTICLE 8E – INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

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8E.01 All employers must contribute each month to the Industry Improvement Fund a total sum equal sixteen cents (\$0.16) for each hour paid in that month to any employee covered by this Agreement. This will be paid by cheque made out in favour of the Industry Improvement Fund and forwarded to the Administrator at the following address on or before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of the following month:

260 Brownlow Avenue, Unit #1  
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1V9

Separate cheques are to be issued for each trade classification that is being reported.

Remittance forms for this fund are available by trade classification at [www.nscra.ca](http://www.nscra.ca) or by phone at 902-468-2283.

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**ARTICLE 8F - DELINQUENT PAYMENTS**

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8F.01 Timely payment of wages and contributions to all trust funds provided for in this Agreement is essential for the protection of the beneficiaries. Delinquency and continued failure to pay wages and/or remit contributions to the trust funds shall be dealt with as follows:

- (i) The Union shall advise the employer in writing of any delinquency.
- (ii) If within seven (7) days of receipt of notification exclusive of Saturday, Sunday and Holidays, the employer has failed to pay delinquent contributions or the employer or their Construction Labour Relations Association has failed to request a meeting with the Union to provide for the payment of delinquent contributions, then the employer agrees that all contributions/deductions due and payable in accordance with this Agreement are in arrears and subject to an additional charge at the rate of ten percent (10%) on all contributions/deductions in arrears.

This is not to be construed that the above charges relieve the employer of any further liabilities which may occur because of their failure to report any pay contributions/deductions as provided.

- (iii) Should the matter not be resolved at the above mentioned meeting, the Union may demand payment of wages and contributions at the end of each day or at the end of each week or upon seventy-two (72) hours notice to the employer, withdraw its' members from the delinquent employer without contravening the terms of this Agreement.
- (iv) Delinquent companies will be liable for all legal costs incurred in the recovery of contributions.

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**ARTICLE 8G - VACATION ALLOWANCE**

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8G.01 A vacation allowance of nine percent (9%) of gross earnings shall be paid to each worker. Payment of such vacation allowance shall be made weekly or in accordance with the Trade Appendix.

8G.02 The employer and employee shall mutually agree upon the time the employee shall take their vacation.

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**ARTICLE 9A - FOREMAN**

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9A.01 When a foreman is appointed by the employer to supervise a crew of ten (10) or more employees, they will be paid a minimum premium of ten percent (10%) of base rate and holiday and vacation allowance.

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**ARTICLE 9B – GENERAL FOREMAN**

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9B.01 When a general foreman is appointed by the employer and/or as required by the collective agreement, they will be paid a minimum premium of fifteen percent (15%) of base rate and holiday and vacation allowance.

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**ARTICLE 10A - NORMAL HOURS OF WORK**

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10A.01 The normal work day is defined as the twenty-four (24) hour period beginning at 12:00 Midnight.

10A.02 The employer has the option of working either five (5) eight (8) hour days or four (4) ten (10) hour days to constitute a normal forty (40) hour work week. The employer can change from one (1) such schedule to the other, subject to the limitation that it will give the Union at least seven (7) calendar days' notice of such change.

When the four (4) ten (10) hour work week is in effect, the standard workday shall be an established ten (10) hour period. Forty (40) hours per week shall constitute a week's work Monday through Thursday, inclusive. In the event the job is down due to inclement weather, then Friday may, at the option of the employer, be worked as a make-up day at straight time rate; straight time not to exceed the ten (10) hours per day or forty (40) hours per week. Starting time will be designated by the employer; and the Union will be advised of the starting time. When a ten (10) hour normal work day is being worked, the hours of work shall be scheduled between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday to Thursday inclusive.

When the five (5) day eight (8) hour work week is in effect, forty (40) hours per week shall constitute a week's work, Monday through Friday, inclusive. When an eight (8) hour normal work day is being worked, the hours of work shall be inclusive. When an eight (8) hour normal work day is being worked, the hours of work shall be scheduled between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

An owner or a general contractor may declare a site to be subject to a five (5) by eight (8) hour work week or a four (4) by ten (10) hour work week.

In the event that such a declaration is made, all subtrades working on the site will comply.

The 4 x 10 hour day work week shall apply only when the week is scheduled for a minimum of 40 hours (4 days @ 10 hour/day) except where the week has a holiday.

10A.03 ***Lunch Period:***

Lunch break shall be one-half (½) hour as scheduled and taken within one (1) hour of the mid-point of the normal hours of work. The lunch period will be measured from ceasing labour to commencement of labour and will be taken at a time mutually agreed by the Parties hereto.

Should expediency require, the normal starting and quitting time and/or lunch period may be changed by mutual agreement of the Parties hereto.

**10A.04 Rest Period:**

During each normal work day, Saturdays, Sundays, and shift work, employees will be entitled to two (2) ten (10) minute paid rest periods to be scheduled and observed. When working a four (4) day, ten (10) hour schedule, the rest period will be fifteen (15) minutes each.

- one (1) rest period at the mid-way point of the first half of the normal hours of work;
- one (1) rest period at the mid-point of the second half of the normal hours of work.

Rest period will be measured from ceasing work to commencement of labour and will be taken at a time determined by the employer.

10A.05 The Union may agree that employees on a site who have missed time during the normal scheduled hours of work, Monday through Friday, may work extra hours including Saturdays at the regular straight time rate of pay up to a total of forty (40) hours per week.

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**ARTICLE 10B - SHIFT WORK**

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10B.01A In the event that shift work is instituted, such shift work shall be scheduled between Sunday Midnight and Friday Midnight and shall continue for at least three (3) consecutive work days, excluding Saturday, Sunday and designated holidays (the above shall not apply to concrete pours that are scheduled for more than sixteen (16) hours). If three (3) consecutive work days are not worked, then the Article on overtime will apply.

10B.01B When the Contractor schedules a work week of four (4) ten (10) hour shifts on days, and an evening shift is scheduled, it must also be four (4) ten (10) hour shifts between Monday and Thursday.

When a Contractor schedules a work week of five (5) eight (8) hour shifts on days and an evening shift is scheduled, it must also be five (5) eight (8) hour shifts between Monday and Friday.

The Contractor has the flexibility to start the Friday evening shift at an earlier time than the four (4) previous evening shifts in the same week.

10B.02 Employees working on the second and third shift shall be paid a shift differential of fifteen percent (15%).

10B.03 Where employees are receiving a shift differential and who work overtime hours on such shift, they shall continue to receive the shift differential for all such overtime hours but such differential shall not be included in the calculation of overtime.

10B.04 The employer shall allow a rest period of ten (10) minutes, once at the mid-way point of the first half of the regular scheduled shift and once at the mid-way point of the second half of the regular scheduled shifts.

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**ARTICLE 10C - OVERTIME**

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- 10C.01 All time worked in excess of the normal working hours Monday through Friday, shall be paid for at double (2x) the base rate set forth in the Trade Appendix.
- 10C.02 All work performed on Saturday, Sunday or on a holiday which is not a paid holiday, shall be paid for at double (2x) the regular straight time rate of pay.
- 10C.03 All work performed on a designated holiday shall be paid for at double (2x) the regular straight time hourly rate of pay for the time worked plus pay for the holiday if qualified.
- 10C.04 When required to work over two (2) hours overtime beyond the regular eight (8) hours, adequate meals will be supplied by the Company concerned. Meals will be supplied after each further four (4) hours overtime period. Such overtime meals shall be eaten on Company time and are not to exceed one-half (½) hour duration per meal period. Where an employee is required to work through the regular established lunch period, such employee shall be paid the applicable overtime rate for the one-half (½) hour lunch time and shall be given reasonable time to consume their lunch before or after the regular lunch period. Such time shall be paid for as part of the regular shift.
- 10C.05 Where meals cannot be provided, then employees who are required to work more than two (2) hours overtime shall receive a meal allowance as follows: twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), and a regular rest period. The meal allowance shall also apply to employees provided with camp accommodations (room and board).



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**ARTICLE 10D - REPORTING TIME**

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- 10D.01 Any employee, after being hired and reporting for work at the regular reporting time and for whom no work is provided, shall receive pay for two (2) hours at the regular rate of wages. Any employee who reports for work and for whom work is provided shall receive pay for the actual time worked, but not less than two (2) hours at the regular rate of wages, unless they have been notified before leaving their home not to report. Reporting time shall be at straight time rate, Monday to Friday, inclusive.
- 10D.02 Any employee requested to work on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday who reports at the scheduled starting time and for whom no work is provided shall receive pay for two (2) hours at the regular straight time rate of pay. In order to qualify, they shall remain on the job and be available for work for one (1) hour. If they commence work or are requested to stay beyond one (1) hour, they shall receive four (4) hours pay at double (2x) the straight time rate of pay. If more than four (4) hours are worked on that day they shall receive not less than eight (8) hours at double (2x) the regular straight time rate of pay.
- 10D.03 Exceptions, however, shall be when strike conditions make it impossible to put such an employee to work or when stoppage of work is occasioned thereby, when conditions arise which are beyond the control of the employer other than climatic conditions or when an employee leaves work of their own accord.
- 10D.04 In order to qualify for reporting time, an employee must remain on the job and be available for work during the period of such reporting time.
- 10D.05 When reporting for work and the employee is prevented from commencing work due to climatic conditions, they shall receive two (2) hours reporting time provided they remain on the job for the two (2) hours or is released by the employer.
- 10D.06 The employer shall determine when weather conditions on the job are such that workers shall or shall not work.

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**ARTICLE 10E - CALL BACK TIME**

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- 10E.01 Every employee who after completion of their regular working hours (Monday through Friday) and who has left the job and is called back and is required to work outside their regular working hours shall be paid at their applicable overtime rate but not less than two (2) hours.
- 10E.02 When employees are called out to work by Management on normal working days (Monday through Friday), Saturdays, Sundays, paid holidays and designated holidays and commence work regardless when called, Article 10D shall apply.
- 10E.03 Travel time and subsistence will apply if applicable.
- 10E.04 When employees qualify for reporting time (two (2) hours) in accordance with Article 10D, and are released by the employer and recalled by Management the same work day (7:00 a.m./5:00 p.m.) shall receive an additional six (6) hours (regardless of the number of hours worked that day) for a total of eight (8) hours at the basic rate of pay PLUS travel and subsistence allowance. The above shall also apply to shift work.

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**ARTICLE 10F - TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT**

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- 10F.01 Except in the cases of discharge for cause, the employer shall give the employee four (4) hours notice of lay-off or termination with pay. After the employee receives their notice they shall immediately proceed to return all Company-owned tools and equipment to the warehouse and obtain the necessary clearances, their final pay cheque and all monies owed and other association documentation.
- 10F.02 Notice of layoff shall be given to the employee at 12:00 noon and 4:30 p.m. Upon receiving notice, the employee shall be given four (4) additional hours pay at the straight time rate as a severance pay (ie. eight (8) hours pay for the morning and twelve (12) hours pay for the day).
- 10F.03 Employees who are laid off or discharged from the service of the employer shall receive their wages, all monies owed and Record of Employment or a copy of ROE Web e-Filing on termination if the payroll is made up on the project (jobsite), otherwise the employer shall mail the Record of Employment or a copy of ROE Web e-Filing and wages and all other monies owed within three (3) days, exclusive of Saturday, Sunday and designated holidays.
- 10F.04 Should the employer fail to comply with the provision, the employee shall receive eight (8) hours pay at their regular rate for each two (2) working days they are kept waiting.
- 10F.05 An employee may be dismissed for just cause on authority of the employer or their authorized representatives on the job. The Union and the employee shall be advised promptly by the employer of cause for such dismissal in writing.

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**ARTICLE 10G - HOLIDAYS**

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**(a) *Paid Holidays:***

- 10G.01 The paid holidays shall be as defined in the Trade Appendix.
- 10G.02 In order to qualify for payment of paid holidays, the workers shall have been on the payroll for the week of such paid holiday and have worked the last available work day before and the first available work day following such paid holiday.
- 10G.03 If an employee is terminated within the previous seven (7) calendar days prior to the contract holiday, they shall be paid for the contract holiday providing they have been employed by the employer for a minimum of ten (10) working days.
- 10G.04 Paid holidays shall be payable at:
- a) eight (8) hours on five (5) eight (8) hour days; and
  - b) ten (10) hours on four (4) ten (10) hour days.
- 10G.05 The employer agrees that any employee producing a Doctor's certificate for sickness for the scheduled working day before and the scheduled working day after the holiday will receive the regular rate of pay for all designated holidays which have been agreed upon as paid holidays.

**(b) *Designated Holidays:***

- 10G.06 All hours worked on Saturday, Sundays and on the following designated holidays shall be paid at double (2x) the normal hourly rate of pay.

New Year's Day, Good Friday, Heritage Day, Victoria Day, August Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Remembrance Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and Canada Day, **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**. If the Federal or Provincial Government declares a new Statutory Holiday, it shall be observed as an unpaid holiday.

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10G.07 During the period that this Agreement is in force, the following days shall be observed as Designated Holidays:

<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2020</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
Labour Day	Monday	September 7, 2020	Same
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	October 12, 2020	Same
Remembrance Day	Wednesday	November 11, 2020	Same
Christmas Day	Friday	December 25, 2020	Same
Boxing Day	Saturday	December 26, 2020	Monday December 28, 2020
<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2021</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
New Years Day	Friday	January 1, 2021	Same
Heritage Day	Monday	February 15, 2021	Same
Good Friday	Friday	April 2, 2021	Same
Victoria Day	Monday	May 24, 2021	Same
Canada Day	Thursday	July 1, 2021	Same
<u>August Civic Holiday</u>	Monday	August 2, 2021	Same
Labour Day	Monday	September 6, 2021	Same
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	October 11, 2021	Same
Remembrance Day	Thursday	November 11, 2021	Same
Christmas Day	Saturday	December 25, 2021	Monday December 27, 2021
Boxing Day	Sunday	December 26, 2021	Tuesday December 28, 2021
<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2022</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
New Years Day	Saturday	January 1, 2022	Monday January 3, 2022
Heritage Day	Monday	February 21, 2022	Same
Good Friday	Friday	April 15, 2022	Same
Victoria Day	Monday	May 23, 2022	Same
Canada Day	Friday	July 1, 2022	Same
<u>August Civic Holiday</u>	Monday	August 1, 2022	Same
Labour Day	Monday	September 5, 2022	Same
<b><u>National Day for Truth and Reconciliation</u></b>	<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>September 30, 2022</u></b>	<b><u>Same</u></b>
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	October 10, 2022	Same
Remembrance Day	Friday	November 11, 2022	Same
Christmas Day	Sunday	December 25, 2022	Monday December 26, 2022
Boxing Day	Monday	December 26, 2022	Tuesday December 27, 2022

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<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2023</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
New Years Day	Sunday	January 1, 2023	Monday January 2, 2023
Heritage Day	Monday	February 20, 2023	Same
Good Friday	Friday	April 7, 2023	Same
Victoria Day	Monday	May 22, 2023	Same
Canada Day	Saturday	July 1, 2023	Monday July 3, 2023
<u>August Civic Holiday</u>	Monday	August 7, 2023	Same
Labour Day	Monday	September 4, 2023	Same
<b><u>National Day for Truth and Reconciliation</u></b>	<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>September 30, 2023</u></b>	<b><u>Monday October 2, 2023</u></b>
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	October 9, 2023	Same
Remembrance Day	Saturday	November 11, 2023	Monday November 13, 2023
Christmas Day	Monday	December 25, 2023	Same
Boxing Day	Tuesday	December 26, 2023	Same
<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2024</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
New Years Day	Monday	January 1, 2024	Same
Heritage Day	Monday	February 19, 2024	Same
Good Friday	Friday	March 29, 2024	Same
Victoria Day	Monday	May 20, 2024	Same
Canada Day	Monday	July 1, 2024	Same
<u>August Civic Holiday</u>	Monday	August 5, 2024	Same
Labour Day	Monday	September 2, 2024	Same
<b><u>National Day for Truth and Reconciliation</u></b>	<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>September 30, 2024</u></b>	<b><u>Same</u></b>
Thanksgiving Day	Monday	October 14, 2024	Same
Remembrance Day	Monday	November 11, 2024	Same
Christmas Day	Wednesday	December 25, 2024	Same
Boxing Day	Thursday	December 26, 2024	Same
<u>CALENDAR YEAR 2025</u>	<u>HOLIDAY FALLS ON</u>		<u>HOLIDAY OBSERVED ON</u>
New Years Day	Wednesday	January 1, 2025	Same
Heritage Day	Monday	February 17, 2025	Same
Good Friday	Friday	April 18, 2025	Same
Victoria Day	Monday	May 19, 2025	Same

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10G.08 When the Employer has scheduled a four (4) day ten (10) hour work week and the Holiday falls on Friday, then the Holiday shall be observed on Thursday, as follows:

WHEN EMPLOYEE WORKS FIVE (5) EIGHT (8) HOUR SHIFTS:	
Paid holiday falls on Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is a paid day off at eight (8) hours.</li> <li>• Additionally, if worked, employee paid at double time.</li> </ul>
Paid holiday falls on Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friday is a paid day off at eight (8) hours.</li> <li>• Additionally, if worked, employee paid at double time.</li> </ul>
Unpaid holiday falls on Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is an unpaid day off (32 hours that week).</li> <li>• Or a day worked at double time.</li> </ul>
Unpaid holidays falls on Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friday is an unpaid day off (32 hours that week).</li> <li>• Or a day worked at double time.</li> </ul>
WHEN EMPLOYEE WORKS FOUR (4) TEN (10) HOUR SHIFTS:	
Paid holiday falls on Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is a paid day off at eight (8) hours.</li> <li>• Additionally, if worked, employee paid at double time.</li> </ul>
Paid holiday falls on Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is a paid day off at eight (8) hours.</li> <li>• Additionally, if worked, employee paid at double time.</li> </ul>
Unpaid holiday falls on Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is an unpaid day off (30 hours that week).</li> <li>• Or a day worked at double time.</li> </ul>
Unpaid holidays falls on Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday is an unpaid day off (30 hours that week).</li> <li>• Or a day worked at double time.</li> </ul>

**ARTICLE 11A - SUBSISTENCE**

11A.01 There shall be a free zone of fifty (50) road kilometres for employees around the job site. Travel and subsistence will not apply when travelling and working within this free zone.

11A.02 Transportation allowance shall apply to road mileage travelled by an employee from their permanent place of residence to the outside limit of a job site free zone as set out in Article 11A.01 up to a maximum of fifty-four (54) kilometres from the free zone.

Transportation mileage allowance rates will be paid two (2) ways as follows:

***Fifty-nine cents (\$0.59) per kilometre***

Mileage measurements shall be based on the shortest normally travelled route.

This figure shall be adjusted as per CRA figures for the life of this agreement. Mileage measurements shall be based on the shortest normally travelled route.

11A.03 In lieu of mileage allowance set out in Article 11A.02, an employee who has a permanent place of residence more than fifty-four (54) kilometres beyond the free zone shall receive the sum of the following, as subsistence allowance,

	<u>August 13, 2020</u>	<u>July 1, 2021</u>	<u>July 1, 2022</u>	<u>July 1, 2023</u>	<u>July 1, 2024</u>
5 x 8	<u>\$115.00</u>	<u>\$117.00</u>	<u>\$119.00</u>	<u>\$121.00</u>	<u>\$123.00</u>
4 x 10	<u>\$143.75</u>	<u>\$146.25</u>	<u>\$148.75</u>	<u>\$151.25</u>	<u>\$153.75</u>

Or, if a camp is provided, be given the opportunity to take up residence in camp at no cost to the employee for room and board. All employees who take up residence in camp agree to strictly abide by camp regulations which are now or may hereafter be posted.

11A.04 Subsistence allowance or room and board in the camp, whichever is applicable, will not be deducted from an employee's pay due to waiting time, inclement weather or a designated holiday. When an employee fails to report for work when work is available on the working day immediately preceding or following such bad weather days or designated holidays they shall forfeit subsistence allowance or room and board in the camp, whichever is applicable, for absenteeism on any working days. Forfeiture of subsistence allowance or room and board in the camp, whichever is applicable, may be waived in either case if the reason for such absenteeism is acceptable to the employer.

- 11A.05 An employee requesting permission from Management to leave the site for personal reasons prior to the usual quitting time, such permission should not be unreasonably withheld and applicable subsistence or daily travel shall apply for that day.
- 11A.06 It is the intent of the Parties that all benefits payable under this Article should be taxed in compliance with the relevant income tax legislation. The employer shall make the appropriate income tax forms (currently TD4 Forms) available on site.

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#### ARTICLE 11B - TRAVELLING TIME AND TRANSPORTATION

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- 11B.01 When an employee is instructed by the employer to report to a job location which necessitates transportation and travelling time they shall receive economy airline and/or other public transportation fare or the equivalent, plus meals when necessary. In each instance the employee will be compensated at their single hourly rate not exceeding eight (8) hours for such travelling time in any twenty-four (24) hour period.
- 11B.02 For permanent residents of Cape Breton Island, any employee whose permanent residence is more than ninety-seven (97) kilometres from the job site will receive two (2) hours at the straight time rate of pay plus bus rate, as outlined below in Paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4).
1. Any employee, after having been instructed by the employer to report for work, shall qualify for travelling time and travel expenses one (1) way, from the point of origin to the job, on the completion of thirty (30) calendar days employment.
  2. An employee after having been instructed by the employer to report to work shall be entitled to return travel expenses and travel time to the point of origin on the completion of ninety (90) calendar days employment.
  3. An employee shall be entitled to travelling time and expenses from the point of origin to the job site and/or the return to the point of origin if their employment has been terminated for the following reasons, regardless of duration of employment:
    - (a) if they have been laid off;
    - (b) if the job has been completed;
    - (c) if they have been granted permission by the employer to leave before completion.
  4. If their employment is terminated for just cause or the employee leaves of their own accord before having qualified for travel expenses and travelling time to and/or from the job they shall not be entitled to receive the cost of such travel expenses and travelling time.



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**ARTICLE 11C - HEIGHT PAY**

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11C.01 Height pay shall be dealt with in accordance with the Trade Appendix. In all instances height shall be defined as "free fall to point of impact."

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**ARTICLE 12 - GRIEVANCE & ARBITRATION**

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12.01 Unless the parties otherwise agree, the provisions of Section 107 of the Trade Union Act shall apply.

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**ARTICLE 13 - JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

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13.01 A mark-up will be held with each Contractor not later than the commencement of the Contractor's work on all Industrial plants or projects and no assignments shall be made before this mark-up. Mark-up assignments shall also apply to all sub-contractors. If a jurisdictional dispute arises once the work has commenced, assignments will be made in accordance with procedures, rules and regulations of the National Joint Board Building Trades Department, A.F.L. & C.I.O., or its successor. The work assignment shall not be completed until a meeting on site has been convened with all Parties involved and until a subsequent meeting (not later than 24 hours) has taken place, at which the Contractor shall present the work assignment on paper to all Parties. The employer shall make available detailed drawings of the work in dispute, subject to any written restrictions the Owner may have.

13.02 In the event such jurisdictional dispute cannot be settled on a local basis by the Unions involved, any of the Parties hereto may apply to the Nova Scotia Labour Board for an Interim Order under Section 51 of the *Trade Union Act*, Chapter 475, R.S.N.S., as amended.

13.03 In the event of other employers securing contracts normally performed by the Building Trade Unions that are not signatory to this Agreement, it shall be the responsibility of the project owner or their consultant/management, etc. to ensure that written instructions to comply with this Article forms part of their contract in order to avoid jurisdictional controversies with other Building Trade Unions

The CLRA or the Union shall be entitled to call a joint meeting to clarify the above.

13.04 Nothing contained in any Appendix to this Agreement shall be deemed a statement of, or claim of, trade union or craft jurisdiction in the construction industry; nor will anything contained in a trade Appendix be relied upon by any Union to establish, or support the claim of, jurisdiction over any particular work function in the construction industry.

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**ARTICLE 14 - DISCIPLINE**

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- 14.01 The procedure in disciplining an employee, regardless of the amount of time on the project, shall be:
- (a) Warn the employee in writing of the offence. Warning notice to be signed by the employee's Foreman and Job Steward. (Steward to sign only as a witness that the warning was given.) Copy of the warning notice mailed to the Union Office.
  - (b) Second warning calls for a suspension. The length of the suspension to be at Management's discretion but not to exceed one (1) week.
  - (c) The above not applicable to the following: intoxication, insubordination, theft, altercation on site, illegal work stoppages.

***Alcoholism and Drug Addiction:***

- 14.02 Without detracting from the existing rights and obligations of the Parties recognized in other provisions of this Agreement, the CLRA and its members and the Union agree to cooperate at the site level in encouraging employees afflicted with alcoholism or drug addiction to undergo a co-ordinated program directed to the objective of their rehabilitation.
- 14.03 Once an employee is dismissed for just cause, an employer may choose to not re-hire that employee for a period of up to six months. A general contractor may specify that an employee dismissed for just cause will not be eligible for work on a site controlled by that general contractor for a period of up to six months.
- 14.04 No cellular telephones will be permitted to be used onsite by employees during working hours, except as explicitly authorized by the employer. An employee shall not, during working hours, using a cellular device, record any images or communicate information regarding a jobsite. Violations of this article shall be subject to the following disciplinary scheme:
- First offence: written warning, copy of the warning notice mailed to the Union office;
  - Subsequent offence: seven (7) day suspension or dismissal as determined by the employer.

This section shall not apply to stewards and foremen using cellular phones in the course of their duties.

If an employee is requested or required by the Employer to use their personal cellular telephone for work purposes, any additional use charges will be reimbursed by the Employer.

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**ARTICLE 15 - BONDING**

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15.01 The Parties agree that, where the trustees of a Pension and/or Welfare and/or Training Fund have determined that there is a pattern of defaulting on contributions to such fund or funds on the part of employers who have not been party to a Collective Agreement with the Union for a period of one (1) year, then, upon the recommendation of the trustees, the Union may decline to supply employees to any employer who has not been a party to a Collective Agreement with the Union until the employer provides a security for a period of one (1) year in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).

This security may be used by the trustees, in the event of a default of payment by the said employer of Pension and/or Welfare and/or Training Funds as set out in this Collective Agreement, and applied to mitigate said default. The fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000.00) security shall be returned by the Union to the employer after thirty (30) days from the expiry of the one (1) year period that the security was provided by the employer along with accumulated interest, where the employer has not defaulted in any payments required for the Funds referred to herein, within the one (1) year period.

For the purpose of this Article the fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000.00) security shall be in the form of a negotiable security and negotiable at par and be deposited with the Administrator, Benefit Plan Administrators Limited.

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**ARTICLE 16 - OLDER WORKERS**

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16.01 The Parties agree that, in the event a scheme is set up with the participation of the Federal Government, the Provincial Government and the Construction Industry to assist the retirement of older workers from the industry then, as and when such a scheme is established, the employer shall contribute five cents (\$0.05) per hour for each hour paid in Commercial, and fifteen cents (\$0.15) per hour for each hour paid in Industrial. It is agreed that this contribution shall, minimally, be matched by an equal hourly contribution from the Unions.

This contribution shall become effective only upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Parties of the establishment of the scheme and shall apply on all jobs tendered after the establishment of the scheme.

All monies contributed under this Article will be used exclusively for the purposes of the above noted scheme.

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**ARTICLE 17 - TOOLS**

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- 17.01 If requested by the employer prior to commencement of employment, each employee who is required to supply tools of their trade as a condition of their employment shall have prepared a certified listing of all the tools supplied by them as duly evidenced by the employer. The employee shall report any additions and/or deletions to such listing as tools are brought on or removed from the site.
- 17.02 In the event any or all of the employee's said tools are destroyed or stolen at the site through no fault or negligence of the employee (but due to circumstances within the control of the employer), the employer shall reimburse the employee for the value of such tools providing that the employee reported their loss to the employer immediately upon being made aware of such loss and upon the submission of reasonable substantiating proof of loss and, where applicable, upon the recommendation of an insurance claims adjuster.
- 17.03 Tools and/or equipment issued to the employee must be returned to the employer on termination.

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**ARTICLE 18 - WELDING TEST**

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- 18.01 Whenever a welding test is required by the employer it is agreed that the employee, while taking such test shall be in the employ of the particular employer who requires the test.
- 18.02 Welding gloves and safety glasses shall be supplied by the employer.

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**ARTICLE 19 - DURATION**

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- 19.01 This Agreement shall become effective on August 13, 2020 and shall remain or continue in effect until the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025. Should either party desire to change, amend, or terminate this Agreement after that date, the party concerned agrees to give the other party not less than sixty (60) days notice in writing prior to the termination date of this Agreement. In the event no such notice is given in time by either party, this Agreement shall remain in effect from year to year.

**ARTICLE 20 - SIGNATORIES**

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20.01 This Collective Agreement shall become effective as of August 13, 2020.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Parties have executed this Collective Agreement at Sydney, Nova Scotia, on this 4th day of November, 2020.

**SIGNATORIES FOR THE:**

**NOVA SCOTIA CONSTRUCTION  
LABOUR RELATIONS  
ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

**UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF  
CARPENTERS & JOINERS OF  
AMERICA, LOCAL UNION 1588**

ROBERT SHEPHERD

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BRIAN LUND

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CLAYTON BARTLETT

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JACLYN ELLIOTT

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**WITNESS**

**SCHEDULE “A” – RESOLVING DISPUTES BETWEEN UNION & EMPLOYERS -  
TRIBUNALS**

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1. To enhance communication between the Union and employers with an emphasis on resolving disputes between both Parties.
2. Tribunal to consist of six (6) members, three (3) from Labour and three (3) from Management.

Members of the Joint Tribunal to be mutually agreeable to both Parties.

Nothing in this Addendum precludes either Party from exercising either rights as spelled out in the Nova Scotia Trade Union Act.

Parties to the dispute, may not serve on the Tribunal hearing their dispute.

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**SCHEDULE “B” – WIND MILLS AND WIND MILL FARMS**

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Within sixty (60) days of signing, a committee will be formed to discuss the scope of work for wind mills and wind mill farms.

**APPENDIX NO. 2 - CARPENTERS - INDUSTRIAL****BETWEEN**

**NOVA SCOTIA CONSTRUCTION LABOUR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION LIMITED**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "CLRA")

**- AND -**

**UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS & JOINERS OF AMERICA**  
**LOCAL 1588**  
(hereinafter referred to as the "Union")

Any scheduled change in payroll or employer contributions under this Appendix shall go into effect on the Sunday closest to the stated date of the change, so as to line up with Employer's payroll.

**NOTE: Wage Rates Effective August 13, 2020 - June 30, 2025**

<b>CARPENTERS JOURNEYPERSON</b>								
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b>V &amp; H 9%</b>	<b>Pension</b>	<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Carp 1588 Consol. Fund</b>	<b>IIF</b>	<b>Total Pkg</b>
<u>August 13, 2020</u>	<u>\$39.26</u>	<u>\$3.53</u>	<u>\$7.70</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$54.21</u>
<u>July 1, 2021</u>	<u>\$39.64</u>	<u>\$3.57</u>	<u>\$7.78</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$54.71</u>
<u>July 1, 2022</u>	<u>\$40.27</u>	<u>\$3.62</u>	<u>\$7.90</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$55.51</u>
<b><u>January 1, 2023</u></b>	<b><u>\$40.07</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.61</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.86</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$55.51
<u>July 1, 2023</u>	<b><u>\$40.69</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.66</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.99</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$56.31</u>
<u>July 1, 2024</u>	<b><u>\$41.32</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$8.10</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$57.11</u>

In addition to the above hourly rates the employer shall pay the amounts set out in the Pension Fund, Benefit Plan, Training Fund, Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund and Industry Improvement Fund, and deduct and remit the Union Administration Fund of this Appendix.

All contributions made to the Union Administration Fund; Benefit Plan Fund; Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund; Industry Improvement Fund; Pension Fund and the Training Fund shall be per hour paid, on/or before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of the month following.

**Amendment #2 – January 1, 2023**



**RE-OPENER CLAUSE:**

Recognizing that future developments may be such as to make changes in the terms and conditions of employment desirable, the Parties intend that each and every term and condition contained in this Collective Agreement between Carpenter 1588 and the CLRA may be amended upon the agreement of Carpenter 1588 and the CLRA.

**ENABLING CAUSE:**

Where a particular article or articles of this Collective Agreement is/are found to work a hardship for a particular project, the terms and conditions in this Agreement for that project may be modified by mutual consent, of the Union and the CLRA, when they deem it prudent. It is understood and agreed that where mutual agreement for such change cannot be achieved, the request shall not be subject to either grievance or arbitration. The Parties agree that they shall meet in joint conference no later than thirty (30) days after the ratification of this Agreement to discuss means of enabling and procedures to be followed.

**SUPERVISION:**

- Foreman premium .....a minimum premium of ten percent (10%) of journeyperson base rate and holiday and vacation allowance
- General Foreman .....a minimum premium of fifteen percent (15%) of journeyperson base rate and holiday and vacation allowance
- From 3 to 6 employees .....1 working Foreman
- From 7 to 10 employees .....1 non-working Foreman
- One (1) of the first three (3) employees will be a working Foreman
- When a crew exceeds six (6) employees there shall be a non-working Foreman
- After ten (10) employees the formula repeats
- Three (3) or more Foreman .....1 General Foreman

**CLASSIFICATION:**

- Pile Drivers .....Basic Rate
- Forklift Operators .....Basic Rate

The classification listed above is for the establishment of rates and in no way is to be interpreted as determining jurisdiction.

**APPRENTICES:**

Preference of employment shall be given to all Indentured Apprentices in order to provide a reasonable opportunity for those indentured to complete their apprenticeship. Apprentices may be indentured directly to employers.

When employers do not have the ratio of Apprentices as provided for in this Agreement, the Union shall have the right to include unemployed Indentured Apprentices when filling out job orders.

The employer will endeavour to maximize employment opportunities where practical. Apprentices shall be employed in a ratio of one to three (1:3) Carpenters per job and shall be governed in regards to hours, overtime and holidays the same as Carpenters and wages shall be:

**NOTE: Wage Rates Effective August 13, 2020 - June 30, 2025**

<b>APPRENTICES - CARPENTERS</b>										
			<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b>V &amp; H 9%</b>	<b>Pension</b>	<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Carp 1588 Consol. Fund</b>	<b>IIF</b>	<b>Total Pkg</b>
<b>Effective Date: August 13, 2020</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<u>\$18.52</u>	<u>\$1.67</u>	<u>\$3.63</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$27.54</u>
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<u>\$19.82</u>	<u>\$1.78</u>	<u>\$3.89</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$29.21</u>
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<u>\$22.69</u>	<u>\$2.04</u>	<u>\$4.45</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$32.90</u>
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<u>\$26.93</u>	<u>\$2.42</u>	<u>\$5.29</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$38.36</u>
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<u>\$28.99</u>	<u>\$2.61</u>	<u>\$5.69</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$41.01</u>
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<u>\$33.06</u>	<u>\$2.97</u>	<u>\$6.49</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$46.24</u>
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<u>\$35.17</u>	<u>\$3.16</u>	<u>\$6.90</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$48.95</u>
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<u>\$37.21</u>	<u>\$3.35</u>	<u>\$7.30</u>	\$2.00	<u>\$1.28</u>	<u>\$0.28</u>	\$0.16	<u>\$51.58</u>
<b>Effective Date: July 1, 2021</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<u>\$18.72</u>	<u>\$1.68</u>	<u>\$3.67</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$27.79</u>
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<u>\$20.03</u>	<u>\$1.80</u>	<u>\$3.93</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$29.48</u>
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<u>\$22.92</u>	<u>\$2.06</u>	<u>\$4.50</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$33.20</u>
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<u>\$27.20</u>	<u>\$2.45</u>	<u>\$5.34</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$38.71</u>
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<u>\$29.28</u>	<u>\$2.64</u>	<u>\$5.74</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$41.38</u>
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<u>\$33.39</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>	<u>\$6.55</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$46.66</u>
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<u>\$35.52</u>	<u>\$3.20</u>	<u>\$6.96</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$49.40</u>
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<u>\$37.59</u>	<u>\$3.38</u>	<u>\$7.37</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$52.06</u>

<b>APPRENTICES - CARPENTERS</b>										
			<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b>V &amp; H 9%</b>	<b>Pension</b>	<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Carp 1588 Consol. Fund</b>	<b>IIF</b>	<b>Total Pkg</b>
<b>Effective Date: July 1, 2022</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<u>\$19.03</u>	<u>\$1.71</u>	<u>\$3.73</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$28.19</u>
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<u>\$20.37</u>	<u>\$1.83</u>	<u>\$4.00</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$29.92</u>
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<u>\$23.29</u>	<u>\$2.10</u>	<u>\$4.57</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$33.68</u>
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<u>\$27.64</u>	<u>\$2.49</u>	<u>\$5.42</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$39.27</u>
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<u>\$29.75</u>	<u>\$2.68</u>	<u>\$5.83</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$41.98</u>
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<u>\$33.92</u>	<u>\$3.05</u>	<u>\$6.65</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$47.34</u>
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<u>\$36.08</u>	<u>\$3.25</u>	<u>\$7.07</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$50.12</u>
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<u>\$38.17</u>	<u>\$3.44</u>	<u>\$7.49</u>	\$2.00	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$52.82</u>
<b>Effective Date: January 1, 2023</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<b><u>\$18.83</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.69</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.70</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$28.19
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<b><u>\$20.18</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.82</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.95</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$29.92
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<b><u>\$23.10</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.08</u></b>	<b><u>\$4.53</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$33.68
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<b><u>\$27.45</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.38</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$39.27
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<b><u>\$29.55</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.66</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.80</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$41.98
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<b><u>\$33.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.03</u></b>	<b><u>\$6.62</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$47.34
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<b><u>\$35.88</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.23</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.04</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$50.12
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<b><u>\$37.98</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.42</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.45</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.25</u></b>	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	\$52.82
<b>Effective Date: July 1, 2023</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<b><u>\$19.14</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.76</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$28.59</u>
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<b><u>\$20.52</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.85</u></b>	<b><u>\$4.02</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$30.36</u>
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<b><u>\$23.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.11</u></b>	<b><u>\$4.61</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$34.16</u>
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<b><u>\$27.88</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.51</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.47</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$39.83</u>
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<b><u>\$30.02</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.70</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.89</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$42.58</u>
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<b><u>\$34.25</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.08</u></b>	<b><u>\$6.72</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$48.02</u>
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<b><u>\$36.44</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.28</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.15</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$50.84</u>
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<b><u>\$38.57</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.57</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<u>\$53.58</u>

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<b>APPRENTICES - CARPENTERS</b>										
			<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b>V &amp; H 9%</b>	<b>Pension</b>	<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Training</b>	<b>Carp 1588 Consol. Fund</b>	<b>IIF</b>	<b>Total Pkg</b>
<b>Effective Date: July 1, 2024</b>										
1st 1000 hours	50%	<i>or</i> 0 - 1000 hrs	<b><u>\$19.45</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.75</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.82</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$28.99</u></b>
2nd 1000 hours	55%	<i>or</i> 1001 - 2000 hrs	<b><u>\$20.86</u></b>	<b><u>\$1.88</u></b>	<b><u>\$4.09</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$30.80</u></b>
3rd 1000 hours	60%	<i>or</i> 2001 - 3000 hrs	<b><u>\$23.85</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.15</u></b>	<b><u>\$4.67</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$34.64</u></b>
4th 1000 hours	70%	<i>or</i> 3001 - 4000 hrs	<b><u>\$28.32</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.55</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.55</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$40.39</u></b>
5th 1000 hours	75%	<i>or</i> 4001 - 5000 hrs	<b><u>\$30.49</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.74</u></b>	<b><u>\$5.98</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$43.18</u></b>
6th 1000 hours	85%	<i>or</i> 5001 - 6000 hrs	<b><u>\$34.78</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.13</u></b>	<b><u>\$6.82</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$48.70</u></b>
7th 1000 hours	90%	<i>or</i> 6001 - 7000 hrs	<b><u>\$37.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.33</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.26</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$51.56</u></b>
8th 1000 hours	95%	<i>or</i> 7001 - 8000 hrs	<b><u>\$39.16</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.52</u></b>	<b><u>\$7.69</u></b>	\$2.25	\$1.28	\$0.28	\$0.16	<b><u>\$54.34</u></b>

The above Apprentice wage rates have been adjusted to reflect increases to various Plans herein and, therefore, these rates do not represent a simple percentage of the Journey person's hourly rate.

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**SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL:**

When Management requires two (2) or more shifts within twenty-four hours the starting time on the first shift is to be determined by the employer. With the exception that these shifts will be adjusted according to high and low tide schedules where work performed is controlled or affected by the tides.

- 1st shift.....eight (8) hours pay for eight (8) hours work
- 2nd shift .....fifteen percent (15%) shift differential
- 3rd shift .....fifteen percent (15%) shift differential

**SPECIAL RATES:**

Carpenters required to work on scaffold or structural steel fifty feet (50') or more shall be paid an additional twenty cents (\$0.20) per hour for the first ten feet (10') above the fifty foot (50') height and an additional thirty cents (\$0.30) per hour every twenty feet (20') thereafter.

**TOOLS:**

The employer to supply a dry heated room or field boxes for the safekeeping and storage of employee's tools. Same to be kept securely locked.

**HARD HATS:**

Where necessary, when an employee does not have a hard hat, the employer will supply a hard hat. Should the employee not return such hard hat upon termination, the cost will be deducted from their final pay.

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:**

Rain gear and rubber boots, as required, will be supplied by the employer. All items shall be turned in upon termination of employment, regardless of condition. All items shall remain the property of the employer, and shall be in good, clean, sanitary condition when supplied.

**SAW FILER:**

On Industrial projects, the employer will send the employees saws to be filed periodically at the employer's discretion.

**TRANSFER:**

The practice on Cape Breton Island for employers and the Carpenters Local 1588, with respect to transfer is as follows:

Three (3) employees transferred from the employer's work force, three (3) recruited from the Union Local 1588, two (2) recruited from the employer's work force and three (3) recruited from the Union Local 1588 to a maximum of five (5).

All other employees to be recruited from the Union Local 1588.

The above excludes Foremen and Superintendents. On layoff the formula works in the opposite direction.

**UNION ADMINISTRATION FUND:**

The employer agrees to deduct two and one half percent (2.5%) of the employee’s gross wage per hour working dues and remit on or before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of each month, together with a list of all employees and their Social Insurance Numbers to:

**Atlantic Canada Regional Council of Carpenters**  
1000 Sackville Drive  
Lower Sackville, NS B4E 0C2

The employer also agrees to deduct and remit from each employee based on the amounts below per hour paid on or before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of each month, together with a list of all employees and the Social Insurance Numbers to:

**Carpenters Union Local 1588**  
24 Cossitt Heights Drive  
Sydney, NS B1P 7E8

Journey person:

.....sixty-three cents (\$0.63) per hour

Apprentices:

.....ninety-five cents (\$0.95) per hour

**ORGANIZING FUND:**

The employer agrees to deduct and remit from each employee based on the amounts below, per hour paid, on or before the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of each month, together with a list of all employees and their Social Insurance Numbers to:

**Atlantic Canada Regional Council of Carpenters**

1000 Sackville Drive  
Lower Sackville, NS B4E 7E8

..... fifteen cents (\$0.15) per hour paid

**GENERAL:**

Drywall companies working on Industrial Projects working overtime, will notify the Union or job steward.

Adequate clean quarters with sufficient room for employees, heated when necessary, shall be provided.

Sanitary facilities shall be maintained with proper seats and paper. When feasible, the employer shall provide chemical facilities.

Piece work of any nature will be a direct violation of this Collective Agreement.

All doors and door hardware such as panic bars, kick plates, locks and closures will be installed by members of Local 1588 except where Painters Local 1945 has jurisdiction.

Failure to comply will be a violation of Article 14 of the Commercial Agreement and Article 14 of the Industrial Agreement.

**BENEFIT PLAN:**

The parties hereto agree to a Benefit Plan as follows:

- (a) The Trust Document under which the Fund is controlled shall provide for equal Trustees in number and in power to be appointed by each of the parties hereto.
- (b) The Benefit Plan established shall be professionally administered.
- (c) Each employer shall sign a Participation Agreement, as approved by the Trustees.
- (d) The employer shall make contributions at the rate of two dollars (\$2.00) per hour for each hour paid **and effective January 1, 2023, two dollars twenty-five cents (\$2.25) per hour for each hour paid. Effective July 1, 2023, these contributions shall be sent** to:

**Manion Wilkins and Associates Ltd.**

Attn: The Administrator

**500 – 21 Four Seasons Place**

**Etobicoke, ON M9B 0A5**

**Toll Free: 1-866-626-2179**

**Email: [acrcbenefits@manionwilkins.com](mailto:acrcbenefits@manionwilkins.com)**

**Amendment #2 – January 1, 2023**

**Amendment #4 – July 1, 2023**



**PENSION FUND:**

The Parties hereto agree on a Pension Fund as follows:

- (1) The Trustees for the Fund will be the same as the Benefit Plan.
- (2) The employers bound by this Agreement shall make contributions at the rates as indicated in the wage tables of this Appendix, per hour paid.
- (3) **Effective July 1, 2023**, the Pension Fund shall be professionally administered by **Manion Wilkins and Associates Ltd.** For the purpose of disbursing contributions to the Pension Fund, contributions to the Pension Fund shall be remitted to:

**Manion Wilkins and Associates Ltd.**  
**500 – 21 Four Seasons Place**  
**Etobicoke, ON M9B 0A5**  
**Toll Free: 1-866-626-2179**  
**Email: [acrbenefits@manionwilkins.com](mailto:acrbenefits@manionwilkins.com)**

The Parties to this Collective Agreement agree that the Trustees of the Trust Fund, appointed in accordance with the Trust Agreement, shall have the authority to enforce payment of contributions to the Trust Fund, as provided for in this Collective Agreement.

This Pension Fund shall facilitate those members who have worked in other areas and allow reciprocation of their Funds from other Plans.

The Employer shall not make Pension Fund contributions on behalf of any member after September 1 of the year that member reaches age 71. Instead, the Pension Fund contribution which would otherwise be calculated after September 1<sup>st</sup> shall be added to that member's hourly wage.

**CARPENTER 1588 CONSOLIDATED FUND:**

The employer shall remit per hour, for each hour paid, for the employee a sum in accordance with Article 8D of the Collective Agreement for the Carpenter 1588 Consolidated Fund.

**Amendment #4 – July 1, 2023**

**INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT FUND:**

The employer shall remit per hour, for each hour paid, for the employee a sum in accordance with Article 8E of the Collective Agreement for the Industry Improvement Fund to:

**The Administrator**

Nova Scotia Construction Labour Relations Association  
260 Brownlow Avenue, Unit #1  
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1V9

Remittance forms for this fund are available at [www.nsclra.ca](http://www.nsclra.ca) or by phone at 902-468-2283.

**TRAINING FUND:**

The training program shall be controlled by Carpenter Local 1588 and/or a training coordinator who will be hired when necessary. The training committee will advise the training coordinator of their duties.

The total of one dollar twenty-eight cents (\$1.28) per hour, per hour paid by all employees working under the conditions of this Agreement shall be sent by the employers concerned with a list of names in alphabetical order to:

**Carpenters Union Local 1588**

24 Cossitt Heights Drive  
Sydney, NS B1P 7E8

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Parties have Executed this Collective Agreement at Sydney, Nova Scotia, on this 4th day of November, 2020.

**SIGNATORIES**

**FOR THE EMPLOYER**

**FOR THE UNION**

ROBERT SHEPHERD

GORD JACOBS

BRIAN LUND

JOE WILSON

CLAYTON BARTLETT

**CRAFT SCHEDULE “S” - SCAFFOLDER**

**ARTICLE 1 – FORM OF AGREEMENT**

1.01 The Collective Agreements and Appendix between the Union and the CLRA, 2020-2025 shall be considered the Master Agreement and shall be applicable except where as otherwise provided herein.

**ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE**

2.01 The purpose of this Schedule is to address the unique nature of scaffolding work in the ICI sectors of the industry.

**ARTICLE 3 – QUALIFICATIONS**

3.01 All Scaffolding training under the Atlantic Canada Regional Council has been changed to an eleven (11) week program which consists of:

- Scaffolding ..... 8 weeks
- Rigging ..... 1 week
- Safety ..... 1 week
- Forklift/Aerial Lifts ..... 1 week

(a) After the successful completion of the eleven (11) week program approved by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC), the member will be recognized as an Apprentice 2 Level.

(b) A United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC) member with proven previous experience, after the successful completion of the 11-week program and based on the recommendation of the course instructor, may be recognized as an Apprentice 3 Level. The Instructor will provide notice of their intent, with rationale, to the “Scaffolder Training Committee” in week 9 of the course. The committee will have five (5) business days to veto the rating. If not vetoed, the rating will apply on graduation.

3.02 To receive an upgrade in apprenticeship level, the member must provide Local 1588 with their Scaffolding hours.

(a) This documentation must be written on a unionized company’s letterhead and signed by authorized personnel.

(b) Only UBC hours are accepted.

3.03 A total of four thousand (4000) “hands on” Scaffolding hours with a UBC contractor are required to be eligible to challenge the Journeyperson Certification.

<b>LEVEL</b>	<b>REQUIREMENT FOR UPGRADE</b>	<b>PROGRESS TO</b>
Apprentice 1	2000 hours	Apprentice 2
Apprentice 2	2000 hours	Apprentice 3
Apprentice 3	2000 hours	Journeyperson (Eligibility)

3.04 Members who are currently classified as a Scaffolder Journeyperson within Local 1588 will retain their status.

- (a) These members may be required to challenge the Scaffolder Journeyperson Certification at the discretion of the Scaffolder Training Committee.
- (b) These members may apply for a Scaffolder Journeyperson card.
  - A letter of recommendation from a UBC employer, stating the applicant is competent as a journeyperson, may apply.
  - An administration fee may apply.

**ARTICLE 4 – SCAFFOLDER TRAINING COMMITTEE**

4.01 This committee will be made up of two (2) members from the union and two (2) members from the employers group.

Within thirty (30) days of the appointment of this committee, they will meet to develop the “Terms of Reference” which will include, among other things, the creation of a log book for new entrants, reference to the committee auditing examinations and the contractor’s right to refer suspect qualifications to the committee for determination.

**ARTICLE 5 – MINIMUM TOOL LIST**

5.01 TOOLS FOR CARPENTERS PERFORMING SCAFFOLDING:

- Claw Hammer
- Side Pouch
- Adjustable Wrench – 10” or larger
- Magnetic Torpedo Level
- Wedge/Punch
- 25’ or 8m Tape
- Handsaw

Employee has option to buy their own safety harness, which must meet the employer's safety policies.

The Employer has the responsibility to inspect the harness, shock absorber and lanyard as per the Occupational Health & Safety Act.

**ARTICLE 6 – WAGES**

0-2000 hours .....	55%
2001-4000 .....	70%
4001-6000 .....	85%
6001+ .....	<u>Journey</u> person rate

The applicant must successfully pass the scaffolder examination to upgrade to the Journeyperson rate.