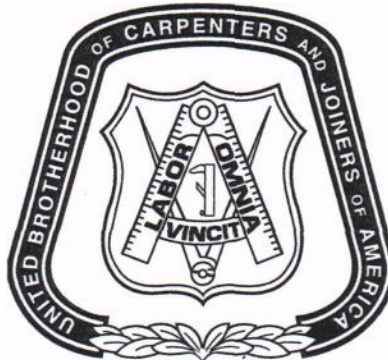


INDIANA/KENTUCKY/OHIO REGIONAL  
COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS



WEST KENTUCKY  
CARPENTER AGREEMENT

*And*

THE WEST KENTUCKY CONSTRUCTION  
EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION

June 1, 2021 - May 31, 2024

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## **CARPENTER CONTRACT SCOPE OF AGREEMENT**

This **BUILDING CONTRACT** entered into by and between the **WEST KENTUCKY CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION, INC.** as bargaining representative for those of its members who are signatory hereto, and other contractors signatory hereto, which signatory members and other contractors hereinafter are referred to as the **EMPLOYER**, and the **UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA, INDIANA/KENTUCKY/OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS**, hereinafter referred to as the **UNION**.

It is understood that the West Kentucky Construction Employers Association, Inc., is acting merely as Agent in negotiations in this contract, and that it is Agent only for those Contractors who designated the West Kentucky Construction Employers Association, Inc., as their bargaining agent (list attached) and none other who accept and sign this contract, or a facsimile thereof, and in no event shall it bind as principle or be held in any manner for a breach of this contract by any of the Contractors signatory hereto. It is further agreed and understood that the liability of the Contractors signing this contract shall be several, and not joint.

### **PREAMBLE**

This contract, entered into to prevent strikes and lockouts and to facilitate peaceful adjustment of grievances and disputes between the Employer and the Employee in this Trade, to prevent waste and unnecessary and avoidable delays and expense, to promote efficiency, and for the purpose of at all times securing for the Employee continuous employment, such employment to be in accordance with the conditions herein set forth and at the wages herein agreed upon, that stable conditions may prevail in the building construction industry, that building costs may be as low as possible, consistent with fair wages and conditions, and further, to establish the necessary procedure by which those ends may be accomplished.

We, the undersigned parties, being vested with the proper authority, each in consideration of the covenants and agreements of the other herein contained, hereby agree to the following terms covering wages and working conditions on employees covered by the terms of this Agreement.

Direction of the working force and the right to hire, suspend, transfer, layoff, promote, demote, or relieve the employees of their duties, shall be vested in the Employer in accordance with provision of this contract.

It is agreed that the Association, or the Contractors, will not hold the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, or any of its Local Unions thereof, financially responsible for any violation of this Agreement caused by a member, or members, other than Official Agents and Representatives, who act without authorization of the fully elected Officers of the Union, International Union, Regional Council, or any of the Local Unions thereof.

There shall be no stoppage or slowdown of work on the part of the Union and no lockout on the part of the Employer because of any dispute arising during the term of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE I  
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Agreement becomes effective June 1, 2021, and shall be in effect until and including May 31, 2024.

**ARTICLE 2  
TERRITORY JURISDICTION**

This Jurisdiction includes all or a part of the following counties:

McCracken, Ballard, Carlisle, Marshall, Lyon, Livingston, Graves, Trigg, Crittenden, Caldwell, Calloway, Fulton, Hickman, Todd, Hopkins, Christian, Muhlenberg counties in Kentucky. Lake, Obion, Weakley counties in Tennessee, and that part of Montgomery and Stewert counties in Tennessee which form Fort Campbell.

**ARTICLE 3  
UNION RECOGNITION**

There shall be no interference with workmen during working hours and the Authorized Representative will have access to all jobs to carry on business of the Union. The Authorized Representative shall be permitted to check the amount of pay received by each employee covered by this agreement against the hours worked to determine that the minimum rates of pay set forth in this contract are being paid. The representative will abide by laws and posted signs requiring notification of Contractor and/or Owner at office before entering work areas.

**ARTICLE 4  
UNION SECURITY**

All employees covered by this Agreement who are members of the Union on the effective date of this Agreement shall, as a condition of employment, maintain their membership in the Union during the term of this Agreement, and all employees who become members of the Union shall, as a condition of employment, maintain their membership in the Union during the term of this Agreement not later than the eighth (8th) day following their employment or the effective date of this agreement, whichever is later.

However, the preceding language shall not be enforced in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, while Kentucky has a Right-to-Work Statute, when the language conflicts with the Kentucky Right-to-Work Statute. Separate and apart from such Statute, the Union's Check-off authorizations shall continue to remain in effect unless revoked as provided therein and employees may sign such check-off authorizations in the future to the extent legally permissible.

The Union agrees to accept into membership without discrimination all present and future employees who apply for membership provided they meet the uniform, non-discriminatory requirements of the Union, and further agrees no Employer shall be required to discharge any employee because of non-membership in the Union, except as provided in this Agreement.

Employers signatory to this Agreement hereby agree that when they perform work within the boundaries of the state of Indiana or Kentucky, but outside the geographical jurisdiction of this Agreement as described herein, that the Employer will become signatory to and be bound by the terms

and conditions of the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters collective bargaining agreement applicable for the geographical area where the work is to be performed.

The Union, the Employer, and the employees mutually agree that they will not discriminate against anyone because of race, color, creed, age, sex or national origin. The parties further agree that each of them will comply with all state, federal, and local laws and regulations regarding Equal Employment Opportunity.

## **ARTICLE 5 PROCUREMENT OF LABOR**

The Company shall notify the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters when additional or replacement employees are needed. The Union agrees to refer applicants upon a non-discriminatory basis, to perform the necessary work when so notified within forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the request from the Employer. The decision with regard to the hire and tenure of all employees shall be made by the Employer. The Company shall have the right to request the services of individual employees by name and such requests when made shall receive due consideration and shall be fulfilled, if possible. The employer reserves the right to call for employees with current plant safety orientations on jobs where such certifications are needed as determined by the employer. The Union agrees to encourage members to volunteer to take plant safety training on their own time. Subject to all other terms of this Agreement, Employers may be allowed to employ individuals who have solicited employment. Prospective Employees who live in the immediate geographic area of the workplace will be given a preference based on said residence. Specific consideration as to the skills of the Employees will always be given in an effort to provide qualified workers for any contractor. No employer shall employ any person who he has induced to leave another job. After forty-eight (48) hours, the Employer may hire from any source it chooses. In the event an Employer hires applicants from sources other than the Out of Work list, for whatever reason, said Employer shall immediately notify the Union of the names and classifications and the dates of such hirings.

## **ARTICLE 6 SKILL ENHANCEMENT TRAINING**

The parties' signatory to this Agreement recognize the value of continuing education by craft workers in order to maintain a skilled, safe and competitive workforce. Requirements for safety training imposed by various owners and Employers will not allow untrained workers on the jobsite. Highly skilled and productive workers are a requirement to remain competitive in the construction industry.

The Employers strongly support the Skills Enhancement Training Program coordinated through the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee to keep members competitive and employable.

Participation in the Skills Enhancement Training Program in today's competitive environment is mandatory for every carpenter employed under this Agreement. Therefore, every bargaining unit employee shall complete at least sixteen (16) hours of continuing education training each year. Contractor can make specific training offered by the JATF or contractor a condition of employment.

# ARTICLE 7 WAGE RATES

## A. WAGE RATES

WAGES - June 1, 2021 – May 31, 2022:

### **INDIANA/KENTUCKY/OHIO REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS**

#### **WESTERN KENTUCKY CARPENTER WAGE and BENEFIT CONTRIBUTIONS**

CURRENT RATES WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT FROM JUNE 1, 2021 THRU MAY 31, 2022

CONTRACT EXPIRATION MAY 31, 2024

#### **WESTERN KENTUCKY AREA**

Office: (270) 442-1148 Fax: (270) 442-7419

**Kentucky Counties** of Ballard, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Hopkins, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg

**Tennessee counties** of Lake, Obion and Weakley; and part of Montgomery and Stewart Counties in Tennessee which form Fort Campbell.

#### **INDUSTRIAL RATE**

Class	Rate	H&W	Pension	Annuity	Apprentice	B.O.L.T. Drug test	UBC Training	KY Labor Mgmt	Carpenter Training LMCC	PACAF	Total	Dues deduction	Market Rec. deduction
												3 1/2% of Gross	
Journeyman	\$26.39	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$3.22	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$46.52	+.07/hour worked	\$0.50
Foreman	\$27.89	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$3.22	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$48.02	"	"
Gen Frm	\$28.39	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$3.22	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$48.52	"	"
Piledriver	\$26.89	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$3.22	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$47.02	"	"

#### **Apprentice Wage/Benefits**

Class	Rate	H&W	Pension	Annuity	Apprentice	B.O.L.T. Drug test	UBC Training	KY Labor Mgmt	Carpenter Training LMCC	PACAF	Total	Dues deduction	Market Rec. deduction
												3 1/2% of Gross	
180 day Prob.	\$14.51	\$9.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$24.61	+.07/hour worked	\$0.50
1st year	\$14.51	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$1.77	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$29.79	"	"
2nd year	\$17.15	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.09	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$32.75	"	"
3rd year	\$19.79	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.42	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$35.72	"	"
4th year	\$22.43	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.74	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$38.68	"	"

#### **COMMERCIAL RATES**

(Journeyman Wages and Annuity Calculated at 90% of Industrial Rate)

Class	Rate	H&W	Pension	Annuity	Apprentice	B.O.L.T. Drug test	UBC Training	KY Labor Mgmt	Carpenter Training LMCC	PACAF	Total	Dues deduction	Market Rec. deduction
												3 1/2% of Gross	
Journeyman	\$23.75	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$2.90	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$43.56	+.07/hour worked	\$0.50
Foreman	\$25.25	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$2.90	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$45.06	"	"
Gen Frm	\$25.75	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$2.90	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$45.56	"	"
Piledriver	\$24.25	\$9.12	\$6.81	\$2.90	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$44.06	"	"

#### **Apprentice Wage/Benefits**

(Apprentice Wages Only Calculated at 90% of Industrial Rate - Annuity Calculated at Industrial Rate)

Class	Rate	H&W	Pension	Annuity	Apprentice	B.O.L.T. Drug test	UBC Training	KY Labor Mgmt	Carpenter Training LMCC	PACAF	Total	Dues deduction	Market Rec. deduction
												3 1/2% of Gross	
180 day Prob.	\$13.06	\$9.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$23.16	+.07/hour worked	\$0.50
1st year	\$13.06	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$1.77	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$28.34	"	"
2nd year	\$15.44	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.09	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$31.04	"	"
3rd year	\$17.81	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.42	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$33.74	"	"
4th year	\$20.19	\$9.12	\$3.41	\$2.74	\$0.68	\$0.08	\$0.11	\$0.04	\$0.02	\$0.05	\$36.44	"	"

**NOTE: DETAILED EXPLANATION OF WAGES AND BENEFITS CAN BE FOUND IN THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CARPENTERS AGREEMENT.**

**EMPLOYEE OPTIONAL:** Committee On Political Education (COPE) will be deducted at the rate of three cents (\$0.03) per hour, with proper authorization cards signed. This covers all zones.

Effective June 1, 2022 - Increase of \$ .90 to Industrial Rate (distribution to be decided at that time)

Effective June 1, 2023 - Increase of \$ .90 to Industrial Rate (distribution to be decided at that time)

Foremen shall receive not less than one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per hour above Journeyman's pay. General Foreman shall receive not less than two dollars (\$2.00) per hour above the Journeyman's pay.

\*Should the Union desire to allocate the wage increases to health and welfare, pension, payroll savings, annuity, dues check-off, or other related fringe benefits, it shall have the right to do so upon sixty (60) days written notice to the Employer requesting the allocation take effect upon a specified manner. Any changes shall be limited to anniversary dates, except for Health and Welfare changes required by Trustee action or mutual agreement of the Union and the Association.

**B. APPRENTICES** - Apprentices will be employed under the conditions as established by the appropriate Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee standards.

There shall be an apprenticeship and journeyman training fund. This fund shall be financed by a sixty eight cents (\$0.68) per hour contribution by each employer signatory to the agreement for each hour worked under this agreement by his employees.

C. The wage rates for Apprentices of all classifications shall be on a percentage basis as follows, and shall be interrelated to the nearest five (\$.05) cents of the Journeyman's wage rate.

Carpenter Apprentices of the Joint Apprentice Training Program shall be subject to the following wage and benefit rates:

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021**

180 day Probationary Period.	55% of the Journeyman rate, \$0 Annuity, \$0 Pension
1 <sup>st</sup> year	55% of the Journeyman rate, 55% of Annuity, 50% of Pension
2 <sup>nd</sup> year	65% of the Journeyman rate, 65% of Annuity, 50% of Pension
3 <sup>rd</sup> year	75% of the Journeyman rate, 75% of Annuity, 50% of Pension
4 <sup>th</sup> year	85% of the Journeyman rate, 85% of Annuity, 50% of Pension

All other contributions remain the same as journeyman.

**ARTICLE 8  
PAYMENT OF WAGES**

Employees shall be paid weekly during the regular working hours of the pay day as regularly established by each employer. When an employee is discharged or laid off, when working on the first shift Monday through Friday, the Employer shall make immediate payment to the discharged employee for services up to the time of such discharge. During shutdowns or turnarounds, when the employee is laid off on the second or third shift, or on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, the employer will have twenty-four (24) hours in which to pay the employee in full. This shall apply to local contractors signatory for at least a two year period or having a permanent office in the area for at least two years. Should an employee voluntarily quit, he shall receive his earned wages by mail on or before the regular established pay day. In the event the employee's pay is not processed and posted or paid by paycheck as described above, waiting time at the regular rate shall be paid until payment is made. Wages shall be in legal tender. The number of hours worked during the pay period must be shown on each pay stub. Accompanying each payment of wages shall be a separate statement identifying the Employer, showing total earnings, the amount of deductions, purpose and net earnings.

**ARTICLE 9  
HEALTH AND WELFARE PAYMENTS**

The Employers agree to contribute a sum of money established by the Trustees of the appropriate Health & Welfare Fund as designated by the Union for each hour worked whether at regular or overtime rates for all employees represented by the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters and its affiliated Local Unions. The aforesaid employer contributions shall be paid to the appropriate Health & Welfare Fund as designated by the Union. Any increases established by the Trustees shall be taken from the total negotiated package on the anniversary dates of the Agreement.

The aforesaid Welfare Funds are administered pursuant to Agreements and Declarations of Trust. These Agreements and Declarations of Trust, together with all amendments, are incorporated by reference in this Agreement and shall be considered a part of this Agreement.

The Employer agrees that the Employer Trustee Representative presently serving as Employer Trustees shall act during their term of office as the Employer's Representative in connection with the Trust Estate of the Welfare Fund.

The payment of the Employer's contribution to the Fund shall be made monthly only to the Trusteeship on a date and in a manner and form that shall be prescribed by the Trustees of the Welfare Fund.

It is understood and agreed that the Welfare Fund contributions are due and payable on the 20th of each month, and that failure of any Employer to make his Welfare Fund payment by the 20th of the month on which it is due or for repeated failure to meet this payment by the 20th of each month, shall subject said Employer to the penalties as described in Article 17.

If the Welfare Fund is held to be improper or illegal under any applicable state or federal law during the term of this Agreement, the Employer may cease payment to said Welfare Fund, and at such time, further negotiations may take place between the parties with respect to the Health and Welfare Plan.

**ARTICLE 10  
PENSION FUND PAYMENTS**

The Employers agree to contribute a sum of money, as established by the Union, for each hour worked whether at regular or overtime rates for all employees represented by the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters and its affiliated Local Unions. The aforesaid employer contributions shall be paid to the appropriate fund designated by the Union. Any increases shall be taken from the total negotiated package on the anniversary dates of the Agreement.

The aforesaid Pension Funds are administered pursuant to Agreements and Declarations of Trust. These Agreements and Declarations of Trust, together with all amendments, are incorporated by reference in this Agreement and shall be considered a part of this Agreement.

The Employer agrees that the Employer Trustee Representative presently serving as Employer Trustees shall act during their term of office as the Employer's Representative in connection with the Trust Estate of the Pension Fund.



The payment of the Employer's contribution to the Fund shall be made monthly only to the Trusteeship on a date and in a manner and form that shall be prescribed by the Trustees of the Pension Fund.

If the Pension Fund is held to be improper or illegal under any applicable state or federal law during the term of this Agreement, the Employer may cease payment to said Pension Fund, and at such time, further negotiations may take place between the parties with respect to the Pension Plan.

## **ARTICLE 11 CREDIT UNION**

The Employer agrees to deduct an hourly amount authorized by the employee for the purpose of the Credit Union. The said amounts will be paid monthly to a depository designated by the Union. The Credit Union Fund deduction shall clearly designate the Employee's name and social security number in all reports submitted to the depository, providing however, the Employer pays on the same amount of hours reported in the monthly fringe benefits report and same is received by the bank.

The Union assumes responsibility for enrolling members and notifying the Employers of the proper withholding amounts, as well as changes, as necessary.

Employers are responsible only for withholding the authorized amount and forwarding said sum to the appropriate bank as designated by the Union. If the Employer forwards the correct amount and the monies are received by the Credit Union, the Credit Union assumes complete responsibility for all funds from that point.

## **ARTICLE 12 ANNUITY**

The Employer agrees to pay the sum per hour for each hour worked as directed by the Union from the total negotiated package, whether at regular or overtime rates, by all employees coming under the terms of this Collective Bargaining Agreement to the appropriate Annuity Trust Fund as designated by the Union. This Agreement and Declaration of Trust, together with any amendments thereto, is incorporated by reference in this Agreement and shall be considered a part thereof.

## **ARTICLE 13 DUES CHECK-OFF**

During the term of this agreement and in accordance with the terms of an individual and voluntarily written authorization for check off of membership dues and working assessments, the Employer shall withhold the sum specified by the Union. The amount deducted shall be made payable and transmitted monthly on Carpenter Fringe Benefit Fund Forms supplied to the individual Employer by the Unions.

## **ARTICLE 14 MARKET RECOVERY FUND**

The parties to this Agreement agree to participate in the Market Recovery Fund Program. Employers further agree to deduct a total of fifty cents (\$0.50) per hour worked by Employees of each Employer. Details of the Program are contained in the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, which are made a part of this Agreement by reference.

**ARTICLE 15**  
**INDIANA/KENTUCKY/OHIO COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL EDUCATION**

The parties to this Agreement agree that if any Brotherhood employee wishes to make a voluntary contribution of three cents (\$0.03) per hour for each hour worked to the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Committee on Political Education, and authorizes the employer to make such a deduction on a form complying with applicable State and Federal laws concerning such deduction and assignment, the Employer shall deduct such contributions from the earnings of such employee and transmit them on the appropriate monthly reporting form.

**ARTICLE 16**  
**UBC INTERNATIONAL TRAINING FUND**

The Company and the UBCJA recognize the need for quality safety and health training and related services to enable the UBCJA workers to remain healthy and productive, and to aid the Company in meeting its own safety and health goals as well as those established by government agencies and construction owners. The Company and the UBCJA further recognize the need for quality training for apprentices and journeymen to meet the industry's need for skilled craft labor.

Therefore, in addition to any contributions otherwise called for herein, the parties agree that the Company shall make a contribution of eleven cents (\$.11) per hour worked for each employee covered by this Agreement to the UBC INTERNATIONAL TRAINING FUND. This amount shall be allocated out of the total agreed upon compensation described in the WAGE and FRINGE BENEFITS section of this Agreement.

The Company hereby also agrees to be bound by the trust agreement of the respective UBC trust fund described above.

Upon request, each Company shall receive a copy of the fund's annual report.

**ARTICLE 17**  
**KENTUCKY CARPENTERS LABOR-MANAGEMENT**  
**COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE TRUST FUND**

The Employer agrees to contribute four cents (\$0.04) for each hour worked by bargaining unit employees, covered under this Agreement. Payments will be made in accordance with the Agreement and Declaration of Trust, and in the same periods as other fringe funds and shall be accounted for on the forms and in the manner prescribed by the Fund.

**ARTICLE 18**  
**CARPENTERS TRAINING AND PROMOTION LMCC, INC.**

The Employer agrees to contribute two cents (\$0.02) for each hour worked by bargaining unit employees covered under this Agreement, in the same periods as other fringe funds and shall be accounted for on the forms.

## **ARTICLE 19 DELINQUENCY**

It is understood and agreed by all parties to this Agreement that contributions to the various funds, as set out in this Agreement, are due and payable on the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) of each month, and failure of any Employer to make their payments to the various funds by the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) of the month shall subject said Employer to the following:

**PENALTY NUMBER ONE:** A fine for liquidated damages set by the trustees of the respective funds, for the Employer's delinquency.

**PENALTY NUMBER TWO:** The delinquent Employer shall, at the request of the trustees of the various funds set out above, be required to furnish a surety Bond, not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), to insure said Employer's future payments to the Fund will be made on a timely basis.

**PENALTY NUMBER THREE:** The Union, at its option, but after written notice to the Employer and after allowing the Employer seventy-two (72) hours from receipt of such notice to correct the situation may exercise its economic strength against the delinquent Employer, by picketing said Employer at their various construction projects, to protest the Employer's continued delinquency. Said picketing shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement. It is understood and agreed to by and between the parties to this Agreement, that the remedies listed above, for the Union to pursue in the case of a delinquent Employer, are not exclusive but are in addition to all other remedies legally available to the Union at the time of said delinquency.

## **ARTICLE 20 HOURS AND OVERTIME**

Regular working hours shall be eight (8) hours work per day, any time between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with thirty (30) minutes designated for lunch.

If the Lunch break does not occur between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., or equally adjusted hours for second (2nd) or third (3rd) shifts, overtime will be paid for that one-half hour period at the applicable rate. A one-half hour paid period for lunch will still be allocated outside the normal time range for the lunch period.

The employer agrees that there will not be any staggered starting time for employees in any shift unless it is mutually agreed between the Employer and the Union, and signed in letter form.

### **Makeup Day (Four-10 Hour Days)**

At the discretion of the Employer and the Union, a four (4), ten (10) hour day work schedule may be worked, if permissible by law or state regulation. Only Friday would become the makeup day in a four (4), ten (10)-hour day work schedule. When the Friday makeup is used, it is agreed that if the "majority" of a crew has not performed work thirty (30) or more hours, a voluntary makeup day may be scheduled for the entire crew. Under said makeup day provisions, employees having more than thirty (30) hours will be allowed to work the entire shift if a makeup day is used. If the employees work more than forty (40) hours in the work week or more than ten (10) hours per day, they shall be paid at the appropriate overtime rate. In the event of a makeup day, it shall be voluntary on the part of the

carpenter, and the declining of such work shall be without penalty or recrimination. Notice will be given by noon Thursday if a makeup day is to be worked.

The Employer will designate a starting time within the hours as set forth above on any given project, and the starting time shall remain the same for the duration of the project unless changed by the Employer for legitimate business considerations.

Time and one-half shall be paid for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours worked per day, (or ten (10) hours if four (4) ten (10) hour day schedule) Monday through Friday and for all hours worked on Saturday. Double time the basic rate shall be paid for all work performed on Sundays and holidays.

In the determination of time for the purpose of this Agreement, the system of time shall be followed which predominates in commercial and industrial employment in the area of the jobsite.

Shift work - If the Employer wishes to work two (2) or three (3) shifts, the working hours of each shift shall be mutually agreed between the Representative of the Union and the Employer or his representative, and in no case shall an employee be allowed to work more than eight (8) hours unless overtime is paid. The Union Representative shall not withhold agreement on working hours of the shift except for valid and compelling reasons connected with this Agreement.

When two (2) or more shifts are to be worked for two (2) or more consecutive days, the first shift shall work eight (8) hours and receive eight (8) hours pay, the second shift shall work seven and one-half (7 ½) hours and receive eight (8) hours pay plus twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per hour shift premium, the third shift shall work seven (7) hours and receive eight (8) hours pay plus fifty cents (\$0.50) per hour shift premium. Any hours before or after regular shift hours on the second or third shift shall be considered overtime.

When working two (2) twelve (12) hour or two (2) ten (10) hour shifts, the second shift shall receive an additional fifty cents (\$0.50) per hour shift premium plus work eleven and one-half or nine and one-half hours and receive twelve (12) or ten (10) hours pay as applicable.

However, if the Employer performs a project, where such project will not exceed two (2) days, the Employer will be permitted to apply shift work on such project and such application shall not be considered a violation of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 21 REPORTING TIME PAY**

If an employee reports for work on any work day and is not put to work on that day, he shall be paid two (2) hours pay for reporting to work unless he has been previously notified not to report to work. In order to be paid the reporting pay, the employee must report to work at the starting time of the shift and be available for work and remain on the jobsite up to two (2) hours, unless released by the Employer.

Employees who commence work shall be guaranteed two (2) hours pay and after the second hour shall be paid for actual time worked.

An employee being paid under these circumstances may be required by the Employer to remain on the job for the length of the time for which he is paid.

It shall be the responsibility of the employee to furnish to the Employer the telephone number at which the employee may be called regarding reporting to work.

Four (4) hour minimum pay on call-ins on other than normal work day or shift shall apply.

**ARTICLE 22  
HOLIDAYS**

The following schedule of holidays shall be observed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Friday after Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

If a holiday falls on a Sunday, it will be observed the following Monday and if a holiday falls on Saturday, it will be observed on Friday.

No bargaining unit member will be permitted to work Labor Day except to save life or property.

**ARTICLE 23  
FOREMEN**

When two (2) or more Carpenters are employed by any one Employer, one shall be designated as Foreman. When an employee is designated by the Employer to assume this responsibility of directing of other employees covered by this contract, such employee shall receive Foreman's rate of pay.

A Carpenter Foreman shall not have more than twelve (12) men in his crew or work with his tools with more than seven (7) men in his crew. When there are two (2) Foremen on the job, there shall be a General Foreman. No General Foreman shall have more than five (5) Foremen under his supervision. Piledriver crews shall consist of not less than five (5) men and a Foreman. By mutual agreement between the Union and Employer, piledriver crews can be altered to meet job site needs.

**ARTICLE 24  
STEWARDS**

A steward may be appointed on each job by the Representative of the Regional Council. The Union shall notify the Employer in writing of their selection. A steward shall be a qualified craftsman in the area of the trade in which they are employed. All stewards shall be working stewards.

The steward shall work as long as there is work on the job and they are qualified to perform such work. They shall not be discriminated against for the performance of their duties. The steward shall not be laid off except for just cause. The steward shall be one of the last two (2) employees to be laid off in case of a temporary layoff or shutdown. When the job is restarted, the steward shall be one of the first two (2) employees recalled.

Should any employee be taken sick or meet with accident while working on the job, the steward shall report this to the Union and shall take care of their tools during the employee's absence from the job site.

It shall be the duty of the steward to work harmoniously with the Contractor to see that the job proceeds smoothly.

**ARTICLE 25  
HEALTH AND SAFETY**

When required for safety, there will be a Welder Tender working with each welder. No tools or devices will be used that are considered unsafe to the employee.

**ARTICLE 26**  
**SUBCONTRACT CLAUSE**

The Employer agrees not to subcontract or sublet any work covered by this Agreement that he has traditionally and historically done with his own work force, to any person, firm, or corporation which will not follow the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

An Employer acting in the capacity of a construction manager agrees that it, or any of its subcontractors, will not contract or subcontract carpentry work to be done at the site of construction, alteration, or repair of the building, or structure except to a person, firm, or corporation party to a current Labor Agreement with the Union. A construction manager is defined as one who has no field employees on that project.

**ARTICLE 27**  
**GRIEVANCES AND DISPUTES**

In the event of a dispute arising between the parties to this contract on any matter covered by the contract, other than hours of labor and rates of pay, that cannot be adjusted between themselves, they shall within forty-eight (48) hours, appoint three (3) members each, who are able and willing to serve on an arbitration board. The members so selected shall, within forty-eight (48) hours, appoint a seventh (7th) member to umpire, who shall render a decision, which shall be final and binding. This decision shall be given within sixty (60) days. Any costs shall be borne equally by the parties involved.

**ARTICLE 28**  
**JURISDICTIONAL DISPUTES**

It is agreed the jurisdiction of work in this Agreement is generally accepted as being the work of the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters. It is further agreed the jurisdiction and jurisdiction of work referenced to in the wage classification and elsewhere in the Agreement is the jurisdiction of the work claimed by the Union and nothing contained, herein, shall make it mandatory for the Employer to accept the claim of jurisdiction as being binding upon them. The Employer does not waive any of his/her rights by permitting the inclusion of the jurisdiction of work in this Agreement.

Whenever a jurisdictional dispute arises and it cannot be resolved at the local level, the Employer should make an assignment and work shall continue according to the assignment. In the meantime, the Employer and the representatives of the International Unions of all disputed trades should meet to try to bring about a satisfactory or mutual understanding with the Employer. The Employer and the Union agree there shall be no stoppage of work at any time over the resolution of the jurisdictional disputes.

**ARTICLE 29**  
**MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT**

It is expressly understood and agreed that the above constitutes a working contract between the parties hereto and that this contract shall be in full force and effect from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2024, and each year thereafter, unless prior to any expiration date, sixty (60) days written notice is given by U.S. Certified Mail, by one of the parties to the other, of its desire to modify said contract, at its next expiration date.

**ARTICLE 30  
SAVINGS CLAUSE**

Nothing in this contract shall be construed or is it intended to be contrary to any State or Federal Law. In the event any provisions of this contract shall become legally invalid or unenforceable due to change by State or Federal Law, such invalidity and unenforceability shall not affect the remainder of the provisions of this Contract.

**ARTICLE 31  
NON-DISCRIMINATION**

It is agreed that neither the Employer nor the Union shall engage or encourage employment practices which discriminate against applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

**ARTICLE 32  
GENERAL CONDITIONS**

- A. It is agreed that a fair day's work shall be rendered for a fair day's pay.
- B. There shall be no restriction of the use of machinery, tools, or labor saving devices, provided that such are to be furnished by the Employer. No tools or devices will be used that are considered unsafe to the employee.
- C. As provided by law, the Union shall permit its members to work only for those contractors or employers who are a party to a contract providing for Workers Compensation Insurance, Unemployment and Federal Social Security Benefits on each individual worker, and who comply with the Safety Standards as set forth by State and/or Federal Law, and who pay the rates of wages as specified in this contract. The Union shall not allow its members to do piece work or labor subcontracting for anyone.
- D. Employees will be required to have their tools in good working condition when reporting for work to a Contractor. Safety shoes and prescription safety glasses will be furnished by the employee except in instances where contaminated items may be restricted from leaving the job site.
- E. No employee shall be permitted to work for one employer while employed by another.
- F. When an employee is laid off, he shall be notified one (1) hour prior to the time of termination.

**The Employer agrees as follows:**

- G. To carry Workers Compensation Insurance, Unemployment and Federal Social Security Benefits on all its employees, which benefits the Union hereby accepts for and on behalf of its members.
- H. To employ sufficient Journeyman Carpenters, as tool sharpeners and/or repairmen, to maintain tools of employees employed. All sharpening devices shall be furnished by the Employer. In the absence of a tool sharpener, employees will be permitted to sharpen their own tools during working hours, at the expense of the Employer.

I. To furnish a shed or provide shelter suitable for the employees, tools, and clothing, and be responsible for same when left in such places as designated by the Employer. A heating stove shall be furnished in such shed. Drinking water shall be furnished with ice water from April 15 to November 1. Suitable sanitary toilet facilities shall be furnished at all times. There shall be sanitary means to wash hands with soap and water or hand cleaner. If none are available, this will be provided by the Employer.

J. The employer will furnish the first pair of regular safety glasses, and will replace any safety glasses (regular or prescription) that are broken at the job site.

K. No employee will be required to furnish his truck for the purpose of transporting materials, nor furnish his own power tools. If employee is required to store personal hand tools on the jobsite, the Employer shall furnish secured storage for the carpenters' hand tools. The employer will replace employee's tools that are stolen from secured storage or, by mutual agreement between the employee and employer, the employee may purchase replacement tools and present the employer with a purchase receipt for reimbursement by the employer within a reasonable time frame.

### **ARTICLE 33 INDUSTRY ADVANCEMENT FUND**

The employer does hereby agree to contribute five cents (\$0.05) per hour worked by all employees employed under the scope of this agreement monthly to the Paducah Area Construction Advancement Foundation. The aforesaid employer contributions shall be made to the appropriate depository as designated by the Union, with the depository remitting funds monthly to the Foundation. The purpose of the Fund shall be to promote the construction industry as to, but not limited to, public relations and advertising, contract specification improvement programs, the promotion of stable labor-management relations, monetary support for the training and upgrading of employees and such other purposes as are consistent with this program. No expenditure from said fund shall be made for any activity harmful or injurious to the Union. No part of the funds allocated for the Paducah Area Construction Advancement Foundation shall be spent directly or indirectly for any of the following purposes:

4. Promotion of legislation opposed by the Union or opposition of legislation favored by the Union;
2. Subsidies, indemnities, or payment of any kind to contractors during, for or in connection with a period of strike, lock-out or work stoppage;
3. Litigation before any court or administrative body against the Union, or the payment of any expenses directly or indirectly involved in any such litigation;
4. Publicity or public relations campaigns in support of management's position respecting bargaining negotiations with the Union

### **ARTICLE 34 WORK PRESERVATION CLAUSE**

The Employer agrees, consistent with the provision to Section 8 € of the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, as amended, that all work of every description normally and historically performed by Carpenters, Piledrivers, and Lathers in the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council area shall be



performed under the terms and conditions of this Agreement exclusively at the site of the construction, alteration, or repair of a building, structure, etc. It is the intent of this Agreement that all work be performed exclusively at the construction site or the contractor's shop by employees, in the bargaining unit under the terms and conditions of this Collective Bargaining Agreement whether the work is performed by an Employer signatory to this Agreement or is subcontracted by a signatory Employer to another person, firm or corporation.

### **ARTICLE 35 PRE-JOB CONFERENCE**

In order to carry out the intent of this agreement and to insure the uniform application of the covenants contained herein, the parties agree that prior to starting time, any job involving the employment of more than two (2) employees, the parties hereto shall meet and hold a pre-job conference when requested in writing by either party.

### **ARTICLE 36 APPRENTICESHIP RATIO**

When available, one (1) apprentice will be allowed to each Employer working up to two (2) journeyman carpenters and one (1) additional apprentice to each two (2) additional journeyman carpenters working on the job.

The Union and Employer recognize that by mutual consent, on certain portions of a project, the ratio could be altered to utilize a higher ratio of apprentice to journeyman.

### **ARTICLE 37 MOBILITY**

The Employer may utilize employees hired under the terms of this agreement in areas covered by another Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters and employ said employees at a site covered by another contract with the Union, provided, however, that the Employer may employ an employee living in the area covered by that agreement who may be designated by the Union as steward for that job.

### **ARTICLE 38 PROJECT AGREEMENT**

The Union agrees, when Employers signatory to the Collective Bargaining Agreement of the Union are bidding work in the geographical jurisdiction covered by the Agreement and feel that their competitive position with other Employers not signatory to this Agreement is lessened on a particular project due to conditions and requirements in the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement, to meet with such signatory Employer or Employers in an effort to amend the Agreement for the particular job or project only. The purpose of any amendment to the Agreement is to make the signatory Employer or Employers who are bidding the aforesaid work more competitive with Employers who are not signatory to the Agreement. The amendment includes, but is not limited to, adjustment in wages and working conditions. The Union shall give notice to the WKCEA by phone and writing, within twenty-four (24) hours of agreeing to a Project Agreement. Time shall be of essence in negotiating any such Project Agreement.

Should the Union and a signatory Employer or Employers agree to a project or job site agreement

containing more favorable terms on wages, hours, or work conditions than are contained in this Agreement, all Employers signatory to this Agreement shall have the right to apply any such provision or term contained in said project or job site agreement to their employees for the same project or job site.

These provisions are to be limited to a particular job site or to a particular project. When that project or job site agreement expires, then work is subject to the regular terms and conditions of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 39 DRUG PROGRAM**

The Union and the West Kentucky Construction Employers Association, Inc. and any signatory employers hereby agree that the drug testing programs developed by the joint efforts of the Union and the area contractor's associations are incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof of this Agreement.

The Employer and the Union further agree to abide by the Drug Testing Program adopted under BOLT. BOLT is the program identified as Builders and Organized Labor Together Substance Abuse Policy and Trust Agreement. The Union and the Employer will be bound by the terms and requirements of said BOLT program and any changes made in the BOLT program by the Trustees of BOLT.

If an employer's written policy requires exclusive use of the BOLT program, that policy shall prevail. Employers may require BOLT drug testing when requesting a carpenter.

The Employer agrees to pay each month not later than the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the following month, the sum of eight cents (\$0.08) per hour for each hour worked, on all Employees covered by this Agreement to the appropriate Trust Fund as designated by the Union. The Trust Fund will then remit said contributions to the BOLT Substance Trust on a monthly basis.

Any additional monies necessary to fund the BOLT Substance Abuse Testing Program will be an Employer contribution in addition to the package increase received by the Employees.

### **ARTICLE 40 BOND**

Each Employer who has been signatory to this Agreement agrees that at the time of execution of this Agreement or within thirty (30) days of the execution, the Employer shall have procured a Surety Bond in the Principal sum as indicated below. Such Bond shall be written by an insurance carrier authorized, licensed, or permitted to do business in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The surety bond shall be payable to the Union as Trustee for the benefit of Employees employed by the Employer and for those acting on the Employees' behalf to insure prompt payment of wages and contributions to the Health and Welfare, Pension and Apprentice Training Funds. Such surety bond shall be executed only on a uniform bond form furnished by the Union and must be filed with the Union. Unless otherwise increased by the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Union in his sole discretion, the principal amount of the bond shall be:

One (1) to Five (5) Employees	\$10,000.00
Six (6) to Ten (10) Employees	\$20,000.00
Eleven or more Employees	\$50,000.00

An Employer who has been signatory to this Agreement requiring payment of all wages, fringe benefits and other items deducted from the weekly paychecks for twenty-four (24) consecutive months or more or any Employer who has paid all wages and fringe benefits in a timely manner pursuant to the parties' CBA and the Trust Funds' Collection Policy shall not be required to post a bond as described in this article.

The Union may withdraw bargaining unit Employees from Employers who fail to maintain the bond required by this Article.

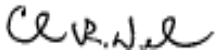
The Employer assigns all rights, title and interest in the Surety Bond to the Union and Fringe Benefit Trust Funds, which shall have a priority interest to such Funds, and supersede the claims of all Employers' creditors.

The Union agrees to confirm the existence or absence of a bond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The parties hereto have affixed their signatures by their duly authorized representatives, the day and date as above mentioned.

**West Kentucky Construction  
Employers Association, Inc.**

**Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional  
Council of Carpenters**



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Secretary



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