

Apprenticeship and Training

Refresher and Upgrade Training

Applicant Mechanic School

The applicant mechanic school has begun. School will meet Mondays and Wednesdays until September.

Asbestos Refreshers

The next scheduled asbestos refresher training is scheduled for July. Please do not let your asbestos license expire; it could give you the ability to be employed when those without a license are unable to be.

Journeyman Upgrade Classes

Journeyman upgrade classes have been scheduled for every Monday evening in the summer. Topics will include OSHA 10, innovative application techniques and other information as it becomes available. Please examine to the June newsletter as soon as it arrives.

The first class scheduled is OSHA 10 for July 7, 14 & 21. You must attend all three classes to receive the OSHA card.

Asbestos Supervisor Refresher

Monday and Tuesday, July 14 - 15	4:30 – 8:30 pm
Saturday, July 26	7:00 am – 3:00 pm

Journeyman Upgrade

OSHA10	
July 7 & 14 & 21	4:30 – 8:00

It is your responsibility to attend classes. Please keep your expiration date in mind. You must call to register for class you wish to attend. (301) 498-9162

Apprentice Reminders

The next scheduled union meetings will be Thursday, July 3 and August 7.

Turn in your monthly report form by the 7th of each month

Attend school as scheduled

Go to work everyday and be on time

If you must be absent please inform your employer.

MEDICARE COORDINATION OF BENEFITS REMINDER

If you or your Dependent becomes eligible for Social Security at age 65 while you are still working, coverage by Medicare is possible even if you don't retire. Medicare includes hospital insurance benefits (called "Part A") as well as supplementary medical insurance (called "Part B").

When you or your Dependents reach age 65 while you are still working, or if you are covered under this Plan as a Disabled Employee not receiving any form of pension benefits, benefits are paid under this Plan before they are paid under Medicare, unless you notify the Fund Office in writing that you want to waive your right to receive these benefits.

If you or your spouse retires while you are covered under this Plan (even if you retire because of Disability), coverage under this Plan is coordinated with Medicare coverage when you reach age 65 and become eligible for Medicare, whether or not you or your Dependents are enrolled under Medicare. It is important that you or your Dependents enroll for Medicare at age 65, **or if disabled prior to age 65, when you are eligible for Medicare coverage**, since your failure to do so results in lower medical protection. As a covered pensioner, or Dependent of a pensioner, for whom Medicare coverage is primary (pays first), you should submit all of your medical claims to Medicare first. This Plan will then consider a claim for any remaining expenses and pay any balances unpaid by Medicare for covered Plan expenses that are considered Usual, Customary, and Reasonable.

It is important that you or your Dependents visit an office of the Social Security Administration during the three-month period before your 65th birthday to learn all about Medicare. If you have any questions on the coverage provided by this Plan, or need help in comparing benefits offered by this Plan and Medicare, please contact the Fund Office.

Benefits payable for Covered Expenses incurred by a Covered Person who is also eligible for Medicare or entitled to benefits from another Health Plan shall be coordinated so that the total amount payable shall not exceed 100% of expenses incurred. A Covered Person who is eligible for coverage under Medicare with Medicare acting as the primary payer shall be considered covered under Medicare.

BE SURE TO ENROLL IN BOTH PART "A" AND PART "B" OF MEDICARE. THE FUND WILL PAY BENEFITS AS IF YOU HAVE BOTH MEDICARE PART "A" AND PART "B" BENEFITS – WHETHER YOU SIGNED UP FOR THEM OR NOT.