



#### National Service and Maintenance Agreement

- Specific to unique needs of service industry
- Provides quality, consistent service to customers throughout country
- Respects locally negotiated fringes and benefits
- Ensures uninterrupted service critical for tenant comfort and safety and retention of customer base
- Enhances competitiveness of service contractors
- Addresses specific local concerns through Schedule A
- Provides local oversight

## **Application Procedures**



- Send written request to UA or Busin Manager
- International Rep will follow-up
- Agreements sent to contractor for signature
- UA notifies MSCA of new signer
- MSCA sends membership and payment information
  - MSCA membership separate
  - Current contribution rate \$.09 per labor hour

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## **Relationship to Local Agreement**

- Not required to sign for any work covered under scope of NSMA
- National Agreement and Schedule A prevails
- Bound to local wages, fringes and benefits
- May be required to sign local trust agreements
- All UA local unions must recognize terms and conditions

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## Scope of Service Work – Paragraph 11

- "This Agreement shall apply to and cover all work... to keep existing mechanical, refrigeration and plumbing systems within occupied facilities operating in an efficient manner."
- Includes related piping connections and controls

# Other work within UA jurisdiction

- All refrigeration new installation and remodel work – per Article XXV
- All other work outside scope of Agreement per local building trades agreement

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# **Classifications of Employees**

- Service Journeyman
- Serviceman
- Service Apprentice
- Tradesman
- Probationary Employee

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#### Service Journeyman

- 5 years working experience
- Performs all work covered by Agreement
- May be required to pass UA STAR exam

#### Serviceman

- Implemented to enhance competitiveness and regain lost market share
- Commercial & residential work
- Includes unitary systems such as rooftops, split systems, packaged units, water-source heat pumps, unit heaters, and furnaces
- UA STAR exam for Serviceman
- Duties can be modified to meet local conditions

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## **Service Apprentice**

- Limited only by skill level
- Under direction of Serviceman or Service
  Journeyman
- Governed by local JATC

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#### Tradesman

- Performs routine maintenance and inspections
- Building operations under contract with facility manager
- Installation and replacement of residential HVAC and plumbing
- 2022 addition: solar energy equipment, HVAC power electronics and building controls
- Duties can be adjusted to meet local conditions

# **Probationary Employee**

- Provides opportunity to evaluate skills/capabilities
- Employer sets pay rate/benefits
- No fringe contributions to union
- Must send written notification to local union when hire
- Recruitment opportunities
- After six months must terminate or join local union

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# Home Local Union

- Redefined for clarity esp. relevant for Right-to-Work states
- Jurisdiction where Employee's fringe benefit contributions regularly contributed

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# **Rates of Pay and Fringes**

- Service Journeyman
  - Per local agreement
- Serviceman
  - Per Schedule A
- Service Apprentice
- Per local agreement
- Tradesman
  - Per Schedule A
- Probationary Employee
  - Determined by Employer

# Hiring and Use of Employees

- Hiring Procedure (Para. 20 22)
  - Must submit initial request to local union indicate any special skills required
  - Employer has right to reject
  - Union has 48 hours to supply
  - Employer can hire "off the street" if no qualified employees available

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#### Start-Up (Para. 26)

- Can use service Employee for start-up of new installations
- Includes testing, adjusting and balancing
- Wages and fringes per local agreement

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#### Hiring and Use of Employees

- Working outside local (Para. 27)
  - May assign first three Employees from regular workforce
  - Next two from jurisdiction where job located
  - More than 16 hours/week notify local
  - Higher wage rate after 16 hours/week
  - Fringes per Employee's home local

## Hiring and Use of Employees

- Working outside local (Para. 29)
  - Employees working on a job exceeding 15 consecutive working days:
    - All fringes and deductions per local jurisdiction where working
    - Payments submitted to local jurisdiction where working
    - Fringes reciprocated back to home local

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#### Subcontracting (Para. 32)

- Language clarified to promote subcontracting to union contractors
- Language added for emergency conditions

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# Wage, Benefits and Hours of Work (Article XII)

- 40 hours/5 days, Monday Saturday, start time 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Establish "regularly scheduled" hours
- Four 10's
- Overtime NSMA establishes maximums
- On-call time between Employer and Employee

## No Strike – No Lockout Clause Para. 64 - 65

- Vital for customer retention
- Vital for safety, health and comfort reasons
- Applies to all service and refrigeration work as defined in scope
- May warrant separate service/construction entrances

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#### Grievance Procedure Article XIX

- Communications key!
- Follow procedure as outlined
- Respect time limits grievance can be dismissed if time limits exceeded
- Document everything in writing

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#### MSCA Contributions (Article XXII)

- No additional contributions if dues-paying member of MSCA/MCAA
- Current contribution rate of \$.09 per manhour
- All work performed under the Agreement/all classifications of Employees
- All branches
- Minimum of 4,000 hours per year (\$360)
- Non-payment is grounds for NSMA termination

#### National Joint UA/ MSCA Labor Committee (Para 89-90)

- Oversees Agreement and Schedule A
- Interprets and explains provisions of Agreements
- Listens to concerns and recommendations nationwide
- Supports service training and recruiting
- Goal is to grow service industry

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# Schedule A (Para 72-73)

- Recognizes unique local needs
- Builds flexibility into Agreement
- Can be implemented if local agreement terminates, to include wages
- Can be requested by signatory contractor or local union
- Negotiated by local oversight committee
- Must be approved by Joint UA/MSCA Committee and signed by UA General President and MSCA
- Applicable to all NSMA signatory contractors in the Schedule A jurisdiction
- Posted on MSCA and UA websites

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### **Oversight Committees** (Para 74)

PURPOSE:

- Grow market share
- ► Local dialogue/communications
- ► Ensure adequate service training
- Establish joint recruitment program
- ► Promote value of "energy services"
- ► Local marketing and promotion
- ► Ensure Agreement understood
- Recommend Schedule A revisions

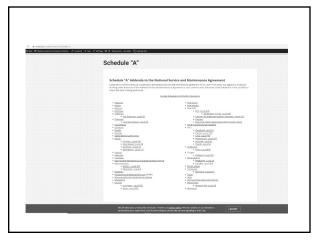
#### Additional Opportunities • Refrigeration Installation Work • Para. 96 – Initially 3 employees plus Foreman can travel • Plumbing Service • Residential Plumbing Installation • Facility Operations • Provides facility owners contracted in-house operations and maintenance

- Site Specific
- Allows multiple classifications of workers to fit skill level required
   Wages/Benefits included

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