

# International Longshore and Warehouse Union



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### **CLASS “B” 70% AVAILABILITY REQUIREMENT & HOME PORT RESPONSIBILITY**

Based on Arbitration Award SCAA-0019-2016, dated October 24, 2016, Class “B” Availability (70%) will be administered in accordance with Section 9.13 of the Memorandum of Coastwise Rules Covering Registration and Deregistration of Longshoremen and Clerks (The Coastwise Rules).

This bulletin is to clarify expectations for Class B registered members regarding the 70% availability requirement and your obligation to cover your home port.

#### **Rule 9.13 states:**

*“An individual who over a period of four consecutive payroll weeks has failed to work or be available for dispatch 70% of such period, except when on leave of absence for illness, disability or for other reason approved by the JPLRC, shall be subject to the following penalties.”*

The Committee agreed the payroll calendar months will be used to determine Class “B” 70% Availability. Please see below examples for a 4 week and 5 week payroll month.

**4-week payroll month → 70% = All Class B’s are required to work or be available for 20 days.**

**5-week payroll month → 70% = All Class B’s are required to work or be available for 25 days.**

#### **Your primary obligation is to your home port (Local 13 – LA/LB)**

This requires:

- Being available for dispatch at your home port first
- Accepting jobs when available

#### **Supplement IV of the PCLCD (2022-2028), Item 4 states:**

*“Class A and Class B registered men shall be prohibited from voluntarily traveling to or working in other ports when (1) there is work for them in their home port, or (2) they are ordered to travel in gangs or as individuals.”*

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