

Security Benefit Fund

Replacement Wages for Corona Virus

Unemployment

- Should you become unemployed due to a COVID-19 closure or quarantine, you need to complete the “Application for Replacement Wages for unemployment only”. As you do today, please attach a copy of the “Official Record of Benefit Payment History” (ORBPH) issued by NYSDOL indicating the week you were unemployed. If you have issue obtaining it, contact the Fund Office for assistance.
- NYS is waiving the 7-Day waiting period for Unemployment Insurance benefits for people who are out of work due to Coronavirus (COVID-19) closures or quarantines.
- Thereafter, each week that you remain unemployed you need to submit your updated ORBPH showing the updated week.

Jobsite Shutdown

- Members can apply for replacement wages for a job shut down, mandatory or voluntary quarantine due to COVID-19. You are eligible for replacement wages through the Security Benefit Fund.
- To request this benefit, you need to complete the “Application for Replacement Wages Temporary Job Shut-Down and check the appropriate box. This benefit will be verified with the appropriate Business Agent before funds are disbursed.

Disability

- If you diagnosed with COVID-19 you will be eligible for Replacement Wages for Disability.
- You must first complete the DB-450 (NYS disability application). Once that application is completed by yourself and your healthcare provider you must submit DB-450 to your employer. Your employer will then complete their section and submit your application to their Disability Insurance.
- While you are waiting to receive benefits from the appropriate agency, you may receive replacement wages, by submitting the Security Benefit Fund Replacement Wage application for Disability with the signed affidavit. This affidavit allows the fund to release you a weekly replacement wage check for up to three weeks. You must substantiate your inability to work from the initial date on the affidavit with a copy of your insurance company documents.

Financial Assistance

- For any part of a month in which you are on NYS unemployment or Disability the Fund will disburse you in an amount not to exceed your account balance for your unpaid home mortgage, co-op mortgage, condominium mortgage, maintenance fees, rent, or property taxes on your primary residence.
- To request this benefit, you must complete the “Application for Financial Assistance” application. You must attach documentation supporting your financial assistance request such as an unpaid mortgage invoice, co-op fee statement, property tax bill, or rent invoice.

Please understand these are trying times and the Trustees of the Security Benefit Fund are here for you and are doing everything in their power to help participants in these difficult financial times.

Forms are available at www.steamfitters.com or by calling the Fund Office.

If you have any questions, call 212-465-8888 option 8.