

## CHANGES TO REINSTATING SUSPENDED MEMBERS POLICY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

Former members in Suspended status may only reinstate **one time per Initiation Date**. After reinstating once, members must re-initiate (see below for more information on re-initiating). Reinstatement requires paying ALL back dues and fees including the current month dues. You must have been inactive for 24 months or less to reinstate and retain original initiation date.

### **EXAMPLE**

- A. Member X's **Current Initiation Date** is 2/22/1990 but let his membership lapse for the **1st** time and was Suspended effective 3/3/2020.
  - a. On 6/1/2020, Member X was **Reinstated** and therefore, retained his **Current Initiation Date** of 2/22/1990.
- B. Member X let his membership lapse for a **2nd** time and has Suspended effective 12/31/2021.
  - a. On 2/15/2023, Member X requests to rejoin, but is only eligible to **Reinitiate**. Therefore, his **Current Initiation Date** changed from 2/22/1990 to 2/15/2023.
- C. Member X let his membership lapse for a **3rd** time and has the following options:
  - a. **Reinstate** and retain his **Current Initiation Date** of 2/15/2023.
  - b. **Reinitiate** and change his **Current Initiation Date** from 2/15/2023 to 3/1/2025.

### **HOW DOES A SUSPENSION OCCUR?**

After 6 months of non-payment of dues, membership is suspended. **For example**, a member owing July through December dues will suspend their membership at the end of December. This happens when the membership system processes membership status changes at the last day of each month (whether it's a weekday or weekend).

To avoid suspending your membership, dues **MUST** be received by close of business (4:30 PM) on a weekday before the month-end process. **For example**, if you owe May 2020 through October 2020 dues, your payment must be received by 4:30 pm Friday, October 30, 2020.

### **WHAT HAPPENS IF I SUSPEND MY MEMBERSHIP?**

Suspended members cannot be on Ready-To-Work list, cannot attend union meetings and may be asked to leave the job until all dues and fees are paid.

### **WHAT HAPPENS IF I HAVE TO REINITIATE? (YOU WILL RECEIVE A NEW INITIATION DATE)**

If you have used your 1 reinstatement and therefore must reinitiate your membership to rejoin, you will need to obtain a sponsorship letter from your contractor stating you are working for them, fill out new membership application forms and pay the re-initiation fees

Journeyman \$350 + 3 months of dues  
Apprentices/Pre-Apprentices - \$110 + 3 months of dues