

PILE DRIVING - WORK RULES
Letter of Understanding

22.2

On all rigs engaged in installing and removing piles, there shall be no less than three (3) journeymen/apprentices and a working foreman to constitute a crew. However, there shall be a minimum of two (2) journeymen/apprentices and a working foreman for piling work with the following equipment: Fixed or telescoping mast type piling rigs and/or excavator/forklift mounted piling attachments.

22.3

On cranes engaged in driving of bearing piles, soldier piles and sheeting and extracting sheeting and piles, there shall be no less than three (3) journeymen/apprentices and a foreman to constitute a crew. When driving or extracting occurs, two (2) employees can be used to do pile driving work within 200 feet of the crew.

22.4

When loading and/or unloading piling or pile driving equipment on a jobsite, there shall be a crew size of carpenters/pile drivers as necessary to perform the work safely.

22.5

All pile load tests shall be erected, dismantled, initial loading and final unloading by no less than one (1) carpenter/pile driver.

22.7

On caisson work when pile hammer or extractor is used installing or removing caisson, one (1) journeyman shall be included in the regular crew.

The employer shall encourage the use of not less than one (1) journeyman carpenter/piledriver on caisson work.

22.9

There shall be one (1) journeyman used only on rigs to pre-drill holes for bearing piling.

There shall be a minimum of two (2) journeymen/apprentice and working foreman on any type of auger cast pile, tie back operation, mini pile, pin pile, cast pile, soil nails and secant piles.

Two (2) journeymen/apprentice and a working foreman shall be used to drill for, prepare, and set soldier piles. If the drill is more than 200 feet from the installation, one (1) journeyman will be added to the crew and shall remain with the drill rig.

22.15

Pile drive employees shall carry with them on the job a twenty-five foot (25') steel tape measure, twelve inch (12") adjustable end wrench, claw hammer, channel locks, speed square, two foot (2') framing square, side cutters, end cutters, and bolt bag or side pouch. This shall include safety toed and/or metatarsal boots, if required by the Employer. Employer will reimburse the employee for fifty percent (50%) of the purchase price of the boots after one thousand (1,000) hours worked in a twelve-month period for that Employer. The Employer may require written documentation of the purchase price.

22.16

In the event the EMPLOYER decides it is necessary to work at any time during inclement weather, the EMPLOYER shall make foul weather gear available for the employees. All safety equipment shall be supplied by the EMPLOYER (Hard Hat, Welding Hood, Burning Goggles, Welding Gloves, Safety Glasses, Leather Sleeves and/or Jackets) plus all other perishables.

22.19

Any special certification test of a qualified pile driver-welder, taken for the convenience of the EMPLOYER, shall be paid for by the EMPLOYER. Before a qualified pile driver-welder commences the welding test, he shall be placed on the payroll of the EMPLOYER and be paid pile driver's wages. A qualified pile driver-welder is one who passed a qualification test given by a recognized testing laboratory within the area covered by this Agreement. When an employee is laid off or terminated they shall receive copies of any certifications they have received with their final check or within forty-eight (48) hours by mail.

The sections of the article shall be renumbered after section 22.7 to reflect the deletion of the current section 22.8 from the article.

In all other respects, Article 22 of the collective bargaining agreement between the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters and the Mid-America Regional Bargaining Association effective June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2010 shall remain in full force and effect.

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