Spare board Guarantee Off-Status – West



Off-status

Any status, other than available, that prevents an employee from taking a call for work.

Pro-rated VS Penalty

Pro-rated

Any status other than personal, miss call, or sick that causes an employee to not be available for work can be considered pro-rated off-status. These days are **not penalized** but instead are **prorated** and as such employees are **not entitled to spare board guarantee for that day**.

Some examples of common prorated statuses below:

Annual Vacation, Earned Day Off (EDO), Bereavement, Off Miles, Company Business, Union Business, Held Out Of Service, Investigation, On Duty Injury, Off Duty Injury (more than 3 days).

Note: Earnings while on a prorated status do not count against the guarantee unless earned via spare board work. I.e. The earnings from a general holiday ticket or late tie-up of a working trip would be counted.

Penalty

Reduction in spare board guarantee due to being unavailable for work as outlined in article **73.07** of the collective agreement. Statuses below

- Miss Call
- Sick*
- Personal*
- Extended Rest (see below)
- *Being off sick or personal for **36 hours** or more counts as two penalties.

Two or more penalties

If you incur two or more penalties you are not entitled to any guarantee payment for that period.

Extended Rest.

A **penalty** is assigned for rest booked in **excess of 12 hours** while on **brakeman spare board** and *losing work as a result. *Includes being asked to break rest after 12 hours and declining or not available.

A penalty is assigned for rest booked in excess of 10 hours while on yard spare board.

A penalty is assigned for any rest considered excess rest that is booked during weekend hours.

*Employees booking 24 hours rest at home terminal can also be called for work while on rest. Breaking rest is not mandatory, however refusing the call or not being available for the call after 12 hours on rest will result in a penalty¹.

¹ As per article 73.07 (3) of CA employees can incur up to 2 penalties (voiding guarantee) if 8 or more hours have transpired between similar instances.