

# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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## AER Cancelled Shift Backpay Win!

Dear members,

During the negotiations of your 2019 Enterprise Agreement you made it very clear that you wanted protections regarding cancelled weekend work. Cancelled weekend/public holiday workings affects your yearly take home income and is magnified by the fact that you do not have an aggregate wage as apposed to other parts of the Aurizon business.

Your EA bargaining team implemented steps into your 2019 Agreement to ensure that if you were deemed not required/ cancelled on a weekend or public holiday shift that you would be paid a minimum of 6 hours at the relevant penalty rate.

Over the past few weeks it has become apparent that Aurizon have been cancelling weekend and/or public holiday work and not recognising the requirement to pay the minimum 6 hours penalty component.

The AFULE raised this issue with the company and have today received confirmation that all Traincrew employees that were/are rostered in the master roster to work a weekend or public holiday shift and are not required to work, will be paid 6 hours at the relevant penalty rate for the day.

All members are encouraged to cross reference your master roster with your actual workings. If your master roster had you working a weekend or public holiday but you have not been required to work, please notify your direct supervisor with the dates in question seeking back payment.

If you would like more information, please contact your local AFULE representative or your state office on 3844 9163 or [statesecretary@afule.org.au](mailto:statesecretary@afule.org.au)

In Solidarity,

Mick McKittrick,  
State Secretary

**Traincrew representing Traincrew**