

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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Public Holidays Whilst On Paid Leave

Dear Traincrew,

It has recently come to light that on some occasions Queensland Rail have been incorrectly paying Traincrew who are on paid leave when a public holiday falls.

Your leave accruals should not be reduced for a day that a public holiday falls. I encourage members to check their pay dockets and contact payroll if you believe that you have had your paid leave balance reduced when you have taken leave on a public holiday.

It is important however to mention that some members may be in a position that they have been over paid as a result due to the fact that paid leave counts towards cycle time however leave on a public holiday does not.

Also, paid leave attracts the weekend penalty however leave on a public holiday does not. QR have stated that employees that have incorrectly attracted penalties whilst on leave will not be instructed to enter into a system to repay the amount.

Once again, I encourage members to check their pay dockets and contact QR payroll if you believe you have been disadvantaged by having leave deducted on a day a public holiday falls. QR have informed the AFULE that the problem has been rectified going forward and that Traincrew that have been incorrectly deducted will be reaccredited leave accruals after contact with payroll.

Please contact your local rep or state office on 3844 9163 or statesecretary@afule.org.au if you would like further information.

In Solidarity,

Michael McKittrick
State Secretary

Traincrew representing Traincrew