

IBEW Local 46 Covid updates for Membership – 7-29-2020 (SB / KW / JL)

Our IBEW 46 jurisdiction is in **Phase II of the Safe Start reopening plan, per Governor Inslee**. This will not change until there is a consistency of 14 days in a row with less than 25 NEW positive cases per 100,000 people per day.

As of 7/27/2020 these are the rates of people who test positive in the Counties of our Jurisdiction. Remember that these numbers can change on a daily basis.

- King County positive test rate at 5.2%.
- Jefferson County positive test rate at 1.1%.
- Clallam County positive test rate at 1.3%.
- Kitsap County positive test rate at 4.2%
- City of Kent positive test rate approx. 10%.

Phase Two Rules – No social gatherings of more than 5 people outside of your household.

Construction is ALWAYS in Phase II, which we achieved after the "non-essential" shut down and it has remained there. PHASE II means you are currently required to comply every day on your jobsite with your COVID-19 Safety Plan and with the Governor's Safety Rules for Construction. We have not seen a huge uptick in cases, but there are case by case hotspots, but nowhere near what has happened in NYC (JOBS BEING RED FLAGGED). California has had to shut down projects impacting 1,200 plus workers because of numbers trending the wrong way!!!

For Construction the only change to the Phase II rule is that now, if an individual who is a Washington resident/worker and has left the state to visit another state other than Oregon or Idaho, they may return to work upon returning to state, instead of having to quarantine for 14 days, **IF THE FOLLOWING IS MET:**

- You must have a Washington State administered COVID test completed, and if it comes back negative, then you can go right back to work upon notification to the employer of the verified test result.

There are currently many calls in the Hall for jobs, so please check the available jobs daily. Also, remember that the \$600/week extra unemployment subsidy from the Federal government ENDED on July 25, 2020. There is new federal legislation in the works for additional money but NO agreement on how much, if any, that will be.

COVID-19 COUNTY DATA IS AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING SITES.

King County Data: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/data/daily-summary.aspx>

Kitsap County Data: <https://kitsapublichealth.org/CommunityHealth/files/COVID/COVID-WeeklyReport.pdf>

Jefferson County Data: <https://co.jefferson.wa.us/1466/Case-Information>

Clallam County Data: <http://www.clallam.net/coronavirus/>