

IBEW Local 48 - Tips for Traveling

Preparation:

Secure a travel letter from Member Services.

Learn about reciprocity to keep track of your pension and benefits.

Check IBEW locals for those who need help (unfilled calls):

<https://where2bro.com/>

<https://ibew.org/jobs-board/>

See if a brother/sister wants to travel with you.

Tips to Live By:

You are representing Local 48, be a proper guest and make us proud!

As a traveler, it is disrespectful to accept a foreman position if local members are willing.

Do your best work at all times. Give eight for eight.

Read the agreement you will be working under to avoid issues.

Make sure you follow the hiring hall rules when trying to catch a call in another local.

Do not double book (keeping your name on Book 2 in other Locals while working)

Only sign Book 1 in your home local.

When dispatched on the road, do your best to fit in.

Seek out others who are travelers and get their feedback.

Make friends with local hands, they can assist in guiding you. Ask their advice.

You will meet good IBEW members.

You will meet bad IBEW members.

Alcohol and drugs are everywhere in construction; many trades people destroy themselves with addictions.

Have a financial goal.

Always work safely, do not push the boundaries of safety.

When layoffs start, local hands should stay on the job.