Rigging Keys Working Group
“Back to Work”
Recommendations

The following recommendations come from the Local Eighty Working Group that consist of highly regarded and respected Key Rigging Grips

Although the guidelines are not definitive, they can serve as a model for a safe return to work till such time that your Union and the AMPTP, (the major Producing Companies) come to a comprehensive Agreement that will cover all the crafts represented by the IATSE.

1) All crew members are to be trained, per the “White Paper” recommendations on the proper use of all PPE to be used.
2) All crew members are to be trained on the proper Cleaning and sanitizing procedures as per the “White Paper.”
3) At the beginning of each shift a safety and protocol meeting for the use of PPE and for distribution of approved PPE to be handed out for that shift of work.
4) All Riggers are to be assigned their own Fall Protection equipment that will be cleaned per the manufacturer’s recommendations and the end of each shift.
5) Limit the number of crew in the Rigging trailer and or Gold rooms, Canvas rooms as per the guidelines for social distancing.
6) A Tool person be assigned to hand out and receive tools and equipment that are used for an assigned task. The Tool person will clean and sanitize high touch areas that Rigging crews may be using, the cleaning of equipment and all work areas that the rigging crew may use during the shift of work. The Tool person should be paid at the rate of Gang Boss of the Basic Agreement.
7) A roving Crafts Service person should be assigned to the Rigging crew to clean and sanitize high touch areas that Rigging crews may be using, the cleaning of equipment and all work areas that Rigging crews may use during the shift of work.
8) Restrooms and wash stations should be at locations and set up before any crew arrives at location for work.
9) Riggers should work in a Pod team type of setting. The same Pod team should always work together in order to reduce the contact with other crew members and reduce the threat of exposure to other Pod teams in the event a member becomes infected with COVID. A team member is to be sent home until cleared to report back to work.
10) Off production crews be given a $15.00 daily stipend for lunch that Production does not supply. This stipend is to be based on a day to day basis and is to appear on the person’s paycheck.
11) When requested to self-drive from one location to another, mileage is to be paid at the then current rate as determined by the IRS, or an agreed upon car allowance is to be paid. All self-drive time is to be “on the clock”, and at no time is a crew member to self-drive without being properly compensated.
12) When using High Lifts, control panel and safety guard rails are to be cleaned prior and after use.
13) Unless otherwise impactable, the same crew member should be assigned to operate the same High Lift of other such equipment throughout the entire shift.

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