

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF POSTAL SUPERVISORS

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## Board Memo 012-2022: Extension of Liberal Changes of Schedule and Leave Until April 8

Executive Board,

The Postal Service has decided based on recent conversations to extend the Liberal Changes of Schedules and Leave through April 8, 2022.

Please share this information with your membership.

Thank you and be safe.

**NAPS** Headquarters



February 4, 2022

**OFFICERS** 

SUBJECT: Liberal Changes of Schedules and Leave

The attached memorandum and its provisions are extended through April 8, 2022.

Katherine S. Attridge

Attachment

cc: Directors, Field Human Resources (Area)
Directors, Field Labor Relations (Area)
Directors and Managers, Labor Relations (Headquarters)



March 23, 2020

## AREA VICE PRESIDENTS

SUBJECT: Liberal Changes of Schedule and Leave

We have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with our unions temporarily expanding the use of Sick Leave for Dependent Care to allow employees to use their sick leave for unexpected childcare needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition to allowing Sick Leave for Dependent Care, for the next 60-day period, managers and supervisors should allow liberal changes of schedule in recognition of the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. To the extent operationally practicable, managers and supervisors should accommodate employees who submit PS Form 3189, *Request for Temporary Schedule Change for Personal Convenience* as a result of childcare issues caused by daycare closures, school (Pre-K through Grade 12) closures, or the unavailability of a child's primary caregiver as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Managers and supervisors should also allow liberal sick leave usage for employees who are sick, and liberal annual and leave without pay (LWOP) usage to the extent operationally feasible during this time period. If an employee requests leave for reasons related to COVID-19, such leave should be treated as scheduled (as opposed to unscheduled) leave. Leave taken for COVID-19 related reasons between February 29, 2020, and May 17, 2020, may not be cited in discipline for failing to maintain an assigned schedule under ELM 511.43.

cc: Officers

Managers, Human Resources (Area) Managers, Labor Relations (Area)

Managers, Labor Relations (Headquarters)