

SMART Local 49 — pay scale rate sheet

Sheet Metal Workers · Albuquerque, NM · Effective January 1, 2024

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SMART Local 49 pays sheet metal worker (hvac duct and system installation only) members \$37.50/hr in straight-time wages, and \$56.01/hr once benefit and fringe contributions are added, effective January 1, 2024 per the U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon general wage determination NM20260013 (rev 1), building construction, SHEE0049-012 01/01/2024: base rate \$37.50 plus printed fringes \$18.51 wage determination. Rates change with each contract cycle — confirm the current step with the Albuquerque, NM hall before quoting an offer.

Wage detail

Base hourly wage **\$37.50/hr**

Straight-time sheet metal worker (hvac duct and system installation only) rate on the current wage determination, before fringes.

Total package **\$56.01/hr**

Wage plus all employer-paid benefit and fringe contributions per hour worked.

Approximate annual wage **\$75,000/yr**

Derived: base hourly × 2,000 hours. Actual earnings depend on hours dispatched, overtime and travel.

Effective date **January 1, 2024**

Date this rate took effect under the agreement, as printed on the U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon general wage determination NM20260013 (rev 1), building construction, SHEE0049-012 01/01/2024: base rate \$37.50 plus printed fringes \$18.51 wage determination.

Classification **SHEET METAL WORKER (HVAC DUCT AND SYSTEM INSTALLATION ONLY)**

Rate applies to this classification only. Apprentice steps, foremen and shift work are paid on separate lines of the wage determination.

Benefits & fringe contributions

Roughly 33% of the SMART Local 49 package is employer-paid benefits and fringes rather than wages, which is why the package figure and a take-home hourly rate are not the same number.

Benefit & fringe contributions **\$18.51/hr**

Printed as the fringe line on U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division determination NM20260013, schedule SHEE0049-012.

What the contributions fund **Health & welfare, pension, annuity, training and industry funds**

Standard fund categories in mechanical and electrical agreements. The exact split between funds is set in the local's agreement — the hall or fund office publishes the schedule.

Paid on **Every hour worked**

Fringe contributions are made per hour worked, so they scale with dispatched hours and are paid to the funds rather than to the member.

Source & currency

Source: U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon general wage determination NM20260013 (rev 1), building construction, SHEE0049-012 01/01/2024: base rate \$37.50 plus printed fringes \$18.51 — <https://sam.gov/wage-determination/NM20260013/1#local-49>

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Last cross-checked against the source on Oct 1, 2026.

Source document: U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division Davis-Bacon Act determination NM20260013 (mod 1), published 2026-05-18.

Schedule line SHEE0049-012 — Building construction, scope: Counties listed on NM20260013.

Classification as printed: SHEET METAL WORKER (HVAC DUCT AND SYSTEM INSTALLATION ONLY)

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