

SMART Local 54 — pay scale rate sheet

Sheet Metal Workers · Houston, TX · Effective April 1, 2022

SMART Local 54 pays journeyman sheet metal worker (smacna houston agreement) members \$29.31/hr in straight-time wages, and \$43.80/hr once benefit and fringe contributions are added, effective April 1, 2022 per the SMACNA Houston / SMART Local 54 Basic Union Agreement, Addendum #1 wage determination. Rates change with each contract cycle — confirm the current step with the Houston, TX hall before quoting an offer.

Wage detail

Base hourly wage **\$29.31/hr**

Straight-time journeyman sheet metal worker (smacna houston agreement) rate on the current wage determination, before fringes.

Total package **\$43.80/hr**

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

Approximate annual wage **\$58,620/yr**

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

Effective date **April 1, 2022**

Date this rate took effect under the agreement, as printed on the SMACNA Houston / SMART Local 54 Basic Union Agreement, Addendum #1 wage determination.

Classification **Journeyman Sheet Metal Worker (SMACNA Houston agreement)**

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 54 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 **\$14.49/hr**

Derived: total package minus base wage. This is the employer's combined hourly contribution to the funds, not take-home pay.

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: SMACNA Houston / SMART Local 54 Basic Union Agreement, Addendum #1 —
<https://www.smacna.org/docs/default-source/resource-documents/houston-exp-2025.pdf#local-54>

Stale — verify. SMACNA Houston / SMART Local 54 Basic Union Agreement, Addendum #1 still carries this rate, but the negotiated line is over three years old and a new CBA cycle is almost certainly in force. Treat it as a floor, not a quote — call the local for the current step.

Last cross-checked against the source on Sep 14, 2026.

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