NEW MEDIA TAFT HARTLEY INFORMATION

What is a Taft-Hartley report?

It is a report which is submitted by a SAG-AFTRA Signatory Producer to the Union whenever any non-member is employed by such Producer on a SAG-AFTRA project.

How are Taft-Hartley reports submitted?

Taft-Hartley reports must be completed and submitted directly to SAG-AFTRA by the signatory producer or casting director within 15 days from the performers work date. Taft-Hartley reports submitted by the performer **will not** be accepted.

How long does it take to process a Taft-Hartley report?

Due to the high volume of New Media Productions, please allow at least 6-8 weeks for Principal Taft Hartley Reports to be processed. Please note Taft-Hartley reports will not be processed until all final production paperwork has been submitted. This paperwork includes the Cast Clearance Report, Ex. G timesheets, Performer contracts and Final Cast List.

Background Taft Hartley Reports are processed by the Background Department. If you are a Background Performer, please contact the Background Department with eligibility questions. They can be reached at 323-549-6811 or specialtyperformers@sagaftra.org.

How do I know if my Taft-Hartley report was received?

Please contact the signatory producer or casting director to check when they submitted the Taft-Hartley reports to SAG-AFTRA. Due to the high volume of Taft-Hartley reports we receive on a daily basis, we are unable to verify if your paperwork was received until it is processed.

Non-union performers working on a SAG-AFTRA covered production will become eligible to join the Union after one (1) Principal Performer Taft-Hartley report has been submitted. Background performers must complete three (3) days of work as a background actor under a SAG-AFTRA covered production in order to receive eligibility.

Will SAG-AFTRA notify me once I become eligible to join?

Yes. Within a week of become eligible in our system, SAG-AFTRA's Membership Department will mail a letter to the address provided on the Taft-Hartley report.

I know my Taft Hartley was processed, but I didn't receive a letter in the mail. What do I do?

Please contact the Membership Department at 323-549-6769.

Am I able to check my eligibility online?

Yes. Please visit the How to Join SAG-AFTRA page via the Membership section of the SAG-AFTRA website (www.sagaftra.org/content/how-join-sag) and enter your first name, last name, and Social Security Number to see if you are eligible.

It's been longer than 6-8 weeks after my Taft-Hartley report was submitted, but I'm not yet eligible when I check online. What do I do?

If you have verified with the signatory producer or casting director your Taft-Hartley report was submitted, please contact the SAG-AFTRA Membership Department at (323) 549-6769 to have a representative manually check our system for your information. If they verify no Taft-Hartley was received, they will forward you to the appropriate department in order to have a Business Representative contact the signatory producer. Please note you may be asked to verify your employment during this process (i.e. a copy of your performer contract and/or pay stub).