

**IBEW Local 1245 News**  
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## **IBEW LOCAL 1245 SUPPORTS LIFE-SAVING RULES FOR TREE TRIMMERS**

IBEW 1245 Business Representatives have been reporting at regular monthly unit meetings that the union is supporting Asplundh Tree's enforcement rights of the Life-Saving Rules Policy as long as the policy is administered equally. The Life Saving Rules Policy calls for the instant termination of an employee who violates any of the following safety rules:

1. Not wearing a seat belt in a company or leased vehicle while it is in motion.
2. Operating or allowing the operation of a company vehicle by an unqualified and/or unauthorized person.
3. Not being 100% tied-in when manually climbing a tree or aloft in a bucket.
4. Violating the danger zone during tree felling.
5. Violating minimum separation (minimum approach distance) of any energized conductor with any part of your body or conductive object.

You should have read and signed a copy of the Life-Saving Rules Policy prior to being employed. If you did not, contact your supervisor immediately for a copy. Please also review the entire Life-Saving Rules Policy clarifications in your Foreperson Manual.

*Remember: work safely and absolutely do not violate any one of these five rules in the Life-Saving Rules Policy. Do not put either yourself or your job at risk!*