

# Pipe Fitting Council of Greater Chicago

*Labor Management Cooperation Committee*

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March 3, 2020

**TO: LU 597 Signatory Contractors  
All Active Pipefitters**

**RE: Substance Abuse Testing and Treatment Policy Changes**

At the last Pipe Fitting Council of Greater Chicago meeting, our trustees made two significant changes to the LU 597/MCA Substance Abuse Testing & Treatment Policy:

- After months of careful consideration, we agreed to handle marijuana (THC) testing like alcohol: pipefitters will only be tested: (1) post-accident, or (2) when there is reasonable suspicion.
- We also agreed to add semi-synthetic opiates to all testing panels, which includes random and periodic testing.

We expect these changes to go into effect no later than April 1, 2020. A copy of the new panels is attached.

Sincerely,



Pipe Fitters Association  
Local Union 597, U. A.  
Kevin Morrissey  
Business Manager



Mechanical Contractors Association  
Jill McCall  
Executive Vice President

Encls.

	LU 597 / MCA Panels	
<b>ALCOHOL *</b>	0.04	0.04
<b>MARIJUANA METABOLITES *</b>	50	
THCA (11-nor delta-9THCA)		15
<b>DRUG CLASS ANALYTES</b>	<b>SCREENING CUT-OFF (ng/mL)</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION CUT-OFF (ng/mL)</b>
<b>AMPHETAMINES</b>	500	
AMPHETAMINE		250
METHAMPHETAMINE		250
<b>ECSTASY</b>	500	
MDMA	500	250
MDA		250
<b>BARBITURATES</b>	300	
AMOBARBITAL		200
BUTALBITAL		200
PENTOBARBITAL		200
PHENOBARBITAL		200
SECOBARBITAL		200
<b>BENZODIAZEPINES</b>	300	
ALPRAZOLAM METAOLITES		200
OXAZEPAM		200
<b>COCAINE METABOLITES</b>	150	
BENZOYLECGONINE		100
<b>METHADONE</b>	300	
Methadone		200
EDDP		200
<b>OPIATES</b>	2000	
MORPHINE		2000
CODEINE		2000
HYDROMORPHONE	300	100
HYDROCODONE		100
<b>OXYCODONES</b>	100	
OXYCODONE		100
OXYMORPHONE		100
6-ACETYLMORPHINE (6-AM)	10	10
<b>PHENCYCLIDINE (PCP)</b>	25	25
<b>PROPOXYPHENE</b>	300	200
<b>* Subject only to Post-Accident &amp; Reasonable Suspicion</b>		