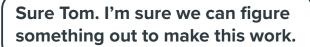
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I'd love to help but we'll need to check your union contract. It likely includes rules about scheduling assignments and seniority that we will have to follow.





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Today, we have the flexibility to support you when life happens. With a union, the labor contract dictates how we respond. And it may not give you the flexibility you need.

Frequently asked questions

- Will our relationship change if we have a union?
- Yes. In a unionized environment, leaders and employees would need to strictly follow any rules in the labor contract and some things would need to be discussed with a union delegate (steward or representative) rather than directly with each other. We would always rather solve problems by working directly with you than through a third-party.
- If the labor contract says I can't go to my manager about certain matters who would I go to?
- A Your union delegate (or steward) would be your union representative on a day-to-day basis and make decisions for you about work-related matters during negotiations.

- Who would my union delegate be?
 - Union delegates are employees from the bargaining unit (a unionized employee group) who act as the day-to-day union representative. Sometimes a union rewards internal union supporters with a position of a delegate. They may even get special treatment and perks for helping to organize their fellow employees. This may be why some employees are pushing so hard to unionize.

Sometimes, a union delegate may be elected by employees, but the union delegate generally still gets perks. These special privileges may be paid time off to engage in union business, all-expenses-paid trips to union conferences, meals and swag. Union delegates also usually have access to a lot of information you may consider personal, like your Social Security number, pay rate, retirement contributes, disciplinary actions, home address, signature and personal contact information.