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# Jack Cooper Investments, Inc.

## Canada Non-Union Employee Handbook

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## 1.0 | Introduction

### 1.1 | Company Vision

Jack Cooper strives to become the leading specialty transportation company by delivering quality-driven solutions to strategic markets around the world. We continually seek to strengthen our multigenerational, family-controlled portfolio of businesses by leveraging our expertise in finished-vehicle logistics, our integrity-driven Employee culture, and our operational excellence.

### 1.2 | Mission Statement

- ❖ To be known as the leader in finished vehicle and other specialty transport services.
- ❖ To transport finished vehicles and other specialty products in a manner that strives to meet or exceed our customers' expectations for timely delivery, damage-free performance, and value.
- ❖ To strive for continual improvement of the effectiveness of our Quality Management System.
- ❖ To excel in any other endeavor in which the Company engages.

### 1.3 | Our Values

- ❖ **Integrity:** We always try to do the right thing. We are honest and straightforward with each other.
- ❖ **Excellence:** We encourage and expect outstanding mastery of skills and superior execution.
- ❖ **Longevity:** We lead and manage for the long-term well-being of our Company and our Employees.
- ❖ **Innovation & Imagination:** We challenge convention and reinvent the way we do business to meet the demands of a changing marketplace.
- ❖ **Responsibility:** We care about and work to make positive contributions to others, our community, and the world around us.
- ❖ **Safety & Health:** Safety and building a healthy work environment are core values embedded in our DNA and in our day-to-day business functions and decisions. It's our duty to maintain a safe work environment for everyone.

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## **2.0 | Employee Status**

### **2.1 | Disclaimer**

This handbook version supersedes any previous handbook versions and/or written or oral material pertaining to the subjects covered herein. The contents of this handbook are presented as a matter of general guidelines and information only. It is not intended to be comprehensive or to address all the possible applications of, or exceptions to, the general policies and procedures described therein. The Company reserves the right to modify, revoke, suspend, terminate, or change any or all such policies, practices, procedures, or benefit plans in whole or in part, at any time with or without notice and there is no guarantee that conditions of employment or benefits will remain as set out in this handbook. Every attempt will be made to inform Employees of any changes as they occur. However, it is the Employees' responsibility to keep current on all Company policies and procedures. It is the Employees' responsibility to review Company policies and procedures in detail and to request any clarification needed from their supervisor or Human Resources. The language in this booklet is not intended to create, nor is it to be construed to constitute, a contract between the Company and any one or all of its Employees. Nor does it guarantee any fixed terms or conditions of employment or benefits. There may be times when policies in this handbook differ from applicable law. In those cases, applicable law will apply.

### **2.2 | Definition of Company**

Hereinafter, the term "Company" means Jack Cooper Investments, Inc. and all related subsidiaries. This handbook shall apply to all non-union Employees of the Company. Additionally, the Policies and Guidelines in Section 4.0 below shall apply to union as well as non-union Employees. Managers shall ensure the Policies and Guidelines are posted and available to their union Employees.

The Company may provide a supplemental handbook to certain subsidiaries with information specific to the subsidiaries' employees. Please check with the HR Department if you are unsure if your subsidiary has a supplemental handbook.

### **2.3 | Employment**

No supervisor, manager or other representative of the Company has the authority to enter into any agreement with an Employee for any specified period or to make any promises or commitments with regard to wages, hours, benefits, and/or working conditions unless so authorized by the Chairman, CEO, CFO, CHRO, or President of the Company.

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## 2.4 | Employment Classifications

The following definitions have been established in order to standardize terminology and provide common understanding in our references to Employees:

- ❖ “Employee” means a person who receives wages or salaries from the Company.
- ❖ “Regular Full-Time Employees” means employees who consistently work a minimum of 30 hours weekly and who maintain continuous active employment status. Regular Full-Time Employees are eligible for all Company benefits.
- ❖ “Regular Part-Time Employees” means employees who consistently work fewer than 30 hours weekly and who maintain continuous regular part-time Employee status. Regular Part-Time Employees are not eligible for Company benefits.
- ❖ “Temporary Employees” - Those Employees whose services are intended to be of limited or intermittent duration. Temporary Employees are not eligible for Company benefits.
- ❖ “Casual Employees” - Casual Employees are those who are not regularly scheduled and work on an “as needed” or “on call” basis. Casual Employees are not eligible for Company benefits.

## 2.5 | Service Date

An Employee’s service date shall be used to determine benefits eligibility and participation, subject to plan provisions. The service date is the first day worked on the Company’s payroll as a Regular Full-Time Employee unless the Company is obligated by law or contract to honor an earlier service date.

Employees who work as a Regular Part-Time Employee then become a Regular Full-Time Employee shall use their first day worked in their Regular Full-Time capacity as their service date.

Employees who work as Temporary Employees or Consultants, either through the Company or through a temporary service, and are subsequently hired as Regular Full-Time or Part-Time Employees shall use their first day worked as a Regular Full-Time Employee on the Company payroll as their service date. At no time will temporary employment through the Company or through a temporary agency be credited to an Employee’s service date.

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## **2.6 | Employee Work Schedule**

The normal work week is from Sunday through Saturday. Workdays and hours of work will vary by location, position and the needs of the business. An Employee's supervisor will establish the schedule and only the supervisor may change the schedule once it has been established.

## **3.0 | Personnel Policies**

### **3.1 | Attendance**

It is extremely important that Employees be punctual and regular. Employees must be on the job and ready to work at their scheduled starting time. Excessive absenteeism or tardiness will be cause for disciplinary action up to and including termination. Where Employees are unable to report for work for any reason, they must notify their supervisor prior to the beginning of their shift to explain why they will be absent or tardy and when they will return to work or arrive. Employees are responsible for communicating directly to their supervisor. Employees must have two-way communication with their supervisor meaning they must speak to their supervisor on the phone or correspond by email or text. If an immediate supervisor is not available, Employees must use two methods of communication. For example, email and text; or text and voicemail. Failure to provide such notification could result in an unexcused absence subject to disciplinary action and the time off may not be eligible for sick pay or other forms of compensation. Notification from another Employee or relative is not acceptable except where an Employee is physically unable to communicate his or her absence due to a health condition.

As noted above, if Employees are absent from work for two or more consecutive shifts, they are required to provide a doctor's note to management upon returning to work supporting their absence unless the leave is protected by a law that prohibits the Company from asking for such documentation. Where appropriate and permissible by law, the Company may request that a medical provider certify that an Employee is able to return to work safely.

As noted above, unacceptable attendance may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination. An Employee who is absent from work for two consecutive shifts without giving proper notice as defined in this policy shall be considered as having voluntarily resigned.

The Company reserves the right to employ disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment, for excessive absenteeism issues at its discretion. In the event an Employee misses or is

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tardy five shifts, whether such absences are deemed excused or unexcused and excluding accrued vacation and paid time off, in any rolling twelve-month period, the Employee's employment may be terminated immediately unless such excused absences occur during a period of leave covered by law.

### **3.2 | Personal Appearance**

All Employees must maintain a professional appearance during business hours and while in a customer's presence. Good personal hygiene is expected at all times. Hair should be clean and neat. Perfume, cologne, or after-shave lotion should be used in moderation out of consideration for the sensitivities and allergies of others. Managers will determine what is appropriate for their Employees on all matters of personal appearance and hygiene.

Clothing shall be clean and in good condition; torn jeans, shorts, halter tops, sweat suits, clothes with holes, stains or otherwise in an obvious state of disrepair are not appropriate. Revealing or too short of clothing is not appropriate. Supervisors or Human Resources will notify their Employees if their clothing is inappropriate. Employees who report for work in unacceptable clothing will be sent home and not paid for time missed from work.

Clothing and any visible tattoos shall comply with the Company's Harassment Policy below and be free from any offensive or harassing images. Examples of such images include but are not limited to images of a sexual nature, the Confederate Flag, or swastika. Employees wearing such images on their clothing may be sent home to change or asked to turn the clothing inside out. Additionally, offensive tattoos must be covered prior to the beginning of an Employee's shift. Specific guidelines for attire may vary by location depending upon its particular work duties and business needs.

The Company will comply with all federal, provincial, and local law with respect to making accommodations for Employees with special religious or medical needs that may affect their personal appearance. Accommodations will be made in accordance with our Equal Opportunity Policy below. Individuals seeking such accommodations should contact the Human Resources Department.

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### **3.3 | Conflict Resolution**

The Company realizes problems may occur in the workplace and recognizes the importance of clearing up any difficulties that may arise. Full discussion of the issues is the best vehicle for resolving misunderstandings and preserving good relations between management and Employees. Accordingly, the following procedures may help ensure that all Employee complaints receive appropriate consideration. No discrimination or recrimination will result from presenting a good-faith, bona fide complaint. If at any time the Employee needs assistance during any stage of this process he or she should contact the Human Resources Department.

Should a condition exist which an Employee feels is unsatisfactory, it is important that he or she bring it to the attention of the appropriate person in the proper manner.

- ❖ *Manager/Supervisor.* The first person the Employee should notify is the Employee's immediate supervisor. If the complaint is about the supervisor, the Employee may start with the person to whom his or her supervisor reports.
- ❖ *Human Resources Department.* If the supervisor is unable to resolve the complaint in a satisfactory manner, or if the supervisor is the source of the complaint, the Employee is to contact the Human Resources Department for assistance.
- ❖ *Executive Committee Member/President.* If the supervisor and the Human Resources Department do not satisfactorily resolve the issue, Employees may bring their complaint to a member of the Executive Committee or the President of the Company.

This method of conflict resolution is intended to safeguard against any possible inequitable treatment, but cannot guarantee that all issues raised by Employees will be resolved in the Employee's favor. Nonetheless, all Employees may be assured that reasonable efforts will be made to try to resolve problems in a manner that is satisfactory for both the Employee and the Company.

### **3.4 | Teammate Action Plans**

The following recommendations are designed to help Employees meet standards of performance and to solve disciplinary problems through communication with the affected Employees. Supervisors should endeavor to describe the behavior that is to be corrected; set goals for improvement; and let Employees know the consequences of the continuation of the problem behavior. The best way to accomplish this is to create a formal performance improvement plan. Supervisors should reach out to Human Resources as needed to assist with the creation of teammate action plans for their Employees.

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The steps described below do not constitute an employment contract. Instead, the Company reserves the right to administer or not administer any and all of the following steps alone or in combination and in any order, based on the severity of the behavior and at the Company's discretion.

During any step in the process, the Employee may offer rebuttal comments in writing. These should be placed in the Employee's personnel file along with the written teammate action plan.

- ❖ Verbal Counseling: The supervisor should first tell the Employee verbally about the specific performance deficiencies or behavioral problems. The Employee should be given the opportunity to respond and discuss what is causing the performance deficiencies.
- ❖ Teammate Action Plan: If changes are not made after the verbal counseling, a written game plan for improvement should be created. This teammate action plan should be signed by the Employee, who by signing, acknowledges that he or she will abide by the plan and cooperate in making improvements. If the Employee refuses to sign a teammate action plan, it shall be construed by the Company as an indication of his or her unwillingness to make any changes or improvements. This may result in immediate discipline up to and including termination. Separate rebuttal comments shall not be interpreted as a refusal to sign. The Employee may both disagree with their manager's assessment of his or performance while simultaneously agreeing to abide by and cooperate with a teammate action plan. If the Employee believes the teammate action plan is discriminatory, he or she may contact the Human Resources Department. The teammate action plan should be placed in the Employee's personnel file and a copy given to the Employee.
- ❖ Formal Meeting: The supervisor should meet with the Employee to provide the teammate action plan to the Employee. Topics for discussion at this meeting may include:
  - A reminder about the previous discussion (if applicable);
  - A description of the specific performance or behavior that is causing the problem;
  - A description of the steps required by the plan; and
  - A discussion of future consequences if standards are not met.
- ❖ Termination: If the Employee does not make the required improvement, meet the set standards in the teammate action plan, or maintain the required performance levels on a continuing basis, or if behavior otherwise warrants, employment may be terminated.

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### 3.5 | Termination without Warning

In the following situations, immediate termination may result without warning. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive. There are other behaviors that could also result in immediate termination.

- ❖ Acts of violence.
- ❖ Willful destruction of Company property.
- ❖ Negligent or otherwise unsafe operation of equipment.
- ❖ Fighting, participating in horseplay, carrying firearms or any other dangerous weapons on Company premises or in Company property, or at any location where an Employee is performing work for the Company, at any time.
- ❖ Reasonable suspicion of theft, removal, defacing Company property or dishonesty toward the Company, or its Employees, clients or vendors. The Company considers theft a serious offense and will pursue prosecution.
- ❖ Use, possession or sale of drugs or alcohol in the workplace or parking lot, or reporting to work with the presence of drugs or alcohol in the system.
- ❖ Insubordination to managers including refusing a reasonable request, refusing to leave premises when requested, and/or using obscene or otherwise objectionable language or gestures.
- ❖ Falsification of Employee applications, time cards or other records, including filing fraudulent Workers' Compensation or health care claims.
- ❖ Unauthorized use of Company equipment, time, materials or facilities.
- ❖ Completing another Employee's time records.
- ❖ Engaging in harassment of any kind — including sexual harassment — toward another Employee, customer or vendor. Transmission of obscene, slanderous, harassing or other inappropriate messages by electronic or other means.
- ❖ The unauthorized dispersal of sensitive Company operating material or information of a confidential nature to any unauthorized person or party. This would include, but not be limited to, policies, procedures, financial information, or any such information, in part or in whole, that is contained in Company manuals, video programs or records.
- ❖ Violation of any federal, provincial or local law or failure to follow prescribed rules that result in actual or potential legal action against the Company. Violation of Company safety, health or security rules.
- ❖ Violation of Company drug, alcohol, workplace violence and concealed weapons policies.

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- ❖ Loitering or loafing during work time, or leaving a work area without the permission of management.
  - ❖ Violation of the attendance policy, including but not limited to irregular attendance, habitual lateness or unexcused absences.
  
  - ❖ Any other activity that the Company reasonably believes represents a threat to the smooth operation, goodwill or profitability of its business.

As mentioned elsewhere in this handbook, all employment relationships are on an at-will basis. The Company reserves the right to terminate the employment relationship at any time, with or without cause or notice.

### **3.6 | Confidential Company Information**

During the course of work, an Employee may become aware of confidential information about the Company's business, including but not limited to information regarding Company finances, pricing, products, and new product/service development, software and computer programs, marketing strategies, suppliers, customers and potential customers, and other non-public proprietary Company information.

An Employee also may become aware of similar confidential information belonging to the Company's clients. It is extremely important that all such information remain confidential, and particularly not be disclosed to our competitors. Any Employee who improperly copies, removes (whether physically or electronically), uses or discloses confidential information to anyone outside of the Company (whether intentionally or negligently) may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Nothing in this confidentiality section prohibits an Employee from reporting possible violations of federal law or regulation to any governmental agency or entity, including, but not limited to, the Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Congress, and the Inspector General, or making other disclosures that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of federal law or regulation.

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### **3.7 | Conflict of Interest and Business Ethics**

The Company maintains a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics Policy (the “Policy”). It is the responsibility of all Employees of the Company to familiarize themselves with this Policy. One purpose of this Policy is to ensure that the Company’s honesty and integrity, and therefore its reputation, are not compromised. Among other important standards, the Policy sets forth that no Employee should have, or appear to have, personal interest or relationships that actually or potentially conflict with the best interest of the Company.

As noted in the Policy, it is not possible to give an exhaustive list of situations that might involve violations thereof. However, examples are provided of situations that would constitute a conflict in most cases, including but not limited to:

- ❖ Loans to, or guarantees of obligations to, a Covered Person or his or her family members by the Company may create conflicts of interest and in certain instances are prohibited by law.
- ❖ Holding an interest in any organization that does, or is seeking to do, business with the Company, by any Covered Person who is in a position to directly or indirectly influence either the Company’s decision to do business, or the terms upon which business would be done with such organization.
- ❖ Holding a material interest in an organization that competes with the Company.
- ❖ Being employed by (including as a consultant) or serving on the board of any organization which does, or is seeking to do, business with the Company (e.g., a customer or supplier) or which competes with the Company.
- ❖ Profiting personally (e.g., through commissions, loans, expense reimbursements, or other payments) from any organization seeking to do business or doing business with the Company.
- ❖ Acceptance of any gift or other favor such as entertainment or services under circumstances where the receipt of such gift or favor might reasonably be deemed by others to influence the judgment or actions of the Covered Person in the conduct of the Company’s business (as further described in the Company’s FCPA Policy).

It is the Employee’s responsibility to report any actual or potential conflict that may exist between the Employee, and his or her immediate family, and the Company. Please consult the Legal Department of the Company of the Policy for additional information.

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### **3.8 | Company Vehicles and Driving For Company Business**

When using a Company vehicle, an Employee is required to exercise care and perform necessary maintenance. When operating a Company vehicle, the Employee must have a valid driver's license at all times. Failure to maintain a valid driver's license while operating a Company vehicle will result in immediate termination. Any change in license status or driving record must be reported to management immediately. Smoking is not permitted in any Company vehicles. The Company provides insurance to cover the vehicle. However, it is the Employee's responsibility to ensure proper proof of insurance and registration are inside the vehicle and that a current tag is visible on the license plate at all times. The Company is not responsible for any parking, moving, or lack of documentation violations. Serious or repeat moving violations or accidents could result in termination. Company vehicles may be used only as authorized by management.

Employees using personal vehicles to conduct Company business must possess a current, valid driver's license and have an acceptable driving record. Employees driving a personal vehicle for Company business must have current and adequate insurance coverage on their vehicle at all times. Employees driving without a license or insurance are putting themselves and the Company at risk and could be terminated immediately. The Company is not responsible or liable for any consequences resulting from any violation of provincial or federal laws or resulting from an Employee's driving without a valid license or insurance at any time for any reason. The Company is not responsible for any accidents or damage caused by Employees or anyone else, even if driving for business purposes, unless required to do so by law. Employees using their personal vehicles to conduct Company business should inquire of the Accounting Department for current fuel reimbursement rates and procedures.

### **3.9 | Cell Phone and Electronic Device Usage**

The Company will provide a cellular phone when it is necessary and appropriate for an employee to complete their work responsibilities. If you feel you qualify for a Company phone, please speak with your supervisor. At this time, the Company does not offer reimbursement for personal cellular phones used for Company business. Only employees previously approved for such reimbursement prior to this policy change, or "grandfathered in," may receive such reimbursement.

It is the Employee's responsibility to know and comply with all local, provincial and federal laws in regards to use of a cellular phone and driving. Employees are prohibited from speaking on their cell phone, texting, checking e-mail or using any other feature on their phone or other electronic device, while operating a moving vehicle and/or while handling the manufacturer's products during the loading and

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unloading process. This also includes any type of hands-free devices, Bluetooth, or any similar device that can send or receive electronic messages. Employees should always pull over to a safe location if they need to use their electronic device or cell phone for any reason. The Company is not responsible for any cell phone usage violations or accidents caused by cell phone use, at any time for any reason.

### **3.10 | Camera and Recording Devices**

Due to the potential for issues such as safety, invasion of privacy, sexual harassment, and loss of productivity, no Employee may operate a camera, video recording device, or voice recording device, including those found on a cellular phone, while performing work for the Company, unless the device is used in a safe manner, in accordance with all Company Policies, and solely for legitimate business purposes or as an exercise of the Employee's rights under federal, provincial, or other law.

### **3.11 | Reference Checks & Verification of Employment**

All inquiries regarding current or former Employees, including employment references, should be referred to Human Resources. Disclosure to outside sources about Employees will be general information concerning the employment such as dates of employment and position held. The Company will provide other information to outside sources, including wages or salary, only if authorized in writing by the Employee in order to cooperate with requests from authorized law enforcement agencies, or as otherwise legally required.

It is not the Company's practice to provide letters of reference or verbal references outside of Human Resources. No one outside of Human Resources is authorized to provide employment references of any kind.

### **3.12 | Job Duties**

Supervisors are responsible for training Employees on their respective job responsibilities and expectations. However, job responsibilities may change at any time and for any reason. From time to time, an Employee may be asked to work on special projects or overtime to assist with other work necessary or important to the operation of the Company. All Employees are expected to cooperate and assist in performing such additional work as needed and as permissible under law.

The Company must and does reserve the right at any time, with or without notice, to alter or change job responsibilities, reassign or transfer job positions, or assign additional responsibilities.

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### **3.13 | Personal Status Changes**

When Employees change their name, address, or telephone, or experience a change in family or marital status, it is the Employees' responsibility to either (1) notify the Human Resources Department in writing of such changes; or (2) update their information in ADP self-service portal by visiting My.ADP.com. This will ensure that the Employee's personnel, payroll, and insurance records will be correct. Unreported changes of address, marital status, etc. can affect Employees' withholdings, taxes, and benefit coverages. The Company is not responsible for incorrect or unreported information.

### **3.14 | Personnel Records**

Employees have the right to inspect the documents in their personnel file, if provided by law, in the presence of a Human Resources representative at a mutually convenient time. Any request for information from personnel files must be directed to the Human Resources Department in writing.

### **3.15 | Relationship of Coworkers that Creates a Conflict of Interest**

The Company reserves the right to transfer, demote, or, under extreme circumstances, terminate any Employee whose relationship with a coworker creates a conflict of interest for the Employee. This conflict may be due to a family relationship, a romantic relationship, a financial relationship, or any other reason that creates an actual, not potential, conflict of interest. Prior to any action being taken, the Company will consult with the Employees whose relationship poses a conflict of interest and will work to resolve the conflict without necessitating any negative action being taken against one or more of the conflicted Employees. At all times, the Company will comply with its Code of Business Conduct and Ethics Policy as well as any other applicable laws or policies.

### **3.16 | Bulletin Boards**

Important notices and items of general interest are continually posted on the Company's bulletin boards. Employees should review these bulletin boards frequently and should not post or remove any material from the bulletin board without consent of the top location manager or the Human Resources Department.

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### **3.17 | Inclement Weather**

All Employees unable to perform work responsibilities from home, should make a good faith effort to get to work, but should not endanger themselves trying to get to work during bad weather. Any Employee who is absent or fails to report to work because of inclement weather or road conditions is considered absent due to personal reasons. Employees may choose to take an unpaid day or use sick or vacation day to cover the time off. Employees who will be out of work due to inclement weather should comply with the Attendance Policy, which requires Employees to speak to their manager before their start time.

### **3.18 | Professional Development**

Employees are encouraged to seek opportunities to improve their professional skills. Often this can be accomplished inexpensively and outside of normal working hours, such as listening to a professional podcast during the commute into or home from work. Employees who wish to participate in paid professional development opportunities, such as conferences or seminars, may present a proposal to the head of their department or their regional vice president. A good proposal will include how the seminar or conference could improve the operations of their department and benefit the Company. However, the manager may approve or deny any proposed professional opportunity in his or her discretion based on overall cost, timing, staffing needs, or general content of the proposed opportunity. Events necessary to maintain professional licensure should be given priority. In the event the Company does approve and pay for a professional development opportunity, Employees may be required to reimburse the Company if they do not attend the event or if they resign from their position within sixty days after completion.

### **3.19 | End of Employment**

Employees desiring to terminate their employment relationship are urged to notify the Company at least two weeks in advance of their intended separation. Such notice should preferably be given in writing to the Employee's manager. Proper notice generally allows the Company sufficient time to calculate all accrued overtime (if applicable) as well as other monies to which an Employee may be entitled.

The last day actually worked is considered an Employee's last day of employment. Employees may not end their employment while out on vacation, sick, holiday or any other type of time-off, and will not be paid any such days after their date of separation. Any earned, accrued, and unused vacation will be paid after termination, typically one to two pay cycles after the final earned wages are paid unless otherwise required by law. Sick leave will terminate on the date of the Employee's separation or the last day worked, whichever is applicable. The Employee will not be paid out any earned and unused sick leave

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upon separation, unless payment of sick leave is required by applicable law in the Employee's jurisdiction. Sick leave may not be taken after an Employee has given notice of resignation without a written doctor's excuse.

All Company property and expense reports must be turned into the Employee's manager on his or her last day of employment. The Company reserves the right to deduct the worth from any final monies, the cost of any items not turned over to the Company by the last day worked unless such deduction is prohibited by applicable law.

## **4.0 | Policies & Guidelines**

**\*\*\*ALL POLICIES AND GUIDELINES APPLY TO BOTH UNION AND NON-UNION EMPLOYEES\*\*\***

### **4.1 | Harassment Policy including Sexual Harassment**

Jack Cooper, in co-operation with our unions, is committed to a healthy, harassment-free and violence-free environment for all our employees. Jack Cooper has developed a company-wide policy intended to:

- prevent and respond to workplace harassment and violence of any type, and
- effectively address any incident that might occur

This policy applies to all persons involved in the operation of the Company and prohibits unlawful harassment by any Employee of the Company, including supervisors and co-workers, as well as customers and vendors both on company property and outside of company property. This policy applies to all incidents of workplace harassment and violence, including sexual harassment and sexual violence, family violence and third party violence.

The Canada Labour Code (the Code) defines harassment and violence at subsection 122(1) as "any action, conduct or comment, including of a sexual nature that can reasonably be expected to cause offence, humiliation or other physical or psychological injury or illness to an employee, including any prescribed action, conduct or comment."

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The Company expressly prohibits any form of unlawful Employee harassment on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, disability, age, sex or any other basis protected by federal, provincial or local law including sexual harassment. This policy also prohibits harassment and violence in retaliation for having brought a complaint of or having opposed harassment and violence and/or for having participated in the complaint process. Any Employee found to have engaged in unlawful harassment and violence is subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Employees who become aware of possible unlawful harassment and violence should promptly contact the **Human Resources Department or the Confidential Reporting Hotline offered by Lighthouse Services at (855)400-7008.**

Managers and supervisors who know or should have known of unlawful harassment and violence and fail to report such behavior, or fail to take immediate, appropriate, corrective action, will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination. One example of unlawful behavior is “sexual harassment.” For purposes of this policy, the term “sexual harassment” means unwelcome sexual advances, unwelcome requests for sexual favors, and other unwelcome verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature when:

- ❖ submission to such conduct or communication is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of the individual’s employment; or,
- ❖ submission or rejection of such conduct or communication by an individual is used as a basis for employment decisions affecting such individuals; or,
- ❖ such conduct or communication has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s employment or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.

Harassment can include, but is not limited to any of the following acts or attempted acts:

- spreading rumors or gossip about an individual or group
- cyber bullying (threatening, spreading rumors or talking negatively about an individual online)
- threats made over the phone, by email, or through other medium to an employee, including from an (ex)partner or family member
- making offensive jokes or remarks
- playing unwanted practical jokes
- socially excluding or isolating someone
- stalking or inappropriately following a person
- tampering with someone’s work equipment or personal belongings

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- vandalizing or hiding personal belongings or work equipment
  - impeding a person's work in any deliberate way
  - persistently criticizing, undermining, belittling, demeaning or ridiculing a person
  - intruding on a person's privacy
  - public ridicule or discipline
  - unwelcomed physical contact
  - sexual innuendo or insinuation
  - unwanted and inappropriate invitations or requests, including of a sexual nature
  - displaying offensive posters, cartoons, images or other visuals
  - making aggressive, threatening or rude gestures
  - misusing authority, including:
    - constantly changing work guidelines
    - restricting information
    - setting impossible deadlines that lead to failure, and/or
    - blocking applications for leave, training or promoting in an arbitrary manner
  - engaging in any of the actions, conduct and comments outlined above against a person because of that person's:
    - race
    - national or ethnic origin
    - color
    - religion
    - age
    - sex
    - sexual orientation
    - gender identity or expression
    - marital status
    - family status
    - genetic characteristics
    - disability, or
    - any of the other prohibited grounds that the Canadian Human Rights Act lists

Harassment is not any of the following:

- consensual workplace banter and interactions (unless it includes hurtful remarks about others, especially if they pertain to any of the prohibited grounds listed above)

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- reasonable management action carried out in a fair way, such as day-to-day actions by a supervisor or manager related to:
    - performance
    - absenteeism
    - assignments
    - discipline, and
    - even dismissal (unless it is abusive or discriminatory)
  - every workplace disagreement, if a conflict is poorly handled or left unresolved, it can lead to harassment
  
  - Violence can include but is not limited to the following acts or attempted acts:
    - verbal threats or intimidation
    - verbal abuse, including swearing or shouting offensively at a person
    - contact of a sexual nature
    - kicking, punching, scratching, biting, squeezing, pinching, battering, hitting or wounding a person in any way
    - attack with any type of weapon
    - spitting at a person

Retaliation against Employees who report harassment and violence or assist in investigating charges of harassment and violence is prohibited. Any Employee found to have engaged in retaliatory action or behavior will be subject to discipline. Any Employee who feels that he or she has been retaliated against for having brought a complaint of or having opposed such harassment and violence and/or for having participated in the complaint process must bring the matter to the attention of the Human Resources Department. To protect the interests of the complainant, confidentiality will be maintained to the extent practicable and appropriate under the circumstances.

The Company will investigate all allegations of unlawful harassment and violence promptly and if the complaint is not resolved during the remediation process, the complainant can request a formal investigation. If, as a result of an investigation, the Company determines that a violation of this policy has occurred, prompt and appropriate remedial action including, but not limited to retraining or termination, will be taken to eliminate the policy violation and to insure that it does not recur.

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The Company prohibits any form of retaliation against any Employee for filing a bona fide complaint under this policy or for assisting in a complaint investigation. If, however, after investigating any complaint of harassment and violence or unlawful discrimination, the Company determines that the complaint is not bona fide or that an Employee has provided false information regarding the complaint, disciplinary action may be taken against the individual who filed the complaint and/or who gave the false information.

Any Employee who believes that he or she has been unlawfully harassed should immediately inform the offending individual that the behavior is unwelcome and should cease. The incident should be reported to the Harassment and Violence Prevention Unit (HVP), which are your supervisor, terminal manager, or Human Resources Department. Supervisors, terminal managers or any other member of management should report any such incidents to Human Resources Department immediately by emailing [HRcommunications@jackcooper.com](mailto:HRcommunications@jackcooper.com) or by calling the HR hotline 816-983-5084.

Remediation Process:

1. Jack Cooper Receives Complaint
2. Collect statements from all parties involved
3. Mediation
4. Retraining
5. Follow-up
6. Investigation initiated by the complainant if steps 3,4,&5 have not resolved incident.
7. If misconduct occurs disciplinary action up to termination will occur

The welfare of Employees and the security of our facilities require that every individual be constantly aware of potential security risks. All potentially violent situations will be taken seriously and all threats of violence against Employees and the Company should be reported to the appropriate authorities immediately by calling call 911.

The cooperation of all Employees is essential and all Employees are responsible for observing the following precautions to help maintain a safe and secure workplace:

- ❖ Secure their desk or work area at the end of the day or when called away from their work area for an extended length of time.
- ❖ Keep purses, wallets, or other valuable personal articles out of sight and secure at all times.
- ❖ Report lost keys, security passes, or identification badges to their supervisor immediately.
- ❖ Notify their supervisor immediately of any suspicious or unauthorized persons on or near Company premises.

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- ❖ Report threatening communications including mail, telephone calls, electronic communications, faxes, and verbal remarks to their supervisor immediately.
  - ❖ Make their supervisor aware immediately of any acts by or against Employees including harassment, intimidation, stalking, or invasion of privacy.
  - ❖ Do not provide information of a personal nature about co-workers to anyone. Refer persons making such inquiries to their supervisor, terminal manager or office manager and report the inquiry to one of those individuals. Use good judgment when asked for information about another
  - ❖ Employee's work schedule, hours, or travel plans.
  - ❖ Unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law, the Company prohibits Employees, customers and visitors from possessing firearms on all Company property, including buildings, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots and other Company grounds.

In addition to these precautions, there are other factors that can contribute to workplace harassment and violence:

- ❖ Individual Characteristics – Showing signs of anger or frustration towards other people, having a history of violence, mental health condition or emotional disorder, being under the influence of drugs or alcohol or displaying discriminatory attitudes or behaviors.
- ❖ Physical Work Environment – Working alone or in isolated areas, having a mobile workplace, or working in an area with high noise levels.
- ❖ Work Activity/Culture – Working with the public, being in an environment that tolerates or promotes discriminatory attitudes or behaviors, working in the same workplace with an (ex) partner who is abusive.
- ❖ Job Factors – Mental and or physical demands of the job, can result in additional hazards that may lead to harassment and violence. This can include lack of control over how work is done, excessive workload, unreasonable or tight deadlines leading to high stress, confusing, conflicting or unclear job or roles, complicated reporting structures, lack of job security.
- ❖ External Factors – Family violence or domestic violence, such as a family member or (ex) partner: threatening an employee or co-worker, stalking the employee, verbally abusing the employee or co-workers, destroying the employee or organization's property, physically harming the employee or co-workers, using work time to workplace resources to monitor or attempt to control the actions of an (ex) partner.

In addition, Employees are prohibited from carrying any firearm—even if otherwise legal—at any time while on duty for the Company, whether on or off Company property. Firearms are prohibited from all Company equipment, including but not limited to tractor-trailers. This policy applies to all firearms, whether carried on one's person, bags, vehicles, or other containers. However, an exception to this

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policy will be made for Employees whose provincial or local laws requires the Company to allow Employees to store a lawfully owned firearm in their personal vehicle. Employees may direct any questions about the gun laws of their province to the Legal or Human Resources Departments. In any case, all Employees must practice responsible gun ownership to the fullest extent required by law.

Any threats of violence or to inflict physical harm or damage to property, to impede the normal course of work, or make workers, managers and/or customers fear for their safety is strictly prohibited. The Company has zero-tolerance for violating this policy. Anyone found in violation of this policy will be terminated, subject only to the Company's discretion, but not obligation, to impose a lesser penalty if mitigating circumstances warrant it. All Employees are responsible for helping to enforce this policy against workplace violence and concealed weapons. Any Employee who becomes aware of any violation of this policy, must immediately notify their manager or Human Resources; so the situation can be promptly investigated and remedied. The Company forbids retaliation against anyone who has reported workplace violence or who has cooperated in the investigation of complaints.

#### **4.2 | Workplace Violence and Concealed Weapons Policy**

The welfare of Employees and the security of our facilities require that every individual be constantly aware of potential security risks. All potentially violent situations will be taken seriously and all threats of violence against Employees and the Company should be reported to the appropriate authorities immediately.

The cooperation of all Employees is essential and all Employees are responsible for observing the following precautions to help maintain a safe and secure workplace:

- ❖ Secure their desk or work area at the end of the day or when called away from their work area for an extended length of time.
- ❖ Keep purses, wallets, or other valuable personal articles out of sight and secure at all times.
- ❖ Report lost keys, security passes, or identification badges to their supervisor immediately.
- ❖ Notify their supervisor immediately of any suspicious or unauthorized persons on or near Company premises.
- ❖ Report threatening communications including mail, telephone calls, electronic communications, faxes, and verbal remarks to their supervisor immediately.
- ❖ Make their supervisor aware immediately of any acts by or against Employees including harassment, intimidation, stalking, or invasion of privacy.

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- ❖ Do not provide information of a personal nature about co-workers to anyone. Refer persons making such inquiries to their supervisor, terminal manager or office manager and report the inquiry to one of those individuals. Use good judgment when asked for information about another Employee's work schedule, hours, or travel plans.
  - ❖ Unless otherwise prohibited by applicable law, the Company prohibits Employees, customers and visitors from possessing firearms on all Company property, including buildings, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots and other Company grounds.

In addition, Employees are prohibited from carrying any firearm—even if otherwise legal—at any time while on duty for the Company, whether on or off Company property. Firearms are prohibited from all Company equipment, including but not limited to tractor-trailers. This policy applies to all firearms, whether carried on one's person, bags, vehicles, or other containers. However, an exception to this policy will be made for Employees whose provincial or local laws requires the Company to allow Employees to store a lawfully owned firearm in their personal vehicle. Employees may direct any questions about the gun laws of their province to the Legal or Human Resources Departments. In any case, all Employees must practice responsible gun ownership to the fullest extent required by law.

Any threats of violence or to inflict physical harm or damage to property, to impede the normal course of work, or make workers, managers and/or customers fear for their safety is strictly prohibited. The Company has zero-tolerance for violating this policy. Anyone found in violation of this policy will be terminated, subject only to the Company's discretion, but not obligation, to impose a lesser penalty if mitigating circumstances warrant it. All Employees are responsible for helping to enforce this policy against workplace violence and concealed weapons. Any Employee who becomes aware of any violation of this policy, must immediately notify their manager or Human Resources; so the situation can be promptly investigated and remedied. The Company forbids retaliation against anyone who has reported workplace violence or who has cooperated in the investigation of complaints.

### **4.3 | Substance Abuse Policy**

It is the Company's policy to provide Employees and our customers with a working environment that is free from the problems associated with the use and abuse of controlled substances and alcohol. As an Employee, Employees are expected to be in such mental and physical condition as will permit them to perform the assigned tasks in a professional and competent manner, free from the influence of drugs or alcohol.

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The non-prescriptive use, sale, possession, distribution, dispensation, purchase, manufacture, delivery or transfer of a controlled substance, drug or alcohol at the workplace, while engaged in Company business, or elsewhere during working hours is strictly prohibited. Employees may not report to work under the influence of a controlled substance, drug or alcohol. Nor may Employees work, without notice to their immediate supervisor or manager, while using prescription or non-prescription drugs which may impair alertness, judgment or coordination.

All new hires must submit to pre-employment drug screening prior to beginning work. Pre-employment drug screening will only occur after a conditional offer of employment has been extended to a prospective Employee.

If management determines that an Employee appears to be impaired by alcohol or illegal drugs while on Company premises or while on duty off-site, the Employee may be asked to submit to urine and/or other tests. A refusal by the Employee to submit to testing will be viewed as if the Employee is impaired and appropriate disciplinary action will be taken, up to and including termination.

If the Employee is tested and the results are positive, the Employee will be sent home and is subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination (even for the first offense). For purposes of this policy, “illegal drug” refers to any non-prescription drug including, but not limited to: marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, peyote, mescaline, PCP, methamphetamine and LSD.

In addition to testing, the Company reserves the right to take other appropriate and lawful actions to enforce this policy, including but not limited to, the right to inspect any property which is on Company premises, including lockers, desks, briefcases, bags, vehicles, or any other property with or without notice. Where permissible by provincial and/or local laws, the Company reserves the right to inspect Employee property when there is reasonable suspicion to believe that the Employee may have violated the drug and/or alcohol prohibitions contained in this policy, has engaged in other prohibited conduct or for the safety of the other Employees and visitors on Company premises.

Unless required by local or provincial law, the Company will not make an exception to this policy for Employees who are using marijuana for medicinal purposes. All Employees are responsible for helping enforce this policy. Any Employee who becomes aware of any violation of this policy must immediately notify their terminal manager or Human Resources Department.

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## 4.4 | Confidential Hotline

Jack Cooper provides all Union and Non-Union Employees' access to a confidential hotline for reporting possible ethical or compliance violations. The purpose of this service is to ensure that any Employee wishing to submit a report can do so anonymously and without fear of retribution.

Regular business matters, regular Human Resource matters, grievance reporting/procedures, or reporting auto or workers compensation accidents should not be submitted using this service.

Reports may cover but are not limited to the following topics:

Ethical Violations	Harassment, including Sexual Harassment
Unsafe Working Conditions	Discrimination
Vandalism and Sabotage	Concealed Weapons Policy Violations
Alcohol and Substance Abuse	Threats or Violence
Fraud	Bribery and Kickbacks
Conflict of Interest	Improper Conduct
Theft and Embezzlement	Violation of Company Policy
Violation of the Law	Misuse of Company Property
Falsification of Contract, Reports or Records	

Please note that the information provided by an Employee may be the basis of an internal and/or external investigation into the issue he or she is reporting and their anonymity will be protected to the extent possible by law by Lighthouse. However, their identity may become known during the course of the investigation because of the information the Employee has provided. Reports are submitted by Lighthouse to a company designee for investigation according to our Company policies.

Lighthouse Services toll free number and other methods of reporting are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for use by Employees and staff.

To contact Lighthouse Services by telephone, please dial:

- ❖ English speaking USA and Canada: 855-400-7008 (not available from Mexico)
- ❖ Spanish speaking North America: 800- 216-1288 (from Mexico user must dial 001800216-1288)
- ❖ French speaking Canadians: 800-603-2869
- ❖ Website: [e-services.com/jackcooper](http://e-services.com/jackcooper)

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## **4.5 | Equal-Employment Opportunity Policy**

The Company provides equal employment opportunity. The Company strictly prohibits any unlawful discrimination against applicants or Employees because of their race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, or any other characteristic protected by federal, provincial, or local laws.

In keeping with this policy, all employment-related decisions are based solely upon an individual's qualifications. If an Employee believes that he or she has been discriminated against on any basis, the Employee should promptly advise his or her supervisor, terminal manager, Lighthouse Reporting, or Human Resources Department.

Retaliation against Employees who report discrimination or assist in investigating claims of discrimination is prohibited. Any Employee found to have engaged in retaliatory action or behavior will be subject to discipline. Any Employee who feels that he or she has been retaliated against for having brought a complaint of discrimination and/or for having participated in the complaint process is encouraged to bring the matter to the attention of the Human Resources Department. To protect the interests of the complainant, confidentiality will be maintained to the extent practicable and appropriate under the circumstances.

The Company prohibits any form of retaliation against any Employee for filing a bona fide complaint under this policy or for assisting in a complaint investigation. If, however, after investigating any complaint of unlawful discrimination, the Company determines that the complaint is not bona fide or that an Employee has provided false information regarding the complaint, disciplinary action may be taken against the individual who filed the complaint and/or who gave the false information.

To comply with applicable laws ensuring equal employment opportunities to qualified individuals with a disability, the Company will make reasonable accommodations for the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified applicant or Employee with a disability unless undue hardship would result. Any applicant or Employee who requires an accommodation in order to perform the essential functions of the job should contact the Human Resources Department and request such accommodation. The Company reserves the right to ask for medical documentation of the applicant or the Employee's disability. The Company will conduct an investigation to identify the barriers that make it difficult for

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the individual to have an equal opportunity to perform his or her job and identify possible accommodations. If the accommodation is reasonable and will not impose undue hardship, the Company will make such accommodation.

The Human Resources Department shall maintain a Disability Accommodations Policy, including an optional Accommodations Request Form, to assist in the above outlined process.

## **4.6 | Electronic Communication and Technology**

### **Electronic Equipment and Systems**

All networks, servers, files, computers, tablets, cell phones, and electronic telephonic media including, but not limited to, fax, telex machines, modems, telephones, text-messaging devices, removable data storage media, and e-mail, as well as voice mail systems are Company Property and should be used only for business purposes or appropriate incidental personal usage, and at the convenience of the Company. Furthermore, none of these are private and confidential and can be monitored and recorded at any time. The Company expressly reserves the right to terminate personal usage at its sole discretion. Nonincidental private usage during business hours should be minimal. Inappropriate use at any-time is against Company policy and may subject the Employee to discipline up to and including termination. The Employee has no personal privacy right in anything created, received or sent on or from any Company Property. Company Property can be monitored and recorded at any time, as well as resurrected even if the messages/data has been deleted.

If the integrity, in part or in total, of a company device or system is threatened such that the security, stability or functionality of the device or system is at risk, the Company reserves the right to take any and all actions necessary to prevent, or mitigate the effects. All reasonable efforts will be made to contact the user(s) of the device or system during the prevention/mitigation process.

Employees shall not attempt to exploit or bypass Company security on devices or systems and shall not use or attempt to load any code, software, jail breaking, hacking tools (ethical or otherwise), peer-to-peer networking to alter, scan, access, or retrieve stored information. Jail breaking is the removal of restrictions from a device and/or altering or replacing the installed operating system.

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All devices attached to Company systems must adhere to Company standards. Employees are prohibited from reusing JCH passwords for their personal accounts and/or on non-company owned devices. Personal devices (devices not provided by the Company) shall not be connected or sync to Company wired or wireless network. Guest wireless is provided at some locations for guest use only. Exceptions to this policy may be allowed under certain circumstances if the Employee has received expressed permission from IT. Please note that this does not apply to logging in to Company Webmail using a personal device or Employees authorized to connect to VDI sessions

### **Electronic Communication and Voicemail**

Electronic methods of communication and voicemail are not private and/or confidential if it is a company address and/or accessed via Company Property or on Company networks or Company supplied Internet. The Company reserves the right to monitor all transmissions as needed, to determine if they are being used other than for legitimate business or appropriate personal purposes, and to protect the Company against fraud, copyright infringement, loss of trade secrets, sabotage or other business policy violations. The Company may also record and disclose to others all electronic communications and voice mails at any time, with or without notice. The Employee has no personal privacy right in anything created, received or sent on or from the e-mail or voice mail system.

Any form of communication, whether sent within the Company or to persons outside the Company should not contain any statements that may violate the Company's anti-harassment policies.

The Company's anti-harassment policy is applicable to electronic communication and the Company expressly prohibits the transmittal of messages which may constitute intimidating, hostile or offensive material on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or any other status protected under federal, provincial or local law.

Employees should exercise extreme caution before sending anything through the e-mail system because the messages are not private and can be intercepted by other parties. Furthermore, merely deleting a message does not purge the message from the system. E-mail messages can be monitored and recorded at all times, as well as resurrected from the system even if the message has been deleted.

All messages should be respectful and should not contain any statements that may violate the Company's anti-harassment policy. The Company's anti-harassment policy is fully applicable to voice mail

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messaging. The Company expressly prohibits the transmittal of voice mail messages which may contain or constitute intimidating, hostile or offensive material on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or any other status protected under federal, provincial or local law. In making personal use of the electronic communications systems, Employees should exercise a rule of reason, and utilize electronic communication systems consistently with Company goals.

At no time should Employees use their Company email account to register for any internet services i.e. – such as E-bay, any internet polls, contest entries, any auction sites, etc.

Employees shall not use third-party webmail not approved by IT for sending, receiving, or storing Company or customer information. This includes but is not limited to Gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo, Outlook.com, or services from a local internet service provider. This restriction does not apply to the Company's Webmail system.

The Employee should use care to address emails to include only required recipients and avoid mass forwarding of email to reduce "SPAM" distribution. E-mail may not be used to solicit others for external commercial ventures or religious or political causes.

Employees are required to comply immediately with all requests for preserving emails in the event of litigation or in the anticipation of litigation if notified by the Legal Department to do so.

### **Internet**

Employees may access the Internet from Company-owned equipment only for legitimate business purposes and incidental personal use during non-work hours. Streaming content from sites such as Pandora or Netflix increase network delay and should only be used for approved business use. Care should be taken when downloading or uploading material from the internet as to avoid viruses, copyrighted material, and installing software to PC's or laptops. The Company may keep a log of every internet site that its Employees visit and may disclose internet usage history to others at any time with or without notice. Employees retain no personal privacy right when accessing the internet either from Company-owned equipment and/or Company provided broadband.

Employees shall not access inappropriate sites either from Company owned equipment and/or via Company supplied Internet access, at any time – this includes, but is not limited to pornographic or adult sites, and gaming sites. Limited personal use is permitted, but is expected to be on the Employee's own

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time and must not be excessive or interfere with business needs, operations or job responsibilities— these sites include, but are not limited to, blogging, tweeting, and Facebook – from Company PC’s, Laptops, and/or tablets during work hours, unless received expressed permission from senior management for business purposes. Information that Employees publicly post about themselves or others is not considered private, and the Company may use or disclose posted information. If the Company, whether advertently or inadvertently, discovers any Employees have accessed illegal sites, and/or has possession of illegal materials (example: underage adult films), the Company is obligated to report such information to authorities. The Company is not liable for anything reported in good faith.

Employee shall not use Internet/cloud based storage sites not approved by IT to store or backup data and files containing Company or customer information. Examples include, but not limited to Carbonite, CrashPlan, Dropbox, GMail Drive, and Box.

### **Website**

The Company Website can be found at [www.JackCooper.com](http://www.JackCooper.com). All affiliate websites may be found on the site as well. Employees are encouraged to visit our Website and learn about new products and services.

### **No Retaliation Policy**

Employees can raise questions or concerns or participate in the investigation process without fear of retaliation. The Company’s strict “no retaliation” policy supports its commitment to Employees. Without exception, the Company prohibits retaliation against anyone who reports a good faith concern. Employees should contact our General Counsel if they believe they are being retaliated against.

### **Media or Investor Contacts**

Employees should never speak to the media on the Company’s behalf. Instead, all media inquiries should be directed to the Company’s Executive Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the Chief Financial Officer.

### **Security/Software Licenses**

An Employee shall not use a code, access a file, or retrieve any stored communications other than those to which the Employee has specifically authorized access. All computer pass codes and voicemail pass

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codes must be provided to the Employee's supervisor or Human Resources if requested and are the property of the Company.

Employees shall not copy any Company-owned software without the express prior approval of IT management. Employees are prohibited from downloading, installing and/or storage of software, sensitive data, trade secrets and/or other information concerning the Company's business which is considered confidential or proprietary on any Employee-owned devices, or for the Employee's personal use. Employees shall not load any programs or software onto Company-owned PC's, Laptops or Servers without the express prior approval of IT. All purchases of computer related hardware and software, excluding consumable items such as printer ribbons, blank disks, etc., must be reviewed and approved by IT.

Other than select members of IT, Employees shall not add or alter or attempt to add or alter administrative rights on a device. All devices attached to Company systems must be configured such that administrative rights are available to identified members of IT. At no time shall these administrative rights be removed or altered in any way. Exceptions to this policy may be allowed under certain circumstances if the Employee has received expressed permission from IT.

Any violation of the Electronic Communication and Technology Policy may subject Employees to discipline up to and including termination.

## **4.7 | Online Conduct Policy**

### **Ground Rules for Participating in Online Communications**

Ultimately, Employees are solely responsible for what they post online. Despite the speed and urgency of new opportunities and challenges, Employees are expected to take time to think through and plan for their engagement in the online landscape. Employees should remember that engaging in online communications is not a one-off activity. Instead, it is a long-term commitment. Employees should always first ask: who does the Company want to engage with, for what aim and result, and what are the opportunities and risks?

In particular, Employees should be mindful that material that is published using online communications may be permanently available regardless of whether or not it is deleted. Employees should also keep in

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mind that any of their online conduct that adversely affects their job performance, the performance of co-workers, or otherwise adversely affects customers or the Company's legitimate business interests may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

This Policy does not apply to Employees who speak, write, or communicate with fellow Employees or others about their wages, benefits, or other terms of employment and the exercise of their statutory rights to organize or to act for their individual or mutual benefit.

### **Know and Follow the Rules**

*Know the Company policies.* Employees should carefully read this Policy, familiarize themselves with the aforementioned related Company policies (each of which is available on the Company's intranet), and ensure their postings are consistent with these policies. Inappropriate postings, including those that may include discriminatory remarks, harassment, and threats of violence and similar inappropriate or unlawful conduct, will not be tolerated and may subject Employees to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

*Using social media at work.* Employees must refrain from using social media while on work time or on equipment we provide, unless it is work-related and authorized by their supervisor. Employees should not use Company email addresses to register on social networks, blogs, or other online tools utilized for personal use.

*Disclosure of confidential information.* Employees must not use online platforms to disclose any information that is confidential or proprietary to the Company or to any third party that has disclosed information to the Company. For example, Employees must protect the confidentiality of Company trade secrets, customer and vendor account information, strategic business plans, competitor intelligence, financial information, business contracts, transactions (e.g., acquisitions, financings, etc.) and similar proprietary and non-public information. If an Employee is unsure if information is publicly available or is otherwise inappropriate to post, he or she should contact the legal team before posting any such information at the contact information set forth above.

*Respect of financial disclosure laws.* It is illegal to communicate or give a "tip" on inside information to others so that they may buy or sell securities. This sort of online conduct may also violate the Company's Insider Trading Policy.

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*Respect.* Employees are expected to treat the Company, co-workers, customers, suppliers, and other stakeholders of the Company with respect both in the physical workplace and online. We encourage Employees to resolve work-related complaints by following the reporting procedures in our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics Policy. If they decide to nevertheless post complaints or criticism, avoid using statements, photos, videos, or audio recordings that reasonably could be viewed as malicious, obscene, threatening, or intimidating, that disparage co-workers or customers, or that might constitute harassment or bullying. Examples of this conduct include offensive posts meant to intentionally harm the Company's or someone's reputation or posts that could contribute to a hostile work environment on the basis of race, sex, disability, religion, or any other status protected by law or any Company policy.

*Honesty and Accuracy.* Employees should ensure that they are always honest and accurate when posting information or news, and if they make a mistake, should correct it quickly. Employees should never post any information or rumors that they know to be false about the Company, co-workers, customers, suppliers, or competitors.

*Transparency about affiliation with Jack Cooper.* Employees are not authorized to speak on behalf of the Company through online communications channels. If an Employee is commenting on any of Jack Cooper's or its competitors' services, products, or initiatives in a public forum or on a website or personal blog, it is best to fully disclose his or her affiliation with Jack Cooper and that all opinions are personal and not attributable to Jack Cooper. (Example: "I work for Jack Cooper. All opinions expressed are my own and do not necessarily represent the position of my employer.") Generally speaking, it is better to communicate online using the first person (i.e., "I believe"), rather than the third person (i.e., "We believe").

*Identification.* Employees should not create a link from their blog, website, or other social network site to a Company site without identifying themselves as a Company Employee.

*An official response may be needed.* If an Employee spots a potential issue and believes an official Company response is needed, he or she should bring it to the attention of a member of the Company's Legal Department or the Company's Executive Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the Chief Financial Officer before it reaches a crisis situation. Potential issues can often be resolved more effectively and efficiently if they are identified quickly.

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## **4.8 | Anti-Trafficking In Persons Policy**

Jack Cooper is committed to doing business in a manner that supports our high standards of business conduct and values. Therefore, it is against company's policy for any work-related setting outside the workplace, including business trips, business meeting or business-related social events, to engage in any sex-buying activities or for any purpose that would facilitate the trafficking of persons, including viewing pornography. Trafficking in persons includes any forced labor, debt bondage, involuntary servitude, sex trafficking or commercial sex acts. This policy governs the company as a whole, it's employees, suppliers, consultants, third-party representatives and subcontractors.

Employees or representatives who become aware of potential violations of Jack Cooper's Anti-Trafficking in Persons Policy or any related laws or regulations have an obligation to report these concerns to Jack Cooper, so they may be reviewed and addressed in an ethical and responsible manner.

When Jack Cooper suspects that an employee has used company funds or resources to engage in conduct in violation of this policy, Jack Cooper will immediately investigate and take appropriate action up to and including termination. Jack Cooper may also refer the matter to law enforcement.

## **5.0 | Hiring and New Employment Policies**

### **5.1 | Employment Equity**

Jack Cooper Transport is an equal opportunity employer and employs personnel without regard to race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, language, citizenship, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status and physical and/or medical handicap. While remaining alert and sensitive to the issue of fair and equitable treatment for all, the Company encourages the participation and advancement of members of four designated groups that have traditionally been disadvantaged in employment: women, visible minorities, aboriginal peoples and persons with disabilities. Any applicant or employee who requires an accommodation in order to perform the essential functions of the job should contact their Manager or the Human Resources Department and request such accommodation. The Company reserves the right to ask for medical documentation of the applicant or employee's disability. The Company may conduct an investigation to identify the barriers that make it difficult for the individual to have an equal opportunity to perform his or her job and identify possible accommodations. If the accommodation is reasonable and will not impose undue hardship, the Company may make such accommodation.

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## **5.2 | Recruitment and Selection**

In keeping with this policy, all employment-related decisions are based solely upon an individual's qualifications. If you believe that you have been discriminated against on any basis, you should promptly advise Human Resources.

## **5.3 | Probationary Period**

The first ninety (90) days of employment are a probationary period. Either party may terminate employment for any reason without notice and without the payment of any further benefits. During this time both parties may assess suitability for employment with the Employer. This also provides management an opportunity to assess skill levels and address areas of potential concern.

## **5.4 | Employee Work Schedule**

The normal workweek is from Sunday through Saturday. Workdays and hours of work will vary by location, position, and the needs of the business. However, employees will typically work eight (8) hours per day or 40 hours per week. Your supervisor will establish the schedule and only your supervisor may change the hours once they have been established.

Employees should take an unpaid meal break after working 5 consecutive hours. The lunch period may be scheduled to meet business needs, or as otherwise required by applicable law.

## **5.5 | Job Duties**

Your supervisor will explain the responsibilities of your job and the performance standards expected of you. Job responsibilities may change at any time during your employment. From time to time, you may be asked to work on special projects, or overtime to assist with other work necessary or important to the operation of your department or the Company. Your cooperation and assistance in performing such additional work is expected.

The Company must and does reserve the right at any time, with or without notice, to alter or change job responsibilities, reassign or transfer job positions, or assign additional responsibilities.

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## **6.0 | Salary & Payroll**

### **6.1 | Pay Policy**

The pay period runs from Sunday-Saturday. Non-union hourly employees are paid weekly on Friday's of each week for the previous week's hours worked (including overtime, if applicable). Completed timesheets should be turned in to your manager by the end of every workweek. It is the employee's responsibility to ensure that the timesheet is turned in and all hours worked are documented. If your timesheet is not turned in on-time, your paycheque could be delayed, and could take up to the next pay period to process.

Non-union salaried employees are paid semi-monthly on the day before the 15<sup>th</sup> and 1 day before the last day of each month. Certain positions are paid monthly for that month's wages. If the normal payday falls on a statutory holiday, employees will be paid on the last working day before the holiday.

The Company may deduct the overpayment of wages from future wages or other amounts owing to the employee. Discrepancies on either a paycheque or reimbursement check should be brought to your Supervisor's or Manager's attention as soon as possible. Employee discrepancies that are not brought forward to your Supervisor/Manager or Payroll within 60 days are considered null.

### **6.2 | Overtime**

Occasional overtime work may be essential in order to meet schedules or deadlines. Advance notice will be given to employees whenever possible; however, employees should be aware of the fact that emergencies arise that do not permit advance notification. Employees are expected to work a reasonable amount of overtime if requested.

Overtime compensation is calculated and paid to certain employees at management's discretion unless otherwise required by law. Overtime pay is based on actual hours worked. Overtime work performed must be approved in advance by the department supervisor.

### **6.3 | Payroll Deductions**

All deductions from an employee's wages shall be in accordance with applicable law and, when required, the employee's written consent. No deduction from an employee's wages for any period shall cause the employee's wages for any such period to be less than the wage required to be paid by the Company

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pursuant to applicable law. Deductions not taken for any pay period may be carried over to succeeding pay periods and deducted from the wages due in the succeeding pay period to the extent allowed by law.

The Company is required to comply with all laws and court orders regarding garnishments and/or deductions.

Employees must consent in writing to the following deductions:

- ❖ Contributions to the Benefit Plan
- ❖ Contributions to the Registered Retirement Savings plan

Employees shall be required to complete all applicable forms necessary for deductions as may be required by law.

## **7.0 | Employee Benefits**

### **7.1 | Sick Leave**

Regular hourly full-time employees will accrue 24 hours (3 Days) of sick leave after completion of their first 30 days of employment and then begin accruing sick leave each pay period at a rate of approximately one and a half (1.5) hours per week to a max of 80 hours. Effective February 1, 2023 employees who have completed 30 days of employment will accrue an additional 8 hours (1 Day) of sick leave upon completion on their first 30 days worked. You may only use what you've accrued; you may not go negative in your Sick Leave bank. Sick Leave is to be used when needed for personal or family illness or medical appointments.

Sick Leave days must be taken in increments of four or eight hours. Leave is not to be used to make up lost time due to tardiness, as vacation, personal day or holiday pay; or as an extension of vacation or last day of employment. In the case of tardiness or absences of less than four hours, employees will be docked.

Sick Leave will not be counted as time worked in computing weekly overtime. You must call in each day you are absent and speak with your supervisor or the Human Resources Department (unless prior arrangements have been made), this includes when electing leaves under the *Canada Labour Code*. An employee may not be allowed to return to work without a doctor's note and must be provided within 15 days of the return to work.

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Sick Leave may not be taken after an employee has given notice of resignation without a written doctor's note, or as otherwise required or permitted by law. You will not be paid out any earned and unused sick leave upon separation.

## **7.2 | Short Term / Long Term Disability**

Should a Full-Time, Non-Union employee need to be off work due to a disability, the Company offers a Short Term Disability plan in terms of a salary continuance for 119 days. An approved Dr.'s note is required and will be reviewed by HR, VP and the SVP of Canada. The Benefit is administered, enforced and underwritten through our Return to Health® Program.

Full Time, Non-union employees are eligible for the Long Term Disability benefit only after having completed the Short Term Disability program. The Benefit is administered, enforced and underwritten by the insurance carrier.

## **7.3 | Worker's Compensation**

In general, injuries that occur on the job are covered under the Worker's Compensation law in each province. The Company pays all costs associated with this coverage. It is imperative that any on the job injury be promptly reported to your supervisor and the Risk Management Department for proper treatment and administration of reports, payroll, and benefits. Failure to do so could result in loss of medical benefits and other rights if the injury is not reported promptly.

Working with the employee and the treating medical doctors, the Company will determine the feasibility of return to work in reduced to full capacity in the event the injury results in lost time from work. The Company may also require that the employee submit to a medical evaluation by a doctor selected by the Company or its insurance carrier.

If an employee has not returned to full-duty status from an authorized leave of absence(s) at the end of two (2) years, employment will be automatically terminated, subject to the *Canadian Human Rights Act*, applicable workers compensation legislation, and/or other applicable laws. An employee will be considered unable to return to work if he or she cannot perform the essential functions of the job in full capacity, with or without reasonable accommodation. The termination of the employment relationship will not impact the employee's ability to continue to receive Long Term Disability benefits as long as the individual continues to qualify in accordance with the insurer's requirements.

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## 7.4 | Health and Safety

Jack Cooper Transport is committed to provide a safe working environment and to prevent occupational illness and injuries for all its employees and the public. Our objective is to implement accident prevention programs to educate all employees in the fundamentals of safe working practices. Management requires and expects all employees to co-operate in preventing occupational illness and injuries in the workplace. The Company has an active Return to Work Program to assist injured employees Return to Work as soon as possible.

The Occupational Health and Safety statement is posted at the beginning of the year in all of our locations for review.

## 7.5 | Vacation Entitlement

The Company recognizes the value of vacations and employees are required to take their vacation each year. Regular Full Time Employees are eligible for this benefit. Part time, Temporary or Casual Employees are not eligible.

The amount of vacation accrual earned is based upon the length of your most recent period of continuous service with the Company regardless of any prior acquisitions. Vacation is on a current year accrual basis. You earn vacation the same year you take it. Vacation hours begin to accrue during your first pay period. You may only use what you accrue and you may not go negative in your vacation bank. It is not a use it or lose it at the end of the year. Whatever balance you have on 12/31 carries over to 1/1. Vacation time is as follows:

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Annual Vacation Accrued</u>
0 to 4 years	2 weeks (10 working days) = 80 hours
5 to 14 years	3 weeks (15 working days) = 120 hours
15 years or more	4 weeks (20 working days) = 160 hours

Calculation: If an employee has 3 weeks of vacation, he/she will earn 5 hours of vacation per pay period. 3 weeks eligible = 120 hours divided by 24 pay periods = 5 hours earned. Once you've reached the maximum of 160 hours accrued, you will no longer accrue vacation until vacation time is taken, except

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as required by law. Vacation days must be taken in increments of four or eight hours. You may not use vacation pay for unpaid days. If a holiday occurs that is recognized as such by the Company during your vacation, the holiday will not be counted as a vacation day.

Vacations are scheduled individually within each department or terminal. You must have approval from your supervisor in advance to take vacation. This will ensure that the time off you desire does not conflict with the staffing needs of the department. The business needs may cause a vacation request to be denied. Your supervisor will attempt to work with you to schedule a vacation time that takes your needs into consideration. A vacation request should be submitted in writing to your Supervisor or Manager when requesting time off. A Status Change Form is required to be sent to Payroll by the Supervisor or Manager and to Human Resources so that the appropriate amount of time is deducted from the vacation bank.

Any earned, accrued, unused vacation will be paid at separation. Vacation may not be taken after an employee has given notice of resignation unless previously scheduled and agreed to by the Company. Vacation should not be taken within the 45-day period immediately preceding anticipated retirement from employment. The last day an employee actually works is considered their last day of employment. Vacation cannot be taken after the actual date of separation/retirement for purposes of extending employment for benefit purposes or their final date of termination.

## **7.6 | Vacation Pay**

As per the Canada Labour Code, all employees are entitled to Vacation Time and Vacation Pay. Vacation Pay is calculated from your earnings and it does not matter if you are salaried or paid hourly. The Company calculates your vacation pay based on a percentage of your wages and in compliance with province specific requirements.

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## 7.7 | Statutory Holidays

Canada Holiday Schedule
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New Year's Day, Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving, Remembrance Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day
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Manitoba, Ontario & Nova Scotia Holiday Schedule
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New Year's Day, Family Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day
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Quebec Holiday Schedule
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New Year's Day, Day After New Year's, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, St. Jean Baptiste Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day
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All Non-Union employees who have completed 30 days service may be eligible for this benefit. To be eligible to be paid for a Company observed holiday, an employee must be actively employed before and after the holiday. If an employee uses a sick day or no-shows to their shift directly before or after a holiday, they will not be paid for that holiday. The employee must work their scheduled work day directly before and after a holiday or a scheduled approved vacation day to receive holiday pay. The Company complies with province specific holidays.

For Non-Union Salaried employees, holiday pay will be paid at the regular hourly rate if the employee does not work. Hourly employees working on a holiday will be paid one and one-half times the regular hourly rate for all hours worked on that day. Salaried employees who work a holiday should take a different day off during the same workweek, if possible.

If a statutory holiday falls on the weekend, the following Monday will be observed as the holiday. At the discretion of your manager, you may be scheduled to work to assure adequate coverage of operations on holidays, if necessary.

As per the Canada Labour Code, holiday pay will not be granted to an employee on leave without pay status unless:

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- You are a full time employee on leave without pay but have earned wages on at least 15 of the previous 30 days or
  - You are a part time employee who earned wages on a prorated number of days

## **8.0 | End of Employment Matters**

### **8.1 | End of Employment - Resignation**

Employees wishing to terminate their employment relationship are urged to notify their Manager at least two weeks in advance of their intended separation. Proper notice generally allows the Company sufficient time to calculate all accrued overtime (if applicable) as well as other monies to which you may be entitled and to include such monies in your final paycheque. Without proper notice, however, you may have to wait until after the end of the next normal pay period to receive such payments, or as dictated by applicable law.

The last day you actually worked is considered your last day of employment. You may not end your employment while out on vacation, sick, holiday or any other type of timeoff, and you will not be paid any such days after your date of separation, except as required by law. Any earned, accrued, unused vacation will be paid at termination. Sick Leave will terminate on the date of the employee's separation or the last day worked, whichever is applicable. The employee will not be paid out any earned and unused sick leave upon separation, except as required by applicable law. Sick Leave may not be taken after an employee has given notice of resignation without a written doctor's excuse. Your Record of Employment (ROE) will be mailed to your home address. Your T4 slip (Record of Earnings for income tax purposes) will be mailed to you early in the year following that in which your employment was terminated. Please ensure Payroll and Human Resources have your most up to date address. The Company is not responsible for incorrect or unreported information and is not limited to this list.

Human Resources will not provide written or verbal references upon termination, however HR will provide confirmation of employment if requested.

Additionally, if an employee has not returned to full-duty status from an authorized leave of absence(s) at the end of two (2) years, employment will be automatically terminated, subject to the *Canadian Human Rights Act*, applicable workers compensation legislation, and/or other applicable laws. An employee will be considered unable to return to work if he or she cannot perform the essential functions of the job in full capacity, with or without reasonable accommodation. Human Resources will forward

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correspondence to the employee to this effect to ensure there is no other information the Company should be aware of. The termination of the employment relationship will not impact the employee's ability to continue to receive Long Term Disability benefits as long as the individual continues to qualify in accordance with the insurer's requirements.

## **8.2 | Termination for Cause**

The Employment relationship may be terminated by the Employer at any time for cause without notice or payment in lieu of notice or severance pay whatsoever, except payment of outstanding wages, overtime and vacation pay to the date of termination. Cause includes, but is not limited to, any acts of dishonesty, theft, conflict of interest, breach of confidentiality, harassment, insubordination or careless, negligent or documented poor work performance. The Rules of Conduct section in this handbook contains additional examples of cause.

## **8.3 | Termination Without Cause**

The Employment relationship may be terminated by the Employer at any time and for any reason on a without cause basis, upon the provision of (1) notice or payment in lieu of notice and (2) severance pay, if applicable. Notice and payment of severance shall be determined based on the minimal requirements under the Canada Labour Code.

Employees under probation are not entitled. Upon satisfaction of the requirements, the Employer shall have satisfied any and all obligations to the employee under the Canada Labour Code.

## **9.0 | Leaves of Absence**

### **9.1 | Leaves of Absence Policy**

In addition to the paid leave benefits outlined herein, employees may be eligible for additional unpaid leave in accordance with the qualifying conditions and requirements of the *Canada Labour Code*. Under the *Canada Labour Code*, eligible employees are entitled to certain unpaid job-protected leaves, including maternity and parental leave, compassionate care leave, leave related to critical illness of a child, leave related to death or disappearance of a child and reservist leave.

Employees who are on job-protected unpaid leave will continue to accrue vacation time if applicable by law and provincial requirement. However, please note that vacation pay, which is based on actual wages, may vary if employee takes unpaid or reduced pay leave. Employees will be entitled to a position and

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level of salary upon their return to work that such employees would have attained if they had remained continuously employed.

Employees may continue to participate in benefit plans, provided the employee pays any contributions that would normally have been paid by the employee during the leave period.

If Employees choose to do so, they may apply any accrued and unused vacation time to these unpaid leaves. In doing so, any accrued and unused vacation time will be applied against the leave period and thus be compensated.

Minimum job-protected leave entitlements under the *Canada Labour Code* are generally described below. All terms and conditions and qualifying criteria as set out under the *Canada Labour Code*, as amended from time to time, apply.

Employees may be eligible for Employment Insurance benefits as a result of an interruption in earnings due to a job-protected leave. Please visit the Service Canada's website at [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca) for further information pertaining to eligibility for Employment Insurance benefits.

Employees may be required to provide medical certificates or other information at their own cost in support of any of the below leaves, as applicable.

## **9.2 | Continuation of Benefits during Leaves of Absence**

During the approved Leave of Absences, the Company will continue to pay for group health coverage. For the employee's portion of the premium(s) for any voluntary coverage while still receiving monies from the Company, the Company will continue to take applicable payroll deductions to collect the employee's share of the premium(s); or, while on unpaid leave or on Long Term Disability, the employee is responsible for making payments to cover the employee contribution. Employees must submit a cheque or money order made payable to Jack Cooper Canada Transport. This payment must be received in the Human Resources Department at the Hamilton Ontario Head Office by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. If the payment is more than 30 days late, the employee's optional coverage may be dropped for the duration of the leave. It is the employee's responsibility to ensure payments have been received. Service after the employee's return to work is deemed to be continuous with service prior to the absence.

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### **9.3 | Bereavement Leave (Paid)**

Employees are entitled to up to 10 days of bereavement leave in the event of a death of an immediate family member's death. You will receive pay for the first 3 days of bereavement leave. The employee must be continuously employed for three consecutive months. Employees without the necessary continuous employment are entitled to leave without pay.

Bereavement Leave covers only scheduled working days. "Immediate family" is defined as:

The employee's spouse or common-law partner; the employee's father and mother and the spouse or common-law partner of the father or mother; the employee's child(ren) and the child(ren) of the employee's spouse or common-law partner; the employee's grandchild(ren); the employee's brothers and sisters; the grandfather and grandmother of the employee; the father and mother of the spouse or commonlaw partner of the employee and the spouse or common-law partner of the father or mother; and any relative of the employee who resides permanently with the employee or with whom the employee permanently resides.

"Common-law partner" means a person who has been cohabiting with an individual in a conjugal relationship for at least one year, or who had been cohabiting with the individual for at least one year immediately before the individual's death.

### **9.4 | Jury Duty (Unpaid)**

If an employee is summoned to Jury Duty, the Company will grant time off to attend Jury Selection and to serve as a juror. The employee is entitled to an unpaid leave of absence. As soon as the leave ends, you will be returned to your position prior to the leave or in a comparable position. Your employment is deemed continuous for the purposes of calculating annual vacation entitlement, pension, medical and other benefits to which you are entitled.

### **9.5 | Maternity, Parental and Adoption Leave (Unpaid)**

Maternity, Parental and Adoption Leave are given in compliance with provincial labour legislation applicable in each Province in which we operate. The guidelines outlined below are intended to be a summary only. If the guidelines are different from the applicable legislation, the legislation will prevail. Full reference may be obtained from the provincial labour legislation applicable to each province.

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Although there are some provincial variances with this leave, several aspects are universal to all employees:

- Every employee who has completed six consecutive months of continuous employment is entitled to unpaid Maternity, Parental or Adoption Leave up to the maximum allowed by Province
- Employees will be required to provide a medical certificate certifying the pregnancy to their Manager and Human Resources
- In the case of Adoption, the date on which your child was placed in your care is the start date of the leave. Employees need to provide the full name, address and phone number of the agency handling the adoption to their Manager and Human Resources
- An employee on maternity leave and/or parental/adoption leave is on a leave without pay
- Although Employment Standards legislation stipulates a predetermined length of absence from work due to maternity and/or parental/adoption leave, employees may take a shorter leave if they so wish
- All existing employee benefits will continue during the maternity and/or parental/adoption leave. Arrangements should be made prior to the leave regarding premium payments and taxable benefit deductions for coverage
- Upon return from maternity leave and/or parental/adoption leave, you must be reinstated in all respects to your former position or in a comparable position

To determine your weeks of entitlement based on your province of residence, please visit the Service Canada website at [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca).

## **9.6 | Compassionate Care Leave (Unpaid)**

Employees are entitled to up to twenty-eight weeks of compassionate care leave to provide care and support to a gravely ill family member. Upon request, employees are required to provide a certificate to their Manager and Human Resources from a qualified medical practitioner, confirming that the family member has a serious medical condition with a significant risk of death within 26 weeks.

For the purposes of this Article, a family member is defined as a related individual as defined under the Employment Insurance Act.

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## **9.7 | Critical Illness Leave (Unpaid)**

Employees are eligible to take up to 37 weeks of unpaid leave to provide care or support to his or her child, whose child is under 18 years of age and is critically ill.

In order to qualify, employees are required to produce a medical certificate to their Manager and Human Resources from a specialist or medical doctor certifying that the child is a critically ill child and requires the care or support of one or more of their parents and sets out the period during which the child requires that care or support.

The leave of absence can be taken on the first day of the week in which the medical certificate is issued or, if the leave begins before the day on which the certificate is issued, the day from which the specialist medical doctor certifies that the child is critically ill.

## **9.8 | Death or Disappearance Leave (Unpaid)**

An employee with six or more months of service, whose child is under 18 years of age and has disappeared or died as a result of a probable crime, is eligible to take up to 52 weeks of unpaid leave in the event that the employee's child is missing, and up to 104 weeks of unpaid leave if the child has died.

An employee is not entitled to the leave of absence if the employee is charged with the crime or it is probable, considering the circumstances, that the child was a party to the crime.

The Employee must advise their Manager and Human Resources in writing as soon as possible of the reasons for the leave and the planned length of the leave. The employee must also notify their Manager or Human Resources in writing of any change in length of the leave as soon as possible.

## **9.9 | Reservist Leave (Unpaid)**

Employees with six consecutive months of continuous employment or more are entitled to take an unpaid leave of absence for purposes of military training and certain military deployment. To receive time off for Reservist Leave, employees are required to provide at least four weeks' notice in writing of the leave and must also submit their military order to their Manager and Human Resources immediately upon notification.

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### **9.10 | Other Leaves**

Other unpaid leaves may be available that are province specific. Please contact Human Resources or go to the Service Canada Website at [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca) for additional information.

### **9.11 | Let Us Know Line**

Employees may contact HR at 844-677-2178 to discuss conflicts and concerns in their work environment. While we cannot solve every problem and resolve every conflict, the HR Team commits to listening with an open mind, investigating any complaints, and developing solutions wherever possible. You may also email HR anytime at [hrcommunications@jackcooper.com](mailto:hrcommunications@jackcooper.com).