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## Preamble:

The purpose of Membership Service Pins for current NSGEU members is to recognize membership in NSGEU or affiliated and/or merged organizations, and not service with the employer.

Other NSGEU Members Awards, such as Certificates of Merit, Plaques of Merit, Life Time Memberships are covered under other existing policies.

## **Guidelines:**

- 1. An application for a membership pin is made either by the member or the Local President. This application can be obtained on the NSGEU web site (member services) or by phoning the NSGEU Labour Resource Centre. Copies of the application can also be obtained from your stewards and local president.
- 2. The application for the pin is submitted directly to the NSGEU head office.
- 3. The application is taken to Membership Records to determine if the member is eligible to receive the pin indicated on the form.
- 4. When checking membership records, the date normally relied upon shall be the date the member signed an NSGEU member card.

In the case of locals where members have affiliated or merged or newly joined with NSGEU, the date relied upon shall be the date they signed a membership card with the predecessor organization or the date they signed a NSGEU membership card, whichever is the earliest.

When there is a significant discrepancy between the date of signing a card and the date when dues are first paid, NSGEU membership department will attempt to confirm and use the date that dues were first paid to NSGEU. This additional step is an attempt to recognize membership within NSGEU for those members who for one reason or another did not sign a membership card but wish to have recognized their long service membership with NSGEU.

The Secretary to the Education Officer will sign and process all applications upon verification of the date.

Where membership records do not have the documentation from the affiliated or merged organizations it will be the responsibility of the member in question to provide such documentation to the Local President, which will be forwarded to the Secretary to the Education Officer along with the Membership Pin Application for processing.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP SERVICE PINS
I hereby apply for Long Service Union Membership Pin: 5  10  15  20  25  30  35  40  45  year (circle one)
Local: Name:
Address:
Postal Code:
Telephone: (Wk.) (Hm.) (Cell)
E-mail
Presently employed by:
Date of NSGEU Membership: Year Month Day
Date of Affiliation or Merger: Year Month Day
Signature of Member or Local President:
Date:
Verified by NSGEU membership records:
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In cases where there is no record from the former union or association the date relied upon shall be the date of hire with the predecessor employer.