



LOCAL **492**

STUDIO MECHANICS OF TENNESSEE, KENTUCKY, AND NORTHERN MISSISSIPPI

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Artists and Allied Crafts of the United States and Canada

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PLEASE READ BEFORE BEGINNING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

IATSE LOCAL 492 – APPLICATION PROCEDURE (Effective Jan 1, 2020)

As a result of the charter granted in 1996, Local 492 was established as one of the fastest growing Studio Mechanic Locals in the country. With over 150 members in its first year alone, Local 492 currently covers the following crafts: Paint/Scenic, Props, Set Dressing, Construction, Greens, Video Assist, Craft Service, Wardrobe, Grips, Electrics, Special Effects, Sound, First Aid, and Locations. Since its charter, Local 492 has been granted jurisdiction in N. MS and KY.

PLEASE NOTE: Local 492 does not cover Hair, Makeup, Script Supervisor, Production Coordinator, APOC, Camera, Editorial, or Transpo. To join under those crafts, please contact the appropriate local.

Local 492 seeks to provide professional representation for technicians in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Northern Mississippi and its surrounding areas by pursuing and obtaining contracts which provide for employer-paid health insurance and retirement while providing on-set safety guidelines and professional working conditions. Additionally, the Local will serve as a conduit for on-going education, information, and professional development for its members through the likes of meetings, newsletters, and seminars.

Local 492 is a “producer’s choice” local, which means the producer makes the final choice in who is hired on a particular project. Local 492 was not established to get members work nor will membership in Local 492 ensure you work. Local 492 welcomes you to the application process and hopes you, as a future member, realize joining the IATSE is a pro-active step in your career. Without active members, Local 492 and the IATSE cannot properly represent its membership.

The process to join Local 492 varies depending on whether you are joining for the first time or transferring to Local 492 from another IA Local. The transfer process further varies depending on whether you have been a previous member of Local 492 or are transferring in for the first time. Please read through the section below to find which process is appropriate to your situation.

IATSE LOCAL 492 – REQUIREMENTS AND COSTS TO JOIN/REJOIN

1. With a few exceptions, persons joining Local 492 for the first time must meet an 18-month residency requirement and provide proof of such residency at the time the application is made. This proof of residency must be in the form of a state-issued driver’s license from either TN, KY, or MS. **NO OTHER DOCUMENTS ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTED.** The cost to join Local 492 as a new member is \$680.
2. Persons transferring to Local 492 from another IA Local must be a resident within the Local 492 jurisdiction for at least 30 days. The cost to transfer into Local 492 from another IA Local is \$700. If you were a previous Local 492 member and transferred out, the cost to transfer back in is \$450. Former members transferring back

to Local 492 must also meet the 30-day residency requirement. Proof of residency and length of residency is required in all situations.

PLEASE NOTE: **Applications cannot be processed without full payment.**
No partial payments will be accepted.

Until further notice, the application procedure for Local 492 shall be as follows:

- 1) **NEW APPLICANT** – *(read these instructions if you are applying for the first time)*
 - Submit an application and sign the accompanying Pledge Cards.
 - Complete the Personal Information Sheet
 - Complete the IATSE National Benefit Census Card and Designation of Beneficiary
 - Execute both the Authorization for Representation card and sheet, which includes a 3 ½% dues check off form. (The 3 ½% dues are “working dues” which will only be deducted when you work on a project that has an IATSE contract. These dues go to fund the day-to-day business expenses of Local 492).
 - Submit the Safety Application form and register for your PIN. You will be required to complete the online A/A2 and HP course before you can be listed on the referral list. These courses can be completed while we are processing your application.
 - Enclose a check payable to: IATSE Local 492, in the amount of \$680.00. This payment includes a \$500 initiation fee, which is deposited into an account to fund the local, and a \$100 processing fee. The remaining \$80 is the initial quarterly dues payment for a membership stamp and also covers nominal costs of affiliations with other labor organizations that Local 492 must maintain.
 - Email a current resume to the Local 492 office at iatse492@comcast.net. Local 492 will utilize resumes to show its strength and experience to possible employers, so it is extremely important to have a resume on file. If you do not have a resume or need to update the information on your current resume, Local 492 will assist you in doing so. Simply contact your area representative or the Local 492 office for assistance.
 - Finally, include a copy of your current driver’s license and a copy of any trade license that you are required to hold or would like listed on the roster (paramedic, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE: **To join Local 492 as a new member, you must have been a resident of TN, KY or N. MS for at least 18 months. Our jurisdiction includes all parts of MS that are north of the northern Louisiana state line and all parts of KY with the exception of a 50-mile radius around Cincinnati city hall.**

- 2) **TRANSFER IN** *(read these instructions if you wish to TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER IA LOCAL)*
 - Contact your current local’s Secretary-Treasurer and request a transfer card be initiated on your behalf and submitted to Local 492.
 - Email a current resume to the Local 492 office at iatse492@comcast.net.
 - Complete the Personal Information Sheet.
 - Execute both the Authorization for Representation card and sheet, which includes a 3 ½% dues check off form. (The 3 ½% dues are “working dues” which will only be deducted when you work on a project that has an IATSE contract. These dues go to fund the day-to-day business expenses of Local 492).
 - Submit the Safety Application form and register for your PIN. You will be required to complete the online A/A2 and HP course before you can be listed on the roster. These courses can be completed while we are processing your transfer. If you have already completed these courses or any Safety First courses, please submit copies of your cards. If you have completed any lift training or OSHA courses, please submit copies of your cards.
 - Enclose a check payable to: IATSE Local 492, in the amount of \$700.00.
 - Finally, include a copy of your current driver’s license and a copy of any trade license that you are required to hold (paramedic, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE: To transfer to Local 492, you must have been a resident of TN, KY or N. MS for at least 30 days. Our jurisdiction includes all parts of MS that are north of the northern Louisiana state line and all parts of KY with the exception of a 50-mile radius around Cincinnati city hall.

- 3) **TRANSFER BACK TO 492** (*read these instructions if you wish to TRANSFER BACK INTO LOCAL 492*)
- Contact your current local's Secretary-Treasurer and request a transfer card be initiated on your behalf and submitted to Local 492.
 - Email a current resume to the Local 492 office at iatse492@comcast.net.
 - Complete the Personal Information Sheet.
 - Execute both the Authorization for Representation card and sheet, which includes a 3 ½% dues check off form. (The 3 ½% dues are "working dues" which will only be deducted when you work on a project that has an IATSE contract. These dues go to fund the day-to-day business expenses of Local 492).
 - Submit the Safety Application form and register for your PIN. You will be required to complete the online A/A2 and HP course before you can be listed on the roster. These courses can be completed while we are processing your transfer. If you have already completed these courses or any Safety First courses, please submit copies of your cards. If you have completed any lift training or OSHA courses, please submit copies of your cards.
 - Enclose a check payable to: IATSE Local 492, in the amount of \$450.00.
 - Finally, include a copy of your current driver's license and a copy of any trade license that you are required to hold (paramedic, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE: To transfer back into Local 492, you must have re-established residency in the Local 492 jurisdiction of TN, KY or N. MS for at least 30 days. Our jurisdiction includes all parts of MS that are north of the northern Louisiana state line and all parts of KY with the exception of a 50-mile radius around Cincinnati city hall.

- 4) **DUAL CARD HOLDERS** (*read these instructions if you currently hold an IA card and do not wish to relinquish that card upon joining Local 492*)
- Members wishing to hold a "dual card" with another IA Local are required to join as a New Applicant and meet the 18 month residency requirement. Please follow the directions above for New Applicants.

All correspondence and records should be sent to:

IATSE LOCAL 492
310 Homestead Road
Nashville, TN 37207

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL APPLICATION PACKETS BACK TO THE OFFICE.

It currently takes approximately 4 weeks to turn around an application, if completed properly. Transfers take time and may be held by revue boards for an undetermined amount of time, but the time allotted for notification of transfer is 60 days after the new local is issued the transfer card.

Please check to ensure all documentation is complete before it is turned in to Local 492. Incomplete documentation will only slow the application process. If you have any questions regarding the forms or application process, please feel free to contact the Local 492 office at 615-386-3492 or iatse492@comcast.net