

FOR PSA MEMBERS: SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCY (SASSA)

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## SASSA employees to return to work

The PSA has been informed that SASSA will be recalling its employees to work with effect from Monday, 4 May 2020. According to SASSA, the reopening of offices and recall of staff members are owing to the risk-adjusted disaster recovery plan announced by the President of the Republic. The intention is to recall a third of the workforce to report for duty with effect from 4 May 2020. Thereafter staff will resume duty on a rotational basis of three days in and three days out.

The PSA will, however, not allow members to return to work unless the following conditions are adhered to by SASSA:

- Offices are deep cleaned and disinfected before the return of employees.
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) is provided to employees on time before the start of work.
- Employees are screened before work commences each day to check their temperature.
- Employees who show COVID-19 symptoms to be subjected to medical testing and assessment.
- Workplace protocols, including the surveillance of the disease and prevention of the spread of infections, are implemented.
- Travel permits to be issued to employees before commencement of work.

Members are reminded that should any of the above conditions not be in place, this must be reported to the PSA via the shop stewards. The PSA will not tolerate a lack of safety precautions that poses a risk to members. Any shortcomings must be reported prior to returning to work.

In addition, members are advised to not report to work on 4 May 2020 unless they are identified and contacted by their respective managers and informed that they are in the first group that needs to report. Members are advised to not risk their lives should they find offices not ready or should they not be provided with the necessary PPE. Members will be informed of developments.

GENERAL MANAGER