

# GM Unit Strike Preparation: Strike Duty Sign Up

This past Thursday, Unifor informed General Motors that the union had set a negotiating deadline for **Monday, October 9 at 11:59 p.m.**

As the deadline approaches, your Master and Local Bargaining Committees are working hard to reach a fair tentative agreement that follows the pattern set previously with Ford Motor Company. To ensure that we are prepared for a strike, our strike coordinators have been working to finalize the details needed to begin strike action, if necessary. **If a tentative agreement is not reached by 11:59 pm on October 9<sup>th</sup>, without an extension put into place, then we will be on strike.** We are asking the membership of Local 199 GM Unit to prepare to be on strike. We hope it will not come to that and instead GM will meet the pattern agreement. Updates will be posted on [www.autotalks.ca](http://www.autotalks.ca), our social media pages and website [www.unifor199.org](http://www.unifor199.org)

In preparation for this, a sign up for strike duty will take place at the plant.

**West (Main) Clockhouse only**  
**Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**5:30 am-7:30 am & 1:30 pm-3:30 pm**

\*Members working midnights must sign up in the main lobby before leaving the plant.

The strike duty shifts will start October 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:01 am. The sign-up sheets will be for all days of the week, Monday through Sunday, with shifts from 6:30AM-2:30PM, 2:30PM-10:30PM, 10:30PM-6:30AM. To sign up, you will need to provide your name and GMIN.

If you are not working on Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, you may email Jessica McCourt [uniforlocal199gm@gmail.com](mailto:uniforlocal199gm@gmail.com) on Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup>, by noon with your top 3 shift choices and we will try to accommodate your request.

**If you do not sign up or send in a request, you will be assigned a strike duty day and time.**

**You MUST sign up and complete your full 8-hour picket duty shift every week to receive strike pay.** Strike pay is \$300.00/week or \$42.86/day of the dispute. TPT members are eligible for strike pay.

**Important Strike Reminder:** The Bargaining Committees will negotiate right up to the deadline and provide a report to the membership prior to making an announcement to the media. To prepare for a strike, all GM members will be signed up for picket duty.

## Voter Registration

By now, most members at GM have registered to vote in the upcoming information/ratification process. If you have not registered, do so ASAP. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THERE IS A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT!** The form of ratification meeting has not yet been determined. More information will be released at a later time. Regardless, ALL voting will take place ONLINE via Simply Voting. This means that **if you do not register, you will be unable to cast your vote.**



All active GM unit members can register here <https://forms.gle/Ew6hJks4rGjBdQn89> or scan the QR code.

You will be required to provide your name, GMIN, address and a non-GM email address to register.

If you need help registering, contact a union representative ASAP. If you are unsure if your registration was processed properly, contact Vincent Filice. He will verify your information. 905-658-7781 or [vincent.filice@gm.com](mailto:vincent.filice@gm.com)

Members should continue to monitor [www.autotalks.ca](http://www.autotalks.ca) for official updates from the union about the status of negotiations.

On behalf of the Unifor Local 199 GM Bargaining Committee