



Jury service

All members

Queensland's criminal justice system requires some trials to be heard in front of a panel of randomly selected Australian citizens between the ages of 18 and 70. If you are summoned to participate in jury service, you will be obliged to attend regardless of work or other commitments.

If you are required to attend jury service during work hours, you will be entitled to the same pay as if you were to have attended work as usual. The government provides a standard reimbursement for your time, and if this is less than your ordinary wage, the Fire and Rescue Service (FRS) will cover the rest.

What to do if you are summoned

1. **Notify FRS** as soon as practicable of the dates of your service
2. Provide FRS with **proof of attendance**, including the duration of your attendance and the amount of compensation you received. If you are given an attendance document this should be passed on to FRS.
3. If your service finishes early on any of the days you should **return to work** if it is reasonable to do so.

If you encounter any problems through the course of this process, you should contact your union for help.

Links:

[Industrial Relations Act 2016](#), Section 119.