# THE PRODUCER'S PERSPECTIVE A BROADWAY PRODUCER'S OPINION ON EVERYTHING BROADWAY AND BEYOND

## **GUIDE TO EQUITY CONTRACTS**

## 29 Hour Reading

AEA Members only? No

Number of Performances: Maximum of 3 for Invited Audiences only

Salary: Stipend of \$100, plus basic transportation reimbursement.

AEA dues deducted: No

Benefits paid by Producer: None

Conversion Rights: None

Other notes:

No sets, props, wigs, make-up, costumes. Book in hand, no memorization, minimal staging with no choreography

## Showcase Code (Theaters of 99 seats or less)

AEA Members only: No

Number of Performances: **12 maximum; 16 allowed with pay. Performances must take place within 4 consecutive weeks** 

Salary: Basic transportation reimbursement. If more than 12 perfs, \$10 for each additional performance (max of 4)

AEA Dues Deducted: No

Benefits paid by Producer: None

Conversion Rights: Yes, if converted to a contract production, all AEA members must be offered role or buyout

### **Developmental Lab**

AEA Members only: Yes

Number of Performances: Maximum of 4 for invited audiences

Salary: \$1,000 per week

AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health

Conversion Rights: Yes

Other notes:

Labs are considered "rehearsals" so agent commissions limited to 5% only

## Mini Contract (Theaters of 99 seats or less)

AEA Members only: Yes

Number of Performances: Limited to 7 per week. For Holiday periods consecutive 2-week performance schedule of 6 performances in one week and 8 performances in other week.

Salary:

- 0-50 seats: \$425/week
- 51-75 seats: \$460/week
- 76-99 seats: \$500/week
- \*Increases based on Box Office grosses

#### AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health

Conversion Rights: Yes

Other notes:

- After 18 performance weeks, minimum salaries are Off-Broadway "A" Category
- Understudies required
- Actor can accept More Ruminative Employment as unpaid leave of absence
- Anything not covered by Mini Rulebook is covered by Off-Broadway Rulebook

## Off-Broadway Contract (Theaters of 100 - 499 seats)

AEA Members only: Yes

Number of Performances: 8 per week. For Holiday periods consecutive 2-week performance schedule of 6 performances in one week and 8 performances in other week.

Salary:

For 8/1/17 - 7/31/18:

- "A" 100-199 seats: \$621/week51-75 seats: \$460/week
- "B" 200-250 seats: \$727/week
- C" 251-299 seats: \$839/week
- "D" 300-350 seats: \$985/week

AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health

Conversion Rights: Yes

Other notes:

- Understudies Required to be contracted no later than 2 weeks after 1st public performance (limited to 3 principal roles for performing actor and 5 principal roles for a General u/s)
- Media Fee payment of 1.5% of Category minimum
- Actor can accept More Remunitive Employment (as unpaid leave of absence)
- Term contracts of 13 weeks or 26 weeks may be done with additional payments

## Production Contract (Broadway / "First Class" Productions & National Tours)

AEA Members only: Yes

Number of Performances: 8 per week. For Holiday periods consecutive 2-week performance schedule of 6 performances in one week and 8 performances in other week.

Salary:

For 10/2/17 - 9/30/18:

• \$2,095/week

AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health, 401(k)

Conversion Rights: Yes

Other notes:

- Understudies Required to be contracted no later than 2 weeks after 1st public performance (1 week for tours)
- Media Fee payment of 2% of minimum (except for Actors in musicals making more than \$4,000/week)
- Term contracts of 1 year or 6 months may be done with additional payments

## **Production Contract TIERED TOURS**

AEA Members only: Yes

Number of Performances: 8 per week. Consecutive 2-week performance schedule of 7 performances in one week and 9 performances in other week so long as "Golden Day" between the 2 weeks and "Golden Day" following 9 perf week

Salary:

For 10/2/17 - 9/30/18:

- Tier B: \$1,325/wk (post recoup: \$1,550/wk)
- Tier C: \$1,199/wk (post recoup: \$1,402/wk)
- Tier D: \$1,073/wk (post recoup: \$1,255/wk)
- Qualifying Actors participate in Producer's share of "Overage" in addition to weekly salary (0.25%; 0.325% post-recoup

AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health, 401(k)

Conversion Rights: Yes

Other notes:

- Understudies Required to be contracted no later than 1 week after 1st public performance (limited to 3 principal roles for performing actor and 5 principal roles for a General u/s)
- Media Fee paymentof 2% of mininum (except for Actors in musicals making more than \$4,000/week)
- Term contracts of 1 year or 6 months may be done with additional payments

## LORT (League of Resident Theatres)

AEA Members only: Yes, but Non-Professionals may also be employed

Number of Performances: 8 per week. 9th and 10th performances/week may be scheduled with additional compensation paid

Salary:

For 2/15/16 - 2/12/17:

VARIES by Category- A, B+, B, C, D,

Lincoln Center - Beaumont & Newhouse; Manhattan Theatre Club - Friedman & City Center; Roundabout - American Airlines & Studio 54 & Sondheim & Pels; Center Theatre Group - Ahmanson; Ford's Theatre/

AEA dues deducted: Yes

Benefits paid by Producer: Pension/ Health

Conversion Rights: Yes

#### Other notes:

 Understudies Required under varying rules Media Fee payment of 2% of minimum (except for Actors in musicals making more than \$4,000/week) Media Fee payment (varies by Category)