Initial Grievance

Claimant has **(60)** days to file claim from the date of the occurence or claim will be barred. - Time limit to begin the day after the event occurred.



Claims Handling

it is critical that you return the Carrier declination and original appeal to this office in a timely manner, this will ensure the claim will be listed for

Note: Due to the time elements involved

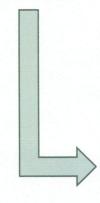
handling at conference within the specified agreement time limits.

Carrier has (60) days from receipt of original claim to decline the claim or claim will be allowed.



Appeals and Declinations

The Local Chairman's appeal of a Carrier declination must be submitted in writing within (60) days of the date of declination or claim will be barred. Carrier Officer will have (60) days from the date of appeal to decline or claim will be allowed.





Conferences

Claim must be listed for conference with Labor Relations within (60) days from date of Carrier rejection of the appeal or claim will be barred. Thereafter a mutually acceptable conference date will be established.





Post Conference:

The Carrier must make written notice of all claims disallowed and must pay all claims agreed to be paid within **(60)** days following the conference of such claims.



Arbitration:

SMART-TD's Highest designated Officer to handle such claims has (365) days from the date of the final rejection letter to list the claim before a tribunal (Public Law Board or Special Board of Arbitration) having jurisdiction pursuant to the RLA.

Note: Time limits as stated in this agreement may be extended for any case by mutual agreement between the parties.