

**WAC 296-14-100 Definition of voluntary retirement.** (1) **What is voluntarily retired?** The worker is considered voluntarily retired if both of the following conditions are met:

(a) The worker is not receiving income, salary or wages from any gainful employment; and

(b) The worker has provided no evidence to show a bonafide attempt to return to work after retirement.

Time-loss compensation is not paid to workers who voluntarily retired from the work force.

(c) Payment of union dues or medical or life insurance premiums does not constitute attachment to the work force.

(2) **When is a worker determined not to be voluntarily retired?** A worker is not voluntarily retired when the industrial injury or occupational disease is a proximate cause for the retirement.

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