

PREPARING FOR YOUR RETURN

DID YOU KNOW?

Muscles start to atrophy after 2-3 weeks of inactivity. Endurance performance decreases by 4% to 25% after 3-4 weeks. and flexibility is reduced after 4 weeks by 7% to 30%. (Source: Healthline)

YOUR ROLE

You are the definition of an **Industrial Athlete** and as such, when an athlete takes time away from performing, muscles can lose some of their strength. It is important to build that strength back up in a safe and controlled manner. Do not assume you can pick up where you left off when returning to a labour intensive job.

DAILY EXERCISES HELP TO MAINTAIN STRENGTH

Tips to keep you moving:

- Make it a priority to get up for 5-10 minutes every hour and move.
- Sneak in extra movements into daily activities: do chores at a brisk pace, use commercial breaks to do push-ups, walk around the block when getting the mail, etc.
- Use space and items you already have in your home: You can use household items for strength training (cans, containers of liquid, etc.)







QUESTIONS?

Reach out to your Department Manager.

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