

Reserve Self Assignment

While TA2024 introduces a completely new shifted Reserve system, it maintains the language in Article 11.19 - Self Assignment... and introduces a few changes as a result of Member feedback.

"What are the changes?"

Throughout the course of this negotiations process, our Team heard feedback from Members which was consistent over the years: East Coast RR wanted to be able to self-assign and AMR/PMR wanted some sort of a seniority acknowledgement in the timing. TA2024 introduces language meeting both of those Member demands.

Self-Assignment (Article 11.19)

SAR	Can self-assign pairings scheduled to check-in at or before 0959 Local Time beginning at 1800 Local Time the day before.
JAR	Can self-assign pairings scheduled to check-in at or before 0559 Local Time beginning at 1830 Local Time the day before.
SPR	Can self-assign pairings scheduled to check-in at or after 1000 Local Time beginning at 2200 Local Time the day before.
JPR	Can self-assign pairings scheduled to check-in between 1000 - 1159 Local Time beginning at 2230 Local Time the day before.
JLR	Can self-assign pairings scheduled to check-in between 1500 - 1659 Local Time beginning at 2230 Local Time the day before.

"If I self-assign, do I still need to be available for reassignment during my liable for contact times?"

Yes. While our Negotiating Team proposed language that would have our Reserves "own" self-assigned pairings... our Team was not willing to agree to other Pilot-parity Reserve language, including but not limited to, restrictions on trading flexibility and a longer scheduled duty day. Because negotiating a Contract is a two-party project, our Team made other important Reserve system updates and improvements while maintaining our incredible flexibility.