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[as amended by all amendments that commenced on or before 1 July 1997]

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This regulation may be cited as the *WorkCover Queensland Regulation 1997*.

Commencement

2. This regulation commences on 1 February 1997.

Definitions

3. In this regulation—

“**AMA guide**” means the ‘Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment’ published by the American Medical Association.

“**assessed premium**”, for an employer other than a self-rater, means premium calculated using the employer’s wages for a period of insurance.

“**binaural tables**” means the binaural tables recommended and published for the time being by NAL.

“**excess period**” see section 69 of the Act.

“**further premium**” for an employer means an amount, other than assessed premium or provisional premium, payable by an employer to WorkCover under the Act, and includes the following—

- (a) arrears of premium;
- (b) additional premium under section 8(4);

- (c) interest on premium under section 10(2);
- (d) a surcharge payable under section 13;
- (e) an amount of unpaid premium or a payment or penalty payable under section 61(2)¹ of the Act;
- (f) additional premium for late payment under section 65 or 66² of the Act;
- (g) additional premium under section 67³ of the Act;
- (h) an amount payable under section 71⁴ of the Act.

“hearing loss tables” means the hearing loss tables recommended and published for the time being by NAL.

“lower extremity” see AMA guide.⁵

“modified barthel index” means the guidelines and modified scoring of the barthel index stated in the article ‘Improving the Sensitivity of the Barthel Index for Stroke Rehabilitation’ by S Shah, F Vanclay and B Cooper published in the Journal of Clinical Epidemiology, 1989, vol 42 no 8, pp 703-709.

“NAL” means the National Acoustic Laboratories (Cwlth).

“ophthalmologists guide” means the publication ‘A Guide to Members of the Australian College of Ophthalmologists’ published for the time being by the Australian College of Ophthalmologists.

“premium” includes assessed premium, provisional premium and further premium.

“presbycusis correction table” means the presbycusis correction table recommended and published for the time being by NAL.

¹ Section 61 (Recovery of compensation and unpaid premium) of the Act

² Section 65 (Additional premium payable if premium not paid) or 66 (Further additional premium payable after appeal to industrial magistrate) of the Act

³ Section 67 (Additional premium for out-of-State workers) of the Act

⁴ Section 71 (Employer may insure against payment for excess period) of the Act

⁵ Under the AMA guide, the lower extremity has 6 sections, namely, the foot, the hindfoot, the ankle, the leg, the knee and the hip.

“premium” includes assessed premium, provisional premium and further premium.

“provisional premium”, for an employer other than a self-rater, means premium calculated using a reasonable estimate of wages for a period of insurance.

“upper extremity” see AMA guide.⁶

Scheme solvency—Act, s 5

4.(1) For section 5(5)(b) of the Act, WorkCover’s assets must exceed WorkCover’s liabilities by at least 15% of WorkCover’s outstanding claims provisions at the end of its last financial year.

(2) To remove any doubt, the amount required under subsection (1) is in addition to the minimum solvency or capital adequacy standards required under section 5(5)(a) of the Act.

PART 2—EMPLOYER INSURANCE

Division 1—Policies and premium assessments

Application for policy

5. An application for a policy must be made to WorkCover in the approved form.

Policies and renewals

6.(1) On payment of the premium shown as payable in a premium notice issued by WorkCover to an employer, WorkCover must issue to the employer a policy, in the approved form, for the period of insurance stated in the notice.

⁶ Under the AMA guide, the upper extremity has 4 parts, namely, the hand, the wrist, the elbow and the shoulder.

- (2) A policy has no force or effect until—
- (a) WorkCover receives the premium payable to WorkCover for the policy or its renewal; or
 - (b) WorkCover enters into an instalment plan for the policy under section 10.⁷

Assessment of premium

7.(1) This section does not apply to a policy for household workers.

(2) WorkCover must assess premium payable under a policy for each period of insurance shown in a premium notice.

(3) The following formula must be used to calculate premium, other than a self-rater's premium—

$$\mathbf{P = AP - PPP + PP + FP}$$

(4) However, if the policy relates to government workers covered under an arrangement approved by WorkCover, WorkCover may assess premium at the rate decided by WorkCover after taking actuarial advice.

(5) For a period of insurance before 1 July 1997, an assessment of premium must be made in accordance with the provisions of the Act in force at the time of the relevant period of insurance.

(6) If, after the premium is assessed, WorkCover is satisfied that premium for the period has been overpaid, WorkCover must refund or credit the amount of overpayment to the employer to whom the premium notice is given.

(7) If, after the premium is assessed, WorkCover is satisfied that premium for the period has been underpaid, the employer to whom the premium notice is given must pay the premium as assessed.

(8) In subsection (3)—

“**P**” means the premium payable.

“**AP**” means assessed premium for the preceding period of insurance.

“**PPP**” means provisional premium for the preceding period of insurance.

⁷ Section 10 (Payment of premium by instalments)

“**PP**” means provisional premium for the period of insurance.

“**FP**” means further premium.

Declaration of wages

8.(1) This section does not apply to an employer who employs only household workers.

(2) Each employer, other than a self-rater or self-insurer, must, on or before 31 August in each year, lodge with WorkCover a declaration of wages so WorkCover can assess the employer’s premium.

(3) The declaration must be in—

- (a)** the approved form; or
- (b)** with WorkCover’s approval—another form acceptable to WorkCover.

(4) If an employer does not comply with subsection (2), the employer must pay an additional premium under schedule 1.

(5) The additional premium payable under schedule 1 is the amount specified opposite the time after 31 August in a year when the employer complies with subsection (2).

Value of board and lodging

9.(1) This section applies if an employer provides, or is to provide, board to a worker during a period of insurance.

(2) The value of board provided is taken to be wages paid, or to be paid, by the employer to the worker.

(3) For each week the employer provides, or is to provide board, the value of board is not less than—

- (a)** the weekly allowance for board provided for under the industrial instrument governing the calling in which the worker is engaged; or
- (b)** if paragraph (a) does not apply—6% of QOTE.

(4) In this section—

“**board**” means accommodation, meals, laundry services or any other entitlement having a monetary value provided when lodging.

Payment of premium by instalments

10.(1) WorkCover may accept payment of premium by instalments under an instalment plan approved by WorkCover if WorkCover is satisfied that payment of premium by the due date would impose financial hardship on the employer.

(2) The instalment plan is subject to the following conditions—

- (a) interest at a rate specified by the board by industrial gazette notice must be added to the amount of each instalment;
- (b) interest must be calculated from the due date;
- (c) the interest rate that applies at the start of the instalment plan remains constant until the plan ends;
- (d) on acceptance of the instalment plan, the employer must, if required by WorkCover, enter into a payment arrangement acceptable to WorkCover;
- (e) if an instalment of premium is not paid on or before the due date for payment of the instalment—
 - (i) the total amount of unpaid instalments and interest on outstanding instalments to that day immediately becomes payable to WorkCover; and
 - (ii) additional premium under section 11 applies to the unpaid instalments and interest; and
 - (iii) the policy for which the premium is payable ceases to have effect; and
 - (iv) the employer contravenes section 52⁸ of the Act.

⁸ Section 52 (Employer’s obligation to insure) of the Act

Additional premium for late payment—Act, ss 65 and 66

11.(1) This section applies if, on or before the due date, an employer does not pay—

- (a) the amount of premium payable under a premium notice; or
- (b) the amount by which a final assessment of premium by an industrial magistrate or the Industrial Court is more than the amount of assessment of premium paid under section 490(4)⁹ of the Act.

(2) To remove any doubt, this section does not apply if WorkCover has accepted payment of the amount under an instalment plan and instalments are paid under the plan.

(3) This section does not apply to an employer who employs only household workers.

(4) The additional premium payable under section 65 or 66 of the Act is—

- (a) if payment of the amount is made to WorkCover within 30 days after the due date—5% of the amount; or
- (b) if payment of the amount is made to WorkCover after 30 days but within 60 days of the due date—10% of the amount; or
- (c) if payment of the amount is made to WorkCover after 60 days of the due date or if no payment is made—10% of the amount plus interest at the annual rate mentioned in section 10(2)(a) for the period from the due date, or a later date decided by WorkCover, until the amount and all additional premium is paid to WorkCover.

⁹ Section 490 (Appeal to industrial magistrate from decision on assessment) of the Act

Deemed premium

12.(1) For sections 75, 76 and 497¹⁰ of the Act and section 31¹¹ of this regulation, deemed premium, for an employer for a period of insurance or for each year of a self-insurer's licence, is the notional premium calculated under the formula—

$$D = \frac{W \times R}{100}$$

(2) In deciding deemed premium for sections 75, 76 and 497 of the Act, the relevant period of insurance or year of the licence is the employer's last full year of insurance or full year of a licence.

(3) In subsection (1)—

“**D**” means deemed premium.

“**W**” means—

- (a) the employer's wages for the period of insurance or year of licence; or
- (b) if the employer has been insured or self-insured for less than 1 year—a reasonable estimate of the employer's wages for the current period of insurance or year of licence.

“**R**” means the rate for the employer's industry or business specified in the notice under section 58¹² of the Act that applies to the period of insurance or year of licence.

Surcharge

13.(1) An employer must pay a surcharge for a policy unless—

- (a) the minimum premium mentioned in the industrial gazette notice under section 58 of the Act is payable for the policy; or
- (b) the premium has been assessed under section 7(4) for government workers.

¹⁰ Sections 75 (Issue of registration to single employer), 76 (Issue of registration to group employer) and 497 (Starting appeals) of the Act

¹¹ Section 31 (Annual levy and surcharge—Act, s 111)

¹² Section 58 (Setting of premium) of the Act

(2) The amount of the surcharge for a period of insurance is the greater of—

- (a) 10% of the employer's assessed premium for the period; or
- (b) \$5.00.

(3) However, for a period of insurance before 1 July 1997, the amount of the surcharge is the greater of—

- (a) 6.4% of the employer's assessed premium for the period; or
- (b) \$5.00.

(4) In this section—

“employer” does not include an employer who employs only household workers.

Cancellation of policy on ceasing to employ workers

14.(1) This section applies if an employer, other than a self-rater, wishes to cancel a policy because the employer has ceased to employ workers.

(2) This section does not apply to an employer who employs only household workers.

(3) The employer must give WorkCover—

- (a) written notice that the employer—
 - (i) has ceased to employ workers on and from a date specified in the notice; and
 - (ii) wishes to cancel the policy; and
- (b) written details of the employer's wages in relation to the period starting on 1 July last preceding the day on which employment of workers ceased and ending on that day.

(4) WorkCover must assess the premium payable by the employer for the period during which the employer was required by the Act to maintain a policy.

(5) If the premium paid by the employer for the period mentioned in subsection (3) is—

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- (a) greater than the amount of premium assessed under subsection (3)—WorkCover must refund to the employer the amount overpaid; or
- (b) less than the amount of premium assessed under subsection (3)—the employer must pay WorkCover the amount of the deficit on or before the due date under a final premium notice issued for the amount of the deficit.

Documents to be kept—Act, s 469

15.(1) An employer or contractor must keep the following documents for section 469 of the Act—

- (a) the time and wages book, or wages book, and the register of employees, required to be kept under the Industrial Relations Act;
- (b) documents, or accurate and complete copies of documents, required to be kept under a law of the Commonwealth for payments made to the employer's workers or contractors for the performance of work, including, for example—
 - (i) group certificates; and
 - (ii) group employer's reconciliation statements; and
 - (iii) prescribed payment system payer's reconciliation statements;
- (c) the person's profit and loss account, to the extent it relates to amounts paid for wages for workers, or to contractors.

(2) However, a document mentioned in subsection (1)(b) or (c) need not contain information an employer or contractor reasonably believes is confidential and not necessary to enable WorkCover to calculate the person's actual expenditure on wages or for contracts for the period to which the document relates.

Examples—

1. Income and profit lines.
2. Tax file numbers.

(3) An employer or contractor need not comply with subsection (1) if—

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- (a) WorkCover has given the employer or contractor notice that a document need not be kept, and the notice remains in force; or
- (b) the employer or contractor was a corporation and has been wound-up.

(4) In this section—

“**worker**” does not include a household worker.

*Division 2—Employer excess***Excess period—Act, s 69**

16.(1) The excess period is calculated having regard to—

- (a) the days worked under a worker’s contract of service with an employer when the injury was sustained; and
- (b) the period—
 - (i) if the worker’s total incapacity is ongoing—of 1 week from when the worker’s entitlement to weekly payment of compensation starts; or
 - (ii) if the worker’s total incapacity is interrupted—of the worker’s continuing incapacity because of the injury.

(2) If a worker is required to work for a stated number of days only, the excess period is up to the stated number of days, or 4 days, whichever is the lesser.

Example of excess period for subsection (1)(b)(i)—

1. A worker is employed 5 days a week (Monday to Friday). The worker sustains an injury on Tuesday and immediately stops work to attend for medical treatment. The treating doctor certifies total incapacity for work for 2 weeks. The excess period is 4 days (from Wednesday to Monday).

Example of excess period for subsection (1)(b)(ii)—

1. A worker is employed 5 days a week (Monday to Friday). The worker sustains an injury on Wednesday, attends for medical treatment that day and the treating doctor certifies total incapacity for 2 days. The initial excess period is 2 days (Thursday and Friday).

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The worker returns to work on Monday and works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. However, the incapacity from the same injury continues and the worker obtains a subsequent medical certificate for 2 days. The balance of the excess period is 2 days (Thursday and Friday). The total excess period is 4 days.

Examples of excess period for subsection (2)—

1. A worker is employed 2 days a week (Thursday and Saturday). The worker sustains an injury on Saturday and continues to work until the end of the day. The worker attends for medical treatment the following Monday and the treating doctor certifies total incapacity for work for 10 days. The excess period is 2 days (Thursday and Saturday).

2. A worker is employed for 1 day only. The worker sustains an injury, attends for medical treatment and the treating doctor certifies total incapacity for 3 days. The excess period is 1 day.

Employer's election to insure against payment for excess period—Act, s 71

17.(1) An employer may only elect to insure against the employer's liability to pay for the excess period for a period of insurance—

- (a) at the start of a new policy—by making written application to WorkCover on the application for a policy; or
- (b) on renewal of a policy—by making written application to WorkCover on or before 31 August in the renewed period of insurance.

(2) The employer's election to insure for a period of insurance—

- (a) applies from the day the employer's written application is received by WorkCover, or the start of the policy, whichever is the later; and
- (b) applies until the end of the period of insurance; and
- (c) cannot be withdrawn by the employer.

(3) However, if the employer elected to insure for the preceding period of insurance and elects to insure for the current period of insurance on or before 31 August in the current period of insurance, the election applies from the start of the current period of insurance.

(4) If the employer does not pay the premium for the period by the due date for payment of the premium or an instalment of premium under an instalment plan, the employer is taken never to have made the election to insure.

Amount payable to insure against payment for excess period—Act, s 71

18.(1) This section applies if an employer elects to insure under section 71 of the Act against the employer's liability to pay for the excess period.

(2) The amount payable by the employer is the greater of—

- (a) 8.5% of the employer's premium for the period of insurance; or
- (b) \$10.00.

(3) For subsection (2)(a), the employer's premium is—

- (a) if the employer elects to insure for the period of insurance and did not elect to insure for the preceding period of insurance—

$$P = PP; \text{ or}$$

- (b) if the employer elects to insure for the period of insurance and elected to insure for the preceding period of insurance—

$$P = AP - PPP + PP; \text{ or}$$

- (c) if the employer did not elect to insure for a period of insurance and elected to insure for the preceding period of insurance—

$$P = AP - PPP$$

(4) In this section—

“**P**” means premium.

“**AP**” means assessed premium for the preceding period of insurance.

“**PPP**” means provisional premium for the preceding period of insurance.

“**PP**” means provisional premium for the period of insurance.

Division 3—Self-rating**Definition for div 3**

19. In this division—

“**liability**” does not include liability for the excess period.

Premium calculation—Act, s 74

20.(1) The premium for a period of insurance is calculated and charged on a provisional basis at the start of the period of insurance.

(2) The assessed premium is calculated after the end of the period of insurance.

(3) The premium payable at the start of a period of insurance is an amount calculated under the following formula—

$$P = PP + AP - PPP \times (1 + i)$$

(4) In subsection (3)—

“**P**” means premium payable.

“**PP**” means the provisional premium for the period of insurance.

“**AP**” means the assessed premium for the preceding period of insurance.

“**PPP**” means the provisional premium for the preceding period of insurance.

“**i**” means the rate of interest decided by WorkCover.

Provisional premium

21.(1) For section 20, the provisional premium for a period of insurance is an amount calculated under the following formula—

$$PP = (L + A) \times 1.1$$

(2) In subsection (1)—

“**PP**” means provisional premium.

“**L**” means an actuarial estimate of expected liability from claims incurred during the period of insurance.

“**A**” means the amount charged for administrative costs associated with claims incurred during the period of insurance, calculated by multiplying L by 0.095.

Assessed premium

22.(1) For section 20, the assessed premium for a period of insurance is an amount calculated under the following formula—

$$\mathbf{AP = P + L + J + A}$$

(2) In subsection (1)—

“**AP**” means assessed premium.

“**P**” means the value of actual payments made, less recoveries received, during the period of insurance for claims incurred during the period.

“**L**” means an actuarial estimate of the outstanding liability at the end of the period of insurance for claims incurred during the period.

“**J**” means the adjustment for liability for prior periods of insurance calculated under section 23.

“**A**” means the amount charged for administrative costs associated with claims incurred during the period of insurance, calculated by multiplying P + L + J by 0.095.

Adjustment for liability for prior periods of insurance

23.(1) For section 22, “**J**” is calculated under the following formula—

$$\mathbf{J = P + L - PL \times (1 + i)}$$

(2) In subsection (1)—

“**P**” means the payments made during the period of insurance for claims incurred up to the end of the preceding period of insurance while registered as a self-rater.

“**L**” means the actuarial estimate of the outstanding liability, assessed at the end of the period of insurance to which the premium relates, for claims included under P.

“**PL**” means the actuarial estimate of the outstanding liability, assessed at the end of the preceding period of insurance, for claims included under P.

“**I**” means the interest rate decided by WorkCover.

Interest rate

24. The interest rate under sections 20 and 23 must be the same rate.

Time for payment of premium and surcharge

25.(1) A self-rater must pay the premium calculated under section 20 and the surcharge calculated under section 13 on or before the due date shown in the premium notice.

(2) If a self-rater does not pay the premium and surcharge by the due date, the self-rater must pay an additional premium for late payment under section 11.

Conditions of registration—Act, s 83

26. A self-rater’s registration is subject to the following conditions—

- (a) the unconditional bank guarantee lodged under section 84 of the Act—
 - (i) must be issued by a bank; and
 - (ii) must not be issued by a bank that is a related body corporate to the self-rater; and
 - (iii) must be satisfactory to WorkCover;
- (b) the annual assessment of estimated claims liability under section 84(3) of the Act must be carried out under guidelines issued by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice;
- (c) the self-rater can not elect to insure against the self-rater’s liability to pay for the excess period.

Premium payable after cancellation of self-rater's registration—Act, s 94

27.(1) This section applies if a former self-rater continues to be an employer after the self-rater's registration is cancelled.

(2) The premium payable by the former self-rater for the first 2 periods of insurance after cancellation is according to the method and at the rate specified by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice under section 58 of the Act as if the employer were a new employer.

(3) However, the rate under subsection (2) cannot be less than the rate calculated under the following formula—

$$R = \frac{(P + L + A) \times 100}{W}$$

(4) In this section—

“**R**” means the premium rate.

“**P**” means the actual payments made by WorkCover, less recoveries received, for claims incurred by the former self-rater during the final period of insurance.

“**L**” means an actuarial estimate of the outstanding liability at the end of the last period of insurance as a self-rater for claims incurred during the final period of insurance.

“**A**” means the administrative costs associated with claims incurred during the final period of insurance, calculated by multiplying P + L by 0.095.

“**W**” means the wages of the self-rater during the final period of insurance.

“**final period of insurance**” means—

- (a) for an employer registered as a self-rater for 3 or more years immediately before cancellation of registration—3 years; or
- (b) for an employer registered as a self-rater for less than 3 years immediately before cancellation of registration—the period of registration.

Reduction of amount “A”

28. WorkCover may reduce the amount “A” mentioned in sections 21, 22 and 27¹³ by the amount WorkCover considers appropriate if the self-rater is given a function, power or role of WorkCover under section 88¹⁴ of the Act.

Actuarial procedure—self-raters

29.(1) Actuarial estimates required under this division must be carried out by an actuary appointed by WorkCover.

(2) The actuary must calculate the estimate under guidelines issued by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice.

Division 4—Self-insurance**Application fees—Act, s 100**

30. For section 100 of the Act, the amount of the application fee is—

- (a) for a single employer—\$15 000; or
- (b) for a group employer—\$20 000.

Annual levy and surcharge—Act, s 111

31.(1) For section 111 of the Act—

- (a) the amount of the levy payable by a self-insurer is an amount calculated under the formula—

$$L = (D - EDP + ED) \times .05; \text{ and}$$

¹³ Sections 21 (Provisional premium), 22 (Assessed premium) and 27 (Premium payable after cancellation of self-rater’s registration—Act, s 94)

¹⁴ Section 88 (Conditions giving a self-rater some WorkCover functions and powers) of the Act

(b) the amount of the surcharge is 10% of deemed premium calculated under section 12.¹⁵

(2) A self-insurer must pay the levy and surcharge on or before the due date shown on the written notice of the amount of the levy and surcharge.

(3) In subsection (1)(a)—

“**L**” means annual levy.

“**D**” means deemed premium for the preceding year of licence or, if licensed for only part of a year, the part of the year of the licence.

“**EDP**” means deemed premium for the preceding year of licence or, if licensed for only part of a year, the part of the year of the licence, calculated under section 12 but using estimated wages instead of actual wages.

“**ED**” means deemed premium for the year of licence or, if licensed for only part of the year, the part of the year of the licence, calculated under section 12 but using estimated wages instead of actual wages.

Conditions of licence—Act, s 112

32. A self-insurer’s licence is subject to the following conditions—

- (a) for each year, or part of a year, of a licence—the self-insurer must lodge with WorkCover a declaration in the approved form of the self-insurer’s wages so that WorkCover can calculate the levy and surcharge;
- (b) the unconditional bank guarantee lodged under section 113 of the Act—
 - (i) must be issued by a bank; and
 - (ii) must not be issued by a bank that is a related body corporate to the self-insurer; and
 - (iii) must be satisfactory to WorkCover;

¹⁵ Section 12 (Deemed premium)

- (c) the annual assessment of estimated claims liability under section 113(3) of the Act must be carried out under guidelines issued by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice.

Premium payable after cancellation of self-insurer's licence—Act, s 125

33.(1) This section applies if a former self-insurer continues to be an employer after the self-insurer's licence is cancelled but does not become a self-rater.

(2) The premium payable by the former self-insurer for the first 2 periods of insurance after cancellation is to be calculated according to the method and at the rate specified by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice under section 58¹⁶ of the Act as if the employer were a new employer.

(3) However, the rate under subsection (2) cannot be less than the rate calculated under the following formula—

$$R = \frac{(P + L + A) \times 100}{W}$$

(4) In subsection (3)—

“**R**” means the premium rate.

“**P**” means the actual payments made by the former self-insurer, less recoveries received and payments made that are the equivalent of amounts payable for the excess period, for claims incurred during the final period of licence.

“**L**” means an actuarial estimate of the outstanding liability at the end of the self-insurer's licence for claims incurred during the final period of licence, excluding liability for the excess period.

“**A**” means the administrative costs associated with claims incurred during the final period of licence, calculated by multiplying $P + L$ by 0.095.

“**W**” means the wages of the self-insurer during the final period of licence.

“**final period of licence**” means—

¹⁶ Section 58 (Setting of premium) of the Act

- (a) for an employer licensed as a self-insurer for 3 or more years immediately before cancellation of the licence—3 years; or
- (b) for an employer licensed as a self-insurer for less than 3 years immediately before cancellation of the licence—the period of the licence.

Actuarial procedure—self-insurers

34.(1) Actuarial estimates required under this division must be carried out by an actuary approved by WorkCover.

(2) The actuary must calculate the estimate under guidelines issued by WorkCover by industrial gazette notice.

PART 3—OTHER INSURANCES

Division 1—Students

Insurance of work experience students

35.(1) In this section—

“**corporation**” means the corporation sole of the Minister established under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 1989*.

“**educational establishment**” has the meaning given in the *Education (Work Experience) Act 1996*, section 5.

“**student**” has the meaning given in the *Education (Work Experience) Act 1996*, section 3.

“**work experience**” has the meaning given in the *Education (Work Experience) Act 1996*, section 4.

“**work experience place**” means a place where work experience is, or is to be, provided for a student.

WorkCover Queensland Regulation 1997

(2) WorkCover may enter into a contract of insurance with an educational establishment or the corporation to insure the educational establishment or the corporation against liability for compensation for injury to a student arising out of work experience.

(3) For this section, when deciding whether an injury arises out of, or in the course of, work experience, chapter 1, part 4, division 6, subdivisions 2 and 3¹⁷ of the Act apply as if—

- (a) the student were a worker; and
- (b) work experience were the employment; and
- (c) the work experience place were the place of employment; and
- (d) the corporation or the educational establishment were the employer.

(4) A student has the same entitlements to compensation as a worker.

(5) For the entitlements of a student to compensation, all the provisions of the Act under which entitlements are decided apply to the student in the same way as they would apply to a worker including, for example—

- the provisions of chapter 3 (Compensation)
- the provisions of chapter 7 (Medical Assessment Tribunals)
- the provisions of chapter 9 (Reviews and Appeals).

(6) However, insurance cover provided under a contract of insurance under this section is limited to compensation under chapter 3, parts 9 and 10¹⁸ of the Act.

(7) Also, the contract does not cover payment of damages for injury sustained by the student.

(8) WorkCover has a liability under a contract of insurance entered into under this section only if the premium assessed for the contract has been paid in full.

¹⁷ Chapter 1 (Preliminary), part 4 (Basic concepts), division 6 (Injuries and impairment), subdivision 2 (Injury) and subdivision 3 (When injury arises out of, or in the course of, employment) of the Act

¹⁸ Chapter 3 (Compensation), part 9 (Entitlement to compensation for permanent impairment) and part 10 (Compensation on workers' death) of the Act

Insurance of industry placement students

36.(1) In this section—

“**college**” has the meaning given in the *Vocational Education and Training (Industry Placement) Act 1992*, section 4.

“**industry placement**” has the meaning given in the *Vocational Education and Training (Industry Placement) Act 1992*, section 8, but does not include a paid industry placement.

“**industry placement place**” means a place where industry placement is, or is to be, provided for a student.

“**student**” has the meaning given in the *Vocational Education and Training (Industry Placement) Act 1992*, section 4.

(2) WorkCover may enter into a contract of insurance with a college to insure the college against liability for compensation for injury to a student arising out of an industry placement.

(3) For this section, when deciding whether an injury arises out of, or in the course of, industry placement, chapter 1, part 4, division 6, subdivisions 2 and 3¹⁹ of the Act apply as if—

- (a) the student were a worker; and
- (b) industry placement were the employment; and
- (c) the industry placement place were the place of employment; and
- (d) the college were the employer.

(4) A student has the same entitlements to compensation as a worker.

(5) For the entitlements of a student to compensation, all the provisions of the Act under which entitlements are decided apply to the student in the same way as they would apply to a worker including, for example—

- the provisions of chapter 3 (Compensation)
- the provisions of chapter 7 (Medical Assessment Tribunals)
- the provisions of chapter 9 (Reviews and Appeals).

¹⁹ Chapter 1 (Preliminary), part 4 (Basic concepts), division 6 (Injuries and impairment), subdivision 2 (Injury) and subdivision 3 (When injury arises out of, or in the course of, employment) of the Act

(6) However, insurance cover provided under a contract of insurance under this section is limited to compensation under chapter 3, parts 9 and 10²⁰ of the Act.

(7) Also, the contract does not cover payment of damages for injury sustained by the student.

(8) WorkCover has a liability under a contract of insurance entered into under this section only if the premium assessed for the contract has been paid in full.

Division 2—Eligible persons

Proposal for contract of insurance—Act, s 26

37. For section 26 of the Act, an eligible person is taken to express a wish to enter into a contract of insurance with WorkCover by lodging a fully completed and signed proposal in the approved form with WorkCover.

Documents to be kept by eligible person

38.(1) This section applies if WorkCover has entered into a contract of insurance for chapter 1, part 4, division 3, subdivision 4²¹ of the Act with an eligible person.

(2) The eligible person must keep documents showing the remuneration or other benefit for performing work, or providing services, that the eligible person has received as an eligible person.

²⁰ Chapter 3 (Compensation), part 9 (Entitlement to compensation for permanent impairment) and part 10 (Compensation on worker's death) of the Act

²¹ Chapter 1 (Preliminary), part 4 (Basic concepts), division 3 (Persons entitled to compensation other than workers), subdivision 4 (Eligible persons) of the Act

(3) If the eligible person applies for weekly payments of compensation under chapter 3, part 8, division 4, subdivision 3 or division 5²² of the Act but cannot substantiate remuneration or other benefit received, WorkCover may pay an amount WorkCover considers is reasonable.

Division 3—Other persons

Contracts of insurance for other persons

39.(1) This section applies if a contract of insurance for chapter 1, part 4, division 3, subdivision 5²³ of the Act provides for a matter to be decided by a medical assessment tribunal in accordance with chapter 7 of the Act or for an appeal to a court in accordance with chapter 9 of the Act.

(2) The provisions of the Act apply and jurisdiction is conferred on the tribunal or court to hear and decide the matter.

Division 4—Contracts of insurance generally

Entitlements of persons mentioned in ch 1, pt 4, div 3, subdivs 1, 2 and 4

40. For the entitlements of a person mentioned in chapter 1, part 4, division 3, subdivision 1, 2 or 4²⁴ of the Act to compensation, all the provisions of the Act apply to the person in the same way as they would apply to a worker including, for example—

²² Chapter 3 (Compensation), part 8 (Weekly payment of compensation), division 4 (Entitlement for total incapacity), subdivision 3 (Persons entitled to compensation other than workers and students), or division 5 (Entitlement for partial incapacity) of the Act

²³ Chapter 1 (Preliminary), part 4 (Basic concepts), division 3 (Persons entitled to compensation other than workers), subdivision 5 (Other persons) of the Act

²⁴ Chapter 1 (Preliminary), part 4 (Basic concepts), division 3 (Persons entitled to compensation other than workers), subdivision 1 (Volunteers etc.), 2 (Persons performing community service) or 4 (Eligible persons) of the Act

- the provisions of chapter 7 (Medical Assessment Tribunals)
- the provisions of chapter 9 (Reviews and Appeals).

WorkCover not liable if premium not paid

41. WorkCover is not liable under a contract of insurance under chapter 1, part 4, division 3 of the Act if the premium for the contract has not been paid in full to WorkCover on or before the due date.

Duty to report injury

42.(1) This section applies if a person who is entitled to compensation under chapter 1, part 4, division 3 of the Act and is covered by a contract of insurance sustains an injury for which compensation may be payable.

(2) However, this section does not apply to an eligible person.

(3) The person with whom WorkCover has entered into the contract must complete a report in the approved form and send it to the nearest office of WorkCover.

(4) The report must be sent immediately after the first of the following happens—

- (a) the person with whom WorkCover has entered into the contract knows the injury has been sustained;
- (b) the person covered by the contract reports the injury to the person with whom WorkCover has entered into the contract;
- (c) the person with whom WorkCover has entered into the contract receives WorkCover's written request for a report.

(5) If the person with whom WorkCover has entered into the contract fails to comply with subsection (3) within 10 days after any of the circumstances mentioned in subsection (4), the person commits an offence, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.

Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

PART 4—COMPENSATION

Division 1—Calculation of NWE

Calculation of NWE

43. Normal weekly earnings of a worker from employment are to be calculated under this division.

What amounts may or may not be taken into account

44.(1) Amounts paid to the worker by way of overtime, higher duties, penalties and allowances (other than amounts mentioned in subsection (2)) that are of a regular nature, required by an employer and that would have continued if not for the injury may be taken into account.

(2) Amounts mentioned in the Act, schedule 3, definition “wages”, paragraphs (a) to (d) are not to be taken into account.

NWE if impracticable to calculate rate of worker’s remuneration

45.(1) This section applies if it is impracticable, at the date of injury to the worker, to calculate the rate of the worker’s remuneration because of—

- (a) the period of time for which a worker has been employed; or
- (b) the terms of the worker’s employment.

(2) Regard must be had to—

- (a) the normal weekly earnings during the 12 months immediately before the date of injury of a person in the same grade, employed in the same work, by the same employer, as that of the worker; or
- (b) if there is no such person—the normal weekly earnings of a person in the same grade, employed in the same class of employment, and in the same district as that of the worker.

NWE if worker worked for 2 or more employers

46.(1) This section applies if a worker has worked under concurrent contracts of service with 2 or more employers, under which the worker has worked at 1 time for 1 employer and at another time for another of the employers.

(2) The worker's normal weekly earnings are to be calculated as if earnings under all the contracts were earnings in the employment of the employer for whom the worker was working when the injury was sustained.

NWE if WorkCover considers calculation unfair

47.(1) This section applies if WorkCover considers that the calculation of normal weekly earnings under this division would be unfair.

(2) The normal weekly earnings may be calculated in the way WorkCover considers to be fair, and the calculation under this subsection is taken to be the normal weekly earnings of the worker.

Division 2—Compensation application and other procedures**Application for compensation**

48. For section 159(3)(b)²⁵ of the Act, a claimant must give WorkCover, to the extent that WorkCover reasonably requires—

- (a) proof of injury and its cause; and
- (b) proof of the nature, extent and duration of incapacity resulting from the injury; and
- (c) if the injury is, or results in, the death of a worker—proof of—
 - (i) the worker's death; and
 - (ii) the identity of the worker; and
 - (iii) the relationship to the worker and dependency of persons claiming to be the worker's dependants.

²⁵ Section 159 (Applying for compensation) of the Act

Doctor's certificate

49.(1) The doctor's certificate required by section 159(3)(a) of the Act to accompany an application for compensation must be in the approved form.

(2) However, if a worker sustains an injury in another State or country, WorkCover must accept from the doctor who attends the worker a manuscript certificate that is substantially to the effect of the approved form.

(3) A doctor attending a worker who has sustained an injury must give WorkCover a detailed report on the worker's condition within 10 days after receiving Workcover's request to do so.

(4) The fee payable to the doctor for the report is an amount accepted by WorkCover to be reasonable, having regard to the relevant table of costs.

If doctor not available

50.(1) This section applies if a claimant does not lodge a medical certificate with an application for compensation because a doctor was not available to attend the claimant.

(2) The claimant must complete and lodge with WorkCover a declaration in the approved form.

(3) For a non-fatal injury, the declaration—

- (a)** can be accepted by WorkCover only once for injury to a claimant in any 1 event; and
- (b)** is acceptable proof of incapacity of a claimant for not more than 3 days.

Examination of claimant or worker—Act, ss 162 and 447

51.(1) For sections 162 and 447²⁶ of the Act, a personal examination must be requested in writing to the claimant or worker.

(2) The request must specify—

²⁶ Section 162 (Examination by registered person), and section 447 (Power of tribunal to examine worker) of the Act

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- (a) the name of the doctor or other registered person, who is not employed by WorkCover under a contract of service, engaged to make the examination; and
- (b) if the doctor is a specialist—the field of specialty; and
- (c) the day, time and place when and where the examination is to be made.

(3) A doctor or other registered person who makes a personal examination of a claimant or worker must give WorkCover, within 10 days after the examination—

- (a) a written report on the examination; and
- (b) an itemised account for the examination.

(4) Fees payable to a doctor or other registered person for a personal examination of a claimant or worker—

- (a) are payable by WorkCover; and
- (b) are payable for—
 - (i) making the examination; and
 - (ii) giving a report to WorkCover; and
- (c) are the costs accepted by WorkCover to be reasonable, having regard to the relevant table of costs.

Payment for treatment arranged by employer other than self-insurer

52.(1) An employer, other than a self-insurer, may, with WorkCover's consent, make an arrangement or agreement, on behalf of WorkCover, with a doctor, hospital or institution to provide—

- (a) medical treatment; or
- (b) hospitalisation; or
- (c) medical aid;

to a worker who has sustained injury.

(2) WorkCover may ratify an arrangement or agreement made by an employer without WorkCover's consent if WorkCover is satisfied that—

- (a) the case was one of emergency; and

- (b) in the interests of the worker, it was necessary to take immediate action.

(3) WorkCover is liable to pay the reasonable expenses of medical treatment, hospitalisation or medical aid provided to the worker under the arrangement or agreement.

Maximum liability for cost of hospitalisation—Act, s 236

53. For section 236²⁷ of the Act, the maximum amount that WorkCover is liable to pay for hospitalisation of a worker is \$10 000.

Special medical treatment, hospitalisation or medical aid

54.(1) This section applies if WorkCover considers that the injury sustained by a worker would require—

- (a) special medical treatment; or
- (b) special hospitalisation; or
- (c) special medical aid.

(2) WorkCover may make an arrangement or agreement with a doctor, hospital or institution to provide the worker with the special medical treatment, hospitalisation or medical aid.

(3) For special hospitalisation, WorkCover may make the arrangement or agreement only to the extent specified in section 234²⁸ of the Act.

(4) WorkCover is liable to pay the cost of the special medical treatment, hospitalisation or medical aid provided to the worker under the arrangement or agreement.

(5) However, the maximum amount that WorkCover is liable to pay for special hospitalisation is \$10 000.

²⁷ Section 236 (Maximum liability for cost of hospitalisation) of the Act

²⁸ Section 234 (Extent of liability for period of hospitalisation) of the Act

Division 3—Entitlement to compensation for permanent impairment**Table of injuries**

55.(1) The table of injuries is set out in schedule 2.

(2) The table of injuries, parts 1, 2, 4 and 6 must be read in conjunction with the relevant provisions of the AMA guide.

(3) The methods that must be used in assessing the degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury mentioned in part 1, 2, 4 or 6 are the methods stated in the AMA guide.

(4) However, not every injury a worker may sustain is mentioned in the table of injuries and, if a worker sustains permanent impairment from an injury that is not mentioned in the table of injuries (other than in part 3 or 5), the AMA guide must be used for assessing the degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury.

(5) The table of injuries, part 3 must be read in conjunction with the ophthalmologists guide (for vision injuries) and the hearing loss tables (for hearing injuries).

(6) The methods that must be used in assessing the degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury mentioned in the table of injuries, part 3 are the methods stated in the ophthalmologists guide or hearing loss tables.

(7) If there is an inconsistency between the table of injuries and the AMA guide, the ophthalmologists guide or the hearing loss tables, the table of injuries prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

(8) For subsection (2), a provision of the AMA guide is a relevant provision of the guide for a part of the table of injuries if it is mentioned in the part as a relevant provision for the part.

Assessing degree of permanent impairment from multiple injuries using the table of injuries

56.(1) This section applies if a worker sustains permanent impairment from multiple injuries sustained in 1 event.

(2) The degree of permanent impairment for each injury is assessed separately and lump sum compensation is decided accordingly.

Example—

A worker sustains a fractured pelvis and a fractured wrist in the same event. The degree of permanent impairment resulting from each injury is assessed separately in the usual way under the table of injuries.

(3) However, for multiple injuries to a single limb, the degree of permanent impairment sustained by the worker in relation to the limb is assessed by using the combined values chart in the AMA guide, unless the guide specifies otherwise.

Example—

A worker sustains injuries to the worker's right wrist and right elbow and a crush injury to the worker's left hand. The degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injuries to the right arm is assessed by using the combined values chart in the AMA guide. The degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury to the left hand is assessed in the usual way under the table of injuries.

(4) Also, if a worker sustains multiple injuries of a kind mentioned in the table of injuries, part 4 in 1 event, the degree of permanent impairment sustained by the worker in relation to the injuries is assessed by using the combined values chart in the AMA guide.

Assessment for industrial deafness—Act, s 197

57.(1) This section sets out the way the degree of permanent impairment for industrial deafness must be assessed for section 197²⁹ of the Act.

(2) The worker must undergo an audiometric test for hearing conducted by an audiologist.

(3) The test must be preceded by a period of quiet of at least 8 hours.

(4) For air conduction testing, the test must comply with Australian Standard AS1269 'SAA Hearing Conservation Code', rules 5.6.3.2. and 5.6.3.4(c).

(5) The worker's hearing levels must be determined separately for the left and right ears at audiometric test frequencies 500, 1 000, 1 500, 2 000,

²⁹ Section 197 (Assessment of permanent impairment) of the Act

3 000 and 4 000 Hz with an audiometer complying with Australian Standard AS2586.

(6) The percentage loss of hearing is to be calculated by using the binaural tables and adjusted, if required, under the presbycusis correction table.

Calculation of WRI—Act, s 201

58.(1) For section 201³⁰ of the Act, a worker’s WRI is the percentage calculated using the following formula—

$$\frac{\text{LSPI} \times 100}{\text{MSC}}$$

(2) In this section—

“**LSPI**” means the lump sum compensation payable under the table of injuries for the degree of permanent impairment for the injury.

“**MSC**” means maximum statutory compensation under chapter 3, part 6³¹ of the Act.

Example—

If a worker loses a thumb, the lump sum compensation payable under the table of injuries is \$29 695. The maximum statutory compensation is \$103 100. So, the worker’s WRI is $(29\,695 \times 100) \div 103\,100 = 28.8\%$.

Additional lump sum compensation for certain workers—Act, s 210

59. The additional lump sum compensation payable for certain workers is set out in schedule 3.

Additional lump sum compensation for gratuitous care—Act, s 211

60.(1) The additional lump sum compensation payable for gratuitous care is set out in schedule 4.

³⁰ Section 201 (Calculation of WRI) of the Act

³¹ Chapter 3 (Compensation), part 6 (Maximum statutory compensation) of the Act

(2) For section 211(5)³² of the Act, the assessment report of an occupational therapist must state whether, in the relationship between the worker and the other person, the day-to-day care—

- (a) was provided to the worker before the worker sustained the impairment; and
- (b) would ordinarily be provided in the worker's home; and
- (c) is likely to continue to be provided in the worker's home.

(3) The method of assessing a worker's level of dependency is the method stated in the modified barthel index.

(4) In deciding the amount of the worker's entitlement to additional compensation, WorkCover must have regard to the information in the report.

PART 5—REHABILITATION

Division 1—Caring allowance

Further information required in occupational therapist's report—Act, s 241

61.(1) An occupational therapist's assessment report must contain the information mentioned in section 60(2).

(2) In paying the caring allowance, WorkCover must have regard to the information in the report.

Extent of liability for caring allowance—Act, s 242

62.(1) WorkCover must decide the number of hours of care required for a worker having regard to the occupational therapist's report and the graduated scale in schedule 5.

³² Section 211 (Additional lump sum compensation for gratuitous care) of the Act

(2) The method of assessing a worker's level of dependency is the method stated in the modified barthel index.

(3) The amount of the caring allowance—

- (a) must be decided having regard to the number of hours of care required; and
- (b) must be paid at an hourly rate equal to the carer pension rate divided by 35.

(4) In subsection (3)(b)—

“**carer pension rate**” means the weekly amount of the maximum single carer pension rate payable from time to time under a Commonwealth law but does not include an amount for allowances, for example, rent assistance or family payment.

Division 2—Workplace rehabilitation policy and procedures

Reporting requirement for review of workplace rehabilitation policy and procedures

63. For section 244(4)³³ of the Act, an employer must, within 30 days after completing a review of the employer's workplace rehabilitation policy and procedures, give WorkCover written evidence, in the approved form, that the review has been completed.

Division 3—Standard for rehabilitation

Who this division applies to

64. This division applies to anyone who is required, under chapter 4, parts 3 and 4³⁴ of the Act, to provide or manage the rehabilitation of workers.

³³ Section 244 (Employer's obligation to have workplace rehabilitation policy and procedures) of the Act

³⁴ Chapter 4 (Injury management), part 3 (Responsibility for rehabilitation) and part 4 (Employer's obligation for rehabilitation) of the Act

Definition for div 3

65. In this division—

“rehabilitation plan” means a written plan outlining the rehabilitation objectives and the steps required to achieve the objectives.

Standard for rehabilitation

66. For section 245³⁵ of the Act, the standard of rehabilitation must be in accordance with this division.

Doctor’s approval

67. Approval of a worker’s treating doctor must be obtained and documented for all rehabilitation plans, including amendments to plans.

Worker’s file

68. A file must be kept for each worker undertaking rehabilitation and must contain copies of all relevant documentation, correspondence and accounts.

Rehabilitation plan

69.(1) A rehabilitation plan must be developed for each worker undertaking rehabilitation.

(2) The plan must be consistent with the worker’s needs.

(3) The plan must be developed in consultation with the worker.

(4) The plan must at least contain the following matters—

- (a)** clear and appropriate objectives with ways of achieving the objectives;
- (b)** details of rehabilitation required to meet the objectives;
- (c)** projected costs and time frames of rehabilitation;

³⁵ Section 245 (Employer’s obligation to assist or provide rehabilitation) of the Act

- (d) review mechanisms and dates for review;
- (e) progress to date.

Case notes

70.(1) Accurate and objective case notes must be kept for each worker undertaking rehabilitation.

(2) Case notes must contain details of—

- (a) all communications between the worker, the rehabilitation coordinator and other relevant parties; and
- (b) actions and decisions; and
- (c) reasons for actions and decisions.

Early worker contact

71. A worker who sustains an injury and who requires rehabilitation must be contacted about rehabilitation as soon as practicable after the injury is sustained or is reported.

Rehabilitation

72.(1) Rehabilitation must be goal directed with timely and appropriate service provision having regard to—

- (a) the worker's injury; and
- (b) the objectives of the rehabilitation plan; and
- (c) the worker's rate of recovery.

(2) Strategies used in rehabilitation must be evaluated by the rehabilitation coordinator as the case progresses to monitor their effectiveness.

(3) Rehabilitation must focus on return to work.

(4) However, if the worker's injury is so severe that a return to work is precluded, rehabilitation must focus on maximising the worker's independent functioning.

(5) Duties assigned to a worker for a suitable duties program must be meaningful and have regard to the objective of the worker's rehabilitation.

(6) The rehabilitation coordinator must ensure rehabilitation for a worker is coordinated with and understood by line managers, supervisors and co-workers.

(7) A worker must be treated with appropriate respect and equity.

Confidentiality

73.(1) Information obtained during rehabilitation must be treated with sensitivity and confidentiality by all parties.

(2) If it is necessary to obtain or release information associated with the worker's rehabilitation, the worker's authority to obtain or release the information must be obtained.

(3) The worker's authority is not required for the release of information to WorkCover.

PART 6—DAMAGES

Notice of claim for damages—Act, s 280

74.(1) A notice of claim must be made in the approved form and include the following particulars—

- (a) full particulars of the claimant, including—
 - (i) full name and any other known names; and
 - (ii) if the claimant is not the worker—the worker's full name; and
 - (iii) residential address; and
 - (iv) date of birth; and
 - (v) gender; and

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- (vi) usual occupation and, if that differs from the nature of employment at the time of the event, the nature of the employment at the time of the event; and
 - (vii) the name and address of every employer of the worker at the time of the event;
- (b) full particulars of the event, including—
- (i) the date, time and place of the event; and
 - (ii) a description of the facts, as the claimant understands or recalls them to be, of the circumstances surrounding the event; and
 - (iii) names and addresses of all witnesses to the event, and their relationship, if any, to the worker; and
 - (iv) name and address of any person on behalf of the claimant's employer to whom the claimant reported the event and their employment details; and
 - (v) full particulars of the negligence alleged against the claimant's employer and any other party on which the claim is based; and
 - (vi) whether, and to what extent, liability expressed as a percentage is admitted for the injury and, if another party is involved, the liability expressed as a percentage that the claimant holds the other party responsible; and
 - (vii) if another party is involved—details of the notice given to the party;
- (c) full particulars of the nature and extent of—
- (i) all injuries alleged to have been sustained by the claimant because of the event; and
 - (ii) the degree of permanent impairment that the claimant alleges has resulted from the injuries; and
 - (iii) the amount of damages sought under each head of damage claimed by the claimant and the method of calculating each amount; and
 - (iv) how the claimant is presently affected by the injuries;

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- (d) the name and address of each hospital at which the claimant has been treated for the injury, and the name and address of each doctor by whom the claimant has been treated for the injury;
- (e) the name and address of each provider of treatment or rehabilitation services who has made an assessment of, or provided treatment or rehabilitation services for, permanent impairment arising from the injury;
- (f) all personal injuries, illnesses and impairments of a medical, psychiatric or psychological nature sustained by the claimant either before or after the event that may affect the extent of the permanent impairment resulting from the injury to which the claim relates, or may affect the amount of damages in another way;
- (g) all personal injuries, illnesses and impairments of a medical, psychiatric or psychological nature sustained by the claimant either before or after the event for which the claimant has claimed damages, compensation or benefits, the name and address of any person against whom a claim for damages or compensation was made and, if an insurer was involved, the name and address of the insurer;
- (h) the name and address of each hospital at which the claimant has been treated for an injury, illness or impairment mentioned in paragraph (f) or (g), and the name and address of each doctor by whom the claimant has been treated for the injury, illness or impairment;
- (i) all steps taken by the worker to mitigate their loss;
- (j) if the claimant claims damages for diminished income earning capacity—particulars of the claimant’s employment during the 3 years immediately before and since the event including—
 - (i) the name and address of each of the claimant’s employers; and
 - (ii) the period of employment by each employer; and
 - (iii) the capacity in which the claimant was employed by each employer; and

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- (iv) the claimant's gross and net (after tax) earnings for each period of employment; and
- (v) the periods during which the claimant was in receipt of payments from the Department of Social Security (Cwlth); and
- (vi) the periods during which the claimant received no income, and the reasons why the claimant was not receiving any income.

(2) A notice of claim relating to an injury causing death must contain the following additional particulars (if relevant)—

- (a) if the claimant is the deceased worker's spouse—
 - (i) the date of marriage or the date on which the de facto relationship started; and
 - (ii) the place of marriage or the residential address where the de facto relationship started; and
 - (iii) the claimant's net (after tax) weekly income before and after the worker's death; and
 - (iv) the age to which the claimant intended to work and the basis of the claimant's future employment i.e. whether full time or part time; and
 - (v) details of any health problems that the claimant currently has; and
 - (vi) the amount of average weekly financial benefit derived by the claimant from the deceased worker before the worker's death and the method of calculating the amount; and
 - (vii) the expected date of birth of a posthumous child; and
 - (viii) details of remarriage or start of a marriage-like relationship;
- (b) if the claimant is not the deceased worker's spouse—
 - (i) the claimant's relationship to the deceased worker; and
 - (ii) the claimant's net (after tax) weekly earnings; and
 - (iii) the age to which the claimant would have been dependent on the deceased worker and the basis of the dependency; and

- (iv) details of any health problems that the claimant currently has; and
- (v) the amount of average weekly financial benefit derived by the claimant from the deceased worker before the worker's death and the method of calculating the amount.

PART 7—COSTS

Division 1—Proceeding before industrial magistrate

Costs—proceeding before industrial magistrate

75.(1) The costs of a proceeding before an industrial magistrate are in the discretion of the magistrate.

(2) However, if the magistrate allows costs—

- (a) for costs in relation to counsel's or solicitor's fees—
 - (i) the costs are to be under the *Magistrates Courts Rules 1960*, schedule 5, scale E; or
 - (ii) if, because of—
 - (A) the work involved; or
 - (B) the importance, difficulty or complexity of the matter to which the proceedings relate;

the industrial magistrate considers the amount of costs provided for under subparagraph (i) are inadequate remuneration, the magistrate may allow costs (in total or in relation to any item) in an amount up to 1.5 times the amount provided for under subparagraph (i) (in total or in relation to that item); and
- (b) for costs in relation to witnesses' fees and expenses—the costs are to be under the *Magistrates Courts Rules 1960*, schedule 4; and

- (c) for costs in relation to bailiff's fees—the costs are to be under the *Magistrates Courts Rules 1960*, schedule 3.

(3) Subsection (4) applies if—

- (a) WorkCover is required to pay costs in a hearing in relation to a witness who is a doctor or otherwise is of a professional description; and
- (b) the amount of fees and expenses payable in relation to the witness by the party that called the witness is more than the amount of costs allowed by the industrial magistrate.

(4) WorkCover may, on the application of the party that called the witness, pay an additional amount on account of the costs that WorkCover accepts as reasonable, having regard to the subject matter of the hearing.

Division 2—Claim for damages

Who this division applies to

76. This division applies to—

- (a) a worker who has a certificate injury; or
- (b) a dependant.

Definition for div 2

77. In this division—

“**net damages**” means damages recovered less compensation paid by WorkCover.

Costs before proceeding started

78.(1) This section prescribes the legal professional costs of a claim before a proceeding is started.

(2) If a claimant recovers at least \$150 000 net damages, the costs are—

- (a) if the claim is settled—

- (i) without holding a compulsory conference—120% of the amount in schedule 6, column A; or
- (ii) after a compulsory conference is held—the amounts in schedule 6, columns A and B; and
- (b) for investigation of liability by an expert—the amount in schedule 6, column C; and
- (c) for an application to the court—the amount in schedule 6, column D.

(3) If a claimant recovers net damages of \$50 000 or more but less than \$150 000, the costs are 85% of the amount under subsection (2).

(4) If a claimant recovers less than \$50 000 net damages, the costs are 85% of the amount calculated under subsection (2) multiplied by the proportion that the net damages bear to \$50 000.

Example of subsection (4)—

If the net damages recovered are \$30 000, the costs are (85% of the amount calculated under subsection (2)) $\times \frac{3}{5}$.

(5) However, if a court in the proceeding awards the payment of solicitor-client costs, the costs recoverable under subsections (2), (3) and (4) are multiplied by 120%.

Costs after proceeding started

79.(1) This section prescribes the legal professional costs of a claim after a proceeding is started.

(2) The costs are chargeable under the relevant court scale of costs.

(3) However, the costs under subsection (2) do not include—

- (a) the cost of work performed before the proceeding is started; or
- (b) the cost of work performed before the proceeding is started that is performed again after the proceeding is started.

Outlays

80.(1) In addition to legal professional costs, the following outlays incurred by the claimant are allowed—

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- (a) 1 hospital report fee for each hospital that provided treatment for the worker's injury;
 - (b) 1 report fee for each doctor in general practice who provided treatment for the worker's injury;
 - (c) 1 medical specialist's report fee for each medical discipline reasonably relevant and necessary for the understanding of the worker's injury;
 - (d) 1 report fee of an expert investigating liability, of not more than \$1 000, less any proportion of the fee agreed to be paid by WorkCover;
 - (e) Australian Taxation Office or tax agents' fees for supplying copies of income tax returns;
 - (f) fees charged by the claimant's previous employers for giving information necessary for the claimant to complete the notice of claim, but not more than \$50 for each employer;
 - (g) fees charged by a mediator in an amount previously agreed to by WorkCover;
 - (h) filing fees or other necessary charges incurred in relation to an application to the court before a proceeding is started;
 - (i) reasonable fees for sundry items properly incurred, other than photocopying costs.
- (2)** The fees—
- (a) are allowable only for reports disclosed before the start of proceedings; and
 - (b) for subsection (1)(a) to (c)—are payable according to the recommended Australian Medical Association scale of fees.

SCHEDULE 1**ADDITIONAL PREMIUM**

section 8

Time of lodgment of declaration of wages	Additional premium
On or after 1 September and not later than 31 October in 1 calendar year	The greater of— (a) 5% of assessed premium for the period of insurance to which the declaration relates; or (b) \$5.00
On or after 1 November and not later than 30 November in 1 calendar year	The greater of— (a) 10% of assessed premium for the period of insurance to which the declaration relates; or (b) \$10.00
On or after 1 December and not later than 31 December in 1 calendar year	The greater of— (a) 15% of assessed premium for the period of insurance to which the declaration relates; or (b) \$15.00
On or after 1 January in the next calendar year	The greater of— (a) 20% of assessed premium for the period of insurance to which the declaration relates, or (b) \$20.00.

SCHEDULE 2

TABLE OF INJURIES

section 55

PART 1—UPPER EXTREMITY INJURIES

Division 1—Preliminary

Application of pt 1

- 1.(1)** This part deals with upper extremity injuries.
- (2)** The maximum lump sum compensation payable for an upper extremity injury is \$82 480.
- (3)** To decide a worker's entitlement from injury, division 2 shows—
 - (a)** the maximum degree of permanent impairment that may result from the injury; and
 - (b)** the maximum lump sum compensation payable for the injury; and
 - (c)** the maximum WRI.

How to use this part of the table

- 2.(1)** Division 2 lists certain upper extremity injuries.
- (2)** Injuries are stated in column 2, the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury is stated in column 3, the maximum lump sum compensation for the injury is stated in column 4, and the maximum WRI is stated in column 5.
- (3)** The maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury is stated as a degree of permanent impairment of the upper extremity.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(4) Some injuries mentioned in division 2 are marked with an asterisk (*).

(5) These injuries may result in the same degree of maximum permanent impairment as other injuries mentioned in the division, but, for historical reasons, give rise to different amounts of maximum lump sum compensation.

(6) For more information on how to use the table of injuries, see sections 55 and 56 of the regulation.

Interaction between this part and the AMA guide

3.(1) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury to an upper extremity is expressed in division 2 as a degree of permanent impairment of the upper extremity.

(2) Even though an injury is not precisely described under division 2, a similar injury often will be.

(3) If the injury is more severe than a particular similar injury, but less severe than another similar injury, the degree of permanent impairment must always be more than the less severe injury, but not as much as the more severe injury.

(4) If an injury to an upper extremity results in permanent impairment and the injury is not mentioned in division 2, the degree of permanent impairment must be assessed under the AMA guide.

(5) However, the processes that may be used under the AMA guide cannot result in an injury giving rise to a greater degree of permanent impairment from the injury than that specified under division 2.

(6) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury assessed under the AMA guide must be expressed as a degree of permanent impairment of the upper extremity.

(7) The degree of permanent impairment so expressed is taken to be the degree of permanent impairment of the upper extremity for this part.

(8) For section 55 of the regulation, the relevant provision of the AMA guide is chapter 3.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Formulas to be used for deciding lump sum compensation for permanent impairment

4.(1) The following formula must be used to work out the amount of lump sum compensation payable for single or multiple injuries to the upper extremity—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{MLSC}}{100}$$

(2) However, for a single injury (other than an injury involving sensory loss) to the index, ring or little finger, the following formula must be used—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{LSC}}{\text{MDPI}}$$

(3) Also, for multiple injuries where at least 1 injury (other than sensory loss) is to the index, ring or little finger, the amount of lump sum compensation payable for the injuries is the sum of the amounts worked out for each injury under subsection (1) and (2).

(4) In this section—

“**DPI**” means the degree of permanent impairment of the upper extremity assessed by a registered person as resulting from the injury or, for multiple injuries, the injuries.

“**LSC**” means the lump sum compensation payable for the maximum degree of permanent impairment for the injury set out in column 4 of the table of injuries.

“**MDPI**” means the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury or another relevant injury set out in column 3 of the table of injuries.

“**MLSC**” means the maximum lump sum compensation specified in section 1(2).

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Division 2—Upper extremity injuries

Column 1 Code No.	Column 2 Injury	Column 3 Maximum degree of permanent impairment	Column 4 Maximum lump sum compensation \$	Column 5 Maximum WRI %
1100	FINGERS AND HAND			
1101	Loss of thumb	36	29 695	28.8
1102	Loss of joint of thumb	18	14 850	14.4
1103	Sensory loss to palmar surface of thumb	18	14 850	14.4
1104	Sensory loss on either side of thumb	8	6 600	6.4
1105	*Loss of index finger	18	16 795	16.29
1106	*Loss of 2 joints of index finger	13	12 600	12.22
1107	*Loss of distal joint to index finger	8	8 400	8.14
1108	Sensory loss to palmar surface of index finger	8	6 600	6.4
1109	Sensory loss on either side of index finger	5	4 125	4
1110	Loss of middle finger	18	14 850	14.4
1111	Loss of 2 joints of middle finger	13	10 725	10.4
1112	Loss of distal joint of middle finger	8	6 600	6.4
1113	Sensory loss to palmar surface of middle finger	8	6 600	6.4
1114	Sensory loss on either side of middle finger	5	4 125	4
1115	*Loss of ring finger	8	8 400	8.14
1116	*Loss of 2 joints of ring finger	6	8 400	8.14

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

1117	*Loss of distal joint of ring finger	5	5 045	4.89
1118	Sensory loss on either side of ring finger	3	2 475	2.4
1119	Sensory loss to palmar surface of ring finger	5	4 125	4
1120	Sensory loss on either side of ring finger	3	2 475	2.4
1121	*Loss of little finger	8	8 400	8.14
1122	*Loss of 2 joints of little finger	6	8 400	8.14
1123	*Loss of distal joint of little finger	5	5 045	4.89
1124	Sensory loss to palmar surface of little finger	5	4 125	4
1125	Sensory loss on either side of little finger	3	2 475	2.4
1126	Loss of hand or arm below the elbow	90	74 235	72
1127	Aggravation of Dupuytren's contracture	0	0	0
1128	Crush injury to hand with multiple fractures (healed with no deformities) but resulting in mild loss of motion of all fingers with extensive scarring and soft tissue damage	40	32 995	32
1200	WRIST			
1201	De Quervains disease, whether operated or non-operated	0	0	0

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

1202	Ganglion, whether operated or non-operated, with or without residual subjective symptoms or signs e.g. swelling or tenderness	0	0	0
1203	Carpal tunnel syndrome, non-operated, with no residual subjective symptoms or signs	0	0	0
1204	Carpal tunnel syndrome, whether operated or non-operated with residual subjective symptoms or signs such as dysaesthesia or muscle wasting	2	1 650	1.6
1205	Fractured scaphoid, non-operated and healed with no residual subjective symptoms or signs	0	0	0
1206	Fractured scaphoid, operated	5	4 125	4
1207	Fractured scaphoid, worst possible outcome i.e. fusion of the wrist joint	60	49 490	48
1208	Fracture of radius or ulna or carpus bones with moderate limitation of wrist movements and mild limitation of elbow movements	16	13 200	12.8
1300	ELBOW			
1301	Medial or lateral epicondylitis of elbow, non-operated with no residual subjective symptoms or signs	0	0	0

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

1302	Medial or lateral epicondylitis of elbow, whether operated or non-operated with residual subjective symptoms or signs e.g. pain and tenderness	2	1 650	1.6
1303	Injury to elbow region resulting in moderate loss of all movements	31	25 570	24.8
1400	SHOULDER AND ARM			
1401	Injury to shoulder region resulting in mild loss of all movements	6	4 950	4.8
1402	Injury to shoulder region resulting in moderate loss of all movements	16	13 200	12.8
1403	Total loss of function of shoulder joint	60	49 490	48
1404	Loss of an arm	100	82 480	80

PART 2—LOWER EXTREMITY INJURIES*Division 1—Preliminary***Application of pt 2**

- 1.(1) This part deals with lower extremity injuries.
- (2) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for a lower extremity injury is \$77 325.
- (3) To decide a worker's entitlement from injury, division 2 shows—

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

- (a) the maximum degree of permanent impairment that may result from the injury; and
- (b) the maximum lump sum compensation payable for the injury; and
- (c) the maximum WRI.

How to use this part of the table

2.(1) Division 2 lists certain lower extremity injuries.

(2) Injuries are stated in column 2, the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury is stated in column 3, the maximum lump sum compensation for the injury is stated in column 4, and the maximum WRI is stated in column 5.

(3) The maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury is stated as a degree of permanent impairment of the lower extremity.

(4) Some injuries mentioned in division 2 are marked with an asterisk (*).

(5) These injuries may result in the same degree of maximum permanent impairment as other injuries mentioned in the division, but, for historical reasons, give rise to different amounts of maximum lump sum compensation.

(6) For more information on how to use the table of injuries, see sections 55 and 56 of the regulation.

Interaction between this part and the AMA guide

3.(1) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury to a lower extremity is expressed in division 2 as a degree of permanent impairment of the lower extremity.

(2) Even though an injury is not precisely described under division 2, a similar injury often will be.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(3) If the injury is more severe than a particular similar injury, but less severe than another similar injury, the degree of permanent impairment must always be more than the less severe injury, but not as much as the more severe injury.

(4) If an injury to a lower extremity results in permanent impairment and the injury is not mentioned in division 2, the degree of permanent impairment must be assessed under the AMA guide.

(5) However, the processes that may be used under the AMA guide cannot result in an injury giving rise to a greater degree of permanent impairment from the injury than that specified under division 2.

(6) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury assessed under the AMA guide must be expressed as a degree of permanent impairment of the lower extremity.

(7) The degree of permanent impairment so expressed is taken to be the degree of permanent impairment of the lower extremity for this part.

(8) For section 55 of the regulation, the relevant provision of the AMA guide is chapter 3.

Formulas to be used for deciding lump sum compensation for permanent impairment

4.(1) The following formula must be used to work out the amount of lump sum compensation payable for single or multiple injuries to the lower extremity—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{MLSC}}{100}$$

(2) However, for a single injury to a toe, the following formula must be used—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{LSC}}{\text{MDPI}}$$

(3) Also, for multiple injuries where at least 1 injury (but not all injuries) is to the toes, the amount of lump sum compensation payable for the

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

injuries is the sum of the amounts worked out for each injury under subsection (1) and (2).

(4) Also, for multiple toe injuries, the formula in subsection (2) must be used, but the value of LSC is as specified in division 2.

(5) In this section—

“**DPI**” means the degree of permanent impairment of the lower extremity assessed by a registered person as resulting from the injury or, for multiple injuries, the injuries.

“**LSC**” means the lump sum compensation payable for the maximum degree of permanent impairment for the injury set out in column 4 of the table of injuries.

“**MDPI**” means the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury or another relevant injury set out in column 3 of the table of injuries.

“**MLSC**” means the maximum lump sum compensation specified in section 1(2).

Division 2—Lower extremity injuries

Column 1 Code No.	Column 2 Injury	Column 3 Maximum degree of permanent impairment	Column 4 Maximum lump sum compensation \$	Column 5 Maximum WRI %
2100	TOES AND FOOT			
2101	*Loss of any toe (other than great toe)	2	8 400	8.14
2102	*Loss of great toe	12	16 795	16.29
2103	*Loss of joint of great toe . .	5	8 400	8.14
2104	Fracture of any metatarsal, worst possible outcome e.g. pain or loss of weight transfer	10	7 735	7.5

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2105	Mid-foot amputation	45	34 800	33.75
2106	Loss of a foot	63	48 715	47.25
2107	*Loss of two toes (other than great toe) of a foot	4	10 310	10
2108	*Loss of three toes (other than great toe) of a foot	6	12 115	11.75
2109	*Loss of four toes (other than great toe) of a foot	8	13 920	13.5
2110	*Loss of great toe and one other toe of a foot	14	20 620	20
2111	*Loss of great toe and two other toes of a foot	16	25 775	25
2112	*Loss of great toe and three other toes of a foot	18	30 930	30
2113	*Loss of joint of great toe and one other toe of a foot	7	10 310	10
2114	*Loss of joint of great toe and two other toes of a foot	9	12 115	11.75
2115	*Loss of joint of great toe and three other toes of a foot	11	13 920	13.5
2116	*Loss of joint of great toe and four other toes of a foot	13	15 725	15.25
2117	*Loss of all toes of a foot	20	34 800	33.75
2200	ANKLE			
2201	Ankylosis of ankle in neutral position	10	7 735	7.5
2202	Unstable ankle with ligamentous insufficiency, whether operated or non-operated	15	11 600	11.25
2203	Total loss of function of ankle joint with ankylosis in unfavourable position, worst possible outcome	62	47 945	46.5

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

2204	Fracture to os calcis, worst possible outcome	25	19 335	18.75
2205	Fracture of tibia and fibula resulting in shortening of the leg, gait difficulty, muscle wasting in the calf and moderate permanent stiffness of the knee and ankle joints .	50	38 665	37.5
2300	KNEE			
2301	Chondromalacia patellae, non-operated	0	0	0
2302	Chondromalacia patellae, operated	2	1 550	1.5
2303	Patellar subluxation or dislocation with residual instability	7	5 415	5.25
2304	Patellar fracture, whether operated or non-operated . . .	12	9 280	9
2305	Patellectomy	22	17 015	16.5
2306	Single meniscectomy	7	5 415	5.25
2307	Mild aggravation of pre-existing degenerative disease in knee with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	0	0	0
2308	Moderate to severe aggravation or acceleration of pre-existing disease in knee with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	7	5 415	5.25

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

2309	Injury to knee region resulting in moderate loss of all movements	20	15 465	15
2310	Unstable knee (cruciate or collateral ligament insufficiency), whether operated or non-operated . . .	25	19 335	18.75
2311	Unstable knee (cruciate and collateral ligament insufficiency), whether operated or non-operated . . .	37	28 615	27.75
2312	Total knee replacement . . .	50	38 665	37.5
2313	Below knee amputation . . .	80	61 860	60
2314	Above knee amputation . . .	100	77 325	75
2400 HIP JOINT AND LEG				
2401	Mild aggravation of pre-existing degenerative disease in hip joint with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	0	0	0
2402	Moderate to severe aggravation or acceleration of pre-existing disease in hip joint with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	7	5 415	5.25
2403	Injury to hip region resulting in mild loss of all movements	12	9 280	9
2404	Injury to hip region resulting in moderate loss of all movements	25	19 335	18.75

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

2405	Healed fracture to femur with moderate angulation or deformity	45	34 800	33.75
2406	Fracture to femoral neck . . .	50	38 665	37.5
2407	Total hip replacement	45	34 800	33.75
2408	Loss of a leg	100	77 325	75

PART 3—SPECIAL PROVISION INJURIES*Division 1—Preliminary***Application of pt 3**

1.(1) This part deals with vision and hearing injuries and injury involving loss of a breast.

(2) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for a vision injury under this part is \$103 100.

(3) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for a hearing injury under this part is \$41 995.

(4) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for loss of a breast under this part is \$30 930.

How to use this part of the table

2.(1) Division 2 lists certain vision and hearing injuries and injury involving loss of a breast.

(2) Vision and hearing injuries and injury involving loss of a breast are stated in column 2, the maximum lump sum compensation for the injury is stated in column 3, and the maximum WRI is stated in column 4.

(3) Some injuries mentioned in division 2 are marked with an asterisk (*).

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(4) For historical reasons, the maximum lump sum compensation payable for these injuries may be higher relative to other injuries mentioned in this division.

(5) For more information on how to use the table of injuries, see section 55 of the regulation.

Interaction between this part and the assessment guides

3.(1) The lump sum compensation payable for a vision or hearing injury mentioned in division 2 is the maximum lump sum compensation payable for the injury.

(2) If a vision or hearing injury results in permanent impairment of vision or hearing and the injury is not mentioned in division 2, the degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury must be assessed under the relevant assessment guide.

(3) The degree of permanent impairment must be expressed as a degree of total vision or hearing loss—

- (a) for each eye or ear; or
- (b) if the injury is to both eyes or both ears—of both eyes or both ears.

(4) In this section—

“relevant assessment guide” means—

- (a) for a vision injury—the ophthalmologists guide; or
- (b) for a hearing injury—the hearing loss tables.

Formula to be used for deciding lump sum compensation for permanent impairment

4.(1) The following formula must be used to work out the amount of lump sum compensation payable for a vision or hearing injury—

$$\underline{\text{DPI} \times \text{LSC}}$$

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(2) However, for multiple injuries involving at least 1 of an injury to vision, hearing or a breast, the amount of lump sum compensation payable for the injuries is the sum of the amounts worked out for each injury under subsection (1).

(3) In this section—

“DPI” means—

- (a) for hearing loss from industrial deafness—the assessed degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury less 5%;³⁶ and
- (b) for another injury under this part—the assessed degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury.

“LSC” means the lump sum compensation payable under this part for the injury.

Division 2—Special provision injuries

Column 1 Code No.	Column 2 Injury	Column 3 Maximum lump sum compensation \$	Column 4 Maximum WRI %
3100	VISION		
3101	*Loss of vision in 1 eye (corrected vision)	33 590	32.58
3102	*Total loss of vision in 1 eye resulting from loss of an eyeball	37 790	36.65
3103	Total loss of vision	103 100	100
3104	Total loss of vision of 1 eye with serious diminution of vision in the other eye (less than 10% vision remaining)	87 635	85

³⁶ For more information about the 5% reduction, see section 152 (Entitlements for industrial deafness) of the Act.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

3200 HEARING

3201	Loss of hearing in 1 ear	20 620	20
3202	*Binaural hearing loss	41 995	40.73

3300 INJURY TO BREAST

3301	*Loss of breast	30 930	30
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PART 4—OTHER INJURIES*Division 1—Preliminary***Application of pt 4**

1.(1) This part deals with the following injuries (“**system injuries**”)—

- (a) injuries to the musculo-skeletal system;
- (b) injuries to the nervous system;
- (c) injuries to the respiratory system;
- (d) injuries to the cardiovascular system;
- (e) injuries to the alimentary system;
- (f) injuries to the urinary or reproductive system;
- (g) injuries to the skin.

(2) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for an injury under this part is \$103 100.

(3) To decide a workers entitlement from injury, division 2 shows—

- (a) the maximum degree of permanent impairment that may result from the injury; and

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

- (b) the maximum lump sum compensation payable for the injury;
and
- (c) the maximum WRI.

How to use this part of the table

2.(1) Division 2 lists certain system injuries.

(2) Injuries are stated in column 2, the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury is stated in column 3, the maximum lump sum compensation for the injury is stated in column 4, and the maximum WRI is stated in column 5.

(3) The maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from an injury is stated as a degree of permanent impairment of the whole person.

(4) Some injuries mentioned in division 2 are marked with an asterisk (*).

(5) These injuries may result in the same degree of permanent impairment as other injuries mentioned in the division, but, for historical reasons, give rise to different amounts of maximum lump sum compensation.

(6) For more information on how to use the table of injuries, see sections 55 and 56 of the regulation.

Interaction between this part and the AMA guide

3.(1) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from a system injury is expressed in division 2 as a degree of permanent impairment of the whole person.

(2) Even though an injury is not precisely described under division 2, a similar injury often will be.

(3) If the injury is more severe than a particular similar injury, but less severe than another similar injury, the degree of permanent impairment must always be more than the less severe injury, but not as much as the more severe injury.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(4) If a system injury results in permanent impairment and the injury is not mentioned in division 2, the degree of permanent impairment must be assessed under the AMA guide.

(5) However, the processes that may be used under the AMA guide cannot result in a system injury giving rise to a greater degree of permanent impairment from the injury than that specified under division 2.

(6) The degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury assessed under the AMA guide must be expressed as a degree of permanent impairment of the whole person.

(7) The degree of permanent impairment so expressed is taken to be the degree of permanent impairment of the whole person for this part.

(8) For section 55 of the regulation, the relevant provisions of the AMA guide are—

- (a) for injuries to the cervicothoracic, thoracolumbar or lumbosacral spine—chapter 3; and
- (b) for injuries to the pelvis—chapter 3; and
- (c) for injuries to the brain and cranial nerves—chapters 4 and 9; and
- (d) for spinal cord injuries—chapters 3 and 4; and
- (e) for respiratory system injuries—chapter 5; and
- (f) for cardiovascular system injuries—chapter 6; and
- (g) for alimentary system injuries—chapter 10; and
- (h) for urinary or reproductive system injuries—chapter 11; and
- (i) for skin injuries—chapter 13.

Formulas to be used for deciding lump sum compensation for permanent impairment

4.(1) The following formula must be used to work out the amount of lump sum compensation payable for single or multiple system injuries—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{MLSC}}{100}$$

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

(2) However, for loss of smell, taste or speech, a cervical cord injury (with or without fracture) or complete paraplegia, the following formula must be used—

$$\frac{\text{DPI} \times \text{LSC}}{\text{MDPI}}$$

(3) Also, for multiple injuries involving at least 1 injury that is loss of smell, taste or speech, a cervical cord injury or paraplegia, the amount of lump sum compensation payable for the injuries is the sum of the amounts worked out for each injury under subsection (1) and (2).

(4) In this section—

“**DPI**” means the degree of permanent impairment of the whole person assessed by a registered person as resulting from the injury or, for multiple injuries, the injuries.

“**LSC**” means the lump sum compensation payable for the maximum degree of permanent impairment for the injury set out in column 4 of the table of injuries.

“**MDPI**” means the maximum degree of permanent impairment resulting from the injury or another relevant injury set out in column 3 of the table of injuries.

“**MLSC**” means the maximum lump sum compensation specified in section 1(2).

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Division 2—System injuries

Column 1 Code No.	Column 2 Injury	Column 3 Maximum degree of permanent impairment	Column 4 Maximum lump sum compensation \$	Column 5 Maximum WRI %
4100	MUSCULO-SKELETAL SYSTEM			
	Cervicothoracic spine			
4101	Hyperextension musculo- ligamentous injury to cervical spine region with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings	0	0	0
4102	Mild aggravation of pre-existing degenerative disease in cervical spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	0	0	0
4103	Moderate to severe aggravation or acceleration of pre-existing degenerative disease in cervical spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	5	5 155	5

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4104	Compression fracture of a vertebral body(s) or posterior element fracture (spinous or transverse process) without dislocation, healed with no complications, but local subjective symptoms, referred pain and mild restriction of neck movements	5	5 155	5
4105	Prolapsed intervertebral disc in cervical spine with referred pain, non-operated with resolution of subjective symptoms, and no loss of range of movements	10	10 310	10
4106	Prolapsed intervertebral disc in cervical spine with referred pain, treated surgically by discectomy and fusion with resolution of referred pain. Persisting neck pain with moderate loss of range of movements	15	15 465	15
4107	Vertebral fractures or dislocations to cervical spine, treated surgically by fusion with no residual neurological compromise, but severe loss of range of movements	25	25 775	25

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Thoracolumbar spine

4108	Mild aggravation of pre-existing degenerative disease in thoracic spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	0	0	0
4109	Moderate to severe aggravation or acceleration of pre-existing degenerative disease in thoracic spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	5	5 155	5
4110	Minor compression fracture of vertebral body(s) in thoracic spine, healed with subjective symptoms, but no physical signs	5	5 155	5
4111	Major compression fracture of vertebral body(s) in thoracic spine, healed with subjective symptoms, but no physical signs	10	10 310	10

Lumbosacral spine

4112	Musculo-ligamentous injury to lumbosacral spine region with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings	0	0	0
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SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4113	Mild aggravation of pre-existing degenerative disease in lumbosacral spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	0	0	0
4114	Moderate to severe aggravation or acceleration of pre-existing disease in lumbosacral spine with subjective symptoms, but no significant clinical findings other than degenerative changes on X-ray	5	5 155	5
4115	Moderate to severe aggravation of pre-existing spondylolisthesis, treated surgically by discectomy or fusion with resolution of symptoms	10	10 310	10
4116	Minor compression fracture of vertebral body(s) in lumbar region, healed with subjective symptoms, but no physical signs	5	5 155	5
4117	Major compression fracture of vertebral body(s) in lumbar region, healed with subjective symptoms, but no physical signs	10	10 310	10

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4118	Prolapsed intervertebral disc in lumbosacral spine with referred pain, non-operated with resolution of referred pain and back pain. No loss of range of movements	10	10 310	10
4119	Prolapsed intervertebral disc in lumbosacral spine with referred pain, treated surgically by discectomy or fusion with resolution of referred pain, but persisting low back pain. Mild loss of range of movements	15	15 465	15
4120	Prolapsed intervertebral disc in lumbosacral spine with referred pain, treated surgically by discectomy or fusion, but with persisting referred pain and low back pain. Moderate loss of range of movements	25	25 775	25

Pelvis

4121	Healed fracture to pelvis without displacement in any region (other than acetabulum, coccyx and sacrum) with subjective symptoms, but no significant signs	0	0	0
4122	Healed fracture to pelvis with displacement in any region (other than acetabulum, coccyx and sacrum) with subjective symptoms, but no significant signs	5	5 155	5

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4123	Fracture to coccyx, whether operated or non-operated . . .	5	5 155	5
4124	Healed fracture(s) to pelvis in any region (other than acetabulum, coccyx and sacrum) with displacement and deformity and subjective symptoms and signs	10	10 310	10
4125	Fracture to sacrum with or without involvement of the sacro-iliac joint with subjective symptoms and signs	10	10 310	10
4126	Fracture or dislocation of symphysis or sacro-iliac joint	10	10 310	10
4127	Fracture into acetabulum with displacement and deformity and residual subjective symptoms and signs in hip joint	50	51 550	50
4200	NERVOUS SYSTEM			
	Brain and cranial nerves			
4201	Mild vertigo with subjective symptoms, but no significant signs	0	0	0
4202	Severe vertigo with subjective symptoms and signs and totally dependent	70	72 170	70
4203	*Loss of smell	3	12 600	12.22
4204	*Loss of smell and taste . . .	6	20 995	20.36
4205	*Loss of speech	35	58 790	57.02
4206	Fracture to the mid third of the face with permanent nerve involvement	24	24 745	24

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4207	Chronic organic brain syndrome i.e. diffuse brain damage following head injuries, cerebral anoxia, inhalation of toxic substances etc., worst possible outcome	100	103 100	100
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Spinal cord injuries

4208	*Cervical cord injury with or without fracture	75	92 790	90
4209	Thoracic cord injury with or without fracture	60	61 860	60
4210	Cauda equina syndrome with or without fracture	60	61 860	60
4211	*Complete paraplegia	75	92 790	90
4212	Totally dependent quadriplegia	100	103 100	100

4300 R E S P I R A T O R Y SYSTEM

4301	Healed fractured rib(s) with subjective symptoms, but no significant signs	0	0	0
4302	Healed pulmonary contusion with subjective symptoms, but no significant signs	0	0	0

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4303	Toxic inhalation injury, hypersensitivity pneumonitis, p n e u m o c o n i o s e s , occupational asthma, C.O.A.D. (bronchitis or emphysema), R.A.D.S. (Reactive airways dysfunction syndrome), pulmonary embolus, all on optimal medical management—			
	• no respiratory subjective symptoms or significant signs	0	0	0
	• mild respiratory subjective symptoms or minor signs	25	25 775	25
	• moderate respiratory subjective symptoms or moderate signs	50	51 550	50
	• severe respiratory subjective symptoms or significant signs	100	103 100	100
4304	Mesothelioma or lung cancer	100	103 100	100

4400 CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

Coronary artery disease

4401	A history of angina with demonstrated constitutional coronary artery disease, on optimal medical treatment . .	0	0	0
4402	A history of myocardial infarction, with no post infarction angina, on optimal medical treatment	15	15 465	15

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4403	A history of myocardial infarction with persisting post infarction angina, on optimal medical treatment	50	51 550	50
4404	A history of myocardial infarction with persisting post infarction angina and subjective symptoms and signs of congestive heart failure, on optimal medical treatment	100	103 100	100
4500	ALIMENTARY SYSTEM			
4501	Musculo-ligamentous injury to abdominal wall	0	0	0
4502	Splenectomy	5	5 155	5
4503	Subjective symptoms (e.g. local pain or dysaesthesia) following hernia repair(s), but no significant signs	0	0	0
4504	Subjective symptoms and signs (e.g. pain or dysaesthesia, tenderness) following hernia repair(s) . .	2	2 065	2
4505	Primary or recurrent hernia when surgery is an absolute contraindication	10	10 310	10
4506	Viral hepatitis—			
	• mild	25	25 775	25
	• moderate	50	51 550	50
	• severe	100	103 100	100

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

**4600 URINARY AND
REPRODUCTIVE
SYSTEMS**

4601	Loss of 1 kidney	10	10 310	10
4602	Urinary incontinence	60	61 860	60
4603	Loss of both kidneys or only functioning kidney	100	103 100	100
4604	Loss of fertility	15	15 465	15
4605	Impotence	15	15 465	15
4606	Loss of sexual function (both impotence and infertility) . . .	30	30 930	30
4607	Loss of genital organs	50	51 550	50

4700 SKIN

4701	Contact irritant dermatitis. Removal from exposure to irritant results in resolution of signs and subjective symptoms with no ongoing treatment required	0	0	0
4702	Aggravation of constitutional dermatitis, resolved by removal from exposure to irritant	0	0	0
4703	Moderate solar induced skin disease that is non-malignant	0	0	0
4704	Chronic contact dermatitis. Signs and subjective symptoms persist intermittently on removal from exposure to the primary irritant. Intermittent treatment required	10	10 310	10

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

4705	Chronic contact dermatitis. Signs and subjective symptoms persist almost continuously on removal from exposure to the primary irritant. Intermittent to constant treatment required .	20	20 620	20
4706	Solar induced skin disease that is malignant	25	25 775	25
4707	Persistent neurodermatitis secondary to occupational contact irritant dermatitis. Signs and subjective symptoms persist continuously on removal from exposure to the primary irritant and are exacerbated by exposure to secondary irritants. Constant treatment required	30	30 930	30

PART 5—PRESCRIBED DISFIGUREMENT*Division 1—Preliminary***Application of pt 5**

- 1.(1) This part deals with prescribed disfigurement.
- (2) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for prescribed disfigurement is \$51 550.
- (3) To decide a workers entitlement from injury, division 2 shows—

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

- (a) the maximum degree of permanent impairment that may result from the injury; and
- (b) the maximum lump sum compensation payable for the injury; and
- (c) the maximum WRI.

How to use this part of the table

2.(1) Division 2 lists prescribed disfigurements.

(2) Prescribed disfigurements resulting from injury are stated in column 2, the maximum percentage of permanent impairment resulting from the disfigurement is stated in column 3,³⁷ the maximum lump sum compensation for the disfigurement is stated in column 4, and the maximum WRI is stated in column 5.

³⁷ The actual percentage of permanent impairment resulting from the prescribed disfigurement must be assessed having regard to the severity of the prescribed disfigurement—see section 155(3) (Entitlements of worker who sustains prescribed disfigurement) of the Act.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Division 2—Prescribed disfigurement

Column 1 Code No.	Column 2 Injury	Column 3 Maximum degree of permanent impairment	Column 4 Maximum lump sum compensation \$	Column 5 Maximum WRI %
5100	PRESCRIBED			
	DISFIGUREMENT			
5101	Mild almost invisible linear scarring following surgery or trauma in lines of election to any part(s) of the body with minimal discolouration, normal texture and elevation	0	0	0
5102	Moderate linear scarring following surgery or trauma crossing lines of election to any part(s) of the body with minimal discolouration, normal texture and elevation	2	1 035	1
5103	Moderate to severe linear scarring following surgery or trauma in or crossing lines of election to any part(s) of the body. Discoloured, indurated, atrophic or hypertrophic . . .	10	5 155	5
5104	Area scarring to any part(s) of the body following surgery or trauma. Atrophic or hypertrophic, markedly discoloured	20	10 310	10
5105	Depressed cheek, nasal or frontal bones following trauma	35	18 045	17.5

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

5106	Loss of or severe deformity of outer ear	40	20 620	20
5107	Severe, bilateral gross facial deformity following burns or other trauma	50	25 775	25
5108	Loss of entire nose	50	25 775	25
5109	Gross scarring following burns to multiple body areas. Some areas healing spontaneously and some requiring grafting. Gross scarring at the burn and donor sites. Outcome resulting in fragile, dry, cracking skin at graft sites necessitating the need for wearing of special garments. Severe cases resulting in loss of sweat glands and lack of sweating leading to the necessity to be in a continuous air conditioned environment . . .	100	51 550	50

PART 6—PSYCHIATRIC OR PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURIES

Application of pt 6

1.(1) This part deals with psychiatric or psychological injuries.

(2) The maximum lump sum compensation payable for a psychiatric or psychological injury is \$103 100.

(3) However, most injuries will entitle an injured worker to a lesser amount.

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)

Interaction between this part and the AMA guide

2.(1) Permanent impairment resulting from a psychiatric or psychological injury must be assessed under the AMA guide.

(2) Permanent impairment resulting from an injury must be expressed as a degree of permanent impairment of the whole person.

(3) The degree of permanent impairment so expressed is taken to be the maximum degree of permanent impairment for this part.

(4) For section 55 of the regulation, the relevant provision of the AMA guide is chapter 14.

Formula to be used for deciding lump sum compensation for permanent impairment

3.(1) The following formula must be used to work out the amount of lump sum compensation payable for psychiatric or psychological injuries—

$$\underline{\text{DPI} \times \text{MLSC}}$$

100

(2) In this section—

“**DPI**” means the degree of permanent impairment assessed by a registered person as resulting from the injury.

“**MLSC**” means the maximum lump sum compensation specified in section 1(2).

SCHEDULE 3

GRADUATED SCALE OF ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN WORKERS

section 59

Graduated scale

1.(1) This schedule contains the graduated scale for additional compensation for a worker who sustains an injury that results in a WRI of 50% or more.

(2) The maximum amount of lump sum compensation payable under this schedule is \$103 100.

How to use the graduated scale

2.(1) The WRI calculated under section 201³⁸ of the Act is shown in column 2.

(2) A worker who sustains a WRI shown in column 2 is entitled to additional lump sum compensation in the amount shown for the corresponding entry in column 3.

³⁸ Section 201 (Calculation of WRI) of the Act

SCHEDULE 3 (continued)

GRADUATED SCALE

Column 1 Code number	Column 2 WRI %	Column 3 Additional lump sum compensation
8100	50	3 970
8101	51	7 935
8102	52	11 900
8103	53	15 865
8104	54	19 830
8105	55	23 795
8106	56	27 760
8107	57	31 725
8108	58	35 690
8109	59	39 655
8110	60	43 620
8111	61	47 585
8112	62	51 550
8113	63	55 520
8114	64	59 485
8115	65	63 450
8116	66	67 415
8117	67	71 380
8118	68	75 345
8119	69	79 310
8120	70	83 275

SCHEDULE 3 (continued)

Column 1 Code number	Column 2 WRI %	Column 3 Additional lump sum compensation
8121	71	87 240
8122	72	91 205
8123	73	95 170
8124	74	99 135
8125	75–100	103 100

SCHEDULE 4

GRADUATED SCALE FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR GRATUITOUS CARE

section 60

Graduated scale

1.(1) This schedule contains the graduated scale for additional compensation for gratuitous care.

(2) The maximum amount of lump sum compensation payable under this schedule is \$150 000.

How to use this graduated scale

2.(1) The WRI calculated under section 201³⁹ of the Act is shown in column 2.

(2) The range of dependency assessed under the modified barthel index is shown in column 3.

(3) In column 3—

- moderate is a modified barthel index total score of 50-74
- severe is a modified barthel index total score of 25-49
- total is a modified barthel index total score of 0-24.

(4) The worker's additional lump sum compensation entitlement is shown for the corresponding entry in column 4.

³⁹ Section 201 (Calculation of WRI) of the Act

SCHEDULE 4 (continued)

GRADUATED SCALE

Column 1 Code number	Column 2 WRI %	Column 3 Range of dependency (modified barthel index)	Column 4 Additional lump sum compensation \$
9100	50–59	Moderate	10 000
9101		Severe	20 000
9102		Total	30 000
9103	60–69	Moderate	25 000
9104		Severe	45 000
9105		Total	60 000
9106	70–79	Moderate	35 000
9107		Severe	65 000
9108		Total	90 000
9109	80–89	Moderate	40 000
9110		Severe	80 000
9111		Total	120 000
9112	90–94	Moderate	45 000
9113		Severe	90 000
9114		Total	140 000
9115	95–100	Moderate	50 000
9116		Severe	100 000
9117		Total	150 000

SCHEDULE 5

GRADUATED SCALE OF CARE REQUIRED FOR PAYMENT OF CARING ALLOWANCE

section 62

Graduated scale

1. This schedule contains the graduated scale for the payment of caring allowance.

How to use this graduated scale

2.(1) The range of dependency assessed under the modified barthel index is shown in column 1.

(2) In column 1—

- minimal is a modified barthel index total score of 91-99
- mild is a modified barthel index total score of 75-90
- moderate is a modified barthel index total score of 50-74
- severe is a modified barthel index total score of 25-49
- total is a modified barthel index total score of 0-24.

(3) The maximum number of hours of care required in a week is shown for the corresponding entry in column 2.

SCHEDULE 5 (continued)

GRADUATED SCALE

Column 1 Range of dependency (modified barthel index)	Column 2 Maximum hours of care required in a week
Minimal	<10
Mild	13.0
Moderate	20.0
Severe	23.5
Total	27.0

SCHEDULE 6**LEGAL PROFESSIONAL COSTS**

section 78

Column A Pre-proceeding notification and negotiation	Column B Compulsory conference	Column C Investigation by expert	Column D Pre-proceedings court applications
\$2 000	\$135 for the first hour or part of an hour \$105 for each additional hour or part of an hour	\$270	\$400

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2 Date to which amendments incorporated

This is the reprint date mentioned in the Reprints Act 1992, section 5(c). Accordingly, this reprint includes all amendments that commenced operation on or before 1 July 1997. Future amendments of the WorkCover Queensland Regulation 1997 may be made in accordance with this reprint under the Reprints Act 1992, section 49.

3 Key

Key to abbreviations in list of legislation and annotations

AIA	=	Acts Interpretation Act 1954	(prev)	=	previously
amd	=	amended	proc	=	proclamation
ch	=	chapter	prov	=	provision
def	=	definition	pt	=	part
div	=	division	pubd	=	published
exp	=	expires/expired	R[X]	=	Reprint No.[X]
gaz	=	gazette	RA	=	Reprints Act 1992
hdg	=	heading	reloc	=	relocated
ins	=	inserted	renum	=	renumbered
lap	=	lapsed	rep	=	repealed
notfd	=	notified	s	=	section
om	=	omitted	sch	=	schedule
o in c	=	order in council	sdiv	=	subdivision
p	=	page	SIA	=	Statutory Instruments Act 1992
para	=	paragraph	SL	=	subordinate legislation
prec	=	preceding	sub	=	substituted
pres	=	present	unnum	=	unnumbered
prev	=	previous			

4 List of legislation

WorkCover Queensland Regulation 1997 SL No. 17

notfd gaz 31 January 1997 pp 376–8
 ss 1–2 commenced on date of notification
 remaining provisions commenced 1 February 1997 (see s 2)
 as amended by—

WorkCover Queensland Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1997 SL No. 161

notfd gaz 20 June 1997 pp 879–82
 commenced on 1 July 1997

5 List of annotations

This reprint has been renumbered—see table of renumbered provisions in endnote 6.

Definitions

s 3 def “**assessed premium**” ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 4
 def “**excess period**” ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 4
 def “**further premium**” ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 4
 def “**premium**” ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 4
 def “**provisional premium**” ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 4

Scheme solvency—Act, s 5

s 4 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 5

PART 2—EMPLOYER INSURANCE

pt hdg sub 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Division 1—Policies and premium assessments

div hdg ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Application for policy

s 5 sub 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Policies and renewals

s 6 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Assessment of premium

s 7 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Declaration of wages

s 8 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Value of board and lodging

s 9 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Payment of premium by instalments

s 10 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Additional premium for late payment—Act, ss 65 and 66

s 11 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Deemed premium

s 12 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Surcharge

s 13 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Cancellation of policy on ceasing to employ workers

s 14 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Documents to be kept—Act, s 469

s 15 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Division 2—Employer excess

div hdg ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Excess period—Act, s 69

s 16 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Employer's election to insure against payment for excess period—Act, s 71

s 17 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Amount payable to insure against payment for excess period—Act, s 71

s 18 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Division 3—Self-rating

div hdg ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Definition for div 3

s 19 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Premium calculation—Act, s 74

s 20 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Provisional premium

s 21 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Assessed premium

s 22 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Adjustment for liability for prior periods of insurance

s 23 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Interest rate

s 24 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Time for payment of premium and surcharge

s 25 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Conditions of registration—Act, s 83

s 26 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Premium payable after cancellation of self-rater's registration—Act, s 94

s 27 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Reduction of amount “A”

s 28 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Actuarial procedure—self-raters

s 29 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Division 4—Self-insurance

div hdg ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Application fees—Act, s 100

s 30 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Annual levy and surcharge—Act, s 111

s 31 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Conditions of licence—Act, s 112

s 32 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Premium payable after cancellation of self-insurer’s licence—Act, s 125

s 33 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

Actuarial procedure—self-insurers

s 34 ins 1997 SL No. 161 s 6

PART 3—OTHER INSURANCES**Division 1—Students**

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