# Please review the instructions on page 2 before completing form

# COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

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Employee's Name (First, Middle, Last)				Social Security #			Gender			Employee's Phone #	
Employee's Street Address				City			State		ate		Zip Code
Employee's Email Add	ress										
Birth Date Marital Status Depender Yes Single Unknown No				nts Date of Hire O			Occupa	Occupation		Employment Status Full Time Part Time Other Unknown	
Employer's Name (Cor			110					Employ	ver's Pho		ther Chanows
Employer's Mailing Address				City				State Zip		Zip Co	ode
Average Weekly Wage A. Average Weekly W		*	y occur	red.			•		Sul	btotal	(A): \$
B. Average Weekly W	age from any other	job held cond	currentl	y at the ti	me of yo	ur inju	ry.		Sul	btotal	(B): \$
C. Add subtotals of A	<b>A</b> + <b>B</b>				Total Av	erage	Weekly V	Vage at t	ime of i	njury	(C): \$
Date of injury/disease / / (See instructions)	began work a.m.					employer otified /	yer Date you ret to work		turned Do you claim to have a permanent disability? Yes No Unknown		
Which part of the body legs, and back injuries)	was affected? (spec	cify upper or l	lower fo		Fell us the			jury/illne	ess (spra	in, str	ain, laceration,
Describe the accident in	n detail (what you v	vere doing, ho	ow the a	accident o	ccurred, o	object 1	hat harme	ed you, e			and phone number(s) s(es), if applicable
Where did the accident occur? (street address, city, state, and c					ounty)			To whom was it reported?			
Minor on-site Clinic/hospital					Hospital stay over 24 hours			Do you claim to have a scar or disfigurement?  Yes  No			
Name and address of tre	eating doctor or oth	er health care	profess	sional		Nam	e and add	ress of fa	acility w	here tr	reated
If claim is for an occup- occurred and dates of e	,				otion, hea	l iring lo	oss), give	names of	femploy	ers wh	here the exposure
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# **Instructions for the Worker's Claim for Compensation**

To ensure your claim gets processed in timely manner, please enter all available information on page 1.

## **Average Weekly Wage**

To determine the weekly wage, do the following:

1. Take your total gross income (before taxes) over a period of weeks and divide it by the number of weeks included.

**Total gross (before taxes) includes:** any wages which were reported as income to the IRS including: regular wages; overtime; vacation; sick leave; tips; commissions; piecework; mileage; employer provided board, rent, or housing.

Alternatively, the average weekly wage can be calculated by taking one's yearly gross income and dividing it by 52 (or the number of weeks worked), or taking one's monthly income and multiplying it by 12 and dividing it by 52.

- 2. On line A, enter your Average Weekly Wage for the job where the injury occurred.
- 3. <u>Repeat this process</u> for any concurrent employment you had at the time of your injury. The Average Weekly Wage from concurrent employment should be entered on line B.
- 4. Add lines A and B to determine your total Average Weekly Wage and enter that number on line C.

You may also visit dowc.cdle.state.co.us/benefits/ to use an online Average Weekly Wage calculator.

## Date of Injury/Disease

Always include the date of injury. In the case of an occupational disease, use the date you were last exposed to the hazard.

## **Injury Description**

Be as specific as possible when describing your injury.

#### **Examples of good descriptions:**

- "climbing a ladder while carrying roofing materials"
- "spraying chlorine from hand sprayer"
- "daily computer key-entry"
- "When ladder slipped on the wet floor, I fell 20 feet."
- "I was sprayed with chlorine when gasket broke during replacement."
- "I developed soreness in my wrist over time."

#### **Examples of incomplete descriptions:**

- "hurt"
- "pain"
- "sore"
- "fell"

## Filing and Benefit Information

Upon completion, send the Worker's Claim for Compensation to The Colorado Division of Workers' Compensation, Data Entry Unit, 633 17th St., Suite 400, Denver, CO 80202-3626 or via email to cdle\_workers\_compensation@state.co.us. If you need assistance filling out this form, to obtain information on benefits and dispute resolution options, or to receive a copy of the Injured Worker Guide, please contact our Customer Service Unit at 303-318-8700 or toll-free at 1-888-390-7936.

### **General Information**

When the Division of Workers' Compensation receives your claim form, a copy will be sent to your employer's insurance carrier (carrier). The carrier has 20 days from receipt to advise, in writing, whether liability will be admitted or denied, that is, whether it accepts or denies responsibility for payment of related medical and/or lost wage benefits. If the carrier fails to admit liability within the allowed time limit, you will receive information from the Division on the options that are available to you. Always notify your employer of an injury. Failure to report an injury to the employer in writing within four days could result in the loss of one day's compensation for each day's failure to notify.

### **Notices**

You are further notified that you must provide written notice of any award for social security, pension, disability, or other sources of income that might reduce your compensation benefits to the insurance carrier or self-insured employer within 20 days after learning of the payment or award. Failure to report may result in the suspension of your benefits. "It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purposes of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance, and civil damages."

## **Contact Us**

Division of Workers' Compensation 633 17th Street, Suite 400 Denver, CO 80202 303-318-8700 1-888-390-7936 (Toll-Free) cdle.colorado.gov/dwc

For more information, view our Injured Worker Guide at cdle.colorado.gov/injured-workers.

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