


**Workplace Health, Safety & Compensation Commission**

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**Employer's Report  
of Injury**


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 This information is collected under the authority of the *Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act* to determine entitlement to benefits and manage your claim.

This form must be filed within three days of injury / incident.

**SECTION A - GENERAL INFORMATION**

WHSCC firm # \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER

1	Trade name		Legal name <i>If different from trade name</i>		
	Mailing address City / Town		Province	Postal code	
	Street address <i>if different</i>		City / Town		
Site name		Site #	Site location		
2	Contacts	Name	Telephone	Fax	E-mail
	For wage information				
	For details of injury				
	For disability, return to work				

WORKER

3	Worker's last name		First name		Initial	Date of birth yyyy/mm/dd	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	
	Mailing address City / Town						Province	Postal code
	Home telephone			Work telephone			Social Insurance Number	
4	Do you regularly employ 20 or more workers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Is the worker an owner / operator of this business?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	How long has this worker been in your employ?	<input type="checkbox"/> less than 12 months <input type="checkbox"/> more than 12 months		
	Is the worker employed as part of a HRSDC Program?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Employment status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time	<input type="checkbox"/> Contractual <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal	<input type="checkbox"/> Casual	What date was the worker initially hired? yyyy/mm/dd	
5	What occupation was the worker performing at the time of the injury / incident?				What are the lifting requirements of this occupation?			
					<input type="checkbox"/> < 11 lbs <input type="checkbox"/> 11-21 lbs <input type="checkbox"/> 22-44 lbs <input type="checkbox"/> > 44 lbs			

**SECTION B - INJURY / INCIDENT INFORMATION**

6	Date / time of injury / incident yyyy/mm/dd	hh:mm	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	Did this injury develop over time without a specific injury / incident?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date/time injury/incident was reported to employer: yyyy/mm/dd	hh:mm	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM
	7 Did this injury / incident occur outside Newfoundland and Labrador? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No							
8	To whom was the injury / incident first reported?	Last name	First name		Occupation	Telephone		
	9 What part(s) of the worker's body was affected?				Did the worker seek medical attention?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Did the worker require hospitalization for more than two days? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
10	Was the work / activity being done for the purpose of the employer's business? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Did the injury / incident happen on the employer's property or worksite? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
	If no, what was the purpose? _____			Specify where: _____				
11	Describe your understanding of how the injury / incident occurred or condition developed:							
12	Was the injury / incident caused by anything listed at right?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>If yes, tick applicable:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Motor vehicle accident (e.g., forklift, car, truck, ATV)	<input type="checkbox"/> Malfunction of product / equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
					<input type="checkbox"/> Person(s) not employed by the employer	<input type="checkbox"/> Slip and fall		
	If yes to Question 12, was someone else involved? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <i>If yes, please specify name and contact information, if available.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> No							
Last name		First name		Address		Work telephone		Home telephone

**SECTION C - INJURY / INCIDENT NOTIFICATION**

13	Has your occupational health and safety committee and / or representative / designate been notified of the incident / condition? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No							
	14	Do you have any objections to this claim? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, please use an additional sheet to explain your objections. Further to Section 63 of the WHSC Act, you must provide a copy of your objections to the Commission within 10 days of the claim being reported to you. Also, you must provide the worker with a copy of your objections.</i>						

**SECTION D - RETURN-TO-WORK INFORMATION**

Worker's name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Insurance Number \_\_\_\_\_

15 Did the worker stop working?  Yes  No

When?       /      /             :        AM  PM

Has the worker since returned to work?  Yes  No

When?       /      /             :        AM  PM

Has the worker been offered alternate / modified duties?  Yes  No

What is the worker's current return-to-work status?

Returned to pre-injury job with no changes

Returned to pre-injury job with duties only changed

Returned to pre-injury job with hours only changed

Returned to pre-injury job with duties and hours changed

Returned to work in a different job to accommodate injury

Other accommodations *specify* \_\_\_\_\_

16 Has an early and safe return-to-work (ESRTW) plan been completed?  Yes  No *Attach plan or forward within five days*

**SECTION E - EARNINGS INFORMATION** *Complete only if claim involves lost-time / ESRTW greater than the day of injury.*

17 If the worker has not returned to work in any capacity, are you continuing to pay the worker directly during the lost-time period?  Yes  No

*The employer must pay worker for day of injury.*

Provide date worker stopped receiving wages       /      /      

Are you paying 80% of net?  Yes  No

*The employer cannot pay the worker an amount in excess of compensation entitlement.*

18 Showing separately for each week or pay period, indicate the worker's gross wages for the four pay periods before last-time or ESRTW: *include bonuses, overtime, and periods without pay*

	Period from			To			Wages		Lost-time		
	yyyy	mm	dd	yyyy	mm	dd	\$	¢	Holidays without pay	Illness without pay	Lack of work
1.									Days	Days	Days
2.									Days	Days	Days
3.									Days	Days	Days
4.									Days	Days	Days

19 Worker's regular hourly rate: \_\_\_\_\_ Next pay day       /      /       Frequency of pay:  Weekly  Bi-weekly  Monthly  Semi-monthly

20 Indicate on this 14-day chart the hours per day the worker would work:

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1. Week 1							
2. Week 2							

If the worker is a shift worker, how many shifts did they lose as a result of the injury / incident? \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION F - FISHER'S INFORMATION** *To be completed by master, owner or part owner of a fishing vessel.*

21 Vessel name \_\_\_\_\_ Vessel length (feet) \_\_\_\_\_ Is the worker an owner or part owner of the vessel?  Yes  No

22 Master's name \_\_\_\_\_ Master's telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Master's mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

23 Are the worker's earnings based on a share of the catch?  Yes *If yes, describe the worker's share arrangement: \_\_\_\_\_*  No

Fish buyer's information <i>If you need more space, please use an additional sheet.</i>				Gross sales	Start of fishing period yyyy/mm/dd	End of fishing period yyyy/mm/dd
Name	Telephone	Fax				
1.						
2.						
3.						

**SECTION G - INFORMATION ACCESS AUTHORIZATION**

*Attach pay stubs or other verification from the fish buyer, if available.*

24 Do you authorize another individual outside your organization or company to act on your behalf and access employer information regarding this claim?  Yes  No

*This authorization will remain in effect until you notify the Commission of a change using Form 13.*

Last name	First name	Address	Organization if applicable	Telephone

**SECTION H - SIGNATURE, CONSENT AND DECLARATION**

25 I declare this form to be complete and correct. I understand that giving false information or omitting relevant information is a serious offence.

Name <i>please print</i>	Position	Signature	Telephone	Date yyyy/mm/dd

**SECTION I - CO-OPERATION AND OBLIGATION**

This form must be filed within three days of the injury • Late and incomplete reports may result in a fine • All employers and workers must co-operate in early and safe return to work • A re-employment obligation may exist if there are 20 or more workers in your employment and if you continuously employed the injured worker for more than one year • *The Occupational Health and Safety Act* requires that all incidents resulting in serious injury be reported to the Occupational Health and Safety Branch at (709) 729-4444.

**WHSCC USE ONLY**

### **Use this form when:**

- Your employee has a work-related injury / illness or recurring work-related injury / illness that results in any of the following:
  - medical attention;
  - loss of earnings; and / or
  - lost-time from work.

This includes injuries or illnesses that occurred over time as well as those caused by a single event.

- If you are a partner, proprietor or independent operator (also referred to as owner/operator on this form), you do not need to complete this form. Instead, you should complete a form 6 – worker's report of injury. Please note that coverage will be extended only when optional personal coverage has been purchased from the Commission.

### **Points to remember:**

- Complete and accurate information is important so as not to delay processing the claim.
- If you have additional information, attach additional pages noting the worker's name and SIN on each page.
- As per the *Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act*, the form 7 must be forwarded to the Commission within three days of the injury.

## **Section A General Information**

### **How long has this worker been in your employ?**

- Workers hired for one year or more before the injury are considered continuously employed unless the year was interrupted by a work cessation that ended the employment relationship. For seasonal workers, periods of unemployment are not considered work cessation. For example, if you employed the worker for three years except for a seasonal period of five months per year, this worker is considered to be in your employ for more than 12 months, even if the months are not consecutive.

### **What date was the worker initially hired?**

- This refers to the date the worker became your employee. If the worker has been hired in the past as a seasonal or temporary worker, record the most recent hire date.

### **What occupation was the worker performing at the time of the work injury / incident?**

- In some cases, this may not be the worker's regular job. For example, if the worker's normal job is a welder, but he/she was temporarily working as a shipper / receiver when injured, shipper / receiver would be the occupation at the time of the injury/incident.

## **Section B – Injury / Incident Information**

### **Did this injury develop over time without a specific injury / incident?**

- If the worker is unable to recall when the injury / incident occurred or pain started, and there is no identifiable event, the injury may have developed over time. The worker may report discomfort performing their normal duties (e.g., full-time cashier continually scanning products with the left arm and begins to experience pain in the left elbow). However, if the worker is able to say when their symptoms began, note this date on the form.

### **Did the injury / incident happen on the employer's property or worksite?**

- Detailed information as to where the injury / incident happened is important to process the claim. For example, if on your premises, where did it occur? The shipping area, paint shop or warehouse? If not, where did it happen? For example, you operate a cleaning company and your employee was working at a retail store when the injury happened. In this case, note the name and location of the store.

### **Describe your understanding of how the injury / incident occurred or condition developed.**

- Detailed information about how the injury / incident happened and what the worker was doing when it occurred is important to process the claim. This may include information such as: sizes, weights and names of objects involved; a description of any machinery, tools or vehicles used at the time of the injury/incident; any environmental conditions (work area, temperature, noise, chemicals, gas, fumes); if another person was involved; or any information you think is important.

For example: *"Bob was moving boxes in the storage room. He lifted a 40-pound box from the floor to put on a shelf. He twisted to the right while lifting, and hurt his upper back."*

- If the condition developed over time, provide a description of the worker's duties. Explain how often he / she performs a particular task; the sizes and weights of objects involved; how long he / she has been doing this work; if there have been any recent changes to the schedule and / or tools or products he / she uses.

*Additional information on access, release and protection of your information by the Commission can be found in Policy GP-01: "Information Protection and Access," available at [www.whscc.nl.ca](http://www.whscc.nl.ca) or by calling The Commission's Access to Information and Protection for Privacy (ATIPP) Co-ordinator at 1-800-563-9000.*

## Early and safe return-to-work

The goal of early and safe return to work is to safely return the worker to employment or employability that is comparable to the pre-injury level as soon as possible. With effective return-to-work planning, the human and financial costs associated with a workplace injury are significantly reduced.

Employers and workers are obligated to co-operate in the worker's early and safe return to suitable and available employment with the injury employer. This may involve modified work, ease back to regular work, transfer to an alternate job, or trial work to assess the worker's capability.

## Re-employment obligation

Employers who have a legislative duty to modify the workplace in order to accommodate the injured worker's return to the workplace are obligated to do so to the extent that it does not cause undue hardship for the employer. This may include work site/job modification or on-the-job skills development for alternate work.

## Finding the right duties

When identifying early and safe return-to-work opportunities with your employee, the first priority should be to maintain the connection to the pre-injury job at some level. Where this is not possible, it is important to work with your employee to identify suitable and available employment that is within your employee's physical capabilities. If you and your employee require any assistance during this process, you should contact your case manager.

## Documenting a plan

Once you and your employee have identified suitable job duties that are in keeping with your employee's abilities, you will complete an early and safe return-to-work plan that outlines the agreed upon schedule and progression of duties. If any change occurs to this plan, you must immediately notify your case manager.

Your early and safe return-to-work plan should also outline the scheduled hours and the hourly wage earned. This information will then be used to determine if there is any entitlement to compensation during your return-to-work process.

## Employers' role in occupational health and safety

- Ensure the health, safety and welfare of workers and those not in your employ;
- Maintain a healthy and safe workplace, systems, equipment, and tools;
- Provide operating instruction for the use of devices/equipment;
- Ensure workers are aware of hazards;
- Establish an OH&S committee/worker health and safety representative/workplace health and safety designate as required and consult/co-operate with them;
- Respond in writing to recommendations of the OH&S committee / worker health and safety representative / workplace health and safety designate and provide them with periodic written updates on implementation;
- Make arrangements for and consult with the OH&S committee / worker health and safety representative / workplace health and safety designate during workplace inspections;
- Co-operate with anyone exercising a duty imposed under OH&S legislation;
- Ensure safety clothing/equipment/devices are used;
- Ensure safety procedures are followed at all times; and
- Notify the Assistant Deputy Minister responsible for OH&S in the provincial government of a workplace accident that results in, or has the potential to result in, a serious injury or fatality.