

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., in Room 1, Level 2, 30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to consider the following:

Enacting the following rule for the purposes as shown below:

4123-3-14 Procedure in the original adjudication of noncomplying employers' claims.

Amending the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4123-3-02 Forms.
4123-3-03 Employers' reports of injuries and occupational diseases.
4123-3-07 Applications for death benefits.
4123-3-08 Preparation and filing of applications for compensation and/or benefits.
4123-3-09 Procedures in the processing of applications for benefits.
4123-3-10 Awards.
4123-3-15 Claim procedures subsequent to allowance.
4123-3-16 Motions.
4123-3-18 Appellate procedure.
4123-3-22 Inspection of claim files.
4123-3-25 Application for change of occupation allowance.
4123-3-29 Informing the claimant of the right to representation and status of the claim.
4123-3-32 Temporary total examinations.
4123-3-34 Settlement of state fund claims.
4123-3-35 Employer handicap reimbursement.
4123-3-36 Immediate allowance and payment of medical bills in claims.

Rescinding the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4123-3-14 Procedure in the original adjudication of noncomplying employers' claims.
4123-3-30 Procedures to inform claimant on request as to the status of his claim and of any action necessary to maintain the claim.

Pursuant to R.C. 119.032, state agencies are required to review all agency rules every five years to determine whether to amend the rules, rescind the rules, or continue the rules without change. The above rules are a product of this review and the changes, if any, were considered to comply with current policies of the claims procedures program at BWC.

The full and complete text of the proposed rules is available at the Register of Ohio (<http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us>) and is on file in the office of the Secretary of State (180 East Broad Street, 15th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Legislative Service Commission (77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the office of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (77 South High Street, Concourse Level, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Legal Operations (30 West Spring Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio, 1st Floor, Hearing Rooms), and all service offices of the Bureau.

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. Any interested party unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the public hearing at enotification@bwc.state.oh.us.

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