Oregon Workers' Compensation Benefits

Research & Analysis Section

Department of Consumer & Business Services — June 2000

Type of benefit	Fiscal year beginning July 1 (Examples of major benefit levels effective in year indicated.) 1998	1999		2000
PTD Permanent total disability (ORS 656.206) subject to social security offset (ORS 656.209 & 656.727)				
Percent of wages	66 2/3%	66 2/3%		66 2/3%
To a maximum of 100% AWW	$576.64/week	$601.21/week		$628.64/week
+ for beneficiaries (up to five)	$5.00 ea/week	$5.00 ea/week•		NA
Total maximum	$601.64/week	$626.21/week•		NA
Minimum, lesser of	$50/week or 90% wages	$50/week or 90% wages		$50/week or 90% wages
DEATH Survivors of fatality (ORS 656.204) or death during PTD (ORS 656.208)				
Spouse	$1,672.34/month (4.35 x 66 2/3% AWW)	$1,743.60/month (4.35 x 66 2/3% AWW)		$1,823.15/month (4.35 x 66 2/3% AWW)
Children:				
If surviving spouse: each child	$250.84/month (4.35 x 10% AWW)	$261.53/month (4.35 x 10% AWW)		$273.46/month (4.35 x 10% AWW)
If no surviving spouse: each child	$627.10/month (4.35 x 25% AWW)	$653.82/month (4.35 x 25% AWW)		$683.65/month (4.35 x 25% AWW)
Maximum total benefits	$3,344.43/month (4.35 x 133 1/3% AWW)	$3,486.93/month (4.35 x 133 1/3% AWW)		$3,646.02/month (4.35 x 133 1/3% AWW)
Burial allowance	$5,766.40 (10 x AWW)	$6,012.10 (10 x AWW)		$6,286.40 (10 x AWW)
Spouse's remarriage allowance	24 x monthly benefit (in lump sum)	24 x monthly benefit (in lump sum) Effective October 23, 1999 36 x monthly benefit (in lump sum)		36x monthly benefit (in lump sum)
TTD Temporary total disability (ORS 656.210)				
Percent of wages	66 2/3%	66 2/3%		66 2/3%
To maximum of 100% AWW	$576.64/week	$601.21/week		$628.64/week
Minimum, lesser of	$50/week or 90% wages	$50/week or 90% wages		$50/week or 90% wages
PPD Permanent partial disability (ORS 656.214) dollars per degree	Unscheduled: 3-tier rate* Scheduled: $454.00	(July thru Dec '99) Unscheduled: 3-tier rate* Scheduled: $454.00	(Jan thru June 2000) Unscheduled: 3-tier rate* Scheduled: $511.29	Unscheduled: 3-tier rate* Scheduled: $511.29
Max scheduled losses (examples)				
Arm above elbow: 192°	$87,168.00	$87,168.00	$98,167.68	$98,167.68
Leg above knee: 150°	$68,100.00	$68,100.00	$76,693.50	$76,693.50
Hearing one ear: 60°	$27,240.00	$27,240.00	$30,677.40	$30,677.40
Maximum unscheduled: 320°	$138,224.00	$138,224.00	$149,032.64	$149,032.64
Average weekly wage (AWW)	$576.64	$601.21	$601.21	$628.64

NOTE

New $ values of PPD degrees are effective 1/1/2000 thru 12/31/2004

PTD maximum and survivors' benefits are based on average weekly wage (AWW) of injury year; TTD maximum applies to benefits paid during a fiscal year providing an escalator factor.

*The value of unscheduled degrees is applied in three successive tiers (each additive). From 1/1/96 thru 12/31/97, the first 64 unscheduled degrees are at $130 per degree; the next 96 degrees are at $230 per degree; above 160 degrees the value is $625 per degree. From 1/1/98 thru 12/31/99, the first 64 unscheduled degrees are at $137.80 per degree; the next 96 degrees are at $243.80 per degree; above 160 degrees the value is $662.50 per degree. From 1/1/2000 thru 12/31/2004, the first 64 unscheduled degrees are at $153.00 per degree; the next 96 degrees are at $267.44 per degree; above 160 degrees the value is $709.79 per degree; (exception: if the total unscheduled degrees are more than 64 but less than or equal to 160, then the first 64 degrees are at $267.44 per degree and the next 96 are at $153.00 per degree).

• For injuries on or after October 23, 1999, the $5.00/week benefit for each additional beneficiary of a permanently totally disabled worker has been eliminated.

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