



Workers Compensation - SA

All employees and some contractors are entitled to compensation for injuries and medical conditions sustained or aggravated as a result of their work.

'Work' includes breaks, functions, training and business travel. In some states, 'work' may also include travel to and from work.

How is workers compensation decided?

Compensation is paid under the various state-based workers compensation schemes, which have been constantly changing. The precise compensation payable will depend on the state law that applies and the date of injury. This can affect the level of your weekly payments, the type and amount of any lump sum and whether or not you have a right to claim damages ('sue') for negligence.

What if I am injured while working interstate?

Most workers compensation claims concern injuries that occur within the state in which the worker lives and works.

In some cases a worker may live in one state and be injured when temporarily in another state. Where this occurs, dual or alternative coverage may be available.

If you lodge a claim in one state, it may limit your access to another state's scheme. As benefits differ between states, it is important that you have access to sound legal advice as early as possible.

How do I go about making a claim?

If you have been injured at work or have sustained or aggravated a medical condition as a result of your work you are entitled to claim compensation under the *Workers Compensation and Rehabilitation Act (1986)*.

If you intend to make a claim, Slater & Gordon strongly recommend that you seek immediate legal advice to ensure that your rights and entitlements are fully protected.

Slater & Gordon can help. Our dedicated team of workers compensation lawyers are committed to achieving the best possible compensation outcomes on behalf of injured or bereaved workers and their families.

We will work with you to thoroughly assess the circumstances of your claim and advise you frankly of the legal options and avenues available to you - preferably without the need to resort to costly litigation.

We will and do challenge the law, however, and when necessary will take the calculated risk of court action to ensure that your rights are defended.

Slater & Gordon's [No Win - No Fee™](#) scheme is generally available for workers compensation claims. The scheme is designed to help those whose financial circumstances might otherwise deny them access to legal representation.

What sorts of things can I claim?

Talk to us

If you have been injured at work and would like more information about how we can help you, please contact us either by [email](#) or by calling direct on 1800 555 777.