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Comsuper superannuation pension increase

Comsuper has advised Comcare that the government financed portion of superannuation pensions has been increased by 2.7 %. This increase will only affect your fortnightly compensation payments from Comcare if you also receive a superannuation pension from Comsuper. It does not affect your compensation payments if you receive a pension from another superannuation fund or if you have received a lump sum superannuation payment only.

Under the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988*, Comcare is required to reduce the amount of compensation payable by the amount of the increase in government superannuation pensions. Comcare has applied this increase effective from 18 December 2008. This will be reflected in your fortnightly compensation payment on 24 December 2008 and in your Comsuper payment on 31 December 2008. If your fortnightly compensation payments have been affected by this superannuation update, you will receive written advice from Comcare.

If you think your payments may be affected, but do not receive written advice from Comcare, please contact Comcare on 1300 366 979.

Do you need someone to talk to Comcare for you?

If you need a representative to talk to Comcare for you, then you must provide Comcare with written approval for them to do so. A representative could include a lawyer, union official, doctor, friend or family member. Comcare also needs your written approval to discuss your claim with your spouse or partner.

We need this in writing to ensure your privacy is protected. Comcare is required under the *Privacy Act 1988* to protect any personal information it holds.

Christmas closure

Comcare offices will be closed from 12.30pm, 24 December 2008 to 1 January 2009 inclusive. The only difference to your payments during the festive season is that you will receive your pay on Wednesday 24 December 2008, instead of Thursday 25 December 2008.

How do I contact Comcare?

Telephone toll free: 1300 366 979 and ask to speak to your Claims Services Officer or write to Comcare at:

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