



Jurisdictional Policy Advice No. 2007/03
Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988
Indexation of benefits under section 13 effective 1 July 2007

Background

1. Section 13 of the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* provides for the relevant amounts specified in subsections 17(3),(4) or (5), 18(2), 19(7),(8) or (9), 24(9), 27(2), 29(1) or (3), 30(1) or 137(1) to be indexed on 1 July each year, based on variations in the Consumer Price Index for the previous December to December period.
2. The relevant percentage change from the December quarter 2005 to the December quarter 2006, as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, reflected an increase of 3.3% in the All Groups Consumer Price Index.

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3. The amounts applicable effective from 1 July 2007 are:

Sub-Section	Nature of Benefit	Amount (\$)
17(3)	Death - lump sum	219,023.62
17(4)	Death - lump sum	219,023.62
17(5)	Death - dependant child (per week)	72.98
18(2)	Funeral Expenses	5055.90
19(7)	Incapacity - employee	368.68
19(8)	Incapacity - prescribed person	91.29
19(9)	Incapacity - dependant child	45.62

Sub-Section	Nature of Benefit	Amount (\$)
24(9)	Permanent Impairment	146,015.74
27(2)	Non-economic Loss	
	- impairment component	27,377.97
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29(1)	Household services	365.03
29(3)	Attendant care services	365.03
30(1)	Redemption ceiling	91.29
137(1)	Redemption ceiling	91.29

4. Determining authorities should calculate entitlements under these sections using the above amounts.

5. Any issues relevant to this policy advice may be discussed by contacting SRC Policy on 1300 366 979 or email SRC.Policy@comcare.gov.au

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