

# WORKERS' COMPENSATION



## NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

You are entitled to medical benefits and possibly wage replacement benefits in the event of an occupational injury or disease arising out of employment. When a traumatic injury or death occurs or an occupational disease is contracted in the course of your employment, you must notify your employer immediately. Failure to immediately give notice to your employer of the injury shall weigh against a finding of compensability and will dilute the credibility and reliability of your claim. Notice provided to your employer within two (2) working days of the injury shall be deemed immediate notice. You are responsible for filing the application for workers' compensation benefits within six months from the date of injury. The time limit on occupational pneumoconiosis and disease claims is three years from the date of last exposure. The time limit to file fatal occupational pneumoconiosis/occupational disease claims is one year. For a traumatic death, the claim must be filed within six months of death.

If you are currently receiving Permanent Total Disability benefits, you are hereby notified that it is your responsibility to inform the Workers' Compensation Commission, P. O. Box 431, Charleston, West Virginia 25322-0431, of your employment. In accordance with Section 23-4-25 of the Workers' Compensation statute, your Permanent Total Disability benefits shall be offset as long as you are employed. It is a criminal offense to file a false claim or to furnish false information in support of a claim.

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