

Title 14
INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
14.09.10 Settlements and Lump Sum Payments

Authority: Labor and Employment Article, §§9-309, 9-402, 9-403, 9-405, and 9-406, 9-701, and 9-722, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action

[17-225-P]

The Workers' Compensation Commission proposes to amend Regulation **.02** under **COMAR 14.09.10 Settlements and Lump Sum Payments**. This action was considered at a public meeting on June 22, 2017, notice of which was given by publication in 44:11 Md. R. 573 (May 26, 2017), pursuant to General Provisions Article, §3-302(c), Annotated Code of Maryland.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to clarify that attorneys are required to file the same consent form or petition for attorney's fees under COMAR 14.09.04.02 whether the matter is resolved by award, settlement, or stipulation.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Amy Lackington, Administrator, Workers' Compensation Commission, 10 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21202, or call 410-864-5300 (TTY 800-735-2258), or email to alackington@wcc.state.md.us, or fax to 410-864-5301. Comments will be accepted through January 22, 2018. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

Open Meeting

Final action on the proposal will be considered by the Workers' Compensation Commission during a public meeting to be held on February 8, 2018, at 10 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

.02 Agreements for Final Compromise and Settlement.

A. General Requirements. An agreement for final compromise and settlement of a claim that is submitted to the Commission for approval as required by Labor and Employment Article, §9-722, Annotated Code of Maryland, shall contain the following:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) [A payment allocation sheet including the amount of any deductions for attorney's fees, medical fees, and other costs] *An application or petition for approval of attorney's fees, medical evaluation fees, and costs as provided in COMAR 14.09.04.02;*

(3) — (13) (text unchanged)

B. — F. (text unchanged)

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