

# **ACCIDENT COMPENSATION COMMISSION, FIJI**

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## **COMPENSATION FOR SCHOOL ACCIDENTS**

From **01 January 2019** all pupils may apply for compensation for accidents occurring on any school premises or during a school event or activity, on a no-fault basis by the Accident Compensation Commission, Fiji (ACCF).

## Who is Entitled to Claim Compensation for School Accidents

All pupils will be entitled to compensation for injuries as a result of an accident occurring on any school premises or during a school event or activity. In the case of the death of a pupil their personal representative is entitled to make an application on the deceased pupil's behalf.

Pupil is a person of any age for whom education is provided under the provisions of the Education Act 1966 and any person enrolled on any school register.

## **How Much Compensation is Payable**

The following amounts of compensation are payable:

Personal Injury

\$150,000.00 (Maximum)

Death

\$75,000.00 (Maximum)

If there is an entitlement to compensation, payment will be made by ACCF.

#### **Controlling Authority's Duty to Report**

If a pupil suffers any personal injury as a result of a school accident, the controlling authority of the school must report the school accident and injury through the **ACCF Form 01** to the Permanent Secretary responsible for **Education** and **ACCF** within **14 days** from the date that the controlling authority becomes aware of the school accident and injury.

If a pupil dies as a result of a school accident, the controlling authority of the school must report the death of the pupil through the **ACCF Form 01** to the Permanent Secretary responsible for **Education** and **ACCF** within **7 days** from the date that the controlling authority becomes aware of the school accident and death.

#### **Notification of School Accidents**

In the event of a personal injury or death of a pupil from a **SCHOOL ACCIDENT**, the **ACCF Form 01** is to be completed by the Controlling Authority of the School and addressed to:

The Permanent Secretary Ministry of Education, Heritage and Arts and **HAND DELIVERED** to Marela House, Thurston Street, Suva; or **POSTED** to Private Mail Bag, Govt Building, Suva; or **EMAILED** to MEHAaccident@govnet.gov.fj

## AND;

POSTED to ACCF, Employment and School Accidents Team, P O Box 1257, Suva; OR

HAND DELIVERED to Level 8, BSP Life Centre, Thomson Street, Suva; OR

Level 1, HLB House, 3 Cruickshank Road, Nadi Airport; OR

**EMAILED** to accfclaims@ihl.com.fj

## **How to Apply for Compensation for School Accidents**

**POST APPLICATION** form and any supporting documents to ACCF, Employment and School Accidents Team, P O Box 12752, Suva.

#### Or HAND DELIVER to:

- · Level 8, BSP Life Centre, Thomson Street, Suva
- Level 1, HLB House, 3 Cruickshank Rd, Nadi Airport

Or EMAIL to accfclaims@ihl.com.fj

You can obtain Notification and Application Forms from:

- · Level 8, BSP Life Centre, Thomson Street, Suva
- · Level 1, HLB House, 3 Cruickshank Rd, Nadi Airport

Or ACCF website: http://www.accf.com.fj/Forms

For further details you can email <a href="mailto:accfclaims@ihl.com.fj">accfclaims@ihl.com.fj</a> or phone 3235990 Or send a MESSAGE on our Facebook page: Accident Compensation Commission, Fiji.

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