# "MEDICAL ATTENTION REQUIRED" PACKET INSTRUCTIONS

If you require <u>immediate</u> medical attention notify your supervisor immediately (if the injury is life threatening call 911 immediately). You must complete the claim reporting process as soon as medically possible or within 24 hours of the incident. The following material can be found in the Employee Injury/Incident "Medical Attention Required" packet.

- Incident Report (Wasco County)
- Accident Report Form 801 (SAIF Corporation)
- Authorization to Release Information (SAIF Corporation)
- Notice to Doctor/Return to Work (Wasco County)
- General Safety Policy (Wasco County)
- On-The-Job Injury or Illness Policy/Procedures (Wasco County)

#### Instructions:

<u>Incident Report:</u> Fill out the entire Employee Section and please be as specific as you can. Sign and date the form at the bottom of the page. Place the completed form in the packet and check the box indicating you have reviewed and completed the form.

Accident Report Form 801: Complete lines1-21 in the WORKER section, page 2 of 2 of the 801 form. Place the completed form in the packet and check the box indicating you have reviewed and completed the form.

<u>Notice to Doctor/Return to Work:</u> You must have your attending physician complete and sign this form before you can return to work. You must either take this form with you on your initial visit or take it to your attending physician within 24 hours of the incident (if medically possible). Check the box on the packet to indicate you understand your responsibilities regarding this form.

<u>Authorization to Release Information:</u> Review and complete the SAIF Corporation Authorization to Obtain/Release Information Form. Please make sure that you sign the form in each section. Place the completed form in the packet and check the box indicating you have reviewed and completed the form.

General Safety Policy: Read the General Safety Policy. Sign and date the "Employee Acknowledgement Form" on the last page of the policy indicating that you have read and understand the policy. Place the signed "Employee Acknowledgement Form" page in the packet and check the box indicating you have reviewed and understand the policy. You may keep the copy of the policy for your personal records.

On-The-Job Injury or Illness Policy/Procedures: Read the On-The-Job Injury or Illness Policy/Procedures. Sign and date the "Employee Acknowledgement Form" indicating that you have read and understand the policy. Place the signed "Employee Acknowledgement Form" page in the packet and check the box indicating you have reviewed and understand the policy. You may keep the copy of the policy for your personal records.

# **WASCO COUNTY**

# INCIDENT/ACCIDENT/ILLNESS REPORT

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**EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE:** 

DATE: \_\_

SUPERVISOR SECTION:	FORM 801 FILLED OUT? YES NO
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WHAT DO <u>YOU</u> THINK CAN BE DONE TO PREVENT FURTHER INCIDENT	'S OF THIS NATURE?
NAME OF WITNESS(ES) TO INCIDENT	
ADDRESS (IF NOT EMPLOYEE)	PHONE NUMBER (IF NOT EMPLOYEE)
CORRECTIVE ACTION NEEDED:  IMPROVE JOB DESIGN IMPROVE HOUSEKEEF REPAIR OR REPLACE EQUIPMENT TRAINING DISCIPLINE (DESCRIBE):	VISION SAFETY EQUIPMENT
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE: SAFETY COMMITTEE REVIEW DATE: YES  NO  NO	DATE:



	CLAIM NO.
For SAIF Customer Use	SUBJECT DATE
Area	CLASS
Dept.	DEFAULT DATE
Shift CC	EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT NO.

Email: saif801@saif.com
Toll-free phone: 1.800.285.8525
Toll-free FAX: 1.800.475.7785

Report of Job Injury or Illness

Workers' compensation claim

# Worker

To make a claim for a work-related injury or illness, fill out the worker portion of this form and give to your employer. If you do not intend to file a workers' compensation claim with SAIF, do not sign the signature line. Your employer will give you a copy.

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OSHA requirements: Employers must report work-related fatalities and catastrophes to Oregon OSHA either in person or by telephone within eight hours. In addition, employers must report any in-patient hospitalization, loss of an eye, and any amputation or avulsion that results in bone or cartilage loss to Oregon OSHA within 24 hours. See OAR 437-001-0704. Call 800.922.2689 (toll-free), 503.378.3272, or Oregon Emergency Response, 800.452.0311 (toll-free), on nights and weekends.

# A guide for workers recently hurt on the job

The following information is provided by SAIF at the request of the Workers' Compensation Division



#### How do I file a claim?

- Notify your employer and a health care provider of your choice about your job-related injury or illness as soon as possible. Your employer cannot choose your health care provider for you.
- Ask your employer the name of its workers' compensation insurer.
- Complete Form 801, "Report of Job Injury or Illness," available from your employer and Form 827, "Worker's and Physician's Report for Workers' Compensation Claims," available from your health care provider.

## How do I get medical treatment?

- You may receive medical treatment from the health care provider of your choice, including:
  - Authorized nurse practitioners
  - Chiropractors
  - Medical doctors
  - Naturopaths
  - Oral surgeons
  - Osteopathic doctors
  - Physician assistants
  - Podiatrists
  - Other health care providers
- The insurance company may enroll you in a managed care organization at any time. If it does, you will receive more information about your medical treatment options.

#### Are there limitations to my medical treatment?

- Health care providers may be limited in how long they may treat you and whether they may authorize payments for time off work. Check with your health care provider about any limitations that may apply.
- If your claim is denied, you may have to pay for your medical treatment.

# If I can't work, will I receive payments for lost wages?

- You may be unable to work due to your job-related injury or illness. In order for you to receive payments for time off work, your health care provider must send written authorization to the insurer.
- Generally, you will not be paid for the first three calendar days for time off work.
- You may be paid for lost wages for the first three calendar days if you are off work for 14 consecutive days or hospitalized overnight.
- If your claim is denied within the first 14 days, you will not be paid for any lost wages.
- Keep your employer informed about what is going on and cooperate with efforts to return you to a modifiedor light-duty job.

## What if I have questions about my claim?

- SAIF or your employer should be able to answer your questions. Call SAIF at 800.285.8525.
- If you have questions, concerns, or complaints, you may also call any of the numbers below:

#### **Ombudsman for Injured Workers:**

#### An advocate for injured workers

Toll-free: 800.927.1271

Email: oiw.questions@oregon.gov

#### Workers' Compensation Compliance Section

Toll-free: 800.452.0288

Email: workcomp.questions@oregon.gov

Do I have to provide my Social Security number on Forms 801 and 827? What will it be used for?

You do not need to have an SSN to get workers' compensation benefits. If you have an SSN, and don't provide it, the Workers' Compensation Division (WCD) of the Department of Consumer and Business Services will get it from your employer, the workers' compensation insurer, or other sources. WCD may use your SSN for: quality assessment, correct identification and processing of claims, compliance, research, injured worker program administration, matching data with other state agencies to measure WCD program effectiveness, injury prevention activities, and to provide to federal agencies in the Medicare program for their use as required by federal law. The following laws authorize WCD to get your SSN: the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 USC § 552a, Section (7)(a)(2)(B); Oregon Revised Statutes chapter 656; and Oregon Administrative Rules chapter 436 (Workers' Compensation Board Administrative Order No. 4-1967).

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# Authorization to Release Information

Name:		
Claim Number:	<del></del>	
S.S. Number:		
Date of Birth:		
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(Name of Claimant)		
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Dated:	Claimant:	



Physician's Signature

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# NOTICE TO DOCTOR (To be presented by injured worker when reporting for treatment and returned to employer)

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# **Wasco County Policy Acknowledgement Form**

I, the undersigned employee of Wasco County, hereby certify that I have read and understand the contents of the Wasco County General Safety Policy as well as the Wasco County On-the-Job Injury/Illness Policy and Procedures.

Name (Please Print):	
Signature:	-
Date:	

# Wasco County General Safety Policy & Rules

**General Safety Policy:** Wasco County is committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for all employees. The County complies with all applicable requirements issued by the federal Occupational Health and Safety Administration.

The objective of the safety and health program is to reduce or eliminate disabling injuries and illnesses. It is the policy of the County to exercise all precautions necessary to protect employees from all accidents. The County firmly believes that all accidents are preventable.

The responsibility for the success of the safety and health program is shared by management and all employees working for the County. Enforcement of safety rules will be vigorous and equitable, reinforcing the intent to provide workplace safety. Supervisors are required to take quick, consistent action to change unsafe behavior. It is the responsibility of all employees to cooperate in making the safety program work, including compliance with all rules and regulations.

**Safety Rules.** Employees are required to observe all safety rules. Without limitation, but by way of illustration, the safety rules are:

- All County employees will observe County safety and health rules and apply the principles of accident prevention in their day-to-day duties.
- No employee shall knowingly violate a County safety rule or State Safety and Health Regulation.
- The use of intoxicating liquor or illegal drugs on the job is strictly prohibited. Anyone
  whose ability to work safely is impaired by alcohol, drugs or medication will not be
  allowed on the job.
- Each employee is responsible for their own safety and the safety of other employees. Unsafe working conditions shall be corrected or immediately reported to a supervisor.
- Employees will observe all lock-out/tag out procedures on any moving machine or tool before making changes, repairs, or while cleaning.
- No employee shall work alone when entering confined spaces or hazardous locations such as basins or manholes. Entry permits are required to be completed and followed prior to confined space entry.
- Employees must report unsafe or hazardous conditions (unsafe equipment, floors, material, etc.) and unsafe acts to their immediate supervisor or safety committee representative promptly.
- Employees must use personal protective equipment such as steel toe shoes, safety vests, safety glasses, hard hats, gait belts, back supports, etc. where required.

- Employees will not wear frayed, torn or loose clothing, jewelry, or long unrestrained hair near moving machinery or other sources of entanglement.
- Employees must keep working areas clear of slipping/tripping hazards.
- Employees will refrain from fighting, horseplay, or distracting other workers.
- Employees must report all job-related injuries or illnesses to their supervisors within 24 hours.
- Employees must assist supervisors in their investigation of any accident of which they have knowledge.
- Employees must practice safe operating procedures for all equipment.
- Employees will not operate, modify, adjust or use equipment in an unauthorized manner. Make sure all guards and other protective devices are in their proper places prior to operating equipment.
- Employees will only operate machines, tools, power trucks or County equipment
  that they are authorized to operate. Supervisors will provide proper equipment
  safety training for each employee as necessary. If for any reason an employee is
  asked to operate equipment they are not authorized to operate they must
  immediately report it to their supervisor.
- Employees will attend all required training or orientation to increase safety awareness
- Employees are required to know the location of fire/safety exits and evacuation procedures.
- Employees must observe all hazard warning and no smoking signs.
- Employees are strictly forbidden to be riders on tractors or any other mobile equipment, except for equipment designed to permit passengers.
- Employees are prohibited from using defective equipment, tools or machinery. All
  defective equipment, tools or machinery must be reported to a supervisor
  immediately. <u>Examples</u>: handles on tools that have sharp edges, splinters, or
  cracks; heads on shock tools such as hammers, sledges, and cold chisels that have
  mushroomed or cracked; cutting edges of tools that have dulled edges; electrical
  equipment with exposed wires, etc.
- Employees will follow proper lifting procedures at all times.

Failure to observe safety rules may result in disciplinary action, up to and including, termination.



## Wasco County On-the-Job Injury or Illness Procedure Policy

Wasco County is committed to providing employees with a safe work environment and encouraging safe work habits. It is the objective of Wasco County to return injured workers to employment at the earliest date possible after an injury.

#### EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

## Reporting Requirements (no medical attention required)

Employees are encouraged to report any job-related injury, illness or property damage to their immediate supervisor within 24 hours of an incident.

Employees must provide their immediate supervisor information on how the injury happened by completing an on-the-job accident packet.

## Reporting Requirements (medical attention required)

Employees are encouraged to report any job related injury, illness or property damage to their immediate supervisor within 24 hours of an incident and promptly complete an employee Claim Form (Form 801) and return it to the Human Resources office. Employees are encouraged to seek treatment the same date as the injury.

Failure to timely follow these steps may negatively affect your ability to receive benefits.

If possible, before seeking medical treatment, the employee must obtain an on-the-job accident packet from their supervisor. This packet contains forms that must be presented to their attending physician for completion at the first visit. The completed forms must be returned to the immediate supervisor within 24 hours of the injury, or as soon as medically possible following treatment.

### **Full Medical Release**

Employees treated within their scheduled work shift and released to work will report immediately to their supervisor with a full medical release from their attending physician. If released after the shift, the employee will contact their immediate supervisor at the beginning of their next scheduled shift. In all cases, employees are required to return all required documentation to their immediate supervisor upon return to work or within 24 hours of the injury.

Failure to report to work or contact an immediate supervisor after treatment of injury will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

## **Modified Work Release**

Employees released to modified work will report immediately to their supervisor with all required documentation from the attending physician outlining their work limitations. If released after the shift, the employee will contact their immediate supervisor at the beginning of their next scheduled shift. In all cases, employees are required to return all required documentation to their immediate supervisor upon return to work, or within 24 hours.

Failure to report to work or contact an immediate supervisor after treatment of injury will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Employees on modified work release must work within the physical limitations outlined by their treating physician. Failure to do so, or a failure to work safely, will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Employees on modified work release must report in after every doctors' appointment in person. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination and could affect their reemployment rights.

Employees must notify their immediate supervisor within 24 hours of any changes in their health status or receipt of an updated doctor's release for assessment of work restrictions.

#### **Assignment of Modified Work**

Wasco County retains the right to determine whether a modified work assignment can be provided which will be consistent with the treating physician's work restrictions and the needs of the department.

All work will be within the limitations set by the treating physician.

Reasonable effort will be made to accommodate the needs of the employee by modifying his/her present work setting, however, work availability may make it necessary to transfer employees within the department. Such transfers are solely at the option of the employer.

Employees may be required to move from one modified duty assignment to another if their health status changes or they complete an assignment prior to recovery.

Refusal of a physician approved modified job, by either verbal refusal, written refusal or refusal to report to work, will result in a reduction or termination of total or partial wage

replacement (ORS 656) and may result in loss of reinstatement rights and future vocational eligibility. Nothing in this paragraph should be interpreted to interfere with any rights of a worker under state or federal law, including, but not limited to the Family Medical Leave Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## Duration/Type of Modified Duty Assignment

Wasco County retains the right to determine duration of modified assignments and may alter or end the assignment without prior notice. Continuation of temporary modified work assignments for injured employees will be reviewed regularly.

The employee's recovery progress will be monitored to assess when and how often duties may be changed. All major changes in the work assignment will be made after receiving concurrence from the treating physician.

If an employee has a permanent disability, which restricts their ability to return to regular work, the modified job program may end.

Wasco County will determine whether a continuing modified position exists and whether the employee will be offered the modified job or another position as their new regular assignment.

Wasco County will determine whether the employee's physical restrictions require substantial modification of the employee's job duties and/or work environment and whether such modifications are possible (or are an undue hardship).

To the extent possible Wasco County will consider work site modification to allow the employee to continue employment.

## Wage Information for Modified Work

Pay will be at the going rate of pay for the position at the time of injury.

If the modified position pays less than the employee's wage at injury, the County Worker's Comp carrier will pay the difference at the appropriate compensation rate.

### Scheduling

Wasco County retains the right to change regular days off and work hours while the worker is in a modified position.

Injured employees working in modified positions are encouraged to schedule therapy and

doctor appointments around their work schedules to avoid loss of earning power. (Worker's Comp only pays wages for appointments requiring the worker to be gone from work four (4) or more hours.)

If this cannot be arranged, appointments should be scheduled at the end of the shift. Advance notification of at least 48 hours is required.

## **Progress Evaluation**

The employee's eligibility for modified work will be reviewed at regular intervals. The employee may be asked to obtain a current medical evaluation at that time, if no current medical information is available, to determine medical stability or the appropriateness of return to regular work. The County will then determine if modified work will continue to be made available.

Time worked in a modified position will be considered as time worked in determining seniority.

## **Employees Unable to Return to Work**

If a worker is unable to participate in a modified job or no modified job exists, they will report in at least once every seven (7) days. The supervisor or their designee will contact the injured worker and agree upon a "regular" time and day of the week to maintain regular contact.

In all cases, it is the responsibility of the employee to contact their immediate supervisor at least once every seven (7) days. Disciplinary action, up to and including termination will be taken for employees who fail to report weekly.

All changes in an employee's health status must be presented to their immediate supervisor within 24 hours upon receipt of any updated doctor's release.

All employees must verify with their immediate supervisor their current address and phone number. Any changes must be reported promptly.

Failure to provide changes in medical condition, address or phone number could lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

This on-the-job injury/illness policy will take effect immediately and may from time to time be revised. All revisions, as recommended and adopted by The Wasco County Court, shall be made part of this policy as if said revisions were fully written hereunder.

Nothing in this policy should be interpreted to interfere with any rights of a worker under state or federal law, including, but not limited to the Family Medical Leave Act, the American with Disabilities Act, and ORS 659A.043-.049 (reinstatement and reemployment).

"Failure to comply with any provision of this policy will result in disciplinary action up to and including termination and could affect reemployment rights."

APPROVED this 21st day of June, 2017.

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