

to the degree or percentage of physical impairment caused by the injury.

(f) *Death.* If there are two or more eligible survivors, compensation equivalent to 360 weeks' wages shall be paid to the survivors, share and share alike. If there is only one eligible survivor, compensation equivalent to 300 weeks' wages shall be paid. The following survivors are eligible for death benefits:

(1) Spouse who lived with or was dependent upon the employee.

(2) Unmarried children under 21 who lived with or were dependent upon the employee.

(3) Adult children who were dependent upon the employee by reason of physical or mental disability.

(4) Dependent parents, grandparents and grandchildren.

(g) *Burial allowance.* \$1,000 payable to the eligible survivor(s), regardless of actual expenses. If there are no eligible survivors, actual expenses may be paid or reimbursed, up to \$1,000.

(h) *Method of payment.* Only compensation for temporary disability shall be payable periodically, as entitlement accrues. Compensation for permanent disability and death shall be payable in a lump sum.

(i) *Maxima.* In all cases, the maximum weekly benefit shall be \$130. Also, except in cases of permanent total disability and death, the aggregate maximum compensation payable for any injury shall be \$40,000.

(j) *Prior injury.* In cases where injury or death occurred prior to November 1, 1971, benefits will be paid in accordance with regulations promulgated, contained in 20 CFR parts 1-399, edition revised as of January 1, 1971.

**§ 25.203 How is the Special Schedule applied to non-resident aliens in the Territory of Guam?**

(a) The special schedule of compensation established by subpart B of this part shall apply, with the modifications or additions specified in paragraphs (b) through (k) of this section, to injury or death occurring on or after July 1, 1971 in the Territory of Guam to non-resident alien employees recruited in foreign countries for employment by the military departments in the Territory of Guam. However, the Director may, in his or her discretion, adopt the

benefit features and provisions of local workers' compensation law as provided in subpart A of this part, or substitute the special schedule in subpart B of this part or other modifications of the special schedule in this subpart C, if such adoption or substitution would be to the advantage of the employee or his or her beneficiary. This schedule shall not apply to any employee who becomes a permanent resident in the Territory of Guam prior to the date of his or her injury or death.

(b) *Death benefits.* 400 weeks' compensation at two-thirds of the weekly wage rate, shared equally by the eligible survivors in the same class.

(c) *Death beneficiaries.* Beneficiaries of death benefits shall be determined in accordance with the laws or customs of the country of recruitment.

(d) *Burial allowance.* 14 weeks' wages or \$400, whichever is less, payable to the eligible survivor(s), regardless of the actual expense. If there is no eligible survivor, actual burial expenses may be paid or reimbursed, in an amount not to exceed what would be paid to an eligible survivor.

(e) *Permanent total disability.* 400 weeks' compensation at two-thirds of the weekly wage rate.

(f) *Permanent partial disability.* Where applicable, the compensation provided in paragraphs (c) (1) through (19) of § 25.100, subject to an aggregate limitation of 400 weeks' compensation. In all other cases, that proportion of the compensation provided for permanent total disability (paragraph (e) of this section) which is equivalent to the degree or percentage of physical impairment caused by the disability.

(g) *Temporary partial disability.* Two-thirds of the weekly loss of wage-earning capacity.

(h) *Compensation period for temporary disability.* Compensation for temporary disability is payable for a maximum period of 80 weeks.

(i) *Maximum compensation.* The total aggregate compensation payable in any case, for injury or death or both, shall not exceed \$24,000, exclusive of medical costs and burial allowance. The weekly rate of compensation for disability or death shall not exceed \$70.

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(j) *Method of payment.* Compensation for temporary disability shall be payable periodically. Compensation for permanent disability and death shall be payable in full at the time the extent of entitlement is established.

(k) *Exceptions.* The Director may in his or her discretion make exception to the regulations in this section by:

(1) Reapportioning death benefits for the sake of equity.

(2) Excluding from consideration potential beneficiaries of a deceased employee who are not available to receive payment.

(3) Paying compensation for permanent disability or death on a periodic basis, where this method of payment is considered to be in the best interest of the employee or his or her beneficiary(ies).