# Notice of Occupational Disease and Claim for Compensation

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# U.S. Department of Labor

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs



Employee: Please complete all boxes 1 - 18 below. Do not complete shaded areas. Employing Agency (Supervisor or Compensation Specialist): Complete shaded boxes a, b, and c.

Employee Data					
1. Name of Employee (Last, First, Mic	ddle)		1a. Ema	il Address	2. Social Security Numb
3. Date of birth Mo. Day Yr.	4. Gender	5. Home telephone		6. Grade as of date	
). Date of birtin	4. Gerider	3. Home telephone		of last exposure	Level Step
. Employee's home mailing address (	include street addre	es city state and 7I	P code)		8. Dependents
. Employee's frome maining address (	molado otroct adare	oo, ony, state, and zi	1 0000)		Wife, Husband
		•			Children under 18 years
City		State	ZIP Code		
					Other
Claim Information					
9. Employee's occupation					a. Occupation code
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Location where you worked when	disease or illness of	ccurrea (include stree	t address, city	, state, and ZIP code)	<ol> <li>Date you first became aware of disease</li> </ol>
					or illness
City			State	ZIP Code	Mo. Day Yr.
Date you first realized		B. Explain the relations	ship to your en	nployment, and why you	came to this realization
the disease or illness Mo	o. Day Yr.	·			
by your employment					
Nature of disease or illness					OWCP Use - NOI Code
					b. Type code   c. Source code
					b. Type code
5. If this notice and claim was not file	d with the employin	g agency within 30 da	vs after date s	shown above in item #12	explain the reason for the delay
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6. If the statement requested in item	I of the attached ins	tructions is not submi	tted with this f	orm, explain reason for o	delay.
7. If the medical reports requested in	item 2 of attached	instructions are not su	ibmitted with ti	nis form, explain reason	for delay.
Employee Signature					
18. I certify, under penalty of law, that					
Government, and that it was not call hereby claim medical treatment,					
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I hereby authorize any physician of desired information to the U.S. De	partment of Labor	ner person, institution Office of Workers' Co.	n, corporation, mpensation Pr	or government, agency) ograms (or to its official	representative)
This authorization also permits any					
Signature of employee or person	acting on his/her l	pehalf		<u>-</u>	Date
Have your supervisor complete the	•		to you for you	records.	
Any person who knowingly makes a	·		, ,		and to obtain compensation
as provided by the FECA or who known					
as well as felony criminal prosecution					

If you have a disability and are in need of communication assistance (such as alternate formats or sign language interpretation), accommodations and/or

#### Official Supervisor's Report of Occupational Disease: Please complete information requested below Supervisor's Report OWCP Agency Code 19. Agency name and address of reporting office (include street address, city, state, and ZIP Code) OSHA Site Code City State ZIP Code 20. Employee's duty station (include street address, city, state, and ZIP code) City State ZIP Code 21. Regular 22. Regular a.m. a.m. work work schedule Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. hours From: p.m. To: p.m. 23. Name and address of physician first providing medical care (include city, state, ZIP code) First date Day Yr Mo. medical care received 25. Do medical reports No Yes show employee is ZIP Code City State disabled for work? 26. Date employee 27. Date and Day Day Mo. Yr Mo. Yr a.m. first reported hour employee Time stopped work p.m. condition to supervisor 28. Date and 29. Date employee was last Mo. Day Yr a.m. Mo. Day Yr hour employee's exposed to conditions Time pay stopped p.m. alleged to have caused disease or illness 30. Date Mo. Day Yr a m returned Time to work p.m. 31. If employee has returned to work and work assignment has changed, describe new duties 32. Employee's Retirement Coverage CSRS FERS Other, (Specify) 33. Was injury caused 34. Name and address of third party (include street address, city, state, and ZIP code) by third party? Yes No If "No", go to ZIP Code City State Item 35. Signature of Supervisor 35. A supervisor who knowingly certifies to any false statement, misrepresentation, concealment of fact, etc., in respect to this claim may also be subject to appropriate felony criminal prosecution. I certify that the information given above and that furnished by the employee on the reverse of this form is true to the best of my knowledge with the following exception: Name of Supervisor (Type or print)

Signature of Supervisor

Supervisor's Title

Date

Office phone

## Disability Benefits for Employees under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA)

The FECA, which is administered by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP), provides the following general benefits for employment-related occupational disease or illness:

- (1) Full medical care from either Federal medical officers and hospitals, or private hospitals or physicians of the employee's choice.
- (2) Payment of compensation for total or partial wage loss.
- (3) Payment of compensation for permanent impairment of certain organs, members, or functions of the body (such as loss or loss of use of an arm or kidney, loss of vision, etc.), or for serious disfigurement of the head, face, or neck.
- (4) Vocational rehabilitation and related services where necessary.

The first three days in a non-pay status are waiting days, and no compensation is paid for these days unless the period of disability exceeds 14 calendar days, or the employee has suffered a permanent disability. Compensation for total disability is generally paid at the rate of 2/3 of an employee's salary if there are no dependents, or 3/4 of salary if there are one or more dependents.

An employee may use sick or annual leave rather than LWOP while disabled. The employee may repurchase leave used for approved periods. Form CA-7b, available from the personnel office, should be studied BEFORE a decision is made to use leave.

If an employee is in doubt about compensation benefits, the OWCP District Office servicing the employing agency should be contacted. (Obtain the address from your employing agency.)

For additional information, review the regulations governing the administration of the FECA (Code of Federal Regulations, Title 20, Chapter 1) or Chapter 810 of the Office of Personnel Management's Federal Personnel Manual.

### **Privacy Act**

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), you are hereby notified that: (1) The Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended and extended (5 U.S.C. 8101, et seq.) (FECA) is administered by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs of the U.S. Department of Labor, which receives and maintains personal information on claimants and their immediate families. (2) Information which the Office has will be used to determine eligibility for and the amount of benefits payable under the FECA, and may be verified through computer matches or other appropriate means. (3) Information may be given to the Federal agency which employed the claimant at the time of injury in order to verify statements made, answer questions concerning the status of the claim, verify billing, and to consider issues relating to retention, rehire, or other relevant matters. (4) Information may also be given to other Federal agencies, other government entities, and to private-sector agencies and/or employers as part of rehabilitative and other return-to-work programs and services. (5) Information may be disclosed to physicians and other health care providers for use in providing treatment or medical/vocational rehabilitation, making evaluations for the Office, and for other purposes related to the medical management of the claim. (6) Information may be given to Federal, state and local agencies for law enforcement purposes, to obtain information relevant to a decision under the FECA, to determine whether benefits are being paid properly, including whether prohibited dual Payments are being made, and, where appropriate, to pursue salary/administrative offset and debt collection actions required or permitted by the FECA and/or the Debt Collection Act. (7) Disclosure of the claimant's social security number (SSN) or tax identifying number (TIN) on this form is mandatory. The SSN and/or TIN, and other information maintained by the Office, may be used for identification, to support debt collection efforts carried on by the Federal government, and for other purposes required or authorized by law. (8) Failure to disclose all requested information may delay the processing of the claim or the payment of benefits, or may result in an unfavorable decision or reduced level of benefits.

Note: This notice applies to all forms requesting information that you might receive from the Office in connection with the processing and adjudication of the claim you filed under the FECA.

Date (Mo., Day, Yr.)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM CA-2**

Complete all items on your section of the form. If additional space is required to explain or clarify any point, attach a supplemental statement to the form. in addition to the information requested on the form, both the employee and the supervisor are required to submit additional evidence as described below. If this evidence is not submitted along with the form, the responsible party should explain the reason for the delay and state when the additional evidence will be submitted.

#### Employee (or person acting on the Employee's behalf)

Complete items 1 through 18 and submit the form to the employee's supervisor along with the statement and medical reports described below. Be sure to obtain the Receipt of Notice of Disease or Illness completed by the supervisor at the time the form is submitted.

#### 1) Employee's statement

In a separate narrative statement attached to the form, the employee must submit the following information:

- a) A detailed history of the disease or illness from the date it started
- b) Complete details of the conditions of employment which are believed to be responsible for the disease or illness.
- c) A description of specific exposures to substances or stressful conditions causing the disease or illness, including locations where exposure or stress occurred, as well as the number of hours per day and days per week of such exposure or stress.
- d) Identification of the part of the body affected. (If disability is due to a heart condition, give complete details of all activities for one week prior to the attack with particular attention to the final 24 hours of such period.)
- e) A statement as to whether the employee ever suffered a similar condition. if so, provide full details of onset, history, and medical care received, along with names and addresses of physicians rendering treatment.

#### 2) Medical report

- a) Dates of examination or treatment.
- b) History given to the physician by the employee.
- c) Detailed description of the physician's findings.
- d) Results of x-rays, laboratory tests, etc.
- e) Diagnosis.
- f) Clinical course of treatment.
- g) Physician's opinion as to whether the disease or illness was caused or aggravated by the employment, along with an explanation of the basis for this opinion. (Medical reports that do not explain the basis for the physician's opinion are given very little weight in adjudicating the claim.)

#### 3) Wage loss

If you have lost wages or used leave for this illness, Form CA-7 should also be submitted.

#### Supervisor (Or appropriate official in the employing agency)

At the time the form is received, complete the Receipt of Notice of Disease or Illness and give it to the employee. In addition to completing items 19 through 34, the supervisor is responsible for filling in the proper codes in shaded boxes a, b, and c on the front of the form. If medical expense or lost time is incurred or expected, the completed form must be sent to OWCP within ten working days after it is received. In a separate narrative statement attached to the form, the supervisor must:

- a) Describe in detail the work performed by the employee. Identify fumes, chemicals, or other irritants or situations that the employee was exposed to which allegedly caused the condition. State the nature, extent, and duration of the exposure, including hours per days and days per week, requested above.
- b) Attach copies of all medical reports (including x-ray reports and laboratory data) on file for the employee.

- c) Attach a record of the employee's absence from work caused by any similar disease or illness. Have the employee state the reason for each absence.
- d) Attach statements from each co-worker who has first-hand knowledge about the employee's condition and its cause. (The co-workers should state how such knowledge was obtained.)
- e) Review and comment on the accuracy of the employee's statement requested above.

The supervisor should also submit any other information or evidence pertinent to the merits of this claim.

# Item Explanation: Some of the items on the form which may require further clarification are explained below.

#### 1a. Email Address

Injured workers should provide an email address when completing this form. Pursuant to policy established by the Department of Labor, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP), Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, email communication on case specific inquiries is not allowed due to security concerns. However, obtaining claimant email addresses at the point of filing will allow OWCP to share general, non-case specific information with injured workers earlier in the claims submission process. As a longstanding policy and in an effort to protect the identities and personal information of claimants under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, and to allow better tracking of incoming communications, we do not use two-way email as a primary method of interaction with claimants and their representatives.

# 14. Nature of the disease or illness

Give a complete description of the disease or illness. Specify the left or right side if applicable (e.g., rash on left leg; carpal tunnel syndrome, right wrist).

#### 19. Agency name and address of reporting office

The name and address of the office to which correspondence from OWCP should be sent (if applicable, the address of the personnel or compensation office).

# 23. Name and address of physician first providing medical care

The name and address of the physician who first provided medical care for this injury. If initial care was given by a nurse or other health professional (not a physician) in the employing agency's health unit or clinic, indicate this on a separate sheet of paper.

#### 24. First date medical care received

The date of the first visit to the physician listed in item 23.

#### 32. Employee's Retirement Coverage.

Indicate which retirement system the employee is covered under.

## 33. Was the injury caused by third party?

A third party is an individual or organization (other than the injured employee or the Federal government) who is liable for the disease. For instance, manufacturer of a chemical to which an employee was exposed might be considered a third party if improper instructions were given by the manufacturer for use of the chemical.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM CA-2 Continued**

# **Employing Agency - Required Codes**

# Box a (Occupational Code), Box b. (Type Code), Box c (Source Code), OSHA Site Code

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requires all employing agencies to complete these items when reporting an injury. The proper codes may be found in OSHA Booklet 2014, Record Keeping and Reporting Guidelines.

# **OWCP Agency Code**

This is a four digit (or four digit two letter) code used by OWCP to identify the employing agency. The proper code may be obtained from your personnel or compensation office, or by contacting OWCP.