

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Department of Employment Services

MURIEL BOWSER

MAYOR



DR. UNIQUE MORRIS-HUGHES

DIRECTOR

OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

January 13, 2026

Dear Employer/Insurer:

Pursuant to the District of Columbia Workers' Compensation Act of 1979, D.C. Official Code, § 32-1505, effective January 1, 2026, the maximum weekly compensation payment for the District of Columbia private sector workers' compensation claims is **\$1,852.07**. The minimum weekly compensation payment is **\$463.02**.

Further, in accordance with the Act, D.C. Code, as amended, §32-1506, *Supplemental Allowance*, claimants who are permanently totally disabled, the surviving spouse or the domestic partner who is receiving indemnity payments in amounts per week less than the new maximum shall receive a supplemental allowance increase equal to 2.40% of the current benefit amount. For all cases entitled to the supplemental allowance, the employer/insurer is required to file an amended Memo of Payment of Workers' Compensation, Form No. 9 DCWC, with the Department of Employment Services - Office of Workers' Compensation, 4058 Minnesota Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20019.

The Department of Employment Services/Office of Workers' Compensation looks forward to continuing to provide quality services to all stakeholders. Should you have any questions, please contact Mohammad R. Sheikh, Deputy Director for the Labor Standards Bureau, at (202) 671-1555 or by e-mail at mohammad.sheikh@dc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'U. Morris-Hughes', written over a red horizontal line.

Dr. Unique Morris-Hughes
Director

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COMPENSATION RATES UNDER THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT OF 1979

YEAR	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	PERCENTAGE INCREASE
07/26/82 THRU 12/31/84	\$396.78	\$99.20	--
01/01/85	\$413.26	\$103.22	4.15%
01/01/86	\$431.70	\$107.93	4.46%
01/01/87	\$453.94	\$113.49	5.15%
01/01/88	\$481.92	\$120.48	6.16%
01/01/89	\$513.00	\$128.25	6.45%
01/01/90	\$551.46	\$137.87	7.50%
01/01/91	\$584.10	\$146.03	5.90%
01/01/92	\$613.09	\$153.27	5.00%
01/01/93	\$647.84	\$161.96	5.36%
01/01/94	\$679.17	\$169.79	4.80%
01/01/95	\$701.52	\$175.38	3.30%
01/01/96	\$723.34	\$180.84	3.10%
01/01/97	\$748.83	\$187.21	3.50%
01/01/98	\$774.32	\$193.58	3.40%
01/01/99	\$834.82	\$208.71	7.80%
01/01/00	\$894.47	\$223.62	7.10%
01/01/01	\$948.76	\$237.19	6.00%
01/01/02	\$993.02	\$248.25	4.70%
01/01/03	\$1,022.00	\$255.50	2.92%
01/01/04	\$1,055.96	\$263.99	3.32%
01/01/05	\$1,106.34	\$276.59	4.78%
01/01/06	\$1,155.84	\$288.96	4.48%
01/01/07	\$1,233.00	\$308.25	6.68%
01/01/08	\$1,288.00	\$322.00	4.47%
01/01/09	\$1,355.00	\$338.75	5.21%
01/01/10	\$1,355.00	\$338.75	0.00%

YEAR	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	PERCENTAGE INCREASE
01/01/11	\$1,349.00	\$337.25	-0.44%
01/01/12	\$1,416.45	\$354.11	5.69%
01/01/13	\$1,416.45	\$354.11	0.00%
01/01/14	\$1,440.39	\$360.10	1.69%
01/01/15	\$1,462.43	\$365.61	1.53%
01/01/16	\$1,465.79	\$366.45	0.23%
01/01/17	\$1,466.96	\$366.74	0.08%
01/01/18	\$1,491.90	\$372.98	1.70%
01/01/19	\$1,521.74	\$380.44	2.00%
01/01/20	\$1,535.44	\$383.86	0.90%
01/01/21	\$1,553.87	\$388.47	1.20%
01/01/22	\$1,631.56	\$407.89	5.80%
01/01/23	\$1,713.14	\$428.29	5.60%
01/01/24	\$1,761.11	\$440.28	2.80%
01/01/25	\$1,808.66	\$452.17	2.70%
01/01/26	\$1,852.07	\$463.02	2.40%

Note - There is a 5% cap on Supplemental Allowance – See Sec. 32-1506(d) of Act.