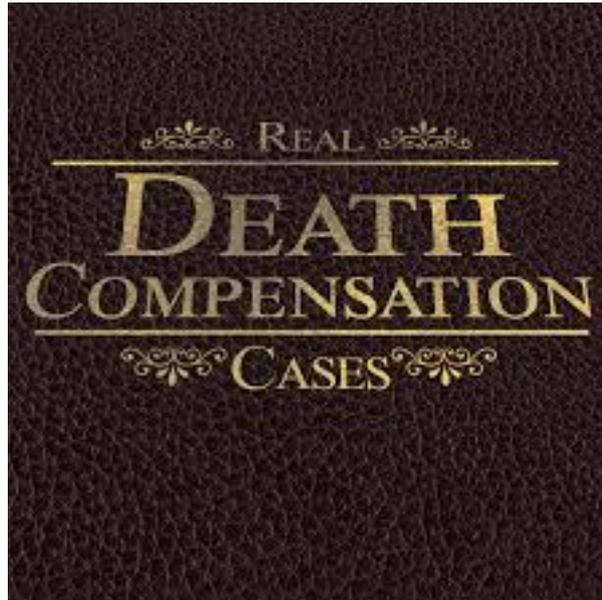


## Things You Need To Be Aware Of With Death Compensation



When you recently have a family member who had passed away because of work related injuries, you could be entitled to have death benefits. This can be processed through the workers compensation and by the agreement of the company as well. Sometimes, if you don't prove it or fight it out, then you will lose such compensation, in cases like this you will need to be aware of what are the steps to take and what are the benefits you should be getting if such situation has occurred. Many of these benefits can help the family of the deceased and they have the right to receive them.

How would you know you qualify for death benefits

Usually death benefits are limited to the spouses of the deceased as well as to the children and the other close family members who have lived with them. Others that included are the dependents of the deceased that rely on him or her for financial support. Basically, most of the eligibility requirements are different from state and country, but one thing is common and that the benefits are for those who are related to the person who is deceased either by blood or by marriage. The dependents are only those who rely on the deceased for paying their living expenses.

However, there are also times when the spouses are also considered as the dependents even if they have their own income. However, when the spouse has an income which actually exceeds the certain amount that is set, then they might cut off from being dependents. For the children, if they are under the age of eighteen then they are considered as dependents as well. Children who are over eighteen are considered as dependents if they have physical or even mental disabilities. In some states you can even find, children that are over eighteen and under twenty five who are enrolled in vocational or educational programs are also added to the list of dependents.

In some cases, it would also depend on the situation of the deceased and the family and there can be some considerations as well. To be able to get [death compensation](#) the cause of death of the deceased should be by workplace injury or what they call as occupational diseases. One of the main rules for death benefits is that the death should have been caused by the work and its conditions as well as diseases that have come from the related work. The work or the workplace should have contributed or accelerated the death. Even when the deceased has a condition, if it was worsened by the work which led to the death, then it is considered to give out death benefits.

These death benefits are usually given out by installment. The amount will be based on the wages of the deceased employee. Commonly, you will find that the benefits will be two-thirds of the deceased average weekly wage. Still, it will depend on the state and the rules on what exact amount the dependents will be receiving. There are even places that set up a minimum and maximum amount of the benefits.

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