

# THE ACCIDENT REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION INSURANCE (EARNER PREMIUM) REGULATIONS 1995

CATHERINE A. TIZARD, Governor-General

### ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 18th day of December 1995

#### Present:

THE RIGHT HON. J. B. BOLGER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to section 167 of the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

### REGULATIONS

- 1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (Earner Premium) Regulations 1995.
  - (2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of April 1996.
- 2. Interpretation—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, "full-time employment" means, in relation to any earner, employment for an average of not less than 30 hours per week for the income year, or a lesser number of hours per week for the income year if such lesser hours are defined as full-time employment in an employment contract due to the particular nature of that employment.
- (2) Subject to subclause (1) of this regulation, expressions used in these regulations have the meanings assigned to them by the Accident

Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992 or by regulations made under that Act.

- **3. Earner premium rate**—(1) The rate of earner premium for the purposes of the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992 shall be 62.22 cents per \$100 or part thereof of earnings paid on or after the 1st day of April 1996.
- (2) The earner premium rate specified in subclause (1) of this regulation is exclusive of goods and services tax payable under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985; and the amount of such goods and services tax shall be payable in addition to the premium.
- 4. Minimum earner premium payable by earners who have earnings other than as an employee—(1) Except as provided in subclause (2) of this regulation, there shall be payable by every earner in full-time employment who has earnings other than as an employee, and whose total earnings are less than \$13,211 per annum, a minimum annual earner premium which shall be the appropriate earner premium based on earnings other than as an employee of \$13,211 per annum, reduced by the earner's earnings as an employee.
- (2) There shall be payable by every earner in full-time employment who—
  - (a) Has earnings other than as an employee; and
  - (b) Has total earnings of less than \$10,569 per annum; and
- (c) Satisfies the Corporation that he or she has not attained the age of 20 years at any time during the year—

a minimum annual earner premium which shall be the appropriate earner premium based on earnings other than as an employee of \$10,569 per annum, reduced by the earner's earnings as an employee.

- 5. Maximum earnings on which earner premium payable—The maximum amount of earnings on which an earner premium is payable by or in respect of any earner shall be \$79,466 per annum.
- **6. Revocation and saving**—(1) The Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (Earner Premium) Regulations 1994\* are hereby revoked.
- (2) Notwithstanding subclause (1) of this regulation, the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (Earner Premium) Regulations 1994\* shall continue to apply in respect of the period commencing on the 1st day of April 1995 and ending with the 31st day of March 1996, and any earnings paid during that period, as if those regulations had not been revoked.

MARIE SHROFF, Clerk of the Executive Council.

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## Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (Earner Premium) Regulations 1995

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 1 April 1996, replace the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance (Earner Premium) Regulations 1994.

The new regulations increase the rate of earner premium payable under the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Act 1992 from 53.33 cents to 62.22 cents per \$100 of earnings (exclusive of goods and services tax).

The minimum amount of earnings on which a premium is payable by earners who have earnings other than as an employee for those 20 years of age or over has increased from \$13,030 to \$13,211, and from \$10,425 to \$10,569 for those under 20 years of age.

The maximum amount of earnings on which an earner premium is payable has increased from \$78,397 to \$79,466 per annum.

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These regulations are administered in the Accident Rehabilitation and Compensation Insurance Corporation.