

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND FEE SCHEDULE OF THE WYOMING WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Wyoming Workers' Compensation Division is proposing changes that will affect the Division's rules, regulations and fee schedule. These proposals include modifications to the *Wyoming Workers' Compensation Rules, Regulations and Fee Schedules*. The Workers' Compensation Division last updated Chapter 2 – Employer Coverage, Compliance and Discount Programs on 8/24/17.

The Division proposes the following changes in Chapter 2:

Section 1(b)(i)(B)(I) – General - Failure to provide or maintain a Proof of Coverage (POC) Certificate; this is repealed due to redundancy.

Section 6 – Proceedings for Forfeiture of Non-Resident Employer's Surety Bond – this entire section is revised to better understand non-resident employer definitions, requirements, exemptions from security, acceptable forms of security, duration of security, penalties and forfeiture processes.

Section 8 – Safety Program; Employer Discount – this section is revised to reduce redundancy and increase ease of understanding requirements for employer discounts.

Section 9 – Drug and Alcohol Testing Program; Employer Discount - this section is revised to reduce redundancy and increase ease of understanding requirements for employer discounts.

Section 10 – Health and Safety Consultation Employer Discount Program – information has been added to this section to streamline the rules, to provide criteria details on how employers can become eligible for discounts and to add a definition on “qualified third party health and safety professional”.

Section 12 – Exclusions – (a) referred to real estate brokers or employees in sales. This is repealed due to updated Wyoming Statute 27-3-108 stating real estate brokers, associate brokers and salespersons are excluded from workers' compensation coverage.

Section 14 – Employer Reimbursements or Allowances for Employee Business Expenses – in subsection (a) the word “wages” is being deleted for clarification.

Minor formatting has been updated also.

Written comments should be submitted to the following address by **October 31, 2018**.

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A public comment period will end at close of business on **October 31, 2018.**

Copies may be obtained by submitting a written request to the Division, with pre-payment by personal check or money order for the total number of copies requested; the fee for each copy is \$4.00. The proposed rules may be downloaded, free of charge, from the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) at:

<http://www.wyomingworkforce.org/news/publicnotices/>