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WORKERS COMPENSATION REVISED POLICIES

http://www.gov.pe.ca/photos/original/oipc_PP-11-001.pdf

The following WCB policies have been amended:

- Travel And Related Expenses (POL-03)
- Benefit of Doubt (POL-62)
- Emergency Callout of Workers (POL-127)
- Employer Registration (POL-19)
- Interjurisdictional Trucking - Alternative Assessment (POL-142)

Details about the revisions are included in the *History* section at the end of each policy. The amended policies can be found under the Policies section of the Board's website at:

<http://www.wcb.pe.ca/Information/Policies>

PRIVACY COMMISSIONER RELEASES DECISION

The Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Prince Edward Island released a decision regarding the Workers Compensation Board (WCB) and the Workers Compensation Appeal Tribunal (WCAT). In the decision the Privacy Commissioner found that WCAT on one issue and WCB on two issues had violated the *Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection Act* by improperly disclosing personal information of a worker. The decision is available online at:

WORKERS COMPENSATION RELEASES REVISED GUIDE ON WORKPLACE VIOLENCE AND WORKING ALONE

To better promote safety for lone workers and to help prevent the incidence of violence at the workplace, the WCB has revised the **Guide to Working Alone Regulations** and **Guide to the Prevention of Workplace Violence**.

These guides provide up-to-date information on what is required by law including risk assessments, resources for developing policies and procedures, as well as practical tips on staying safe on the job. Copies of the guides are available online or by contacting the Workers Compensation Board at 902-368-5680.

WORKERS COMPENSATION POLICY REVIEW

The Workers Compensation Board of PEI has posted a draft policy for review and comment on their policy consultation page. If you have feedback or suggestions for improvements to the following policy they should be forwarded to the Board prior to **September 12, 2011**:

- Benefit Assignment (POL-55)

The policy can be found under the Policy Consultation section of the Board's website at:

<http://www.wcb.pe.ca/Information/PolicyConsultation>