



New South Wales

**WORKCOVER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT ACT 1996
No 120—PROCLAMATION**

(L.S.) GORDON SAMUELS, Governor.

I, the Honourable Gordon Samuels AC, Governor of the State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of section 2 of the WorkCover Legislation Amendment Act 1996, do, by this my Proclamation, appoint the following days for the commencement of the following provisions of that Act:

12 January 1997 for the commencement of Schedule 1.2–1.8, 1.10–1.13, 1.15–1.19 (except Schedule 1.19 [8]), 2.1–2.4, 2.5 [4]–[8], 2.6, 2.8 and 2.9.

1 March 1997 for the commencement of Schedule 1.1, 1.9 and 2.7.

1 June 1997 for the commencement of Schedule 1.14.

Signed and sealed at Sydney, this 8th day of January 1997.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. W. SHAW MLC

Minister for Industrial Relations.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The object of this Proclamation is to commence on 12 January, 1 March and 1 June 1997 most of the amendments made by the *WorkCover Legislation Amendment Act 1996*.

The amendments to be commenced are as follows:

12 January 1997

Schedule 1.2 (Employment required to be substantial contributing factor), Schedule 1.3 (Journey claims), Schedule 1.4 (Reduction in maximum lump sum compensation amounts), Schedule 1.5 (Discontinuation of weekly payments after 2 years), Schedule 1.6 (Deduction for previous injuries and pre-existing conditions and abnormalities), Schedule 1.7 (Evidentiary value of medical panel reports and certificates), Schedule 1.8 (Marketing of legal and agency services), Schedule 1.10 (Rules and regulations with respect to medical evidence), Schedule 1.11 (Making a claim for compensation), Schedule 1.12 (Deemed employment of participants in workplace based training programs), Schedule 1.13 (Penalty increase for failure to keep register of injuries), Schedule 1.15 (Compliance with provisions that restrict commencement of proceedings), Schedule 1.16 (Rate of interest on common law damages), Schedule 1.17 (Special provisions for coal miners), Schedule 1.18 (Hearing loss claims), Schedule 1.19, except Schedule 1.19 [8] (Clarifications and miscellaneous amendments), Schedule 2.1 (Amendments to Compensation Court Act 1984), Schedule 2.2 (Amendments to Construction Safety Act 1912), Schedule 2.3 (Amendments to Dangerous Goods Act 1975), Schedule 2.4 (Amendments to Industrial Relations Act 1996), Schedule 2.5 [4]–[8] (Amendments to Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983), Schedule 2.6 (Amendments to WorkCover Legislation Amendment Act 1995), Schedule 2.8 (Amendments to Workers Compensation (Bush Fire, Emergency and Rescue Services) Act 1987), Schedule 2.9 (Amendments to Workers' Compensation (Dust Diseases) Act 1942).

1 March 1997

Schedule 1.1 (New conciliation arrangements), Schedule 1.9 (Transfer of WorkCover Authority functions to Public Trustee), Schedule 2.7 (Amendments to WorkCover Administration Act 1989).

1 June 1997

Schedule 1.14 (Misleading conduct by insurers and brokers).

The amendments made by Schedule 1.19 [8] (concerning insurance premium orders) and 2.5 [1]–[3] (concerning non-disturbance of accident sites) remain uncommenced.
