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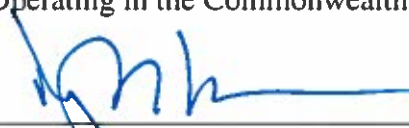
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**TO:** Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers and Self-Insurers  
Operating in the Commonwealth of Kentucky

**FROM:**

  
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Dwight T. Lovan, Commissioner  
Kentucky Department of Workers' Claims

**SUBJECT: WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT SCHEDULE – 2016**

The Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, Office of Employment and Training, has certified that the average weekly wage of Kentucky for the calendar year 2014 was \$798.63. Based upon that information and in accordance with KRS 342.143, the following determinations are made:

1. The increase in maximum income benefits under all provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act for the year 2014 over the year 2011 did amount to \$2.00 or more; therefore, the maximum weekly indemnity benefits for calendar year 2016 shall be \$798.63.
2. There was an increase of \$1.00 or more in minimum income benefits. Therefore, the minimum weekly indemnity benefits under all provisions of the Act shall be \$159.72 for calendar year 2016.

A schedule of indemnity benefits is attached hereto.

Attachment



## SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS

TYPE OF DISABILITY SECTION OF STATUTE	FOR INJURIES OCCURRING					
	01-01-11 thru 12-31-11	01-01-12 thru 12-31-12	01-01-13 thru 12-31-13	01-01-14 thru 12-31-14	01-01-15 thru 12-31-15	01-01-16 thru 12-31-16
<b>APPLICABLE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE OF THE STATE</b>	<b>\$721.97</b> (2009)	<b>\$736.19</b> (2010)	<b>\$752.69</b> (2011)	<b>\$769.06</b> (2012)	<b>\$773.61</b> (2013)	<b>\$798.63</b> (2014)

### DEATH (KRS 342.750)

a. Widow or widower with no children-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$361.00	\$368.11	\$376.36	\$384.55	\$386.83	\$399.34
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
b. Widow or widower with children living in the home-45% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each child-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$541.47	\$552.13	\$564.52	\$576.80	\$580.21	\$598.98
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
c. Widow or widower with children not living in home-40% of average weekly wage of deceased, plus 15% for each child-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$541.47	\$552.13	\$564.52	\$576.80	\$580.21	\$598.98
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
d. One child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$361.00	\$368.11	\$376.36	\$384.55	\$386.83	\$399.34
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
d(1)More than one child, no widow or widower-50% of average weekly wage of deceased for the first child with an additional 15% of average weekly wage of deceased for each additional child-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$541.47	\$552.13	\$564.52	\$576.80	\$580.21	\$598.98
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
e. Dependent parents-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each parent-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$541.47	\$552.13	\$564.52	\$576.80	\$580.21	\$598.98
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72
f. Dependent brothers, sisters, grandparents and grandchildren-25% of average weekly wage of deceased to each dependent-subject to the following:						
<b>MAXIMUM</b>	\$541.47	\$552.13	\$564.52	\$576.80	\$580.21	\$598.98
<b>MINIMUM</b>	144.40	147.24	150.54	153.81	154.72	159.72

The above is subject to the maximum of 75% of the average weekly wage of the deceased.

