

VIEW SUMMARY

The legislation that is being viewed is valid for 28 Jul 2011.

Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988 (No. 4 of 1988)

Requested:28 Jul 2011

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## 26. Presumption as to cause of disease

- (1) Subject to section 25(2), where a worker suffers a disease of a kind referred to in column 1 of Schedule 4 and has been employed in work of a type referred to in column 2 of that Schedule opposite that disease, it shall be presumed, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, that his employment contributed to a substantial degree to that disease.
- (2) The regulations may extend the operation of <u>subsection (1)</u> to diseases and types of work prescribed in the regulations.
- (3) A regulation under <u>subsection (2)</u> shall not be made otherwise than on the recommendation of the Board.









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# SCHEDULE 4 - Diseases in Respect of Which There is Presumption of Cause

Section 26

### **COLUMN 1**

## **Description of Disease**

Poisoning by—

- —Beryllium or its toxic compounds.
- —Cadmium or its toxic compounds.
- —Phosphorous or its toxic compounds.
- -Chromium or its toxic compounds.
- -Manganese or its toxic compounds.
- —Arsenic or its toxic compounds.
- -Mercury or its toxic compounds.
- —Lead or its toxic compounds.
- —Fluorine or its toxic compounds.
- —Carbon Disulphide.
- —The toxic halogen derivatives of aliphatic or aromatic hydrocarbons.
- —Benzene or its toxic homologues.
- —Nitro—or amino—or chloro—derivatives of benzene or its derivatives.
- —Nitroglycerine or other nitric acid esters.
- —Alcohols, glycols, or ketones.
- —Asphyxiants—carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, hydrogen cyanide, hydrogen sulphide, nitrogen.
- -Nitrus fumes.

Pneumoconioses caused by silica dust (silicosis, anthracosilicosis) and silico-tuberculosis, provided that silicosis is an essential factor in causing the resultant incapacity or death from silico-tuberculosis.

Asbestosis.

Primary malignant neoplasm of the mesothelium (diffuse mesothelioma) of the pleura or of the

#### **COLUMN 2**

## **Description of Work**

Any work involving exposure to the risk concerned.

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Any work involving exposure to inhalation of silica dust.

Any work involving exposure to inhalation of asbestos fibres.

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peritoneum.

Nystagmus.

Compressed air illness including avascular necrosis.

Disease caused by ionising radiations.

Primary squamous cell carcinoma of skin due to exposure to tar, pitch, mineral oil, anthracene or compounds, products, or residues of these substances.

Infectious or parasitic diseases contracted in an occupation where there is a particular risk of exposure to the agent responsible.

An asthmatic condition caused by fumes resulting from the primary aluminium smelting process.

Any work in or about a mine.

Any work involving exposure to increased or reduced atmospheric pressure from working underground or underwater or from working at high altitude.

Any work involving exposure to ionising radiation.

Any work involving exposure to the risk concerned.

- (a) Health or laboratory work;
- (b) Veterinary work;
- (c) Work handling animals, animal carcasses, or merchandise which may have been contaminated by animals, animal carcasses, or parts of such carcasses -

where that work involves exposure to the infectious or parasitic agents concerned.

Any work involving exposure to fumes produced by the primary aluminium smelting process.

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