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# SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES ACT (CHAPTER 295)

## SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES (PENSIONS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 205 of the Singapore Armed Forces Act, the Armed Forces Council makes the following Regulations:

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations are the Singapore Armed Forces (Pensions) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 and come into operation on 1 September 2020.

## Amendment of regulation 2

- **2.** Regulation 2 of the Singapore Armed Forces (Pensions) Regulations (Rg 9) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended
  - (a) by deleting the definition of "injuries received in and which are attributable to service" in paragraph (1);
  - (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "injury" in paragraph (1), the following definition:
    - ""injury received in and which is attributable to service" includes the following:
      - (a) any injury received in consequence of some act lawfully performed in the discharge of a member's duties;
      - (b) any injury received while on a journey necessary to enable a

member to report for duty or to return home after duty;"; and

- (c) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (1), the following paragraph:
  - "(1A) For the purposes of these Regulations, an injury is not attributable to service by reason only of the injury having been received while on duty, at a place of duty or on any land, premises, vehicle, ship or aircraft for the time being used by or for the purposes of the Singapore Armed Forces."

#### Amendment of regulation 3

**3.** Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after the words "injury received in and" in paragraphs (2) and (4), the words "which is".

#### Amendment of regulation 38

**4.** Regulation 38(1) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "injuries received in and which are" and substituting the words "any injury received in and which is".

## Amendment of regulation 39

- **5.** Regulation 39 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
    - "(b) compensation calculated in accordance with paragraph 1 of the First Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 (Act 27 of 2019) as if the member were an employee under that Act.";
  - (b) by deleting the words "injuries received in and which were" in paragraph (4) and substituting the words "an injury received in and which is"; and

(c) by deleting the words "injuries received in and which are" in the regulation heading and substituting the words "injury received in and which is".

## Amendment of regulation 40

**6.** Regulation 40 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after the words "injury received in and" in paragraph (a), the words "which is".

## Amendment of regulation 41

- 7. Regulation 41(2) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting sub-paragraph (b) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
  - "(b) compensation calculated in accordance with paragraph 2 of the First Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 as if the member were an employee under that Act.".

## Amendment of regulation 49

**8.** Regulation 49 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "injury (not being a minor injury specified in the Third Schedule) received in and which was attributable to service" and substituting the words "injury received in and which is attributable to service (not being a minor injury specified in the Third Schedule)".

# Amendment of regulation 50

- **9.** Regulation 50 of the principal Regulations is amended
  - (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:
    - "(a) compensation calculated in accordance with paragraph 3 of the First Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 in respect of the injury as if the member were an employee under that Act; and"; and

(b) by deleting the words "injury received in and which was" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "injury received in and which is".

### Amendment of regulation 51

10. Regulation 51(4) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "First Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act (Cap. 354)" and substituting the words "Fourth Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019".

## **Deletion of regulation 52**

11. Regulation 52 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

### Deletion of regulations 54, 55 and 56

**12.** Regulations 54, 55 and 56 of the principal Regulations are deleted.

#### Amendment of regulation 58

13. Regulation 58 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "any sum equivalent to the lump sum applicable under the Third Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act (Cap. 354) as if a member was" and substituting the words "compensation calculated in accordance with paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of the First Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 as if a member were".

# Amendment of regulation 59

14. Regulation 59(2) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words "the injuries that were received in and which were attributable to service have" and substituting the words "a deceased member's injury received in and which is attributable to service has".

#### **Deletion and substitution of Third Schedule**

**15.** The Third Schedule to the principal Regulations is deleted and the following Schedule substituted therefor:

### "THIRD SCHEDULE

Regulations 40(b), 49 and 51(2) and (5)

#### GRATUITIES PAYABLE FOR SPECIFIED MINOR INJURIES

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(a) R or L index finger —
Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of \$470

(b) R or L middle finger —Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of \$380 bone

(c) R or L ring or little finger —
Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of \$240 bone

#### (2) Toes:

(a) R or L great toe —
part, with some loss of bone \$320

(b) R or L

(i) One toe, excluding great toe — part, with some loss of bone \$160

(ii) 2 toes, excluding great toe —
part, with some loss of bone \$240

(iii) 3 toes, excluding great toe —
part, with some loss of bone \$320

(iv) 4 toes, excluding great toe — part, with some loss of bone \$320.

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## Saving provisions

- **16.**—(1) Despite regulation 5(a), regulation 39(1)(b) of the principal Regulations as in force before 1 September 2020 continues to apply, as if the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 (Act 27 of 2019) had not been enacted, to
  - (a) a member who dies as a result of any applicable injury; and
  - (b) a member mentioned in regulation 39(4) of the principal Regulations whose death is caused as a result of the aggravation, starting before that date, of an adverse medical condition mentioned in that regulation by service.
- (2) Despite regulation 7, regulation 41(2)(b) of the principal Regulations as in force before 1 September 2020 continues to apply, as if the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 had not been enacted, to
  - (a) a member mentioned in regulation 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 or 46 of the principal Regulations who is eligible under regulation 40 of the principal Regulations for an award in respect of total disability as a result of an applicable injury;
  - (b) a member mentioned in regulation 47 or 48 of the principal Regulations who suffered total disability as a result of an applicable injury; and
  - (c) a member mentioned in regulation 49 of the principal Regulations whose total disability is determined by the Armed Forces Council to be caused by aggravation, starting before that date, of an adverse medical condition mentioned in that regulation by service.
- (3) Despite regulation 9, regulation 50(1)(a) of the principal Regulations as in force before 1 September 2020 continues to apply, as if the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 had not been enacted, to —

- (a) a member who
  - (i) would have been eligible in a case of total disability for any award under regulations 41 to 48 of the principal Regulations as in force before that date; and
  - (ii) suffers partial disability as a result of an applicable injury; and
- (b) a member mentioned in regulation 50(2) of the principal Regulations whose partial disability is determined by the Armed Forces Council to be caused by aggravation, starting before that date, of an adverse medical condition mentioned in that regulation by service.
- (4) Despite regulation 10, regulation 51(4) of the principal Regulations as in force before 1 September 2020 continues to apply to a member whose disablement is due to an applicable injury as if the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 had not been enacted.
- (5) Despite regulation 13, a sum equivalent to the lump sum applicable under the Third Schedule to the Work Injury Compensation Act (Cap. 354) under regulation 58 of the principal Regulations as in force before 1 September 2020 is to be calculated in respect of any member mentioned in paragraph (1), (2) or (3) as if the Work Injury Compensation Act 2019 had not been enacted.
- (6) In this regulation, "applicable injury" means an injury received in and which is attributable to service, that is received before 1 September 2020.

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