FORM 1

# PERSONAL INJURIES PROCEEDINGS ACT 2002

## NOTICE OF CLAIM

**(Non-Health Care Claims)**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM ARE ATTACHED AS THE LAST THREE PAGES OF THE FORM

***PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY THERE ARE TWO PARTS TO THIS FORM***

***PART 1 AND PART 2 ARE TO BE GIVEN AT DIFFERENT TIMES***

**This Notice of Claim has been approved by the Department of Justice and questions etc. should not be altered in any way**

**Version 6**

## NOTICE OF CLAIM

**(Non-Health Care Claims)**

## PART 1

**(Comprising Sections A, B, C and D)**

### To:

*(Respondent/s – Name/s and Address/es)*

## NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

Within one (1) month after receiving this Part 1 of the Notice, you must:

1. if you consider yourself a proper respondent to the claim, give the claimant written notice of whether you are satisfied that the Part 1 Notice of Claim is a complying Part 1 Notice of Claim and if not, give details of non-compliance and whether you waive that non-compliance. If you do not waive non-compliance, you must specify a reasonable period of at least one month for the claimant to remedy the non-compliance;
2. if you are unsure whether you are a proper respondent to the claim, give the claimant written notice of the further information you reasonably need to decide whether you are a proper respondent; or
3. if you consider that you are not a proper respondent to the claim, give the claimant written notice of the reasons why you consider that you are not a proper respondent to the claim and any information you have that may help the claimant identify a proper respondent to the claim.

In any of the above responses, you should provide the claimant with the name and telephone number of a contact person who will be dealing with the claim.

## NON-HEALTH CARE CLAIM

**[Section A]**

***Initial Claim Details***

#### INJURED PERSON’S PERSONAL DETAILS

Surname/Family Name:

Given Names:

Title: □Mr □Ms □Mrs □Miss □ Other

Date of Birth:

Gender: □ Male □ Female

*(insert day/month/year)*

Home Address:

Postcode:

Postal Address (if different than above):

Postcode:

Home Telephone Number: ( )

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON EVER BEEN KNOWN BY ANY OTHER NAME?

□ No □ Yes

If ‘Yes’, provide in full, all other names the person has been known as:

#### DOES THE INJURED PERSON NEED AN INTERPRETER?

□ No □ Yes

If ‘Yes’, which language will the interpreter need to be fluent in?

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON INSTRUCTED A LAW PRACTICE TO ACT ON THE PERSON’S BEHALF IN SEEKING DAMAGES FOR THE PERSONAL INJURY?

□ No □ Yes

If ‘Yes’, provide date instructions were given:

Name of Lawyer and Firm:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Number: ( )

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON GIVEN, OR DO THEY INTEND TO GIVE, NOTICES OF CLAIM TO ANY OTHER PERSON IN RELATION TO THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes

If yes, give full details of the names and addresses of each other person to whom they have given or intend to give a Notice of Claim:

(i)

(ii)

(iii)

(iv)

#### IS THE STATE OF QUEENSLAND THE RESPONDENT NAMED IN THIS NOTICE OF CLAIM?

□ No □ Yes

If Yes, which is the government department you believe to be responsible?

**[Section B]**

***The Incident***

#### GENERAL DETAILS

Date of Incident: *(insert day/month/year)*

Time of Incident:

* am
* pm

Place where the incident occurred (street and town or suburb):

Weather conditions at the time of the incident:

1. **DRAW A DIAGRAM OF THE INCIDENT, INCLUDING DETAILS OF LOCATION SUCH AS STREET NAMES (ATTACH ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER)**
2. **GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT**
3. **DID AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE ENTITY OR AN INVESTIGATIVE ENTITY COME TO THE SCENE OF THE INCIDENT? (EG. POLICE, FIRE AUTHORITY, AMBULANCE)**

□ No *(if no, tick and go to Q11)* □ Yes Did the injured person need an ambulance?

□ No □ Yes Officer’s Name:

Station: Contact Details (if known):

Reference No. (if known):

Did the fire authority attend?

□ No □ Yes Officer’s Name:

Station: Contact Details (if known):

Reference No. (if known):

Did the police attend?

□ No □ Yes Officer’s Name:

Station: Contact Details (if known):

Reference No. (if known):

Did another entity attend (Eg. surf lifesavers, SES)?

□ No □ Yes Entity/Officer’s Name:

Station/Location: Contact Details (if known):

Reference No. (if known):

#### WHAT WAS THE INJURED PERSON’S PART IN THE INCIDENT? (DESCRIBE WHAT THE INJURED PERSON WAS DOING)

1. **WAS A PROTECTIVE DEVICE AVAILABLE FOR USE, E.G. SAFETY HARNESS, SAFETY GOGGLES?**

□ No □ Yes

If ‘No’, go to Q14

If ‘Yes’, what was the device?

#### WAS THE INJURED PERSON WEARING/USING THE PROTECTIVE DEVICE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes

#### WITNESSES

Give Details of Witnesses:

**Witness 1:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**Witness 2:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**(Note: If more than two witnesses, write the details on a separate page labelled ‘Witnesses’ and attach it to this form)**

#### HAD THE INJURED PERSON TAKEN ANY DRUGS, INCLUDING MEDICATION, IN THE 12 HOURS BEFORE THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes

What drugs were taken?: *(insert type)*

*(insert amount) (insert when)*

#### HAD THE INJURED PERSON CONSUMED ANY ALCOHOL IN THE 12 HOURS BEFORE THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes

What drinks were consumed? *(insert type)*

*(insert amount) (insert when)*

#### DETAILS OF THE PERSON THAT CAUSED THE INCIDENT.

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

#### DETAIL THE REASONS WHY THE INJURED PERSON BELIEVES THAT PERSON CAUSED THE INCIDENT

The reasons must particularly identify the step, process or act/s of the person that caused the incident and the link to the named respondent (if different to the person named in response to Q17):

**(Note: If more than one person caused the incident, please write details and reasons on a separate page labelled, ‘Persons that caused the incident’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### DETAILS OF ANY OTHER PERSON(S) INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT

**Person 1:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**Person 2:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**Person 3:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**Person 4:**

Surname/Family Name: Given Name: Home Address:

Postcode: Contact Telephone Number: ( )

**(Note: If more than four persons were involved in the incident, please write details on a separate page labelled, ‘Persons involved in the incident’ and attach it to this form.)**

**[Section C]**

#### THE INJURIES AND HEALTH DETAILS

1. **WHAT INJURIES DID THE INJURED PERSON SUSTAIN IN THE INCIDENT?**

List all injuries:

#### DID THE INJURED PERSON GO TO HOSPITAL?

□No *(if no, tick and go to Q23)*

□Yes Hospital: Address:

Date: (insert day/month/year)

#### WAS THE INJURED PERSON ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL?

* No
* Yes Hospital: Address:

Date: *(insert day/month/year)*

#### WHO HAS TREATED THE INJURED PERSON FOR THEIR INJURIES AND WHAT TREATMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED?

List all health care providers, eg doctors, surgeons, physiotherapists, chiropractors and fully detail the treatment provided (eg. surgical placement of pins; psychiatric assessment, etc)

**Provider 1:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery): Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 2:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 3:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 4:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**(Note: If not enough space, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Health Care Providers etc’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON SUFFERED ANY PERSONAL INJURIES, ILLNESSES OR DISABILITIES EITHER BEFORE OR SINCE THE INCIDENT IN RELATION TO THIS OR ANY OTHER INCIDENT THAT MAY AFFECT THE EXTENT OF THE DISABILITIES TO WHICH THE CLAIM RELATES OR WHICH MAY AFFECT THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGES IN ANY WAY?

□ No □ Yes

If ‘Yes’, Date: *(insert day/month/year)*

Doctors: Hospital: Nature of pre-existing injuries, illnesses or disabilities

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON EVER MADE A CLAIM EITHER BEFORE OR SINCE THE INCIDENT FOR DAMAGES, COMPENSATION OR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS RESULTING FROM PERSONAL INJURIES, ILLNESSES OR DISABILITIES?

□ No □ Yes Date: *(insert day/month/year)*

Against whom was the claim made?

Name: Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Name of Insurer: Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Claim Reference No.: Type of Claim (eg Workers’ Compensation):

**(Note: If the injured person has made more than one claim, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Previous claims’ and attach it to this form.)**

**[Section D]**

#### DOCUMENTS THAT SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM

**Please attach a copy of each of the following to the rear of this form: (*please tick if attached*)**

* **medical reports or certificates relating to injuries suffered in the incident**
* **medical reports relating to the history of the injured person**
* **reports generally relating to the incident and its causes**
* **diagram of the incident** (*see question 8)*

#### DECLARATION AND AUTHORISATION

You must have completed all of the information required in this Part 1 Notice of Claim and it must be declared before a witness.

The declaration must be signed by the injured person unless he/she is under 18 or is unable to complete it. In these cases it must be completed by a parent, guardian, relative or friend of the injured person.

**You must also give your written permission to allow the respondent or their insurer to obtain any records or information that may affect your claim from:**

* The insurers;
* A department, agency or instrumentality of the Commonwealth, the State or another State administering police, transport, taxation or social welfare laws;
* A hospital;
* The ambulance or other emergency service of the State or another State;
* A doctor or other health-care provider;
* An educational institution;
* An employer (or previous employer).

**Under Section 73 of the *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act 2002* you can be fined up to 150 penalty units or be imprisoned for up to one (1) year for knowingly providing false, misleading or incomplete particulars in this form. Therefore, all the information you have given in the Notice of Claim must be true, correct and complete.**

**Claimant’s Declaration and Authorisation**

In accordance with section 9(2)(b) of the *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act 2002,* I hereby authorise the respondent against whom this claim is made or their insurer to contact those persons and entities mentioned within this Part 1 Notice of claim and to obtain information and documents relevant to the claim as specified under the *Personal Injuries Proceedings Regulation 2014*.

I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the statements of fact contained in this Part 1 Notice of Claim (Non-Health Care Claim) (including the attached pages) are true and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867.*

The contents of this statutory declaration are true, except where they are stated on the basis of information and belief, in which case they are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a person who makes a declaration that the person knows is false in a material particular commits an offence.

**I state that:**

* This declaration was made in the form of an electronic document.[[1]](#footnote-1)
* This declaration was electronically signed.[[2]](#footnote-2)
* This declaration was made, signed and witnessed under part 6A of the *Oaths Act 1867*.[[3]](#footnote-3)

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| **DECLARED by**  ……………………………………………  [full name of signatory] | .…………………………………….  [signature of signatory] |
| at…………………………………………  [insert place where signatory is located] | .…………………………………….  [date] |

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| *(If applicable)*  **Signed for and at the direction of the**  **declarant by**  ……………………………………………  [full name of substitute signatory]  ………………………………………………….….  [Australian legal practitioner/government legal officer/employee of the public trustee, as applicable][[4]](#footnote-4) | ….…………………………………….  [signature of substitute signatory] |
| Declared on …………….…….day………..……………month……………..……year | |
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| **In the presence of**  ……………………………………………  [full name of witness] | .………………………………….  [signature of witness] |
| ……………………………………………  [type of witness] | .…………………………………….  [date] |
| ……………………………………………  [witness’s place of employment /  employment address / home address / telephone number / email address / law practice, as applicable][[5]](#footnote-5) |  |
| **For special witnesses to complete – Tick as applicable:**  ☐ I am a special witness under the *Oaths Act 1867*  *(see section 12 of the Oaths Act 1867)*  ☐ This document was made in the form of an electronic document [[6]](#footnote-6)  ☐ I electronically signed this document [[7]](#footnote-7)  ☐ This statutory declaration was made, signed and witnessed under part 6A of the *Oaths Act 1867* – I understand the requirements for witnessing a document by audio visual link and have complied with those requirements [[8]](#footnote-8)  ***The footnotes are to assist in the completion of the form and can be deleted once complete.*** | |

#### IF ANOTHER PERSON SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE INJURED PERSON PURSUANT TO SECTION 9(4) OR SECTION 44(3) OF THE *PERSONAL INJURIES PROCEEDINGS ACT 2002*:

Full name of Injured Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Give Details of the Person who Signed the Form:

Person’s Full Name: Address:

Home Telephone Number: ( )

Relationship to the Injured Person: Reason/s why the Injured Person could not sign:

## NOTICE OF CLAIM

**(Non-Health Care Claims)**

## PART 2

**(Comprising Sections E, F, G and H)**

### To:

*(Respondent/s – Name/s and Address/es)*

### From:

*(Claimant)*

**[Section E]**

#### ECONOMIC LOSS

**NOTE: Questions 26 – 46 ask you about any loss of income to the injured person as result of the incident. The injured person may have suffered loss of income to their business or from their employment or a combination of both. Read the questions and ‘proceed to’ instructions carefully.**

#### WHAT WAS THE INJURED PERSON’S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION BEFORE THE INCIDENT?

□ Self-employed □ Retired

□ Home duties □ Student

□ Employed □ Other *(please describe)*

* Unemployed

Usual Occupation:

Was the injured person employed as at the date of the incident?

* No □ Yes

Nature of Employment:

*(insert details)*

#### INJURED PERSON’S EDUCATIONAL DETAILS

Names of educational institutions attended by the injured person:

(i)

(ii)

(iii)

(iv)

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON LOST OR WILL THE INJURED PERSON LOSE WAGES, SALARY OR BUSINESS INCOME BECAUSE OF THE INCIDENT?

□ No *(if no, tick and go to Q47)* □ Yes

#### IS THE INJURED PERSON STILL LOSING INCOME?

□ No □ Yes

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON RETURNED TO WORK AT ALL SINCE THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes *(if yes, tick and go to Q32)*

#### WHEN DOES THE INJURED PERSON EXPECT TO RETURN TO WORK?

Date: *(insert day/month/year*) OR

□Don’t know OR

□Unable to return to work

1. **LIST HERE PARTICULARS OF THE INJURED PERSON’S EMPLOYMENT DURING THE THREE YEARS PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT AND THE PERIOD SINCE THE INCIDENT** *(if self-employed*

*see below.) (Attach additional information on a separate page if required.)*

Name of Employer:

Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Period of Employment: Capacity in which Employed: Earnings for Period:

**Self Employed Details: *(if applicable)***

Period of Self-employed: Gross Earnings per year: Net Earnings per year: Name of Business: Nature of Business: Address (Workplace):

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

#### DOES THE INJURED PERSON USE AN ACCOUNTANT IN PREPARATION OF TAXATION RETURNS, BUSINESS STATEMENTS, OR SIMILAR FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS?

Accountant’s Name: Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

#### HOW MANY SEPARATE PERIODS OF TIME HAS THE INJURED PERSON BEEN AWAY FROM WORK BECAUSE OF THE INCIDENT

**(include short periods when they went for treatment) Separate Periods:**

**First** (or only) Period: Work Time Lost: (*insert hours/days/weeks)* From (or on): (*insert day/month/year)* To: (*insert day/month/year)*

**Second Period** *(if applicable)*: Work Time Lost: (*insert hours/days/weeks)* From (or on): (*insert day/month/year)* To: (*insert day/month/year)*

**Third Period** *(if applicable)*: Work Time Lost: (*insert hours/days/weeks)* From (or on): (*insert day/month/year)* To: (*insert day/month/year)*

**Fourth Period** *(if applicable)*: Work Time Lost: (*insert hours/days/weeks)* From (or on): (*insert day/month/year)* To: (*insert day/month/year)*

**(Note: If the injured person had more than four separate periods away from work, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Periods Away from Work’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### IS THE WORK THE INJURED PERSON DOES OR THEIR WEEKLY EARNINGS DIFFERENT BECAUSE OF THE INCIDENT?

□ No □ Yes

Give Details:

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON LOST INCOME FROM SELF- EMPLOYMENT IN THEIR OWN BUSINESS BECAUSE OF THE INCIDENT?

□ No *(if no, tick and go to Q40)* □ Yes

#### ESTIMATED EARNINGS LOST

Give details of how much it is believed the injured person has lost **through self- employment** and how the amount is calculated*. (Copies of the injured person’s taxation returns must be provided to the respondent.)*

**(Note: If necessary, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Self Employment Earnings Lost’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### IS THE BUSINESS STILL OPERATING?

□ No □ Yes

#### HAS ANYONE BEEN HIRED TO REPLACE THE INJURED PERSON?

* No Explain why not:
* Yes Give details of replacement:

Name: Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Number: ( )

Duties Performed: Cost:

**(Note: If necessary, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Self Employment – Replacement’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON LOST WAGES OR SALARY, AS AN EMPLOYEE, BECAUSE OF THE INCIDENT?

□ No *(if no, tick and go to Q44)* □ Yes

#### EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Employment Details: Occupation: Name of Employer (Company or Organisation):

Address (Workplace):

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Contact Person’s Name: Usual **Weekly** Working hours: (ordinary) (overtime) Description of Duties: Standard Weekly Earnings: *(insert Gross Pay)*

*(insert Tax amount)*

*(insert Net Pay)*

#### DID THE INJURED PERSON HAVE A SECOND PAID JOB BEFORE THE INCIDENT?

□ No *(if no, tick and go to Q44)* □ Yes

#### EMPLOYMENT DETAILS – SECOND JOB

**Second Job:**

Employment Details:

Occupation: Name of Employer (Company or Organisation):

Address (Workplace):

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Usual **Weekly** Working hours: (ordinary) (overtime) Description of Duties: Standard Weekly Earnings: *(insert Gross Pay)*

*(insert Tax amount)*

*(insert Net Pay)*

#### BEFORE THE INCIDENT, HAD THE INJURED PERSON MADE ANY FIRM ARRANGEMENTS TO START A NEW JOB, OR STOP WORK, OR CHANGE THEIR DUTIES, WORKING HOURS, OR EARNINGS?

□ No □ Yes

Give Details:

#### PROVIDE A STATEMENT OF THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE INJURED PERSON’S ECONOMIC LOSS (as far as it can be assessed at the date of lodging their notice of claim.)

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON RECEIVED, OR WILL THEY RECEIVE ANY MONEY, FOR BEING UNABLE TO WORK BECAUSE OF THEIR

**INJURIES? *(e.g., sick leave or holiday pay, social security benefits, workers’ compensation, borrowed money or insurance payment*.)**

□ No □ Yes

Give Full Details including amount: $

If the injured person:

1. received a social security benefit, provide their social security number:
2. received workers’ compensation, provide the insurer’s details and claim number:

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Number: ( )

Claim Number:

1. borrowed money, provide the lender’s details:

Name:

Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

1. received a payment from an insurance company, provide the name and address of the insurer and the policy number.

Name:

Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Policy Number:

**[Section F]**

#### THE INJURIES AND HEALTH DETAILS

1. **WHO HAS TREATED THE INJURED PERSON SINCE DELIVERY OF PART 1 OF THE NOTICE AND WHAT TREATMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED?**

List all health care providers, eg doctors, surgeons, physiotherapists, chiropractors that treated the injured person after delivery of Part 1 of the Notice and fully detail the treatment provided (eg. surgical placement of pins; psychiatric assessment, etc)

**Provider 1:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery): Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 2:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 3:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**Provider 4:**

Occupation:

Name (practice or surgery) : Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

Nature of Treatment: Was a written report provided?: □ No □ Yes

**(Note: If not enough space, write details on a separate page labelled ‘Health Care Providers etc’ and attach it to this form.)**

#### HAS REHABILITATION BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR THE INJURED

**PERSON? (e.g. counselling, group therapy, work training, independent living assistance, exercise program)**

□ No □ Yes

What has been recommended:

#### HAS A REHABILITATION PLAN BEEN DEVELOPED FOR THE PERSON?

□ No □ Yes

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON STARTED REHABILITATION?

□ No □ Yes

What rehabilitation has the injured person had:

#### WHO IS PROVIDING THE REHABILITATION SERVICES?

Name: Address:

Postcode: Telephone Number: ( )

#### DOES THE INJURED PERSON PLAN TO CONTINUE WITH REHABILITATION?

□ No □ Yes

What rehabilitation will the injured person have:

#### HAS THE INJURED PERSON SUFFERED ANY DISABILITIES FROM

**THE PERSONAL INJURY (eg limp, restricted movement, impaired vision) WHICH IS RELEVANT TO THE ASSESSMENT OF THE EXTENT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY?**

□ No □ Yes

If ‘Yes’, describe the disabilities:

**(Note: If more space is required to answer this question, write the details on a separate page labelled ‘Disabilities’ and attach it to this form.)**

**[Section G]**

#### OFFER OF SETTLEMENT

1. **AT THIS STAGE, IS THE INJURED PERSON IN A POSITION TO MAKE AN OFFER FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THEIR CLAIM?**

* No - Provide the reason/s why an offer of settlement cannot be made:
* Yes - Provide full details of the basis of the offer of settlement:

**NOTE: An offer of settlement must be accompanied by a copy of medical reports, assessments of cognitive, functional or vocational capacity, or other material in their possession that may assist the respondent to make a proper assessment of the offer.**

**[Section H]**

#### DOCUMENTS THAT SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM

**Please attach a copy of each of the following to the rear of this form: (*please tick if attached*)**

* **taxation returns of the injured person (for the three years prior to the incident)**
* **medical reports relating to injuries suffered in the incident**
* **reports and documents not provided with Part 1 of the Notice**

#### DECLARATION AND AUTHORISATION

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**Claimant’s Declaration and Authorisation**

In accordance with section 9(2)(b) of the *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act 2002,* I hereby authorise the respondent against whom this claim is made or their insurer to contact those persons and entities mentioned within this Part 1 Notice of claim and to obtain information and documents relevant to the claim as specified under the *Personal Injuries Proceedings Regulation 2014*.

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| **DECLARED by**  ……………………………………………  [full name of signatory] | .…………………………………….  [signature of signatory] |
| at…………………………………………  [insert place where signatory is located] | .…………………………………….  [date] |

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| *(If applicable)*  **Signed for and at the direction of the**  **declarant by**  ……………………………………………  [full name of substitute signatory]  ………………………………………………….….  [Australian legal practitioner/government legal officer/employee of the public trustee, as applicable][[12]](#footnote-12) | ….…………………………………….  [signature of substitute signatory] |
| Declared on …………….…….day………..……………month……………..……year | |
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| **In the presence of**  ……………………………………………  [full name of witness] | .………………………………….  [signature of witness] |
| ……………………………………………  [type of witness] | .…………………………………….  [date] |
| ……………………………………………  [witness’s place of employment /  employment address / home address / telephone number / email address / law practice, as applicable][[13]](#footnote-13) |  |
| **For special witnesses to complete – Tick as applicable:**  ☐ I am a special witness under the *Oaths Act 1867*  *(see section 12 of the Oaths Act 1867)*  ☐ This document was made in the form of an electronic document [[14]](#footnote-14)  ☐ I electronically signed this document [[15]](#footnote-15)  ☐ This statutory declaration was made, signed and witnessed under part 6A of the *Oaths Act 1867* – I understand the requirements for witnessing a document by audio visual link and have complied with those requirements [[16]](#footnote-16)  ***The footnotes are to assist in the completion of the form and can be deleted once complete.*** | |

#### IF ANOTHER PERSON SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE INJURED PERSON PURSUANT TO SECTION 9(4) OR SECTION 44(3) OF THE *PERSONAL INJURIES PROCEEDINGS ACT 2002*:

Full name of Injured Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Give Details of the Person who Signed the Form:

Person’s Full Name: Address:

Home Telephone Number: ( )

Relationship to the Injured Person: Reason/s why the Injured Person could not sign:

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CLAIMANT FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

What you need to do -

* Use this form **if you personally suffered an injury** in an incident due to the fault of another person.

OR

* Use this form **on behalf of an injured person** who is unable to personally complete the information. (All of the answers to questions contained in the form must relate to the injured person.)
* To make a claim as a relative/dependant, for loss resulting from a person sustaining a **fatal injury** do not use this Form. You must complete the Notice of Claim (Dependency Claims) form.
* **Give your written notice of claim as soon as possible**. Your claim could be rejected if the respondent receives Part 1 of the Notice past the earlier of the following two dates:
  + the day **nine (9) months** after the day of the incident or the first appearance of symptoms of the injury.
  + the day **one (1) month the day you first instructed a law practice** to act on your behalf in seeking damages for the personal injury.
* **Keep a copy of the completed form** and any other papers included in your claim so that you have your own record.
* **You can negotiate with the respondent** and settle the claim yourself. It is important for you to know your rights. You could have a dispute with the respondent about the amount payable to you. If you are unsure what to do a solicitor can advise you what needs to be done and how much it will cost.
* **Tear off these three (3) pages of instructions and keep them**. They will be useful as a reminder of what you need to do, and also what you can expect to happen with your claim. The cover page must remain with the document.

# The person at fault

It is **essential** that you name the person or persons you regard at fault in the incident (see question 17) - that is, the person you believe caused the incident – and the reasons why (see question 18).

**You must provide each person at fault with a Notice of Claim.**

You must place the name and address of the respondent who you are giving the notice to on both Part 1 and Part 2 of the Notice of Claim. If the Respondent is the State of Queensland, you must nominate the government department you consider responsible.

**STEPS TO COMPLETE THIS FORM**

**STEP 1**

**Please use a black or blue pen** and print clearly or type your answers. Start from question 1 and work your way through Part 1 of the form carefully, following the “go to” instructions. Attach a separate page with further information if there is not enough space on the form.

**You must answer questions truthfully** and answers must be complete as far as you know or can reasonably find out.

***Severe penalties apply where false or misleading information is given.***

The statements of fact contained in this notice of claim must be true, correct and complete and be signed in the presence of a witness.

***Before you sign the form read it carefully*, as the declaration of fact at the end of the form is to be made in accordance with the Oaths Act 1867.**

#### STEP 2

**Give Part 1 of your notice of claim** to the person/s whom you believe caused the incident so that it is received no later than **nine (9) months** after the date of the incident or first symptoms of injury or within **one (1) month** of instructing a law practice to act on the your behalf in seeking damages for the personal injury (whichever is the earlier).

If you believe the **State of Queensland caused** the incident, then the Notice of Claim must nominate the Department which you believe caused the incident and be given to:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Crown Law |  | Crown Law |
| Level 11 |  | GPO Box 149 |
| State Law Building | OR | BRISBANE QLD 4001 |
| 50 Ann Street |  |  |
| BRISBANE QLD 4000 |  |  |

Facsimile: (07) 3239 0407

#### STEP 3

After forwarding Part 1 of the Notice to the person/s, **start completing Part 2 of the Notice.** Again, **please use a black or blue pen** and print clearly or type your answers.

Work your way through Part 2 of the form carefully, following the “go to” instructions. Attach a separate page with further information if there is not enough space on the form.

You must forward Part 2 of the Notice to the person/s you forwarded Part 1 to within two (2) months of the person’s first reply to your Part 1. If they do not reply within 1 month, then you must forward Part 2 of the Notice to them within two months of that date (that is, within three months of the day you first gave them Part 1 of the Notice).

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER YOU SEND PART 1 OF YOUR NOTICE OF CLAIM TO THE RESPONDENT

* The **respondent** is the person or persons, or a party acting on their behalf, who you believe is responsible for the incident and who will receive this completed form.
* **You will get a letter from the respondent** telling you that your claim has been received. It will include the name and telephone number of a contact person.
* **You must be prepared to help the respondent with their investigation** of the incident. You may be required to give specific information, photographs, documents or records, and you may have to have a medical examination or assessment. You must also take all reasonable steps to recover from your injury by having all recommended treatment and rehabilitation, and to reduce your lost income – for example seeking alternative work.
* **The obligation of the respondent** in relation to your claims is to:
* Within one (1) month after receiving Part 1 of your notice of claim, advise you if there are any areas in the form where the information is deficient;
* Within six (6) months of receiving a complying Part 1 notice of claim, advise you whether liability is admitted or denied and if admitted to what percentage;
* If liability is admitted, advise you the respondent is prepared to accept your offer of settlement if you have made one or invite you to make an offer as soon as possible.

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