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**TO: HOLDERS OF THE ASSESSMENT MANUAL**

This update to the *Assessment Manual* contains amendments to the *Manual* implemented since Update 2007– 4.

Amendments to the following are **effective January 1, 2008**:

AP-1-38-4, *Payroll – Out-of-Province Employers and Operations*  
Appendix A CPI Adjustment

A summary of the amendments is attached and the amended pages are included as part of this package.

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Attachments

## **ASSESSMENT MANUAL**

### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS – Update 2008 – 1**

AP1-38-4 <i>Payroll – Out-Of-Province Employers and Operations</i>	Page 5	Housekeeping amendment
Appendix A	Page 1	Annual CPI adjustment

## **PRACTICE**

A copy of the Interjurisdictional Agreement on Workers' Compensation may be obtained on request from any Employer Service Representative in the Assessment Department.

For more information on interjurisdictional trucking, readers should consult the WorkSafeBC website at [www.worksafebc.com](http://www.worksafebc.com).

For any other relevant PRACTICE information, readers should consult the Assessment Department's Practice Directives available on the WorkSafeBC website.

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<b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b>	January 1, 2003
<b>AUTHORITY:</b>	ss. 8 and 8.1, <i>Workers Compensation Act</i> .
<b>CROSS REFERENCES:</b>	See also Coverage under <i>Act</i> – Distinguishing Between Employment Relationships and Relationships Between Independent Firms (AP1-1-3) with respect to principals of corporations, Exemptions from Coverage (AP1-2-1) with regard to exemptions for non-residents and Maximum Wage Rate (AP1-38-6) in the <i>Assessment Manual</i> and Interjurisdictional Agreements (policy item #113.30) of the <i>Rehabilitation Services &amp; Claims Manual</i> , Volume II.
<b>HISTORY:</b>	Housekeeping change made to formula in section (a) April 1, 2005. Replaces Policies No. 40:20:20 and 40:20:40 of the <i>Assessment Policy Manual</i> .
<b>APPLICATION:</b>	This Item results from the 2002 "editorial" consolidation of all assessment policies into the <i>Assessment Manual</i> . The POLICY in this Item continues the substantive requirements of the policies and items referred to in the HISTORY as they existed prior to the Effective Date, with any wording changes necessary to reflect legislative and other changes since the policies and items referred to in the history were issued.



**APPENDIX “A”****AMOUNTS REFERRED TO IN POLICIES THAT ARE  
ADJUSTED FROM TIME TO TIME****AP1-2-2 – Requesting a Variance from a General Exemption**

The minimum outstanding balance for the purpose of part (b) of the policy is \$100.00

**AP1-2-3 – Personal Optional Protection**

The minimum outstanding balance for the purpose of part (b) of the policy is \$100.00.

The Board has designated \$1500 as the minimum amount for which Personal Optional Protection may be obtained under part (c) of the policy. This amount will be adjusted periodically to reflect the minimum wage rate for the Province of British Columbia.

**AP1-38-6 – Maximum Wage**

The maximum wage rate in 2007 is \$64,400 and in 2008 is \$66,500.

**AP1-47-1 – Penalties**

The percentage rate of penalty in effect under part (c) of this policy is 1%.

**AP1-51-1 – Contractor Liability**

The minimums in effect for the exemptions provided by the policy for prime contractors and homeowners are \$200 and \$500, respectively.

