

Tennessee's New Workers' Comp Adjuster Certification Program

Tennessee has a new voluntary adjuster certification program, offering state specific workers' compensation training. In addition, workers' compensation set forth by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Bureau of Workers' Compensation include claims handling guidelines, claims forms and claims resolution filing requirements, nurse case management rules, and other

With the commencement of the new adjuster program, employers and insurers should be reminded of the most common penalties

Workers' Compensation Penalty Overview		
Violation Type	Responsible Party	Length of Time Allotted
Failure to acquire insurance 50-6-412	Employer	Must immediately procure upon becoming subject
Failure to file proof of WC (I-1 form) 0800-2-1-.05	Carrier	30 days of procurement or renewal
Failure to timely file C-20 0800-2-1-.06	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	14 calendar days
Failure to file C-22 0800-2-1-.07	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	Immediately upon first payment
Failure to timely pay 50-6-205	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	20 days from date of knowledge of compensability
Failure to file C-23 0800-2-1-.07 0800-2-14-.04	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	Immediately upon denial
Failure to file C-26 0800-2-1-.08 50-6-205	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	Immediately upon change or stop in benefits
Failure to File C-28 0800-2-1-.10	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	10 days from filing suit
Failure to File C-29 0800-2-1-.12	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	30 days following final payment of compensation

Failure to attend BRC & with settlement authority 50-6-237	All Parties	On date of BRC
Excessive charges 50-6-125	Provider	---
Intentionally put WC on private insurance 50-6-128	Employer	---
Non-compliance with Order 50-6-238 (as to injuries prior to 7/1/14); 50-6-239 (as to injuries on or after 7/1/14)	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	15 calendar days
Failure to file SD-2 50-6-244	Carrier, Pool, or Self-Insured	Date settlement or final order filed

*<https://www.tn.gov/workforce/injuries-at-work/bureau-services/bureau-services/penalty-program.html>