

How to Claim for Compensation during the NRP

Compensation is payable by OWCP to injured employees who have an accepted on-the-job injury. If you are a limited duty employee you can file for compensation by filling out form CA-7. You are entitled to compensation if you are receiving therapy, have a doctor's appointment (due to your on the job injury), are totally disabled, (or partially disabled and the Postal Service does not provide suitable limited duty).

If you would like to receive compensation from DOL after your claim has been accepted, you will have to be in a LWOP status. If you have filed a CA-1 and are receiving COP, you will have to be in LWOP for disability status after your 45 days of COP, in order to claim compensation.

The following forms will have to be submitted to receive compensation:

CA-7 Claim for Compensation

Ca-7a Time Analysis

Clock rings

3971 form

A copy of the letter you received from Post Office sending you home

CA-2a (if your claim is closed for compensation)

You should contact Department of Labor to determine if your claim is open for compensation. If your claim is closed for compensation, you need to file a CA-2a to re-open your claim for compensation.

The information phone number is 866-692-7487. Have your claim number available when you call.

The following is instructions to find out if your claim is open for compensation:

- Call 866-692-7487
- Press 2
- Press 2 again
- Enter your claim number followed by #
- Enter your last 4 digits of your social security number

The system will now inform you if your claim is open for compensation. If the system does not state that your claim is open for compensation, you will have to fill out a CA-2a.

You must submit all of your documentation for compensation to your local Injury Compensation Office or to supervisor/manager in your Post Office. You should also sign your forms on the day that you submit your claim for compensation. Don't forget to make copies of all of your paperwork.