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(CIC(O)) SCHEME RULES**

(EFFECTIVE FROM 1 July 2017)

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# **Criminal Injuries Compensation (Overseas) Scheme**

**(Effective from 1 July 2017)**

## **SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION**

### **The Criminal Injuries Compensation (Overseas) Scheme**

1. The Criminal Injuries Compensation (Overseas) Scheme (CIC(O)) is a discretionary, ex-gratia, scheme under which the Ministry of Defence makes payments to compensate members of the Armed Forces and their accompanying dependants who, whilst serving outside Great Britain<sup>1</sup> become blameless victims of violent crime.
2. These Rules set out the details of the 2017 CIC(O) Scheme which aims to mirror the general provisions of the Ministry of Justice's Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme (CICS) 2012<sup>2</sup>. The CICS is a statutory scheme which pays compensation for criminal injuries sustained in Great Britain.<sup>3</sup> The rules of the CICS and the value of payments awarded are set by Parliament, and the Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority (CICA) administers these rules. Payments are calculated by reference to a tariff of injuries. In certain circumstances applicants may also be entitled to additional payments for loss of earnings and special expenses.
3. The level of compensation payable to applicants under the 2017 CIC(O) Scheme ("the Scheme"), equates to that payable for comparable injuries under the CICS.
4. The Scheme reflects changes made to the CICS, particularly the changes to the Tariff to that Scheme, which took effect from 27 November 2012.
5. Min(DVRP) and Permanent Secretary, on behalf of the Defence Council have delegated responsibility for making decisions in relation to the Scheme<sup>4</sup>, both as to eligibility to receive an award and as to the amount of any award, to Veterans UK.
6. These Rules replace those dated 3 November 2008. Any application for compensation received by Veterans UK on or after 1 July 2017 for the payment of compensation to, or in respect of persons who have sustained criminal injury overseas will be determined in accordance with the Scheme, subject to the transitional provisions at paragraphs 136 to 138 below.
7. Note 1 relates to the interpretation of these Rules.

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<sup>1</sup> The meaning of Great Britain for the purposes of this scheme is explained in Note 1.

<sup>2</sup> [www.gov.uk/government/publications/criminal-injuries-compensation-scheme-2012](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/criminal-injuries-compensation-scheme-2012)

<sup>3</sup> [www.justice.gov.uk/victims-and-witnesses/cica](http://www.justice.gov.uk/victims-and-witnesses/cica)

<sup>4</sup> MST 10/8/4 dated 6 November 2008

## **Scheme administration**

8. Applicants who wish to lodge an application should contact:

Veterans UK  
OPPT  
Room 6326  
Norcross  
Blackpool  
FY3 5WP

**Tel: 08081914218 or + 441253866043**

9. The appropriate claims officer will determine claims for compensation in accordance with the Scheme. Reviews will be determined by a more senior officer who will be referred to as the 'claims review officer.' Appeals will be determined by a claims appeal officer.
10. A claims officer will be no lower than Band D, a claims review officer will be no lower than Band C and a claims appeal officer will be no lower than Band B.
11. The claims officer will be responsible for deciding in accordance with the Scheme, what awards (if any) should be made in individual cases and how they should be paid. Their decisions will be open to appeal to the claims appeal officer in accordance with the Scheme.

## **SECTION 2 – ELIGIBILITY**

### **Eligibility: requirements**

12. A person may be eligible for an award under the Scheme only if, on the date of the incident giving rise to the criminal injury, the person is either:
- (a) a member of the Armed Forces who is posted or attached to a unit overseas and who but for that posting or attachment would not have been in the location where the injury was sustained, or
  - (b) an 'accompanying dependant' of a service person who is posted or attached overseas and who would not have been in the location where the injury was sustained if they had not been an 'accompanying dependant'.
13. A person is an 'accompanying dependent' under the Scheme if they live with a service person who is posted or attached overseas and they are that service person's:
- (a) spouse
  - (b) civil partner
  - (c) child, step-child or adopted child

## **Eligibility for Compensation**

14. A person may be eligible for an award under the Scheme if they sustain a criminal injury which is directly attributable to their being a direct victim of a crime of violence committed in a relevant place. The meaning of 'crime of violence' is explained in Note 3.
15. (1) A person may be eligible for an award if they sustain a criminal injury which is directly attributable to their taking an exceptional and justified risk for the purpose, in a relevant place, of:
  - (a) apprehending an offender or suspected offender;
  - (b) preventing a crime;
  - (c) containing or remedying the consequences of a crime; or
  - (d) assisting a civilian police, service police or law enforcement officer who is acting for one or more of the purposes described in paragraphs 15.(1)(a) to (c).
- (2) A risk taken for any purpose described in sub-paragraph 15.(1) in the course of a person's duties will not be considered to be exceptional if it would normally be expected of them in the course of those duties.
16. A person may be eligible for an award if they sustain a criminal injury in a relevant place which is directly attributable to being present at and witnessing an incident, or the immediate aftermath of an incident, as a result of which a spouse, civil partner or a child sustained a criminal injury in circumstances falling within paragraph 14 or 15. For these purposes, the definition within paragraph 13 applies to a person with whom the applicant:
  - (a) at the time of the incident had a close relationship; and
  - (b) if the spouse, partner or child is alive at the date of the application, continues to have such a relationship.
17. An award may be made in accordance with paragraphs 58 to 85 where a person who has sustained an injury in circumstances falling within paragraph 14 or 15 subsequently dies.
18. In paragraphs 14 to 16, 'relevant place' means outside Great Britain as defined in Note 2.
19. A person may be eligible for an award under this Scheme whether or not the incident giving rise to the criminal injury to which their application relates has resulted in the conviction of an assailant.

## **Eligibility: Further provisions**

20. Subject to paragraphs 87 to 99 a person is eligible for an award under this Scheme only in relation to a criminal injury sustained on or after 1 October 1979.
21. An award will not be made to a person in respect of a criminal injury where that person has previously made an application and obtained compensation in respect of the same injury under this Scheme or any other Scheme for the compensation of

the victims of violent crime in operation outside Great Britain or under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS).

22. An award will not be made in respect of any criminal injury if at the time of the incident giving rise to the injury, the applicant and the assailant were adults living together as members of the same family, unless the applicant and the assailant no longer live together and are unlikely to do so again.
23. An award will not be made in respect of a criminal injury if an assailant may benefit from the award.
24. An award under the Scheme will only be made for injury or death which occurs as a result of a criminal act. Compensation will not be made under the Scheme where the injury or death is the result of war operations or military activity by warring factions.
25. Where service in the Armed Forces is the predominant cause of an injury, an application should normally be made under the AFCS in the first instance. Injuries or death resulting from a terrorist attack specifically targeted against members of the Armed Forces would normally be covered by the AFCS. Where injury or death is the result of an indiscriminate act of terrorism targeted at the general public or service in the Armed Forces is not the predominant cause of the injury or death, claims for compensation can be made under this Scheme.

### **Grounds for withholding or reducing an award**

26. An award under this Scheme will be withheld unless the incident giving rise to the criminal injury has been reported to the service police, local civilian police, or other body or person considered by the claims officer to be appropriate for the purpose, as soon as reasonably practicable. In deciding whether this requirement is met, particular account will be taken of:
  - (a) the age and capacity of the applicant at the date of the incident; and
  - (b) whether the effect of the incident on the applicant was such that it could not reasonably have been reported earlier.
27. An award will be withheld unless the applicant has co-operated as far as reasonably practicable with the service police, local civilian police or other body or person considered by the claims officer to be appropriate for the purpose in attempting to bring the assailant to justice.
28. An award may be withheld or reduced where the applicant fails to take all reasonable steps to assist a claims officer or other body or person in relation to consideration of their application. Such failure includes repeated failure to respond to communications sent to the address given by the applicant.
29. An award may be withheld or reduced where the conduct of the applicant before, during or after the incident giving rise to the criminal injury makes it inappropriate to make an award or a full award. For this purpose, conduct does not include intoxication through alcohol to the extent that such intoxication made the applicant more vulnerable to becoming a victim of a crime of violence.

30. Note 4 sets out the circumstances in which an award under this Scheme may be withheld or reduced because the applicant to whom an award would otherwise be made has relevant unspent convictions.
31. An award may be withheld or reduced because the applicant's character, other than in relation to an unspent conviction referred to in paragraph 3 or 4 of Note 4, makes it inappropriate to make an award or a full award.
32. In addition to paragraphs 26 to 31, an award made in respect of a fatal criminal injury may be withheld or reduced if:
- (a) the deceased's conduct before, during or after the incident giving rise to their death, makes it inappropriate to make an award or a full award; or
  - (b) for exceptional reasons, the deceased's character on the date of their death, whether due to their unspent convictions or otherwise, makes it inappropriate to make an award or a full award.
33. A payment for which a person is eligible by virtue of paragraph 53(g), (h) or (i) (certain special expenses) will not be reduced under paragraphs 28 to 32 unless the whole award for which that person is otherwise eligible is withheld under those paragraphs.

## **Types of payment**

34. The types of payment which may be made under this Scheme are:
- (a) Injury payments (paragraphs 36 to 42);
  - (b) Loss of earnings payments (paragraphs 43 to 50);
  - (c) Special expenses payments (paragraphs 51 to 57);
  - (d) Bereavement payments (paragraphs 62 and 63);
  - (e) Child's payments (paragraphs 64 to 67);
  - (f) Dependency payments (paragraphs 68 to 75);
  - (g) Funeral payments (paragraphs 76 to 78);
  - (h) Certain other payments in fatal cases (paragraphs 81 to 85).
35. The maximum award which may be made under this Scheme to a person sustaining one or more criminal injuries directly attributable to an incident, before any reduction under paragraphs 28 to 33, is £500,000.

## **Injury payments**

36. A person is eligible for an injury payment under this Scheme if:
- (a) their criminal injury is described in the tariff at Note 6; or
  - (b) in any case falling within paragraph 40 (acceleration or exacerbation of an existing condition), their injury is described in that tariff and the value of the acceleration or exacerbation is at least £1,000.
37. The amount of an injury payment will be determined in accordance with the tariff and paragraphs 38 to 41. The tariff shows:



- (a) in Part A, the amount payable in respect of physical and mental injuries;
- (b) in Part B, the amount payable in respect of fatal injuries, sexual and physical abuse; and
- (c) notes relating to the determination of the amount of an injury payment for certain injuries.

38. Where a person has sustained a mental injury as a result of a sexual assault, they will be entitled to an injury payment for whichever of the sexual assault or the mental injury would give rise to the highest payment under the tariff.

39. Where a person is eligible for an injury payment in respect of an injury requiring an operation, no separate injury payment will be made in respect of scarring arising from that operation.

40. Where an applicant's criminal injury as described in the tariff includes the acceleration or exacerbation of an existing condition, an injury payment:

- (a) will be paid only in relation to the degree of exacerbation or acceleration;
- (b) will be calculated by reference to such criminal injuries described in the tariff as a claims officer considers appropriate; and
- (c) will be reduced to zero, unless the amount calculated under sub-paragraph 40(b) is £1000 or more.

41. (1) Where an application relates to more than one criminal injury each of which would qualify for an injury payment under paragraph 37, the amount of the injury payment for which the applicant will be eligible is:

- (a) the full tariff amount for the criminal injury which gives rise to the highest payment;
- (b) 30 per cent of the tariff amount for the criminal injury with an equal or second highest payment; and
- (c) where there are three or more criminal injuries, 15 per cent of the tariff amount for the criminal injury with an equal or third highest payment.

(2) When calculating the injury payment for which an applicant may be eligible, sub-paragraph 41(1) will be applied after paragraphs 38 to 40.

### **Injuries not listed in the tariff**

42. Where, following an application, a claims officer considers that a description of injury for which no provision is made in Part A of the tariff may be of equivalent seriousness to an injury described in that Part, they must consult medical authorities to determine the most appropriate tariff.

### **Loss of earnings payments**

43. An applicant who is eligible for an injury payment will be eligible for a loss of earnings payment if the conditions in paragraph 44 are met.

44. (1) The first condition is that as a direct result of the injury for which the applicant is eligible for an injury payment they have no or very limited capacity for paid work.

(2) The second condition is that the applicant:

- (a) was in paid work on the date of the incident giving rise to the injury, or, in the case of a series of incidents, at any time during the series;
- (b) had been in regular paid work for a period of at least three years immediately before the date of the incident giving rise to the injury; or
- (c) had a good reason for not having been in regular paid work for the period mentioned in paragraph 44.(2)(b).

(3) For the purpose of this paragraph, a person will be considered to have a good reason for not having been in regular paid work if, for example, they were unable to work because they were in full-time education, or by reason of their age or caring responsibilities.

45. The period to which a loss of earnings payment will relate begins on the first day of the 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive week in which the applicant satisfies the condition in paragraph 44(1).

46. The period to which a loss of earnings payment will relate ends on whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) the day on which the applicant no longer satisfies the condition in paragraph 44(1);
- (b) the day on which the applicant will reach state pension age; or
- (c) where the criminal injury has resulted in a life expectancy below the state pension age, the expected end of the applicant's life.

47. A loss of earnings payment may relate to earnings lost before an application is determined (past loss of earnings) and such loss after the determination (future loss of earnings).

48. A loss of earnings payment in respect of past loss of earnings will be calculated by multiplying:

- (a) the weekly rate, at the date of determination, of statutory sick pay under section 157 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992; by
- (b) the number of weeks, treating part weeks as full weeks, during the period beginning on the day calculated in accordance with paragraph 45 and ending on the day the application is determined.

49. A loss of earnings payment in respect of future loss of earnings will be calculated by multiplying:

- (a) the weekly rate, at the date of determination, of statutory sick pay under section 157 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992; by
- (b) the number of weeks, treating part weeks as full weeks, during the period beginning on the day after the day on which the application is determined and ending on the day calculated in accordance with paragraph 46.

50. A loss of earnings payment made under paragraph 49 (future loss of earnings) will then be discounted in accordance with the Tables in Note 5, which set out:

- (a) multipliers to be applied to account for the accelerated receipt of payments (Table A);
- (b) discount factors to be applied to a lump sum in respect of loss which starts at a future date (Table B); and
- (c) assumptions in relation to life expectancy (Table C).

### **Special expenses payments**

51. An applicant who is eligible for an injury payment will be eligible for a special expenses payment if, as a direct result of an injury for which they are eligible for an injury payment, they have lost earnings or earning capacity, or been incapacitated to a similar extent, for more than 28 weeks.

52. A special expenses payment will only be made in relation to expenses of the types listed in paragraph 53:

- (a) which are necessarily incurred by the applicant on or after the date of the injury as a direct result of the criminal injury giving rise to the injury payment;
- (b) for which provision, or similar provision, is not available free of charge from another source; and
- (c) the cost of which is reasonable.

53. A special expenses payment may be made only in respect of the following expenses:

- (a) the applicant's property or equipment, which was relied on by the applicant as a physical aid and which was lost or damaged as a result of the incident giving rise to the injury;
- (b) costs (other than in respect of loss of earnings) arising from treatment for the injury under the National Health Service or a state health service other than the National Health Service where those costs would also have arisen if the applicant were being treated under the National Health Service in England and Wales;
- (c) special equipment;
- (d) adaptation of the applicant's accommodation;
- (e) the cost of care in connection with the applicant's bodily functions or meal preparation;
- (f) the cost of supervising the applicant in order to avoid substantial danger to the applicant or another person;
- (g) fees payable, in England and Wales, to the Court of Protection or the Public Guardian established under the Mental Capacity Act 2005 or, in Scotland, to the Public Guardian or to a Sheriff Court in respect of an application under the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000;
- (h) costs arising from the administration of the applicant's affairs due to their lack of mental capacity;
- (i) the cost of setting up a trust following a claims officer's direction under paragraph 107.

54. (1) Where the need for special equipment is likely to continue, a claims officer will:

- (a) assess the cost of replacement, taking into account the number of likely replacements;
- (b) deduct the amount for which the applicant's existing equipment could be sold on each occasion; and
- (c) apply an appropriate discount factor in accordance with Table B of Note 5.

(2) Where the need for any other special expenses of a type specified in paragraph 53 is likely to continue, a claims officer will assess the annual cost of the expense and apply the relevant Tables in Note 5.

55. A special expenses payment will be withheld or reduced to take account of the receipt of, or entitlement to, social security benefits in respect of the applicant's special expenses.

56. (1) A special expenses payment will be withheld or reduced to take account of the receipt of, or entitlement to, an insurance payment in respect of the applicant's special expenses.

(2) In relation to a special expenses payment under paragraph 53(a), (b) or (i), or any future losses for the same expense under paragraph 54, an insurance payment under sub-paragraph 56.(1)(a) shall be disregarded if the insurance policy was paid for entirely:

- (a) by the applicant; or
- (b) in relation to an applicant who was a child on the date when they sustained the criminal injury, by their parent or guardian.

57. Any reduction under paragraph 55 or 56 will be the total amount of the benefits and insurance payments referred to, net of income tax. If the benefits or insurance payments are to be paid in the future, the amount of the reduction will be calculated as a lump sum, applying the relevant Tables in Note 5.

### **Payments in fatal cases**

58. A qualifying relative of a person who has died as a direct result of sustaining an injury in circumstances falling within paragraph 14 or 15 may be eligible for:

- (a) a bereavement payment (paragraphs 62 and 63);
- (b) a child's payment (paragraphs 64 to 67);
- (c) a dependency payment (paragraphs 68 to 75).

59. A qualifying relative of a person who has sustained an injury in circumstances falling within paragraph 14 or 15 but who has died otherwise than as a direct result of that injury may be eligible for an award in accordance with paragraphs 81 to 85.

60. A qualifying relative is a person who at the time of the deceased's death was:

- (a) the spouse or civil partner of the deceased, who was living with the deceased in the same household or would have been but for their spouse or civil partner being posted outside of Great Britain;

- (b) the partner of the deceased (other than a spouse or civil partner), who was living with them in the same household and had done so for a continuous period of at least two years immediately before the date of the death or would have been but for their partner being posted outside of Great Britain;
- (c) a person who would satisfy sub-paragraph 60.(a) or (b) but who did not live with the deceased because of either person's ill-health or infirmity;
- (d) the spouse or civil partner, or a former spouse or civil partner, of the deceased who was financially dependent on the deceased;
- (e) a parent of the deceased; or
- (f) a natural child of the deceased, or a person who was not the natural child, but was accepted by the deceased as a child within the deceased's family or was dependent on the deceased.

61. The maximum award which may be made under this Scheme in relation to a fatal criminal injury, before any reduction under paragraphs 26 to 33, is £500,000. This maximum also includes any payment made to the deceased before their death in relation to the criminal injury as a result of which they have subsequently died.

### **Bereavement payments**

62. A bereavement payment may be made to a qualifying relative who is not:

- (a) a former spouse or former civil partner of the deceased; or
- (b) a person who is estranged from the deceased at the time of their death.

63. Where a claims officer is satisfied that more than one person may be eligible for a bereavement payment in respect of the deceased, the amount of the bereavement payment for each claimant is £5,500. Otherwise, the amount of the bereavement payment is £11,000.

### **Child's payments**

64. A child's payment may be made to a person who is a qualifying relative under paragraph 60(f) if that person was at the time of the death of the deceased under 18 years old.

65. The period to which a child's payment will relate begins on the day of the death and ends on the day before the child's 18th birthday.

66. The amount of a child's payment is:

- (a) £2,000 for each year (pro rata for each part year) of the period to which the payment relates; and
- (b) such additional amount in relation to any expenses suffered by the child as a direct result of the loss of parental services as a claims officer considers reasonable.

67. A child's payment shall be paid in a lump sum, applying the relevant Tables in Note 5 to such part of the payment as relates to losses arising after the day on which the application is determined.

## Dependency payments

68. A dependency payment may be made to a qualifying relative who at the time of the deceased's death was financially or physically dependent on the deceased. A qualifying relative was physically dependent on the deceased if the deceased was their main carer.

69. The period to which a dependency payment will relate begins on the day of the death.

70. (1) The period to which a dependency payment will relate ends on whichever is the earliest of:

- (a) in the case of a qualifying relative who is a child under the age of 18, the day before their 18th birthday;
- (b) the day upon which the deceased would have reached state pension age;
- (c) the date on which, before the incident giving rise to their criminal injury, the deceased's life would have been expected to end in accordance with Table C of Note 5 or other available medical evidence;
- (d) the expected end of the qualifying relative's life; or
- (e) the 50th anniversary of the day referred to in paragraph 69.

(2) When calculating the amount of a dependency payment, no account will be taken of a qualifying relative's remarriage or new civil partnership, or their prospects of remarrying or entering into another civil partnership.

71. A payment in respect of financial dependency will be made if on the date of their death the conditions in paragraph 44(2) were satisfied in relation to the deceased and their main source of income was not from social security benefits.

72. The dependency payment will be calculated by reference to each week in which one or more qualifying relatives is eligible for a dependency payment in accordance with paragraphs 69 and 70. The total amount payable in each of those weeks will be the weekly rate, at the date of determination, of statutory sick pay under section 157 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992. The weekly amount will be divided in equal shares between each qualifying relative who is eligible in any week. A qualifying relative eligible for part of a week will be treated as if eligible for the whole of that week.

73. The total amount of a qualifying relative's dependency payment in respect of financial dependency will be the aggregate of the amounts allocated to the qualifying relative under paragraph 72 for the whole period of their dependency.

74. The dependency payment will be made in a lump sum, applying the relevant Tables in Note 5 to such part of the period to which the payment relates as occurs after the day on which the application is determined.

75. A payment in respect of physical dependency will be calculated as if it were a special expenses payment to the dependant for the cost of that dependant's care and supervision under paragraph 53(e) and (f). Paragraphs 54 to 57 apply to the calculation of the amount of that payment in the same way as they apply in respect of a person who has sustained a criminal injury.

## **Funeral payments**

76. Where a person has died as a direct result of sustaining a criminal injury in circumstances falling within paragraph 14 or 15 a funeral payment may be made in respect of their funeral expenses for the benefit of their estate.

77. Subject to paragraph 78, the amount of a funeral payment is £2,500.

78. A payment above £2,500 may be made in respect of funeral expenses reasonably incurred, up to a further £2,500.

## **Effect on a dependency payment or child's payment of a payment to the deceased before their death**

79. Paragraph 80 applies in calculating the amount of a dependency payment or child's payment arising from dependency on a person who received an award under this Scheme and who has subsequently died as a result of the criminal injury giving rise to the award.

80. This paragraph applies where:

- (a) more than one person is eligible for a dependency payment or child's payment, the total amount of all such payments will be reduced by the amount of the payment made to the deceased in proportion between each recipient;
- (b) one person is eligible for such a payment, that payment will be reduced by the amount of the payment made to the deceased.

## **Payments resulting from a criminal injury where the victim dies of an unrelated cause before an award is made to them**

81. A qualifying relative of a person who has sustained a criminal injury and who has died otherwise than as a direct result of that injury may be eligible for an award if on the date the deceased died:

- (a) the deceased was eligible for, but had not received, a final award under this Scheme; and
- (b) the qualifying relative was financially dependent on the deceased.

82. An application under paragraph 81 must be made:

- (a) within two years after the date of the deceased's death; or
- (b) if later, with supporting evidence which means that the application can be determined without further extensive enquiries by a claims officer.

83. A qualifying relative who is eligible for an award under paragraph 81 may receive a payment for:

- (a) the deceased's loss of earnings arising as a direct result of the criminal injury, assessed in accordance with paragraphs 43 to 48, except that no payment will be made in respect of any loss from the date of the deceased's death; and

(b) special expenses incurred by the deceased as a direct result of the criminal injury up to the date of the deceased's death, assessed in accordance with paragraphs 51 to 53 and 55 to 57.

84. Any payment made under paragraph 81 will be reduced by the amount of any award paid to the deceased.

85. The total of any awards paid to the deceased and their qualifying relatives shall not exceed £500,000.

### **Effect of other payments on an award**

86. (1) An award under this Scheme will be withheld or reduced if in respect of the criminal injury to which the award relates the applicant, whether in any part of the United Kingdom or elsewhere:

- (a) receives or is awarded criminal injuries compensation or a similar payment;
- (b) receives an order for damages from a civil court;
- (c) agrees the settlement of a damages claim; or
- (d) receives a compensation order or offer made during criminal proceedings.

(2) An award will be reduced by the amount of any payments listed in subparagraph 86.(1), net of any benefits recoverable under the Social Security (Recovery of Benefits) Act 1997 or equivalent legislation (whether in any part of the United Kingdom or elsewhere).

### **Applications**

87. An application for an award will be determined by claims officer accordance with the Scheme.

88. Subject to paragraph 90, an application must be sent by the applicant so that it is received by Veterans UK as soon as reasonably practicable after the incident giving rise to the criminal injury to which it relates, and in any event within two years after the date of that incident.

89. (1) Where the applicant was a child under the age of 18 on the date of the incident giving rise to the criminal injury, the application must be sent by the applicant so that it is received by Veterans UK:

- (a) in the case of an incident reported to the police before the applicant's 18th birthday, within the period ending on their 20th birthday; or
- (b) in the case of an incident reported to the police on or after the applicant's 18th birthday, within two years after the date of the first report to the police in respect of the incident.

(2) An application will not be accepted under this paragraph unless a claims officer is satisfied that the evidence presented in support of the application means that it can be determined without further extensive enquiries by a claims officer.



90. A claims officer may extend the period referred to in paragraph 88 or 89 where the claims officer is satisfied that:

- (a) due to exceptional circumstances the applicant could not have applied earlier; and
- (b) the evidence presented in support of the application means that it can be determined without further extensive enquiries by a claims officer.

91. A claims officer may give directions, impose conditions, and make such other investigations and arrangements in connection with an application as the claims officer considers appropriate.

92. An applicant must:

- (a) make their application on the form available from Veterans UK;
- (b) comply with any direction made or condition imposed by a claims officer in relation to their application;
- (c) inform the claims officer of any claim or other proceedings which may give rise to an award or payment mentioned in paragraph 88 in respect of the criminal injury giving rise to the application, and the progress of the claim or proceedings;
- (d) assist the claims officer, and any other body or person, as far as reasonably practicable in relation to consideration of their application; and
- (e) provide the claims officer with any change in their correspondence address as soon as reasonably practicable.

93. The applicant must provide such information in connection with their application as a claims officer may reasonably require, in particular:

- (a) evidence that the applicant satisfies the requirements of paragraph 12 or 13 in relation to eligibility;
- (b) medical evidence in relation to the injury giving rise to the application;
- (c) where the application includes a claim for a payment other than an injury payment, evidence in support of that part of the application; and
- (d) such information as the applicant has, or which is reasonably available to them, in relation to their eligibility for a payment from any other source in relation to the injury or other losses to which their application under this Scheme relates.

94. Veterans UK will not normally meet any costs incurred by the applicant in connection with an application. In particular, it will not meet the costs of legal or other representation incurred by the applicant.

95. Veterans UK will meet the reasonable cost of obtaining evidence incurred in connection with an application only where a claims officer is satisfied:

- (a) in relation to the medical evidence referred to in paragraph 93(b), that:
  - (i) the applicant cannot reasonably obtain that information, but Veterans UK can;
  - (ii) the applicant cannot afford to obtain it; or
  - (iii) the cost of obtaining it exceeds £50;

- (b) in relation to such further medical or other expert evidence as the claims officer may reasonably require, that:
  - (i) such evidence is necessary for the proper consideration of the application; and
  - (ii) it would be reasonable in all the circumstances for Veterans UK to meet the cost of obtaining it.

96. Veterans UK will meet the cost of reasonable ancillary expenses incurred by the applicant in connection with obtaining medical or other expert evidence falling within paragraph 95.

97. Where an award is made, a claims officer may deduct from that award the following costs incurred in connection with the application:

- (a) where Veterans UK met the cost of the medical evidence referred to in paragraph 93(b), that cost, up to the amount of £50; and
- (b) any costs incurred by Veterans UK as a result of the applicant failing to attend a medical or other appointment without reasonable excuse.

97. An application may be withdrawn by the applicant at any time before a payment is made.

### **Deferring the determination of an application**

98. A claims officer may defer determination of an application in whole or in part:

- (a) in exceptional cases, until the end of any criminal proceedings relating to the incident giving rise to the criminal injury which the claims officer is satisfied are material to the determination; or
- (b) until the claims officer is satisfied that the applicant has taken all reasonable steps to obtain any social security benefits, insurance payments, damages or compensation to which the applicant may be entitled in respect of the same injury;

### **Determination and payment**

99. A claims officer will notify the applicant in writing of the determination of the application.

100. Where an applicant has been notified of the determination of their application in accordance with paragraph 100 and the applicant wishes to accept that determination, an award will not be made unless the applicant sends written notice of their acceptance of the determination so that Veterans UK receives it within 56 days after the date of the written notice of determination.

101. Where an applicant has been notified of the determination of their application in accordance with paragraph 100 and the applicant wishes to seek a review of that determination, the application for review must be sent so that it is received by Veterans UK within 56 days after the date of the written notice of determination.

102. A claims officer may extend the time limit in paragraph 101 or 102 for one further period of up to 56 days where:
- (a) an application to extend that time limit is made in writing, whether before or after expiry of the initial period; and
  - (b) due to exceptional circumstances, the applicant could not have complied with the time limit.
103. (1) Where an applicant has not given notice under paragraph 101 or 102 within the required period, or has failed to do so within the period of any extension granted under paragraph 103, a claims officer may withdraw the determination, and no award will be made.
- (2) A claims officer may not withdraw a determination under this paragraph before the end of the period of two years starting on the day after the day on which the relevant time limit expires.
104. A claims officer must send written notice of withdrawal under paragraph 104 to the applicant.
105. An award will normally be paid in a lump sum, subject to any direction made by a claims officer under paragraph 107.
106. A claims officer may give directions, impose conditions and make such other arrangements as the claims officer considers appropriate in connection with the acceptance, payment or administration of an award, including for the purpose of:
- (a) making one or more interim payment;
  - (b) establishing a trust to administer the award, on such terms or in accordance with such arrangements as the claims officer may specify;
  - (c) retaining the award until the applicant's 18th birthday;
  - (d) providing that an award is to consist in whole or in part of an annuity;
  - (e) requiring the appointment of a deputy or guardian;
  - (f) repaying the award in full or in part in the event that it is no longer required by the applicant, including by means of a trust on terms which provide for unused funds to revert to Veterans UK.
107. Any cost arising as a result of a direction, condition or arrangement under paragraph 107 will not be met by Veterans UK unless an award includes a payment under paragraph 53(i), in which case only the cost arising in relation to that payment will be met.
108. Subject to a direction, condition or arrangement in connection with the award under paragraph 107, the entitlement to an award only arises on the date on which Veterans UK receives written notice of acceptance of the determination.

### **Reconsideration and repayment**

109. A claims officer may reconsider a determination before final payment of an award, whether or not an interim payment has been made, where the claims

officer becomes aware of evidence or a change in circumstances which, if known prior to the determination, would have affected whether an award was made or its amount.

110. A claims officer may require repayment of all or part of an award where the claims officer is satisfied that evidence received after final payment has been made shows that the applicant:

- (a) has not cooperated as far as reasonably practicable in bringing the assailant to justice;
- (b) has deliberately misled a claims officer in relation to a material aspect of their application; or
- (c) has received a payment in respect of which a reduction could have been made under paragraphs 55, 56 or 86.

111. The amount of a repayment under:

- (a) Paragraph 112.(1)(a) or (b) will be the full amount of the award made to the applicant; and
- (b) Paragraph 112.(1)(c) will be for the amount the applicant has received which could have been deducted from their award.

112. A claims officer will notify the applicant in writing of a decision to reconsider a determination or to require repayment under paragraph 110 or 111.

113. An applicant must make any representations about such a decision so that they are received by Veterans UK within 30 days after the date of the written notice under paragraph 113.

114. A claims officer will notify the applicant in writing of a final decision on reconsideration or repayment.

### **Further payment on re-opening of an application**

115. A claims officer may re-open an application after a final award has been made in order to make an additional payment where a condition in paragraph 117 is satisfied.

116. The conditions referred to in paragraph 116 are:

- (a) a person who has accepted an award subsequently dies as a result of the criminal injury giving rise to the award; or
- (b) there has been a material change in the medical condition of the applicant so allowing the original determination to stand would give rise to an injustice to the applicant.

117. An application may only be re-opened under paragraph 116:

- (a) within two years after the date on which the Veterans UK received the notice of acceptance of the determination, or the date of the claims appeal officer's direction to make an award; or

- (b) if later, with supporting evidence which means that the application can be determined without further extensive enquiries by a claims officer.

## **Review**

118. An applicant may seek a review of:

- (a) a decision as to the determination of an award or its amount, including on re-opening under paragraph 116;
- (b) a decision under paragraph 104 to withdraw a determination;
- (c) a final decision notified under paragraph 115 on reconsideration of an award;
- (d) a final decision notified under paragraph 115 to require repayment or partial repayment of an award;
- (e) a decision not to extend a time limit under paragraph 90, 103 or 122;
- (f) a decision in respect of medical evidence under paragraph 95(a) or a deduction under paragraph 97; and
- (g) a decision not to re-open an application under paragraph 118.

119. An applicant may not seek a review of a decision made on review or appeal.

120. An application for a review must be made in writing and be accompanied by the grounds on which review is sought and any supporting evidence. It must be sent by the applicant so that it is received by Veterans UK within 56 days after the date of the written notice of decision to which the application relates.

121. A claims officer may extend the time limit in paragraph 121 for one further period of up to 56 days where:

- (a) an application to extend is made in writing, whether before or after expiry of the initial period; and
- (b) due to exceptional circumstances the applicant could not have complied with the time limit.

122. A review will be conducted, and a decision on an application to extend time under paragraph 122 will be made, by a claims review officer. The claims review officer who conducts the review will not be bound by any previous decision made in connection with the application.

123. Unless paragraph 126 applies, the claims review officer must send the applicant written notice of the decision on a review.

124. Where Veterans UK does not receive a notice of appeal in respect of the review decision, a claims review officer will proceed to determine the application in accordance with the review decision.

125. Where a claims review officer decides on a review to re-open an application under paragraph 116, that officer will proceed to determine the application without sending written notice of the review decision.

## Appeal

126. An applicant, who is dissatisfied with a decision on a review, or a determination on re-opening under paragraph 126, may appeal to the claims appeal officer against that decision.
127. On receipt of a notice of appeal, a claims appeal officer may:
- (a) decide that the review decision under appeal was made in error; and
  - (b) send written notice of a revised review decision to the applicant.
128. An applicant who receives a notice under paragraph 128 of a revised review decision must send written notice to the Veterans UK of:
- (a) acceptance of the revised review decision; or
  - (b) rejection of that decision.
129. Where Veterans UK receives notice in accordance with paragraph 129(a), and a claims officer is satisfied that the applicant has withdrawn their appeal the application will be determined in accordance with the revised review decision.
130. Where the claims appeal officer allows an appeal against a decision on review under paragraph 119 (a), (c), (d) or (f), the claims appeal officer may make such direction to Veterans UK as it considers appropriate for the determination of the application by a claims officer in accordance with this Scheme.
131. Where the claims appeal officer allows an appeal against a decision on review under paragraph 119(b), the applicant must notify Veterans UK within 56 days after the date of the appeal decision that they either accept the determination or seek a review of that determination.
132. Where the claims appeal officer allows an appeal against a decision under paragraph 119(e) not to extend a time limit, Veterans UK will arrange for the application to be treated as if the time limit had been extended by a claims officer in accordance with this Scheme. In relation to a decision under paragraph 103 or 122, the applicant must notify Veterans UK within 56 days after the date of the appeal decision that they either accept the relevant determination or decision or seek a review.
133. Before the claims appeal officer may allow an appeal against a decision under paragraph 119(g) not to re-open a case, the claims appeal officer must be satisfied that the application can be determined without further extensive enquiries by Veterans UK. Where the claims appeal officer allows such an appeal, Veterans UK will re-open the case.
134. Where the claims appeals officer is considering an appeal against a decision on a review under paragraph 119(a), (c) or (d), the claims appeals officer may direct that an interim payment is made to the applicant.

## **Transitional provisions**

135. The provisions of the revised Scheme come in to force on 1 July 2017. All applications received by Veterans UK on or after 1 July 2017 will be dealt with under the terms of the Scheme.
136. All applications for compensation received before 1 July 2017 will continue to be dealt with if they were received on or after 3 November 2008, in accordance with the provisions of the scheme in DIN 2011 DIN01-230 and the Tariff which came into operation on 3 November 2008.
137. Where an application was determined under a Scheme which allowed for that determination to be re-opened reviewed or appealed; any application to do so will be considered in accordance with that Scheme.

## Notes to the Scheme

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## **Note 1 Interpretation**

In this Scheme:

‘applicant’ means the person for whose benefit an application for compensation is made;

‘Armed Forces’ means Her Majesty’s United Kingdom Armed Forces;

‘assailant’ means a person responsible for the criminal injury which is the subject of the application;

‘criminal injury’ means an injury which appears in Part A or B of the tariff in Note 6;

‘final award’ means an award which, but for any possibility of being re-opened in accordance with paragraph 116, disposes of the application;

‘police’ means any Service police, local civil police, or other body or person considered by the claims officer to be appropriate for the purpose;

‘DBS Veterans UK’ means Defence Business Services and Veterans Agency;

‘social security benefits’ includes all state and local authority benefits or assistance, whether paid in whole or in part from the funds of any part of the United Kingdom or elsewhere; and

A reference in this Scheme to a ‘child’ means a child or an adopted child of the deceased who is either:

- aged under 18; or
- in full-time education or vocational training; or
- because of physical or mental impairment is unable to engage in gainful employment and was dependent on the deceased on the day of the deceased’s death;

Any other child or young person who meets any of the conditions above and was financially dependent on the deceased on the day of death will fall within the definition of ‘child’ for the purpose of this scheme;

Other than in the tariff in Note 6, and unless otherwise stated, a reference in this Scheme to an incident includes a series of incidents and, in the case of a series of incidents, a reference to the date of the incident means the date of the first incident in the series.

## **Note 2 Definition of Great Britain**

### **Definition of Great Britain**

1. For the purposes of paragraph 1 of this Scheme, an injury is sustained in Great Britain where it is sustained:

- (a) on a British aircraft, hovercraft or ship (see paragraph 2); or
- (b) on, under or above an installation in a designated area within the meaning of section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964 or any waters within 500 metres of such an installation; or
- (c) in a lighthouse off the coast of Great Britain.

### **Definition of British aircraft, British Hovercraft and British ship**

2. In paragraph 1 above:

- (a) "British aircraft" means a British controlled aircraft within the meaning of section 92 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982 (application of criminal law to aircraft), or one of Her Majesty's aircraft;
- (b) "British hovercraft" means a British controlled hovercraft within the meaning of that section (as applied in relation to hovercraft by virtue of provision made under the Hovercraft Act 1968), or one of Her Majesty's hovercraft; and
- (c) "British ship" means any vessel used in navigation which is owned wholly by persons of the following descriptions, namely:
  - (i) British citizens, or
  - (ii) bodies corporate incorporated under the law of some part of, and having their principal place of business in, the United Kingdom, or
  - (iii) Scottish partnerships, or one of Her Majesty's ships.

3. The references in this Note to Her Majesty's aircraft, hovercraft or ships are references to aircraft, hovercraft or ships which belong to, or are exclusively used in the service of, Her Majesty in right of the government of the United Kingdom or the Scottish Administration.

### **Note 3 Crime of Violence**

1. This Note applies in deciding whether a crime of violence has been committed for the purposes of this Scheme. It is consistent with the rules of the Civilian Injuries Compensation Scheme (CICS). Where a claims officer is satisfied that a crime has been committed it is still necessary for that crime to constitute a crime of violence in accordance with this Note.

2. Subject to paragraph 3 of this note, a “crime of violence” is a crime which involves:

- (a) a physical attack;
- (b) any other act or omission of a violent nature which causes physical injury to a person;
- (c) a threat against a person, causing fear of immediate violence in circumstances which would cause a person of reasonable firmness to be put in such fear;
- (d) a sexual assault to which a person did not in fact consent; or
- (e) arson or fire-raising.

3. An act or omission under paragraph (2) will not constitute a crime of violence unless it is done either intentionally or recklessly.

4. In exceptional cases, an act may be treated as a crime of violence where the assailant:

- (a) is not capable of forming the necessary mental element due to insanity; or
- (b) is a child below the age of criminal responsibility who in fact understood the consequences of their actions.

5. A crime of violence will not be considered to have been committed for the purposes of this Scheme if, in particular, an injury:

- (a) resulted from suicide or attempted suicide, unless the suicidal person acted with intent to cause injury to another person;
- (b) resulted from the use of a vehicle, unless the vehicle was used with intent to cause injury to a person;
- (c) resulted from an animal attack, unless the animal was used with intent to cause injury to a person;
- (d) was sustained in the usual course of sporting or other activity to which a person consented by taking part in the activity; or
- (e) was sustained *in utero* as a result of harmful substances willingly ingested by the mother during pregnancy, with intent to cause, or being reckless as to, injury to the foetus.

6. In paragraph 5 (b), “vehicle” means any device which can be used to transport persons, animals or goods, whether by land, water or air.

#### **Note 4 Previous Convictions**

1. This Note sets out the circumstances in which an award under this Scheme may be withheld or reduced because the applicant to whom an award would otherwise be made has unspent convictions.

2. Paragraphs 3 to 6 of this note do not apply to a spent conviction. “Conviction”, “service disciplinary proceedings”, and “sentence” have the same meaning as under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974, and whether a conviction is spent, or a sentence is excluded from rehabilitation, will be determined in accordance with that Act.

3. An award may not be made to an applicant (unless they meet conditions under paragraph 15 of this note) who on the date of their application has a conviction for an offence which resulted in:

- (a) a sentence excluded from rehabilitation;
- (b) a custodial sentence;
- (c) a sentence of service detention;
- (d) removal from Her Majesty’s service;
- (e) a community order;
- (f) a youth rehabilitation order; or
- (g) a sentence equivalent to a sentence under sub-paragraphs 3.(a) to (f) imposed under the law of Northern Ireland or a member state of the European Union, or such a sentence properly imposed in a country outside the European Union.

4. An award will be withheld or reduced where, on the date of their application, the applicant has a conviction for an offence in respect of which a sentence other than a sentence specified in paragraph 3 of this note was imposed unless there are exceptional reasons not to withhold or reduce it.

5. Paragraph 4 does not apply to a conviction for which the only penalty imposed was one or more of an endorsement, penalty points or a fine under Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988.

6. Paragraph 3 and 4 of this note do not apply in relation to a sentence under the law of a country outside the United Kingdom for conduct which on the date of conviction did not constitute a criminal offence under the law of any part of the United Kingdom.

7. Paragraphs 2 to 6 of this note also apply in relation to an applicant who after the date of application but before the date of its final determination is convicted of an offence which is not immediately spent.

In this Note:

‘community order’ means:

- (a) a community payback order under section 227A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995;
- (b) a community order under section 177 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003;
- (c) a service community order or overseas community order under the Armed Forces Act 2006; or

(d) any order of a kind which, on the date this Scheme is made, has been superseded (whether directly or indirectly) by an order mentioned in the above sub-paragraph (a), (b) or (c);

‘custodial sentence’ means:

- (a) a sentence of imprisonment;
  - (b) a sentence of detention in a young offender institution, or, in Scotland, a young offender’s institution;
  - (c) a sentence of Borstal training;
  - (d) a sentence of youth custody;
  - (e) a sentence of corrective training;
  - (f) a sentence of detention under section 205 or 208 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995;
  - (g) a sentence of detention under section 91 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 or section 209 of the Armed Forces Act 2006;
  - (h) a detention and training order under section 100 of the Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 or an order under section 211 of the Armed Forces Act 2006;
- or
- (i) any sentence of a kind which, on the date this Scheme is made, has been superseded (whether directly or indirectly) by a sentence mentioned in the above sub-paragraph (f), (g) or (h);

‘removal from Her Majesty’s service’ means a sentence of dismissal with disgrace from Her Majesty’s service, a sentence of dismissal from Her Majesty’s service or a sentence of cashiering or discharge with ignominy;

‘sentence of imprisonment’ includes a sentence of penal servitude;

‘sentence of service detention’ means

- (a) a sentence of service detention (within the meaning given by section 374 of the Armed Forces Act 2006), or a sentence of detention corresponding to such a sentence, in respect of a conviction in service disciplinary proceedings; or
- (b) any sentence of a kind which, on the date this Scheme is made, has been superseded (whether directly or indirectly) by a sentence mentioned in the above sub-paragraph (a);

‘youth rehabilitation order’ means:

- (a) a youth rehabilitation order under Part 1 of the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008; or
- (b) any order of a kind which, on the date this Scheme is made, has been superseded (whether directly or indirectly) by a youth rehabilitation order.

**Note 5 Multiplier Tables**

	<b>Table A Multipliers to be applied to account for the accelerated receipt of compensation</b>	<b>Table B Discount factors to be applied to a lump sum in respect of loss which starts at a future date</b>
<b>Years of loss</b>	<b>Multiplier</b>	<b>Discount factor</b>
1	0.9878	0.9756
2	1.9514	0.9518
3	2.8916	0.9286
4	3.8088	0.9060
5	4.7037	0.8839
6	5.5767	0.8623
7	6.4284	0.8413
8	7.2594	0.8207
9	8.0701	0.8007
10	8.8610	0.7812
11	9.6326	0.7621
12	10.3855	0.7436
13	11.1199	0.7254
14	11.8364	0.7077
15	12.5355	0.6905
16	13.2175	0.6736
17	13.8829	0.6572
18	14.5320	0.6412
19	15.1654	0.6255
20	15.7832	0.6103
21	16.3860	0.5954
22	16.9741	0.5809
23	17.5479	0.5667
24	18.1076	0.5529
25	18.6537	0.5394
26	19.1865	0.5262
27	19.7063	0.5134
28	20.2134	0.5009
29	20.7082	0.4887
30	21.1908	0.4767
31	21.6617	0.4651
32	22.1212	0.4538
33	22.5694	0.4427
34	23.0067	0.4319
35	23.4333	0.4214
36	23.8495	0.4111
37	24.2556	0.4011
38	24.6517	0.3913
39	25.0382	0.3817
40	25.4153	0.3724
41	25.7831	0.3633

42	26.1420	0.3545
43	26.4922	0.3458
44	26.8338	0.3374
45	27.1671	0.3292
46	27.4922	0.3211
47	27.8094	0.3133
48	28.1189	0.3057
49	28.4208	0.2982
50	28.7154	0.2909
51	29.0028	0.2838
52	29.2831	0.2769
53	29.5567	0.2702
54	29.8235	0.2636
55	30.0839	0.2572
56	30.3379	0.2509
57	30.5857	0.2448
58	30.8274	0.2388
59	31.0633	0.2330
60	31.2934	0.2273

**Table C Life expectancy table**

Age last birthday at date of determination or, in fatal case, death	Life expectancy	
	Males	Females
0-5	91	94
6-8	90	94
9-11	90	93
12-16	89	93
17-19	89	92
20-24	88	92
25-27	88	91
28-33	87	91
34-39	87	90
40-44	86	90
45-63	86	89
64-68	87	89
69-70	87	90
71-74	88	90

75	89	90
76-77	89	91
78-79	90	91
80	90	92
81-83	91	92
84-85	92	93
86-87	93	94
88	94	94
89	95	95
90	95	96
91	96	96
92-93	97	97
94	98	98
95	99	99



## Note 6 CIC(O) Scheme Tariff

Tariff of Injuries			
Part A			
Part B			
Levels of compensation		Levels of compensation	
Level A1	£1,000	Level B1	£1,000
Level A2	£1,500	Level B2	£1,500
Level A3	£1,800	Level B3	£2,000
Level A4	£2,400	Level B4	£3,300
Level A5	£3,500	Level B5	£4,400
Level A6	£4,600	Level B6	£5,500
Level A7	£6,200	Level B7	£6,600
Level A8	£11,000	Level B8	£8,200
Level A9	£13,500	Level B9	£11,000
Level A10	£16,500	Level B10	£13,500
Level A11	£19,000	Level B11	£16,500
Level A12	£22,000	Level B12	£22,000
Level A13	£27,000	Level B13	£27,000
Level A14	£33,000	Level B14	£33,000
Level A15	£44,000	Level B15	£44,000
Level A16	£55,000		
Level A17	£82,000		
Level A18	£110,000		
Level A19	£175,000		
Level A20	£250,000		

### PART A: PHYSICAL AND MENTAL INJURIES

Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
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#### GENERAL

##### Burns

Affecting multiple areas of body covering over 25% of total skin, with significant scarring	A14	33,000
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Note [1]: For other burn injuries see under individual parts of the body

“Moderate” describes:

- first or second degree burns covering no more than 25% of the affected area in adults, or no more than 20% in children; or
- third degree burns covering no more than 10% of the affected area in either adults or children

Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
"Severe" describes:		
-first or second degree burns covering more than 25% of the affected area in adults, or more than 20% in children;		
-third degree burns covering more than 10% of the affected area in either adults or children; or		
-fourth degree burns		
<b><u>Major paralysis (other than as a result of brain damage)</u></b>		
Hemiplegia (impairment in motor or sensory function of one half of body);		
- mild	A13	27,000
- moderate	A16	55,000
- severe	A18	110,000
Paraplegia (impairment in a motor or sensory function of the lower extremities);		
- minimal	A13	27,000
- moderate but substantially incomplete	A18	110,000
- substantially complete	A19	175,000
Quadraplegia/tetraplegia (impairment in motor or sensory function of upper and lower extremities);		
- substantially incomplete injury to both upper and lower limb levels	A15	44,000
- substantially incomplete to upper limb level but complete to lower limb level	A19	175,000
- substantially complete to both upper and lower limb levels	A20	250,000
<b><u>Medically recognised illness or condition (excluding minor and mental injury)</u></b>		
Moderately disabling disorder where the symptoms and disability persist for 28 weeks or more from the incident or date of onset;		
- lasting 28 weeks or more		
- not permanent	A2	1,500
- permanent	A7	6,200
Seriously disabling disorder where the symptoms and disability persist for 13 weeks or more from the incident or date of onset;		
- lasting 13 weeks or more up to 28 weeks	A4	2,400
- lasting 28 weeks or more		
- not permanent	A7	6,200
- permanent	A12	22,000

Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
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### **Mental injury**

Note [2]: "Mental injury" does not include temporary mental anxiety and similar temporary conditions.

A mental injury is disabling if it has a substantial adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities for the time specified (e.g. impaired work or school performance or effects on social relationships or sexual dysfunction).

Disabling mental injury, confirmed by diagnosis or prognosis of psychiatrist or clinical psychologist;

- lasting 6 weeks or more up to 28 weeks	A1	1,000
- lasting 28 weeks or more up to 2 years	A4	2,400
- lasting 2 years or more up to 5 years	A7	6,200
- lasting 5 years or more but not permanent	A9	13,500

Permanent mental injury, confirmed by diagnosis or prognosis of psychiatrist or clinical psychologist;

- moderately disabling	A11	19,000
- seriously disabling	A13	27,000

### **Peripheral sensory nerve damage**

Permanent disability;

- significant loss (e.g. loss of sensation in large area of leg)	A2	1,500
- serious loss (e.g. loss of sensation of hand)	A7	6,200

### **Peripheral motor nerve damage not otherwise compensated for**

Permanent disability;

- minor (e.g. paralysis or equivalent functional loss of finger or toe)	A1	1,000
- significant (e.g. paralysis or equivalent loss of handgrip or foot movement)	A7	6,200

## **HEAD & NECK**

### **Burns (causing more than minor disfigurement)**

Head;

- moderate	A4	2,400
- severe	A10	16,500

Face;

- moderate	A5	3,500
- severe	A13	27,000

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Neck;		
- moderate	A4	2,400
- severe	A10	16,500
<b><u>Scarring</u></b>		
Head;		
- significant disfigurement	A2	1,500
- serious disfigurement	A5	3,500
Face;		
- significant disfigurement	A4	2,400
- serious disfigurement	A8	11,000
Neck;		
- significant disfigurement	A2	1,500
- serious disfigurement	A6	4,600

### **Brain Damage**

Note [3]: A brain injury can cause physical or mental damage, resulting in, for example, loss of muscle or nerve control, loss of balance, incontinence, or impairment of concentration, memory, motivation or personality. It can also commonly cause epilepsy, to a greater or lesser extent. Where the cause of any injury is brain damage there will not be additional awards for separate injuries but the seriousness of the combined effects will be measured together.

#### Minor head injury

Brain injury, if any, minimal (e.g. one or more of concussion, impairment of balance or headaches);

- lasting 28 weeks or more	A2	1,500
- permanent	A7	6,200

#### Minor brain damage

Good recovery able to socialise and return to work but persisting problems with concentration memory, disinhibition of mood affecting lifestyle, leisure activities, future work prospects;

- slight and short lived (less than 6 months)	A7	6,200
- moderate and medium term (6 months up to 2 years)	A10	16,500
- significant and long lasting (2 years or more)	A12	22,000

#### Moderate brain damage

Some dependence on others, intellectual deficit, personality change, ability to work reduced, some effect on the senses;

- slight	A13	27,000
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<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- moderate	A16	55,000
- significant	A17	82,000
Moderately severe brain damage		
Serious disablement of physical or mental faculties requiring substantial dependence on professional or other care, with marked impairment of intellect and personality, abnormal behaviour and poor communication	A18	110,000
Very serious brain injury		
Severe physical limitation, significant effect on the senses with little insight or significant reduction in life expectancy. Little or no meaningful response to the environment, little or no language function, double incontinence and need for full-time or all day and some night nursing care	A19	175,000
Note [4]: Applications otherwise within level A20 fall into level A19 if life expectancy is greatly reduced or there is little or no insight due to persistent vegetative state.		
No useful physical movement, significant effect on the senses and with some degree of insight. Little or no meaningful response to the environment, little or no language function, double incontinence and need for full-time nursing care	A20	250,000
<b><u>Epilepsy – continuing disability</u></b>		
- well controlled on medication	A7	6,200
- partially controlled on medication	A9	13,500
- uncontrolled despite medication	A15	44,000
<b><u>Ear</u></b>		
Deafness		
- permanent partial deafness (remaining hearing socially useful, with hearing aid if necessary);		
- one ear	A3	1,800
- both ears	A7	6,200
- permanent total deafness;		
- one ear	A10	16,500
- in only hearing ear	A14	33,000
- both ears	A15	44,000
Loss of ear;		
- partial loss of ear(s)	A4	2,400
- loss of ear	A8	11,000

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- loss of both ears	A11	19,000
Perforated ear drum;		
- both ears	A1	1,000
Tinnitus (ringing noise in ear(s));		
- lasting 13 weeks or more	A2	1,500
- permanent		
- other than very severe	A7	6,200
- very severe	A10	16,500
Vestibular damage (causing giddiness);		
- lasting 28 weeks or more – recovery expected	A2	1,500
- permanent	A7	6,200
<b><u>Eye</u></b>		
Blow out or other fracture of orbital bone cavity containing eyeball;		
- no operation	A2	1,500
- requiring operation	A4	2,400
Permanent blurred or double vision;		
- slight	A4	2,400
- moderate	A7	6,200
- serious	A9	13,500
Cataracts;		
- one eye		
-requiring operation	A2	1,500
- permanent (inoperable or operation unsuccessful)	A7	6,200
- both eyes		
-requiring operation	A7	6,200
- permanent (inoperable or operation unsuccessful)	A11	19,000
Permanent loss of visual field;		
- slight	A1	1,000
- moderate	A5	3,500
- serious	A15	44,000
Dislocation of lens;		
- one eye	A5	3,500
- both eyes	A9	13,500

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Glaucoma	A1	1,000
Hyphaema requiring operation		
- both eyes	A1	1,000
Loss of eye;		
- one eye	A13	27,000
- both eyes	A18	110,000
Loss of sight;		
- one eye	A12	22,000
- one eye, where the sight in the uninjured eye cannot be corrected to better than 6/36	A14	33,000
- one eye, where the uninjured eye is already totally blind	A17	82,000
- both eyes	A18	110,000
Partial loss of vision when corrected by glasses or contact lenses or other means (e.g. laser surgery);		
- better than 6/12	A1	1,000
- 6/12	A6	4,600
- 6/18	A7	6,200
- 6/24	A9	13,500
- 6/36	A10	16,500
- 6/60	A11	19,000
- substantial loss of vision (both eyes) at least 6/36 in each eye or worse	A16	55,000
Residual central floater(s) affecting vision	A2	1,500
Retina;		
damage not involving detachment		
- one eye	A1	1,000
- both eyes	A5	3,500
detached		
- one eye	A5	3,500
- both eyes	A9	13,500
Significant penetrating injury		
- one eye	A1	1,000
- both eyes	A6	4,600
Traumatic angle recession	A1	1,000

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
<b><u>Face</u></b>		
Permanent clicking jaw	A5	3,500
Dislocated jaw – continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Fractured ethmoid – operation required	A4	2,400
Fractured zygoma (malar/check bone);		
- no operation – continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Operation required;		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Fractured jaw bone (one or more of mandible;maxilla);		
- no operation		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Operation required		
- substantial recovery	A3	1,800
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Multiple fractures to face (e.g. Le Fort fractures types 2 & 3)	A8	11,000
Numbness or loss of feeling;		
- permanent		
- moderate (e.g. cheek, forehead)	A2	1,500
- severe (e.g. lip interfering with function)	A4	2,400
<b><u>Neck</u></b>		
Strained neck or whiplash injury;		
Disabling		
- for more than 13 weeks	A1	1,000
Seriously disabling		
- not permanent	A5	3,500
- permanent	A8	11,000
<b><u>Nose</u></b>		
Loss of smell or taste;		
- partial loss of smell or taste, or both	A5	3,500
Total		
- loss of smell or taste	A8	11,000



<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- loss of smell and taste	A10	16,500
Partial loss of nose (at least 10%)	A4	2,400
<b><u>Skull</u></b>		
Fracture;		
Simple		
- no operation	A1	1,000
- requiring operation	A5	3,500
Depressed		
- no operation	A4	2,400
- requiring operation	A6	4,600
<b><u>Teeth</u></b>		
Damage to;		
- one or more from teeth requiring crown(s)	A1	1,000
Fractures to one or more teeth requiring apicectomy (surgery to gum to reach root - root resection)	A3	1,800
Loss of;		
- crowns	A1	1,000
Front teeth (incisor or canine);		
-one front tooth	A2	1,500
- two or three front teeth	A4	2,400
- four or more front teeth	A5	3,500
Teeth other than front;		
- two or more teeth	A2	1,500
<b><u>Tongue</u></b>		
Impaired speech (other than slight impairment);		
- moderate	A5	3,500
- serious	A8	11,000
- severe	A11	19,000
Loss of speech – permanent	A14	33,000
Loss of tongue	A15	44,000

Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
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### UPPER LIMBS

#### Burns

Moderate (excluding minor burns)	A4	2,400
Severe	A8	11,000

#### Scarring

Significant disfigurement	A1	1,000
Serious disfigurement	A5	3,500

#### Arm

Loss of;

- one non-dominant arm	A14	33,000
- one dominant arm	A16	55,000
- one arm where there is no remaining arm or hand with any useful function	A17	82,000
- both arms	A18	110,000

Paralysis of or equivalent loss of function of;

- one non-dominant arm	A13	27,000
- one dominant arm	A15	44,000
- total loss of function of one arm where there is no remaining arm or hand with any useful function	A17	82,000
- both arms	A17	82,000

#### Elbow

Dislocated or fractured;

One elbow;

- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200

Both elbows;

- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000

#### Finger and Thumb

Fracture or dislocation of;

- thumb		
- one hand		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Both hands;		
- substantial recovery	A5	3,500
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Index finger;		
One hand;		
- continuing significant disability	A3	1,800
Both hands;		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A6	4,600
One finger other than index finger		
Both hands		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Two or more fingers other than index finger		
One hand		
- continuing significant disability	A1	1,000
Both hands		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A6	4,600
Loss of:		
- finger other than index finger	A5	3,500
- two or more fingers	A8	11,000
- index finger	A7	6,200
- both index fingers	A10	16,500
- thumb	A10	16,500
- both thumbs	A16	55,000
Partial loss of:		
- finger other than thumb or index finger	A1	1,000
- two or more fingers other than index finger or thumb	A5	3,500
- thumb or index finger	A4	2,400
- thumb or index finger - both hands	A7	6,200
- thumb and index finger - one hand	A7	6,200
- thumb and index finger - both hands	A10	16,500

## **Hand**

Fractured hand

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
One hand		
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both hands		
- substantial recovery	A3	1,800
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Loss of, or equivalent loss of function of;		
- one non-dominant hand	A14	33,000
- one dominant hand	A16	55,000
- loss of, or total loss of function of one hand where there is no remaining hand or arm with any useful function	A17	82,000
- both hands	A18	110,000
Permanently and seriously impaired grip;		
- one hand	A7	6,200
- both hands	A10	16,500
<b><u>Humerus (upper arm bone)</u></b>		
Fractured		
One arm;		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both arms;		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Radius (a forearm bone)</u></b>		
Fractured		
One arm;		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both arms;		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Shoulder</u></b>		
Dislocated		
One shoulder		

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both shoulders;		
- substantial recovery	A3	1,800
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Frozen		
One shoulder		
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both shoulders;		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
<b><u>Damage to one or more of tendon ligament or cartilage</u></b>		
Minor damage		
One arm		
- continuing significant disability	A1	1,000
Both arms		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Moderate damage		
One arm		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Both arms		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Severely damaged		
One arm		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both arms		
- substantial recovery	A6	4,600
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Ulna (a forearm bone)</u></b>		
Fractured		
One arm		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both arms		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Wrist</u></b>		
Fractured - colles type or equivalent fracture or displacement of distal radius		
One wrist		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Both wrists		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
Fractured or dislocated - including scaphoid fracture		
One wrist		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Both wrists		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
Sprained		
One wrist		
- disabling for 13 weeks or more	A1	1,000
Both wrists		
- disabling for 13 weeks or more	A3	1,800

## **TORSO**

### **Burns**

Moderate (excluding minor burns)	A4	2,400
Severe	A8	11,000

### **Scarring**

Significant disfigurement	A1	1,000
Serious disfigurement	A5	3,500

### **Abdomen**

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Injury requiring laparotomy – including no repair or repair of one organ	A3	1,800
Injury requiring laparotomy or laparoscopy;		
- including repair of two organs	A5	3,500
- including repair of three or more organs	A7	6,200
Laparotomy with one or more of colostomy, ileostomy or ureterostomy lasting 14 weeks or more but not permanent	A5	3,500
Laparotomy with one or more of permanent colostomy, ileostomy or ureterostomy	A9	13,500
<b><u>Back</u></b>		
Fracture of vertebra		
One vertebra		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
More than one vertebra		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Prolapsed intervertebral disc(s)		
Seriously disabling		
- not permanent	A5	3,500
- permanent	A7	6,200
Ruptured intervertebral disc(s) – requiring surgical removal	A8	11,000
Strained		
Disabling		
- for 13 weeks or more	A1	1,000
Seriously disabling		
-not permanent	A5	3,500
- permanent	A8	11,000
<b><u>Chest</u></b>		
Injury requiring thoracotomy	A7	6,200
Injury requiring thoracotomy with removal or extensive repair of one or more organs	A10	16,500
<b><u>Clavicle (collar bone)</u></b>		
Fractured		

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
One clavicle		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Two clavicles		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A6	4,600
<b><u>Coccyx (tail bone)</u></b>		
Fractured	A1	1,000
<b><u>Genitalia</u></b>		
Injury requiring medical treatment		
Permanent damage		
- moderate	A5	3,500
- severe	A8	11,000
Loss of fertility	A16	55,000
<b><u>Hernia</u></b>		
- hernia	A3	1,800
- hernias	A5	3,500
<b><u>Kidney</u></b>		
Loss of kidney	A8	11,000
Serious and permanent damage to, or loss of, both or only functioning kidney	A16	55,000
<b><u>Lung</u></b>		
Punctured		
- one lung	A2	1,500
- both lungs	A6	4,600
Collapsed		
- one lung	A3	1,800
- both lungs	A7	6,200
Permanent and disabling damage to lungs from smoke or chemical inhalation	A8	11,000
<b><u>Pancreas</u></b>		
Loss of pancreas	A10	16,500
<b><u>Pelvis</u></b>		



<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Fractured		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Scapula (shoulder blade)</u></b>		
Fractured		
One scapula		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Both scapulas		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A6	4,600
<b><u>Spleen</u></b>		
Loss of spleen	A8	11,000
<b><u>Sternum (breast bone)</u></b>		
Fractured		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
<b><u>LOWER LIMBS</u></b>		
<b><u>Burns</u></b>		
Moderate (excluding minor burns)	A4	2,400
Severe	A8	11,000
<b><u>Scarring</u></b>		
Significant disfigurement	A1	1,000
Serious disfigurement	A5	3,500
<b><u>Ankle</u></b>		
Fractured or dislocated		
One ankle		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
Both ankles		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A10	16,500

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Sprained One ankle - disabling for more than 13 weeks	A1	1,000
Both ankles - disabling for 13 weeks or more	A3	1,800
<b><u>Femur (thigh bone)</u></b>		
Fractured One leg - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A3 A6	1,800 4,600
Both legs - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A5 A8	3,500 11,000
<b><u>Fibula (slender bone from knee to ankle)</u></b>		
Fractured One leg - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A1 A3	1,000 1,800
Both legs - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A2 A5	1,500 3,500
<b><u>Foot</u></b>		
Fractured metatarsal bones One foot - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A1 A3	1,000 1,800
Both feet - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A2 A5	1,500 3,500
Fractured tarsal bones One foot - substantial recovery - continuing significant disability	A2 A7	1,500 6,200

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Both feet		
- substantial recovery	A5	3,500
- continuing significant disability	A9	13,500
<b><u>Heel</u></b>		
Fractured heel bone		
One foot		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Both feet		
- substantial recovery	A5	3,500
- continuing significant disability	A9	13,500
<b><u>Hip</u></b>		
Fractured or dislocated		
One hip		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
Both hips		
- substantial recovery	A7	6,200
- continuing significant disability	A10	16,500
<b><u>Knee</u></b>		
Patella (knee cap)		
Dislocated		
One knee		
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both knees		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Fractured		
One knee		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both knees		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Removal of		
- one knee	A3	1,800
- both knees	A5	3,500
<b><u>Leg</u></b>		
Loss of		
One leg		
- below knee	A14	33,000
- above knee	A15	44,000
- loss of, or total loss of function of one leg where there is no remaining leg with useful function	A17	82,000
-both legs, whether below or above knee	A18	110,000
Paralysis of leg (see also major paralysis (paraplegia))	A13	27,000
<b><u>Damage to one or more of tendon, ligament or cartilage</u></b>		
Minor damage		
One leg		
- continuing significant disability	A2	1,500
Both legs		
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Moderate damage		
One leg		
- continuing significant disability	A5	3,500
Both legs		
- substantial recovery	A4	2,400
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
Severe damage		
One leg		
- substantial recovery	A2	1,500
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Both legs		
- substantial recovery	A6	4,600
- continuing significant disability	A10	16,500

**Tibia (shin bone)**

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
Fractured		
One leg		
- substantial recovery	A3	1,800
- continuing significant disability	A6	4,600
Both legs		
- substantial recovery	A5	3,500
- continuing significant disability	A8	11,000
<b><u>Toe</u></b>		
Fractured		
Great toe		
One foot		
- substantial recovery	A1	1,000
- continuing significant disability	A7	6,200
Both feet		
- substantial recovery	A3	1,800
- continuing significant disability	A9	13,500
Two or more toes		
One foot		
- continuing significant disability	A1	1,000
Both feet		
- continuing significant disability	A4	2,400
Loss of		
- great toe	A7	6,200
- both great toes	A9	13,500
- two or more toes (other than great toe)	A4	2,400
Partial loss of		
- great toe	A1	1,000
- both great toes	A5	3,500

## PART B: SEXUAL AND PHYSICAL ABUSE AND OTHER PAYMENTS

Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
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### **Fatal criminal injury**

Single qualifying relative	B9	11,000
Multiple qualifying relatives	B6	5,500

### **Physical abuse of adults, including domestic abuse**

Note [5]: Where a person has sustained a number of injuries as part of a pattern of abuse, payment will normally be made to reflect the pattern of abuse, based on the most serious injuries in the pattern, rather than each separate injury. An exception may be made where a single injury sustained as part of the pattern of abuse would give rise to a higher tariff payment than that for the abuse, in which case the higher payment may be made instead of the award for the pattern of abuse.

Whether injuries have arisen as part of a pattern of abuse will be assessed by reference to all the circumstances, including whether there was one or more assailants (and whether they acted together), the nature of the injuries and incidents, and the period in which they occurred.

#### Serious abuse

- intermittent physical assaults resulting in an accumulation of healed wounds, burns or scalds, but with no appreciable disfigurement	B3	2,000
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#### Severe abuse

- pattern of repetitive violence resulting in minor disfigurement	B6	5,500
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Persistent pattern of severe abuse over a period more than 3 years	B8	8,200
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### **Physical abuse of children, including domestic abuse**

Note [5] applies to physical abuse of children

#### Minor abuse

- isolated or intermittent assault(s) resulting in weals, hair pulled from the scalp etc	B1	1000
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#### Serious abuse

- intermittent physical assaults resulting in an accumulation of healed wounds, burns or scalds, but with no appreciable disfigurement	B3	2,000
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#### Severe abuse

Persistent pattern of repetitive violence resulting in:

- moderate multiple injuries (e.g. bruising and minor	B6	5,500
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Description of injury	Level	Standard Amount £
fractures) or minor disfigurement		
- significant multiple injuries	B8	8,200
- Severe multiple injuries	B10	13,500

### **Sexual offence where victim is any age (if not already compensated as a child)**

Note [6]: Where a person has been the victim as part of a pattern of abuse of a number of sexual assaults which would otherwise qualify for separate payments, payment will normally be made for the pattern of abuse, based on the most serious incidents in the pattern, rather than for each separate incident.

An exception may be made where a single incident which occurred as part of the pattern of abuse would give rise to a higher tariff payment than that for the abuse, in which case the higher payment may be made instead of the award for the pattern of abuse.

Whether incidents are a part of a pattern of abuse will be assessed by reference to all the circumstances, including whether there was one or more assailants (and whether they acted together), the nature of the injuries and incidents, and the period in which they occurred.

#### Sexual assault

- minor – non-penetrative sexual physical act(s) over clothing	B1	1,000
- serious – non-penetrative sexual physical act(s) under clothing	B3	2,000
- severe – non-penile penetrative or oral-genital act(s)	B4	3,300

Pattern of repetitive frequent severe abuse (whether by one or more attackers) over a period;

- up to 3 years	B7	6,600
- 3 years or more	B8	8,200
- resulting in serious internal bodily injuries	B12	22,000

Resulting in permanently disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis;

- moderate mental illness	B12	22,000
- severe mental illness	B13	27,000

Non-consensual penile penetration of one or more of vagina, anus or mouth;

- by one attacker	B9	11,000
- by two or more attackers	B10	13,500
- resulting in serious internal bodily injuries	B12	22,000

Resulting in permanently disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis;

<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
- moderate mental illness	B12	22,000
-severe mental illness	B13	27,000
Resulting in serious internal bodily injury with permanent disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis;		
- moderate mental illness	B14	33,000
- severe mental illness	B15	44,000
Pattern of repetitive incidents (whether by one or more attackers) over a period;		
- up to 3 years	B11	16,500
- 3 years or more	B12	22,000
<b><u>Sexual offence where victim is a child (under age of 18 at time of, or commencement of, offence) or an adult who by reason of mental incapacity is incapable of giving consent</u></b>		
Note [6] applies where the victim is a child or an adult unable to give consent		
Sexual assault;		
- minor – non-penetrative sexual physical act(s) over clothing	B1	1,000
- minor – non-penetrative frequent sexual physical act(s) over clothing	B2	1,500
- serious – non-penetrative sexual physical act(s) under clothing	B3	2,000
- serious – pattern of repetitive non-penetrative sexual physical acts under clothing	B4	3,300
Sexual assault		
One or more of non-penile penetrative or oral genital act(s)		
- one incident	B4	3,300
- two or more isolated incidents	B5	4,400
Pattern of repetitive, frequent incidents;		
- over a period up to 3 years	B7	6,600
- over a period of 3 years or more	B8	8,200
- resulting in serious internal bodily injuries	B12	22,000
Resulting in permanently disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis		
- moderate mental illness	B12	22,000
- severe mental illness	B13	27,000
Non-consensual penile penetration of one or more of vagina,		



<b>Description of injury</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Standard Amount £</b>
anus or mouth		
- one incident	B9	11,000
- one incident involving two or more attackers	B10	13,500
Repeated incidents over a period;		
- up to 3 years	B11	16,500
- 3 years or more	B12	22,000
- resulting to serious internal bodily injuries	B12	22,000
Resulting in permanently disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis		
- moderate mental illness	B12	22,000
- severe mental illness	B13	27,000
Resulting in serious internal bodily injury with permanent disabling mental illness confirmed by psychiatric prognosis		
- moderate mental illness	B14	33,000
- severe mental illness	B15	44,000

### **Other payments**

Where a person has sustained any of the following as a direct result of their being the victim of sexual offence, an additional payment will be made

These payments will not be subject to the multiple injury formula at paragraph 37 of this Scheme.

Pregnancy	B6	5,500
Sexually transmitted infection other than HIV, Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C;		
- substantial recovery	B6	5,500
- permanent disability	B9	11,000
Infection with one or more of HIV, Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C (sustained as a result of any crime of violence). This payment is not subject to the multiple injury formula.	B12	22,000
Loss of foetus (sustained as a result of any crime of violence). This payment is not subject to the multiple injury formula.	B6	5,500