

MARYLAND REGISTER

Proposed Action on Regulations

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	10/23/2014	Date Filed with Division of State Documents
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		Date of Publication in MD Register

1. Desired date of publication in Maryland Register: 12/12/2014

2. COMAR Codification

Title Subtitle Chapter Regulation

14 09 15 02

14 09 16 03, .13

3. Name of Promulgating Authority

Workers Compensation Commission

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6. Check applicable items:

New Regulations

Amendments to Existing Regulations

Date when existing text was downloaded from COMAR online: September 19, 2014.

Repeal of Existing Regulations

Recodification

Incorporation by Reference of Documents Requiring DSD Approval

Reproposal of Substantively Different Text:

: Md. R
(vol.) (issue) (page nos) (date)

Under Maryland Register docket no.: --P.

7. Is there emergency text which is identical to this proposal:

Yes No

8. Incorporation by Reference

Check if applicable: Incorporation by Reference (IBR) approval form(s) attached and 18 copies of documents proposed for incorporation submitted to DSD. (Submit 18 paper copies of IBR document to DSD and one copy to AELR.)

9. Public Body - Open Meeting

OPTIONAL - If promulgating authority is a public body, check to include a sentence in the Notice of Proposed Action that proposed action was considered at an open meeting held pursuant to State Government Article, §10-506(c), Annotated Code of Maryland.

OPTIONAL - If promulgating authority is a public body, check to include a paragraph that final action will be considered at an open meeting.

10. Children's Environmental Health and Protection

Check if the system should send a copy of the proposal to the Children's Environmental Health and Protection Advisory Council.

11. Certificate of Authorized Officer

I certify that the attached document is in compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act. I also certify that the attached text has been approved for legality by H. Scott Curtis, Assistant Attorney General, (telephone #410-864-5313) on October 24, 2014. A written copy of the approval is on file at this agency.

Name of Authorized Officer

R. Karl Aumann

Title

Chairman

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Date

October 24, 2014

Title 14

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

14.09.15 Open Meetings

Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

14.09.16 Public Information Act Requests

Authority: Labor and Employment Article, § 9-309(a); General Provisions Article §§ 3-101 through 3-501; §§ 4-101 through 4-601; Annotated Code of Maryland.

Notice of Proposed Action

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The Workers' Compensation Commission proposes to amend Regulation .02 under COMAR 14.09.15 (Open Meetings); and amend Regulations .03 and .13 under COMAR 14.09.16 (Public Information Act Requests), to update now-obsolete COMAR references.

This action was considered at a public meeting on October 23, 2014, notice of which was given by publication in 41:20 Md. R. 1189 (October 3, 2014).

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to update now-obsolete COMAR references.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Amy Lackington, Administrator, Workers' Compensation Commission, 10 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21202, or call 410-864-5300, or email to alackington@wcc.state.md.us, or fax to 410-864-5301. Comments will be accepted through January 12, 2015. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

Open Meeting

Final action on the proposal will be considered by the Workers' Compensation Commission during a public meeting to be held on February 12, 2015, at 10 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

Economic Impact Statement Part C

A. Fiscal Year in which regulations will become effective: FY 2015

B. Does the budget for the fiscal year in which regulations become effective contain funds to implement the regulations?

No

C. If 'yes', state whether general, special (exact name), or federal funds will be used:

D. If 'no', identify the source(s) of funds necessary for implementation of these regulations:

No additional funds are necessary for the implementation of these amendments.

E. If these regulations have no economic impact under Part A, indicate reason briefly:

The amendments will have no economic impact under Part A.

F. If these regulations have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses under Part B, indicate the reason and attach small business worksheet.

The amended regulations have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses under Part B.

G. Small Business Worksheet:

Attached Document:

14.09.15 (09/19/2014)

Title 14 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Chapter 15 Open Meetings

Authority: Labor and Employment Article, §9-309(a); [State Government] *General Provisions* Article, [§10-507(b)] §§3-101—3-501; Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Definitions.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Terms Defined.

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) "Open Meeting" means any meeting of the Commission required to be open to the public by [State Government] *the Open Meetings Act, General Provisions* Article, §§[10-501—10-512] 3-101—3-501, Annotated Code of Maryland.

(3) "Public body" has the meaning stated in [State Government] *General Provisions* Article, §[10-502] 3-101(h), Annotated Code of Maryland.

14.09.16 (09/19/2014)

Title 14 INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSTION COMMISSION

Chapter 16 Public Information Act Requests

Authority: Labor and Employment Article, §9-309(a); [State Government] *General Provisions* Article, §§ [10-611—10-628] *4-101—4-601*; Annotated Code of Maryland

.03 Definitions.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Terms Defined.

(1) "Act" means the Public Information Act, [State Government] *General Provisions* Article, §§ [10-611—10-628] *4-101—4-601*, Annotated Code of Maryland.

(2)—(9) (text unchanged)

.13 Review of Denial.

If the custodian denies a request to inspect or copy a public record of the Commission, the applicant, within 30 days after receipt of the notice of denial, may file an appropriate action in the circuit court under [State Government Article, §10-623, Annotated Code of Maryland] *the Act*.