



**YUKON WORKERS'  
COMPENSATION  
HEALTH AND  
SAFETY BOARD**

SUBJECT: ASSESSMENTS POLICY NO.: AS - 18  
BOARD APPROVAL: *[Signature]*  
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## **POLICY STATEMENT**

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### **OPTIONAL COVERAGE**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Workers' Compensation Act extends, in the event of a work-related injury, compensation benefits to "workers". Not everyone is considered to be a worker--for example employers, sole proprietors, volunteers, outworkers, and people acting in religious functions, such as clerics.

However, these individuals may purchase optional coverage from the board. Individuals who have purchased optional coverage are deemed to be "workers" and will receive compensation in the event of a work-related disability.

#### **POLICY**

##### **A. APPLICATION**

Upon application of an employer, a sole proprietor, a municipality or a First Nation and subject to any conditions that it may establish, the board may deem the following persons to be workers of that employer and allow them to purchase optional coverage:

1. A person employed on a casual basis, other than for the purpose of the employer's industry;
2. An outworker;
3. A person during any time the person is acting in a religious function as a duly ordained or appointed cleric, a member of a religious order or as a lay reader;

4. A volunteer;
5. A sole proprietor;
6. Elected officials of the municipal council;
7. Elected or appointed officials of a First Nation;
8. An employer.

**B. MINIMUM AMOUNT OF OPTIONAL COVERAGE**

For 1993 the minimum amount of optional coverage that can be purchased is \$13,000 (thirteen thousand dollars), as per Board Order 1992/ [number to be assigned].

**C. MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF OPTIONAL COVERAGE**

The maximum amount of optional coverage that can be purchased is an amount equal to the yearly maximum wage rate as set out in S. 101(1).

**D. PROOF OF EARNINGS**

When purchasing optional coverage up to \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars), no proof of earnings is required.

When purchasing optional coverage over \$30,000 (thirty thousand) dollars, proof of earnings is required.