

ORDER OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF JUNE 18, 1968 ON THE
SCHEDULE OF OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES IN RESPECT OF WHICH
BENEFITS ARE PAYABLE IN CASE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S DISABLEMENT
OR DEATH.

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Pursuant to Art. 16.2 of the General Pensions Scheme for Employees and Their Families Act of Jan. 23, 1963 (Journal of Laws No 3, item 6) be it enacted as follows:

§ 1. The Schedule annexed to this Order lists the occupational diseases in respect of which benefits specified in the General Pensions Scheme for Employees and Their Families Act of January 23, 1963 (Journal of Laws No. 3, item 6), hereinafter referred to as “the Act,” may be claimed in case of the disablement or death of the employee caused by the said diseases.

§ 2. 1. The benefits specified in the Act are payable in case of disablement or death caused by an occupational disease, if the employee was employed after Dec. 31, 1967 in certain processes which are conducive to an occupational disease (§ 1) or its relapse, provided other conditions in this respect have been satisfied.

2. The benefits mentioned in item 1 shall be also payable if the employee:

1) was employed before Jan. 1, 1968 in certain processes which are conducive to an occupational disease or its relapse, listed in the Schedule annexed to the Order of the Council of Ministers of May 14, 1956, re. the schedule of occupational diseases (Journal of Laws No. 27, item 122).

2) became disabled or died as a result of an occupational disease mentioned in item 1,

3) satisfied the conditions specified in § 2 of the Order quoted in item 1, provided

4) other conditions required in this respect have been met.

§ 3. The Order of the Council of Ministers of May 14, 1956 re. the schedule of occupational diseases (Journal of Laws No. 27, item 122) is revoked.

§ 4. The Order shall come into force on the day of its promulgation and be effective from Jan. 1, 1968.

Annex to the Order of the Council of Ministers
of June 18, 1968 (item 147).

SCHEDULE OF OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES IN RESPECT OF WHICH BENEFITS
ARE PAYABLE IN CASE OF THE EMPLOYEES DISABLEMENT OR DEATH
CAUSED BY AN OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE

No.	Occupational disease	Description of the process or conditions conducive to an occupational disease
1	2	3
1	Acute or chronic poisoning by chemicals used or connected with the process and their sequelae.	Any process involving the use of poisonous substances.
2	Pneumoconioses: silicosis, silicatosis and other fibrous reactions in the lungs, pure or mixed, due to the inhalation of dust (such as silicoantracosis, silicoderosis etc.) and concomitant tuberculosis of the lungs.	Processes involving the inhalation of dust which contains silicone dioxide in its free or bounded form, or other kinds of dust which may cause fibrosis of the lungs.

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1	2	3
3	Diseases caused by ionizing radiation and radioactive elements. Note: including tumours, skin and ophthalmic diseases caused by these factors.	Processes involving ionizing irradiation and radioactive elements.
4	Pathologic changes in the nervous, vascular and motorial systems caused by mechanical vibrations.	Processes involving mechanical vibrations.
5	Chronic diseases of tendons, tendon sheaths, bursae muscosae, peri-articular tissues, caused by the kind of process.	Processes involving constant compression or an overload of the articular and osseous system; especially the work done by ironers, house-painters, pavers, plasterers.
6	Occupational injury of the organs of hearing.	Processes involving noises of high intensity.
7	Cataract or retinitis caused by occupational physical factors. Note: lesions resulting from ionizing radiation shall be classified pursuant to item 3.	Processes involving long infra-red or ultra-violet radiation, high electromagnetic field, especially the work of welders, persons operating calcining or drilling furnaces, glass-blowers, persons employed in the laboratories of physiotherapy.
8	Chronic skin diseases: purulency of the skin, of the nasal mucosa and mouth; corneitis.	Processes involving contact with caustic or irritant substances, cutting fluids in metal-working and in the production of chromium compounds, in the production of acids, organic dyestuffs; also the work done by etchers and galvanizers.
9	Caisson disease.	Processes involving the stay in variable atmospheric pressure.

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1	2	3
10	<p>Malignant tumours which developed as a result of the occupational contact with cancerigenous compounds:</p> <p>—malignant tumours of the skin</p> <p>malignant tumours of the urinary tract.</p> <p>malignant tumours of the respiratory tract.</p> <p>Note: tumours which developed as a result of ionizing radiation shall be classified pursuant to item 3.</p>	<p>Processes involving long contacts with the products of the dry distillation of coal, petroleum, bituminous shales, pitchstone, asphalt and other such substances; especially processes in chemical coking and dyestuff plants, petroleum refineries; the operations of asphalt paviments, wood-distillers.</p> <p>Processes involving long contacts with benzene amines and naphthalene amines and their derivatives, e.g., alpha and beta naphthylamine benzidine.</p> <p>Processes occupationally involving inhalation of cancerigenous substances, especially certain hydrocarbons of polycyclic chromium compounds.</p>
11	Ascariasis in miners.	Mining operations.
12	Nystagmus.	Mining operations.
13	Actinomycosis.	Operations carried out by workers in granaries.
14	<p>Diseases acquired from animals:</p> <p>—brucellosis</p> <p>—tularemia</p> <p>—rabies</p> <p>—leptospirosis</p> <p>—tetanus</p> <p>—glanders</p> <p>—anthrax.</p>	<p>Processes involving contacts with diseased animals; work done for practical purposes; work done by persons employed in research institutes and laboratories; by animal catchers.</p> <p>Work done by gardeners, farmers, stable-boys, horse-breeders, vet. surgeons; employees who come into contact with infectious materials or infected objects.</p>
15	Infectious diseases acquired in connection with the occupation, if it would be groundless to suppose that the source of the disease was outside the working conditions in a given occupation.	Work done by the health and vet. service employees and the staff of research institutes and laboratories who contact directly with infectious medium or infected materials.
16	Tropical diseases in sailors and other persons.	Stay in tropical countries in connection with employment.