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<b>Minister</b>	Hon Scott Simpson	<b>Portfolio</b>	ACC
<b>Title of Cabinet paper</b>	Accident Compensation Amendment Regulations 2025	<b>Date to be published</b>	13 November 2025

### List of documents that have been proactively released

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October 2025	Accident Compensation Amendment Regulations	Office of the Minister for ACC
23 October 2025	Accident Compensation Amendment Regulations LEG-25-MIN-0211 Minute	Cabinet Office

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# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Accident Compensation Amendment Regulations 2025

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On 23 October 2025, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1        **noted** that in June 2025, the Cabinet Social Outcomes Committee agreed to update three Accident Compensation Regulations and amend Schedule 2 of the Accident Compensation Act 2001, to make 12 additions to the list of occupational diseases, simplify and uplift costs reimbursed at review, amend the age scale used in hearing assessments, and increase reimbursement rates paid to claimants travelling for treatment [SOU-25-MIN-0065];
- 2        **noted** that the following Order and Amendment Regulations will give effect to the decision above:
  - 2.1      Accident Compensation (Occupational Diseases) Order 2025 [PCO 28190/4.0];
  - 2.2      Accident Compensation (Ancillary Services) Amendment Regulations 2025 [PCO 28191/4.0];
  - 2.3      Accident Compensation (Review Costs and Appeals) Amendment Regulations 2025 [PCO 28192/10.0];
  - 2.4      Accident Compensation (Occupational Hearing Assessment Procedures) Amendment Regulations 2025 [PCO 25552/6.0];
- 3        **noted** that sections 336(2), 323(2), and 325(2) of the Accident Compensation Act 2001 require that the responsible Minister be satisfied that consultation with persons they consider appropriate has occurred before recommending any changes relating to Schedule 2, the Accident Insurance (Occupational Hearing Assessment Procedures) Regulations 1999, and the Accident Compensation (Ancillary Services) Regulations 2002 (respectively);
- 4        **noted** the advice of the Minister for ACC that the requirements in paragraph 3 above have been met;
- 5        **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Order and Amendment Regulations in paragraph 2 above;

6      **noted** that the Order and Amendment Regulations will come into force on 27 November 2025.

Tom Kelly  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon Paul Goldsmith  
Hon Louise Upston (Chair)  
Hon Tama Potaka  
Hon Nicole McKee  
Hon Casey Costello  
Hon James Meager  
Todd Stephenson, MP  
Jamie Arbuckle, MP

**Officials present from:**

Officials Committee for LEG