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Clark Bishop Commissioner	SUBJECT REFERENCE	Death Benefits AS 23.30.215	

Payment for fatalities on or after January 1, 2009

1. Death benefits payable per AS 23.30.215(a)(2)(B) - widow or widower and one child:

a) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$877.00 or above**, the payments are fixed at:

for the widow or widower - \$548/wk

for the child - \$439/wk

b) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$876.00 or below**, use the following formula:

for the widow or widower - employee's compensation rate divided by .8 x .5

for the child - employee's compensation rate divided by .8 x .4

2. Death benefits payable per AS 23.30.215(a)(2)(C) - widow or widower and two or more children:

a) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$790.00 or above**, the payments are fixed at:

for the widow or widower - \$296/wk

for the children - \$691/wk

b) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$789.00 or below**, use the following formula:

for the widow or widower - employee's compensation rate divided by .8 x .3

for the children - employee's compensation rate divided by .8 x .7

c) The total weekly amount of compensation may not be less than \$75 for a widow or widower, nor less than \$50 for children.

3. Death benefits payable per AS 23.30.215(a)(2)(D) and 23.30.215(a)(2)(E) - only one child and no widow or widower, or two or more children and no widow or widower:

a) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$790.00 or above**, the payments are fixed at:

for the only child - \$987/wk

for two or more children- \$987/wk divided equally among the children

b) If the employee's compensation rate in the tables is **\$789.00 or below**, use the following formula:

for the only child - employee's compensation rate divided by .8

for two or more children - employee's compensation rate divided by .8 equally divided among the children

c) The total weekly amount of compensation may not be less than \$25 to a child, nor less than \$50 for children.