

Setting Up an Estate

When a worker is fatally injured as a result of a workplace injury, the worker's family can get support from the Workers' Compensation Board (WCB), as outlined in [The Workers' Compensation Act, 2013](#), available at www.qp.gov.sk.ca.

Burial/funeral support

As soon as it's decided that the death is a result of a workplace injury, the WCB makes a lump sum payment to the worker's estate to help with the necessary expenses of the death of the worker, including burial. If the death happens away from the worker's home community, the cost of transporting the body could also be covered.

What is an estate?

An estate is a process for dealing with the property of the deceased, including WCB compensation, after death. For more information, visit the [Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench](#) website at sasklawcourts.ca. Also consult with a lawyer and your financial institution.

Additional resources are available from the Public Legal Education Association of Saskatchewan at www.plea.org/legal_resources/general_public/ under the "Other" section:

- [A Death in the Family](#)
- [Wills and Estates](#)

Additional WCB compensation

If you are the spouse of a worker who died as a result of a work injury, you may qualify for additional compensation. Please refer to our fact sheet [Fatalities](#) on the WCB's website under Workers > Worker Forms & Fact Sheets.

The WCB offers support to families of a worker who has died as a result of a work injury. Please refer to our fact sheet [Family Support – Seriously Injured Workers](#) on the WCB's website under Workers > Worker Forms & Fact Sheets.

For additional information, or to find out if you qualify for compensation, contact your WCB case manager or call 1.800.667.7590.

