# MODULE: IMPAIRMENT INCOME BENEFITS

Division of Workers' Compensation

#### **IMPAIRMENT INCOME BENEFITS (IIB)**

s. 440.15(3), F.S., Rule 69L-3.01925, F.A.C.

Once an employee has reached maximum medical improvement (MMI) IIBs are due and payable within 14 days after the insurer has knowledge of the impairment.

IIB's shall be based on a **Permanent Impairment Rating (PIR)**, which is a percentage of impairment to the body as a whole.

For dates of accident on or after October 1, 2003: Paid bi-weekly at the rate of 75% of the IW's average weekly temporary total disability (AWTTD) benefit for each week the injured worker (IW) is not earning the pre-injury wages. If the IW is earning pre-injury wages or better, IIBs are paid at 50% of the 75% calculation.

The impairment ratings in our examples are not meant to be indicative of every potential scenario.

## **Impairment Income Benefits**

Entitlement to IIB begins the day <u>after</u> the IW reaches MMI.

For dates of accident on or after October 1, 2003.

You could use the table below to determine the number of weeks of entitlement for IIB based upon the PIR.

1% thru 10%	11% thru 15%	16% thru 20%	21% or greater
2 weeks of	3 weeks of	4 weeks of	6 weeks of
benefits for each	benefits for	benefits for each	benefits for each
percent	each percent	percent	percent

### IIB Scenario | 10% PIR

If the IW was assigned a **10**% PIR, how many weeks of IIBs would be due? **10**% of the rating is 2 weeks for each percent = **20** weeks of entitlement. For a total of **20** weeks of IIBs.

1% thru 10%	11% thru 15%	16% thru 20%	21% or greater
2 weeks of	3 weeks of	4 weeks of	6 weeks of
benefits for each	benefits for	benefits for each	benefits for each
percent	each percent	percent	percent

### IIB | Payments for 10% PIR

IIB's are paid bi-weekly at the rate of 75% of the IW AWTTD for each week the IW is <u>not</u> earning pre-injury wages. Benefits shall be reduced by 50% for each week in which the employee has earned incomed equal to or in excess of the employee's AWW.

STEP #1: Determine AWW & Comp. Rate (C/R)

AWW: \$300.00 C/R: \$200.01

STEP #2: Determine MMI date, insurer knowledge of MMI, and

if the employee has returned to work

MMI: 10-02-2018 Knowledge: 11-9-2018 RTW: YES

STEP #3: Determine PIR & total weeks of entitlement

Impairment Rating: 10% Entitlement: 10 (10% x 2 weeks = 20 weeks of entitlement)

For a total of 20 weeks

STEP #4: Determine 50% of 75% of the C/R

 $$200.01 \times .75 = $150.01$ , then take  $50\% \times $150.01 = $75.01$  weekly rate for the IIB

STEP #5: Take \$75.01 x 20 weeks = \$1,500.02

#### IIB Scenario | 20% PIR

If the IW was assigned a 20% PIR, how many weeks of IIBs would be due?

10% of the rating is 2 weeks for each percent = 20 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement

For a total of **55** weeks of IIBs.

1% thru 10%	11% thru 15%	16% thru 20%	21% or greater
2 weeks of	3 weeks of	4 weeks of	6 weeks of
benefits for each	benefits for	benefits for each	benefits for each
percent	each percent	percent	percent

## **IIB** | Payments for 20% PIR

IIB's are paid bi-weekly at the rate of 75% of the IW AWTTD for each week the IW is <u>not</u> earning pre-injury wages.

STEP #1: Determine AWW & Comp. Rate (C/R)

AWW: \$300.00 C/R: \$200.01

STEP #2: Determine MMI date, insurer knowledge of MMI, and

if the employee has returned to work

MMI: 10-02-2018 Knowledge: 11-9-2018 RTW: NO

STEP #3: Determine PIR & total weeks of entitlement | PIR: 20%

10% of the rating is 2 weeks for each percent = 20 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement

For a total of **55** weeks

STEP #4: Determine 75% of the C/R

 $$200.01 \times .75 = $150.01$  weekly rate for the IIB

STEP #5: Take  $$150.01 \times 55 \text{ weeks} = $8,250.55$ 

#### IIB Scenario | 45% PIR

If the IW was assigned a 45% PIR, how many weeks of IIBs would be due?

10% of the rating is 2 weeks for each percent = 20 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement = 150 weeks of entitlement = 150 weeks of entitlement = 150 weeks of entitlement

For a total of **205** weeks of IIBs.

1% thru 10%	11% thru 15%	16% thru 20%	21% or greater
2 weeks of	3 weeks of	4 weeks of	6 weeks of
benefits for each	benefits for	benefits for each	benefits for each
percent	each percent	percent	percent

### IIB | Payments for 45% PIR

IIB's are paid bi-weekly at the rate of **75**% of the IW AWTTD for each week the IW is <u>not</u> earning pre-injury wages.

STEP #1: Determine AWW & Comp. Rate (C/R)

AWW: \$300.00 C/R: \$200.01

STEP #2: Determine MMI date, insurer knowledge of MMI, and

if the employee has returned to work

MMI: 10-02-2018 Knowledge: 11-9-2018 RTW: NO

STEP #3: Determine PIR & total weeks of entitlement | PIR: 45%

10% of the rating is 2 weeks for each percent = 20 weeks of entitlement = 15 weeks of entitlement = 20 weeks of entitlement = 150 weeks of entitlement

For a total of **205** weeks of IIBs

STEP #4: Determine 75% of the C/R |  $$200.01 \times .75 = $150.01$  weekly rate for the IIB

STEP #5: Take  $$150.01 \times 205 \text{ weeks} = $30,752.05$ 

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#### **Benefit Calculators**

In an effort to help stakeholders evaluate their benefit information, the Division provides a set of online benefit calculators on its web site.

The information and interactive calculators are made available to everyone as self-help tools for each person's independent use.

The Division offers three types of benefit calculators:

Temporary Total Disability,

Temporary Partial Disability, and

**Impairment Income** (IIB)



If you have any questions about the calculation of benefits, or with estimating benefits, please contact the Division at: (850) 413-1608

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