We’re protected by
WORKER’S
COMPENSATION

Follow safety rules and you’ll be protected from injury. But if you are injured at work, you’re protected by benefits.

Report injuries to your supervisor immediately
• You don’t need a lawyer to get benefits.
• You won’t get in trouble for reporting an injury or making a truthful claim.
• Your supervisor will help start your claim.

Fraud hurts us all
Call the Fraud Hotline if you know about a false claim, (608) 261-8486. Or you can reach us via the internet at http://www.dwd.wisconsin.gov/wc
Save everyone the added insurance costs and a possible reduction in wage increases.
Don’t make a worker’s compensation claim unless it’s legitimate. You risk jail, a fine and/or job loss.
Prevent the Abuse of Worker’s Compensation Claims

We Help Employers Fight Fraud

If you suspect a claim is fraudulent, or that it abuses the system, work with your insurance carrier to prepare evidence of the alleged fraud. Then report the case to:

Worker’s Compensation Fraud Unit
201 E. Washington Avenue
P.O Box 7901
Madison, WI 53707-7901

PROVE IT!

Conviction of a fraudulent claim requires proof beyond a reasonable doubt of an intentional misrepresentation to secure benefits. Only the best documented cases succeed.

Prevention Is the Best Defense

A well-designed loss control program and the serious threat of legal action are very effective deterrents to making fraudulent claims.

Fraud Prevention Tips

1. Develop a first-class safety program. Claims are less likely to mushroom if injuries are prevented and employees feel that management is genuinely concerned about their safety. You can do that by establishing and practicing clear and comprehensive safety policies.

2. Establish strong accident investigation procedures. Injured employees and witnesses should be interviewed in person about the accident as soon as possible. Document all statements. Get a signed statement from the claimant.

3. Show concern for getting injured employees first-class medical evaluations and treatments.

4. Establish procedures for a clear understanding of essential information. Make sure the treating physician understands the nature of the job. Make sure the supervisor understands return-to-work limitations.

5. Make sure employees understand that false claims can be punished by terminations and criminal prosecution.

NOTE: Please use the poster on the reverse side to inform employees about worker’s compensation fraud.