

The Workers Compensation Board - Here For You

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Fishers, did you know?

Registering your fishing business for WCB coverage includes:

- ✓ **Protection for your workers** - WCB coverage provides health care benefits, wage loss replacement and other programs and services following a work-related injury or illness
- ✓ **Collective Liability** - Where the total cost of the compensation system is shared by ALL employers
- ✓ **Security of Payment** - A fund is created to guarantee that compensation will be available for injured workers WHEN they need it
- ✓ **Exclusive Jurisdiction** - All compensation claims are directed SOLELY to the compensation board

Registering
is EASY!

Time is one of your most precious resources!

Save yourself TIME by:

- Registering on the WCB website at wcb.pe.ca

OR

- Calling the WCB at 902-368-5680 and speaking to one of our Employer Services specialists.

For more information

↪ wcb.pe.ca/employers/registration

Frequently Asked Questions

How are assessment rates calculated?

Assessment rates are based on the cost of previous workplace accidents in the fishing industry. The 2026 rate for fishing is \$1.69 per \$100 of assessable payroll. Here are some premium examples:

Estimated Assessable Payroll	WCB Annual Premium
\$10,000	\$169
\$30,000	\$507
\$50,000	\$845

What information is required to register?

You will be asked to estimate your payroll for the year and include the number of workers that you employ. When calculating your payroll estimate, use the calendar year → January 1 to December 31.

Are workers protected outside the fishing season?

Even if a worker isn't being paid at the time, they should file a claim with the WCB if the injury occurred while doing something for the purpose of their employment. The WCB will determine what type of benefits the worker may be entitled to.

Am I covered as an owner/independent operator?

To be covered, owners and independent operators must purchase their own coverage which is separate from the coverage for workers. Details can be found in the Personal Coverage FAQ available at wcb.pe.ca