

State of New York - Workers' Compensation Board
CLAIM FOR VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS' BENEFITS IN A DEATH

This claim will be processed more quickly if copies of necessary documents are submitted to the Board. Attach copies of the documents which you have in your possession. Otherwise obtain copies and bring them to the first hearing. DO NOT DELAY filing this claim form. Necessary documents are as follows:

- a. A medical report from doctor who treated the deceased.
- b. Death certificate.
- c. Proof of relationship such as birth certificate, marriage certificate, adoption papers, etc.
- d. Itemized funeral bill.

Does this claim involve disease or malfunction of the heart or of one or more coronary arteries? Yes No

W.C.B. CASE NO. (if known)	CARRIER CASE NO.	CARRIER CODE NO.	DECEDENT'S SOC. SEC. NO.	CLAIMANT'S SOC. SEC. NO.	DATE OF ACCIDENT
NAME			ADDRESS (Give No, Street, City, State and Zip Code)		
DECEASED VOLUNTEER AMB. WORKER			Apt. No.		
AMBULANCE COMPANY					
POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LIABLE					
CARRIER					
CLAIMANT			Apt. No.		

I hereby make claim for death benefits payable under the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefit Law for injury to the deceased volunteer ambulance worker named above sustained in the line of duty and in support of this claim, I submit the following information:

1. a. Death occurred on (Date) _____ at (Place) _____
 b. Date of injury _____ at _____ o'clock _____ M. (Attach Death Certificate If Available)
 c. Address and community where injury occurred _____
 d. Was volunteer ambulance worker injured in the line of duty in the jurisdiction of his/her ambulance district or political subdivision? Yes No
 If volunteer ambulance worker was injured in the line of duty involving an assistance call from another locality, give name of other ambulance district or political subdivision _____
 e. Cause of injury (Describe fully what factors or events led up to or contributed to the injury.) _____
 f. Nature of injury and part of body injured _____

Note: Attach a medical report, if available.

	Name	Address
2. ATTENDING PHYSICIAN		
3. LAST PHYSICIAN OR HOSPITAL		
4. UNDERTAKER		
5. PERSON WHO PAID UNDERTAKER BILLS		

6. Amount of Undertaker's Bills \$ _____ Amount paid, if any \$ _____ (Attach funeral bill, if available.)
7. Claimant's date of birth _____ 8. Relationship to deceased _____
9. Is deceased survived by a spouse and/or children under 18 years of age or under 25 years of age and enrolled and attending as full-time students in any accredited educational institution? Yes No

10. Survivors or dependents of the deceased - attach additional sheet if necessary (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE)			
Name	Address	Birth Date	Relationship

NOTE: Attach proof of relationship such as birth certificate, marriage certificate, adoption papers, etc., if available.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT CLAIMING DEATH BENEFITS, CONTACT THE NEAREST OFFICE OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD.

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11. IF YOU ARE THE SPOUSE OR CHILD OF THE DECEASED ENTER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS APPLICABLE:

- a. You were married to the deceased on (date) _____ at (place) _____ by (person performing ceremony) _____ Attach marriage certificate if available.
- b. Number of children under 18 years of age at the time of the death of the deceased. _____
- c. Number of children at least 18 years of age but under 25, enrolled and attending as full time students in any accredited educational institution at the time of the death of the deceased. _____

12. IF YOU ARE NEITHER THE SPOUSE OF THE DECEASED OR CHILD OF THE DECEASED UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE OR UNDER 25 YEARS ENROLLED AND ATTENDING AS A FULL TIME STUDENT IN ANY ACCREDITED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, ENTER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- a. Were you wholly or partially dependent on the deceased for your support? _____
 - b. If partially dependent, to what degree? _____
 - c. I own property as follows: (1) Real estate, assessed value \$ _____, from which I receive an income of \$ _____ annually and on which there is an indebtedness of \$ _____.
 - (2) What other sources of income do you have? (Name each source and give amounts derived from each source named.)
- | SOURCE | AMOUNT |
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13. IF YOU ARE A CHILD OR DEPENDENT GRANDCHILD, DEPENDENT BROTHER OR DEPENDENT SISTER, AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE BUT UNDER 25 AND ENROLLED AND ATTENDING AS A FULL TIME STUDENT IN ANY ACCREDITED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, ENTER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND ATTACH CERTIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE, IF AVAILABLE FROM SUCH INSTITUTION.

Name of Student	Name & Address of Educational Institution	Date Attendance Began
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ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD PRESENTS, CAUSES TO BE PRESENTED, OR PREPARES WITH KNOWLEDGE OR BELIEF THAT IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO OR BY AN INSURER, OR SELF-INSURER, ANY INFORMATION CONTAINING ANY FALSE MATERIAL STATEMENT OR CONCEALS ANY MATERIAL FACT SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CRIME AND SUBJECT TO SUBSTANTIAL FINES AND IMPRISONMENT.

I certify that copy of this claim was filed with _____ (Name of Officer) _____ ON _____ (Title of Officer) _____ (Political Subdivision Liable for Benefits) _____

Dated _____ Signed by _____ Telephone No. _____
(Claimant's Signature)

Signed by _____ Telephone No. _____
(A person on behalf of claimant) (Relationship)

TO THE CLAIMANT

1. This claim for Death Benefits (Form VAW-62) must be filed within two years after death with the Chairman, Workers' Compensation Board at address shown below, AND the designated officer to whom the notice of injury or death must be given as follows:

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| <i>If the political subdivision liable for benefits is a</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Countyb. Cityc. Townd. Villagee. Ambulance District | <i>Then deliver to</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Clerk of the Board of Supervisorsb. Comptroller or Chief Financial Officerc. Town Clerkd. Village Clerke. Secretary |
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The home county, city, town, village, or ambulance district is liable for the payment of benefits for injuries, regardless of whether service was rendered for the home area, or for another area under contract or in response to a call for assistance.

- 2. If the deceased's ambulance service was not affiliated with a political subdivision, file this form with the head of the unaffiliated ambulance service.
- 3. Under the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefits Law, "persons" who may be eligible to claim death benefits include only the following:
 - a. Widow or widower;
 - b. Children who were under the age of 18 at the time of death;
 - c. Children of any age who were totally blind or physically disabled at the time of injury and whose disablement is total and permanent;
 - d. Grandchildren and brothers and sisters of the deceased who were under the age of 18 at the time of death and wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased for support at the time of injury;
 - e. Parents and grandparents of the deceased who were wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased for support at the time of injury;
 - f. Effective July 1, 1976, children and dependent grandchildren, dependent brothers and dependent sisters under 25 years of age who are enrolled as full time students in any accredited educational institution.
- 4. Each claimant must file a separate claim except that only one claim need be filed by a spouse and/or children of the deceased under age 18 or under 25 and enrolled as full time students in any accredited educational institution.
- 5. Section 40 of the Volunteer Ambulance Workers' Benefit Law requires that unless a claim for death benefits has been filed WITHIN NINETY DAYS after death, a written notice of death shall be given to the designated officer of the political subdivision or unaffiliated volunteer ambulance service liable for benefits by personal delivery or by registered mail within said ninety day period. Form VAW-1 has been prescribed for this purpose. Form VAW-1 is not a claim for death benefits. Form VAW-62, Claim for Death Benefits, if filed within ninety days after death, serves also as Notice of Death in place of Form VAW-1.

Notification Pursuant to the New York Personal Privacy Protection Law (Public Officers Law Article 6-A) and the Federal Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Sec. 552a).

The Workers' Compensation Board's ("Board") authority to request personal information from claimants is derived from Sections 20 and 142 of the Workers' Compensation Law. This information is collected to assist the Board in processing claims in an efficient manner and to help it maintain accurate claim records. The Board is strongly committed to protecting the confidentiality of all personal information that it collects. Such information will be disclosed within the agency only to Board personnel and agents in furtherance of their official duties. Personal information will be disclosed outside the agency only in accordance with applicable state and federal law. The Board's Director of Operations, located at 100 Broadway, Menands, New York 12241 (518-474-6674), is primarily responsible for the maintenance of agency records containing personal claimant information. Failure to provide the information requested on this form will not result in the denial of your claim, but may delay the processing of your claim. The voluntary release of your social security number enables the Board to ensure that information is associated with, and quick action is taken on, your claim.

Claims should be sent to the district office of the Workers' Compensation Board at one of these addresses:

- ALBANY 12241 - 100 Broadway, Menands. (866) 750-5157** For all accidents in following counties: Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Dutchess, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Ulster, Warren, Washington.
- BINGHAMTON 13901 - State Office Building, 44 Hawley Street. (866) 802-3604** For all accidents in following counties: Broome, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Schuyler, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins.
- BUFFALO 14202 - 369 Franklin Street (866) 211-0645** For all accidents in following counties: Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Niagara.
- ROCHESTER 14614 - 130 Main Street West. (866) 211-0644** For all accidents in following counties: Allegany, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates.
- SYRACUSE 13203 - 935 James Street. (866) 802-3730** For all accidents in following counties: Cayuga, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, St. Lawrence.
- DOWNSTATE CENTRALIZED MAILING (for New York City, Hempstead, Hauppauge & Peekskill district offices) - PO Box 5205, Binghamton, NY 13902-5205. NYC (800) 877-1373 Hemp. (866) 805-3530 Haup. (866) 681-5354 Peek. (866) 746-0552** For all accidents in following counties: Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Westchester.

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Statewide Fax Line: 877-533-0337

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