

(2) In case of temporary total disability, sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the average weekly wages shall be paid to the employee during the continuance thereof, not to exceed a maximum of one hundred per centum of the average weekly wage of the State of Maryland as determined by the Department of Employment Security. The Department of Employment Security shall report the average weekly wage of the State of Maryland as of July 1, to the Workmen's Compensation Commission no later than December 15 of each year. The average weekly wage used for 1968 shall be that average weekly wage established by the Department of Employment Security as of July 1, 1967. In no case shall the employee receive less than a minimum of \$50 per week unless the employee's established weekly wages are less than \$50 per week at the time of the injury, in which event he shall receive compensation equal to his weekly wages. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed or applied to affect or change the law as to any such injury or strain which occurred prior to the effective date of this subsection, or to affect or change the law applicable to persons eligible for benefits as the result of an injury or injuries sustained when a different rate or percentage payment basis is effective.

(3) (a) In case of disability partial in character but permanent in quality, the compensation shall be sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the average weekly wages, in no case to exceed thirty-three and one-third per centum of the State average weekly wage of the State of Maryland as determined by the Department of Employment Security. The Department of Employment Security shall report the average weekly wage of the State of Maryland as of July 1, to the Workmen's Compensation Commission, no later than December 15th of each year. In no case shall the employee receive less than a minimum of fifty dollars per week unless the employee's established weekly wages are less than fifty dollars per week at the time of injury, in which event he shall receive compensation equal to his weekly wages. Such payments shall be paid to the employee for the period named in the schedule as follows:

Thumb -- For the loss of a thumb, one hundred weeks.

First finger -- For the loss of a first finger, commonly called the index finger, forty weeks.

Second finger -- For the loss of a second finger, thirty-five weeks.

Third finger -- For the loss of a third finger, thirty weeks.

Fourth finger -- For the loss of a fourth finger, commonly called the little finger, twenty-five weeks.