

9-727. PAYMENT OF AWARD.

THE EMPLOYER OR ITS INSURER SHALL BEGIN PAYING COMPENSATION TO THE COVERED EMPLOYEE WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE DATE:

- (1) AN AWARD IS MADE; OR
- (2) PAYMENT OF AN AWARD IS DUE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first sentence of former Art. 101, § 36(11).

9-728. FAILURE TO PAY AWARD — PENALTIES.

- (A) WITHIN 15 DAYS.

IF THE COMMISSION FINDS THAT AN EMPLOYER OR ITS INSURER HAS FAILED, WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE, TO BEGIN PAYING AN AWARD WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE DATE THAT THE AWARD IS ISSUED OR THE DATE THAT PAYMENT OF THE AWARD IS DUE, THE COMMISSION SHALL ASSESS AGAINST THE EMPLOYER OR ITS INSURER A FINE NOT EXCEEDING 20% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENT.

- (B) WITHIN 30 DAYS.

IF THE COMMISSION FINDS THAT AN EMPLOYER OR ITS INSURER HAS FAILED, WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE, TO BEGIN PAYING AN AWARD WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE LATER OF THE DATE THAT THE AWARD IS ISSUED OR THE DATE THAT PAYMENT OF THE AWARD IS DUE, THE COMMISSION SHALL ASSESS AGAINST THE EMPLOYER OR ITS INSURER A FINE NOT EXCEEDING 40% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE PAYMENT.

- (C) PAYMENT TO COVERED EMPLOYEE.

THE COMMISSION SHALL ORDER THE EMPLOYER OR INSURER TO PAY A FINE ASSESSED UNDER THIS SECTION TO THE COVERED EMPLOYEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second through fourth sentences of former Art. 101, § 36(11).

In subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the phrase "after the later of the date that the award is issued or the date that payment of the award is due", is added, in accordance with § 9-727 of this subtitle, to clarify when the 15-day period begins.

Defined terms: "Commission" § 9-101
"Covered employee" § 9-101

9-729. LUMP-SUM PAYMENTS — ON ORDER OF COMMISSION.

- (A) SCOPE OF SECTION.