



# TWU NSW

## ADVICE FOR MEMBERS FROM SANTONE LAWYERS

# CORONAVIRUS CHANGES TO THE WORKERS COMPENSATION ACT 1987

The Coronavirus has seen changes made to the Workers Compensation Act 1987.

On 14 May 2020 new workers' compensation laws regarding Covid-19 commenced to simplify and make it easier for certain workers to lodge claims.

Under the new laws if a "prescribed worker" is diagnosed with Covid-19 it will be presumed that the disease was contracted during employment.

Importantly, this means that the worker does not have to prove from where they contracted the virus and it will be accepted that it was contracted in the course of employment.

This allows infected workers to claim weekly benefits and medical treatment and potentially other benefits.

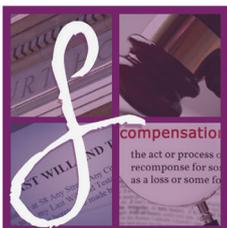
The term "prescribed employment" applies to many frontline professions, including workers involved with "passenger transport services".

If you have been diagnosed with Covid-19 please contact Santone Lawyers so we can advise you as to whether you work in "prescribed employment".

Workers who are not employed in "prescribed employment" can still lodge a workers compensation claim for Covid-19 should they be able to prove that they have contracted the virus in the course of employment.

For any enquiries regarding coronavirus, please feel free to contact our offices.

Our telephone number is (02) 8115 9820.



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# TRANSPORT WORKERS' UNION NSW MEMBERSHIP FORM



TITLE	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	PREFERRED NAME	DOB
Mr Ms				/ /

**ADDRESS**

SUBURB	STATE	POSTCODE

EMAIL	MOBILE

**DO YOU SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME?**  No  Yes

EMPLOYER/PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR	OCCUPATION

**I AM A**

<input type="checkbox"/> Full time permanent	<input type="checkbox"/> Part time permanent	<input type="checkbox"/> Casual	<input type="checkbox"/> Owner Driver
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**YARD ADDRESS**

I, the undersigned, hereby apply to be enrolled as a member of the Transport Workers' Union of New South Wales and the Transport Workers' Union of Australia (NSW Branch) in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of both bodies, by which I agree to be bound, and I appoint the TWUNSW and the TWUAUS as my bargaining agent.

Applicant's signature: X

Date: / /

**JOINED BY**

METHOD OF PAYMENT			PAYMENT FREQUENCY		
<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Debit	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card	<input type="checkbox"/> Payroll Deduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Year

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