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## Policy

The WSIB reviews and sets the following rates after conducting a review of market and related information.

## Guidelines

For more information on the rates please refer to the policy documents as referenced in the table below.

Benefit	Rate	Policy Document
Clothing Allowance	minor damage \$295.20 max. major damage \$590.40 max.	17-07-03
Non-Professional Escort Fee	\$91.20/day	17-01-08
Guide and Support Dog Allowance	\$1,100 annually	17-06-04
Independent Living Allowance	\$4,005.81 annually	17-06-02
Meal Allowance		
Breakfast	\$12.00	17-01-09
Lunch	\$16.00	
Dinner	\$23.00	
Personal Care Allowance		
General Attendant Rate	\$11.40/hr	17-06-05
Personal Attendant Rate	\$15.09/hr	
Skilled Attendant Rate	\$21.38/hr	
Bookkeeping Fee	\$720.00 annual maximum	17-06-05
Transportation Allowance	\$0.40/km	17-01-09

## Exceptions

### Minimum Burial Rate

The WSIB indexes the minimum burial rate annually according to the alternate indexing factor, the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The 2017 minimum burial rate is \$3,025.25. For more information on the alternate indexing factor, see 18-01-02, Benefit Dollar Amounts - Accidents from 1998. For more information on burial expenses, see 20-03-02, Burial Expenses.

### Hearing Devices

Up to and including January 8, 2017, billings for approved hearing aids at or below \$1,000 per ear/per aid will receive expedited processing. See 17-07-04, Hearing Devices for the exception process for workers with special needs who require a hearing aid costing more than \$1,000 per ear/per aid.

For the criteria for allowance and payment of hearing devices effective on or after January 9, 2017, see 17-07-04, Hearing Devices (revised).

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**References****Legislative authority**

Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997, as amended  
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