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Lodgement is the first stage of the claims lifecycle in which an employee (or their representative) lodges a claim with Comcare.



## The lodgement process and objective

An employee can lodge a workers' compensation claim under the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988 (SRC Act)* when:

- they injure themselves in a way or place which they believe is connected to their employment, or
- they develop a disease which they believe is connected to their employment.

A claim can be lodged either online or using the hard copy form.

Our objectives for the lodgement stage are that the process:

- 1. is easy
- 2. is quick (we only collect the information we need)
- 3. is tailored / flexible
- 4. is transparent and informative (is empathetic, provides information on supports available now, and sets expectations)
- 5. supports us to confirm the identity of the employee.

#### Relevant sections of SRC Act

The following sections of the SRC Act are relevant to claim lodgement:

- section 53 Notice of injury or loss of, or damage to, property
- section 54 Claims for compensation.

### **Lodging a claim with Comcare**

The SRC Act sets out the requirements for an employee to make a workers' compensation claim. This page includes information on:

- what is required to lodge a claim
- medical evidence
- the lodgement process
- introductory information on lodging a claim for permanent impairment and work related death.



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