

**1420.0200 DEFINITIONS.**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms have the meanings given them.

Subp. 2. **Act.** "Act" means the Workers' Compensation Act, Minnesota Statutes, chapter 176.

Subp. 3. **Chief judge.** "Chief judge" means the chief administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Subp. 4. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry.

Subp. 5. **Court of appeals.** "Court of appeals" means the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals.

Subp. 6. **Days.** "Days" means calendar days unless specifically provided otherwise.

Subp. 7. **Division.** "Division" means the Workers' Compensation Division of the Department of Labor and Industry.

Subp. 8. **Expedited hearing.** "Expedited hearing" means a hearing that is required to be heard within a shorter time period than an ordinary hearing under the act.

Subp. 9. **Insurer.** "Insurer" means the workers' compensation insurer for the employer and includes self-insured employers. For the purposes of this chapter only, "insurer" also includes the special compensation fund where the employer was uninsured on the date of injury.

Subp. 10. **Intervenor.** "Intervenor" means a party under Minnesota Statutes, section 176.361, who has an interest in a pending workers' compensation proceeding such that the person or entity may either gain or lose by an order or decision in the case, and the person or entity has filed a motion to intervene under part 1415.1250 and Minnesota Statutes, section 176.361.

Subp. 11. **Judge.** "Judge" means a compensation judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Subp. 12. **Office.** "Office" means the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Subp. 13. **Petition.** "Petition" means a claim filed by or on behalf of an injured or deceased employee, employer, insurer, or special compensation fund which initiates a contested workers' compensation case requiring resolution by the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Subp. 14. **Petitioner.** "Petitioner" means the injured employee, an heir or dependent of a deceased employee or a party filing on their behalf, an employer or insurer, or the special compensation fund.

Subp. 15. **Potential intervenor.** "Potential intervenor" means a person or an entity under Minnesota Statutes, section 176.361, who has an interest in a workers' compensation proceeding such that the person or entity may either gain or lose by an order or decision in the case, and the person or entity has not filed a motion to intervene under part 1415.1250 or Minnesota Statutes, section 176.361.

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