

# Workers' Compensation

If you are injured at work, in an accident, as a result of repetitive trauma, or because of an occupational disease, usually the only claim you can bring against your employer is a workers' compensation claim.

In Connecticut, employers are required to have insurance to pay for work-related injuries suffered by employees. Anyone injured on the job is covered by the employer's workers' compensation benefit. These benefits may include the payment of your medical bills, payment for a percentage of your wages while you are out of work, and compensation if you suffer a permanent injury or an impairment to your earning capacity.

Workers' compensation is a "no fault system." This means that workers will receive benefits even if the injury was their fault or even if they cannot prove the injury was someone else's fault.

While some workers' compensation claims can be handled by the injured worker, when disputes arise with the worker's compensation insurance carrier, an injured worker should consult a lawyer for assistance.

At Waller Smith & Palmer, we protect the rights of injured workers and work to make sure that our clients receive all of the workers' compensation benefits they are entitled to by law.

When you are injured at work you may have other claims besides a workers' compensation claim. We will try to help you with all your claims. These other claims include claims for:

- Unemployment benefits
- Long term or short term disability benefits
- Pensions (regular or disability)
- Job retraining

- Social Security Disability

Contact Waller Smith & Palmer to schedule an appointment to discuss your work place injury and the legal options that are available to you.