

Instructions for Completing DESCRIPTION OF INJURED EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT (DWC Form-074)

What is the purpose of the DWC Form-074, *Description of Injured Employee Employment*?

The purpose of the form is to facilitate the exchange of information between the employer and injured employee's treating doctor regarding the job functions and duties, specific tasks, work activities and physical responsibilities of an injured employee's job at the time of injury and return the injured employee to employment as soon as it is considered safe and appropriate by the treating doctor.

Who should complete the DWC-074?

The form should be completed by an employer representative who has actual knowledge of the injured employee's job requirements, job functions and physical responsibilities.

Where does the employer send the completed form?

The employer should send the completed DWC Form-074 to the treating doctor or originating requestor. The employer should retain a copy of the completed form for their records. *Do not send a copy of the completed DWC-Form 074 to the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (TDI-DWC).*

Does completing the DWC Form-074 constitute a request to return to work, a job offer, or an admission of compensability?

No, by completing and returning the DWC- Form 074 to the treating doctor or originating requestor, the employer is not making a request to return to work, a job offer, or admitting compensability.

Can the employer provide additional information along with the DWC Form-074 in responding to a request for description of an injured employee's employment?

Yes, when completing the DWC Form-074, the employer is encouraged to provide additional information that they would like the treating doctor to consider in Box 8, including information about the job the employee had at the time of the injury, and also any other jobs that the employer may have to offer. The employer may attach a job description identifying job functions and physical responsibilities or any other related documentation to the form.

NOTE: With few exceptions, you are entitled on request to be informed about the information that TDI-DWC collects about you. Under Texas Government Code §552.021 and §552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to receive and review the information. Under §559.004 of the Texas Government Code you are entitled to have TDI-DWC correct information about you that is incorrect. For more information, call your local TDI-DWC field office at 800-252-7031.