

**CHAPTER 110-50
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION RULES AND
REGULATIONS**

Chapter Authority: 4 CMC § 9351(a)(1).

Chapter History: Amdts Adopted 30 Com. Reg. 28517 (May 27, 2008); Amdts Proposed 30 Com. Reg. 28428 (Apr. 25, 2008); Amdts Adopted 18 Com. Reg. 14165 (June 15, 1996); Amdts Proposed 18 Com. Reg. 14066 (Apr. 15, 1996); Amdts Proposed 17 Com. Reg. 13557 (July 15, 1995); Amdts Adopted 17 Com. Reg. 13529 (June 15, 1995); Amdts Proposed 17 Com. Reg. 13266 (Apr. 15, 1995); Amdts Adopted 15 Com. Reg. 10578 (Apr. 15, 1993); Amdts Proposed 14 Com. Reg. 9076 (Mar. 15, 1992); Amdts Adopted 15 Com. Reg. 10576 (Apr. 15, 1993); Amdts Proposed 14 Com. Reg. 9629 (Sept. 15, 1992); Amdts Certified 14 Com. Reg. 8653 (Jan. 15, 1992); Amdts Adopted 13 Com. Reg. 8233 (Oct. 15, 1991); Amdts Proposed 13 Com. Reg. 7809 (July 15, 1991); Adopted 12 Com. Reg. 7447 (Nov. 15, 1990); Proposed 12 Com. Reg. 6717 (Jan. 15, 1990).

Commission Comment: PL 1-43 (effective Jan. 18, 1980), formerly codified at 1 CMC §§ 8301, et seq., originally created the Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund. PL 6-17 (effective May 7, 1989), the “Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund Act of 1988,” codified as amended at 1 CMC §§ 8301-8394, repealed and reenacted PL 1-43, as amended. See PL 6-17, ch. 1 § 8312; see also the commission comment to 1 CMC § 8301. PL 13-60 (effective Dec. 5, 2003), the “Retirement Integrity Assurance Act,” amended numerous provisions of the 1988 NMI Retirement Fund Act.

1 CMC § 8312 creates the Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund (NMIRF) as an autonomous agency and public corporation of the government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. 1 CMC § 8315(g) (renumbered by PL 13-60) authorizes NMIRF to adopt rules and regulations as necessary for the exercise of the funds powers, performance of its duties and administration of its operations.

PL 6-33 § 1 (effective Oct. 25, 1989) the Commonwealth Workers’ Compensation Law, codified as amended at 4 CMC §§ 9301-9357, designates the Board of Trustees of NMIRF as the Workers’ Compensation Commission responsible for the administration of the law. See 4 CMC § 9351(b). The Workers’ Compensation Commission is empowered to make rules and regulations in conformance with the law. 4 CMC § 9351(a)(1).

PL 17-88 (effective November 9, 2012), the “Worker’s Compensation Functions Transfer Amendment Act of 2011,” amended 4 CMC §§ 9302-9351 to transfer the Worker’s Compensation Commission to the Department of Commerce. Accordingly, the Worker’s Compensation regulations formerly located at this chapter have been relocated to Chapter 20-100.

[Relocated to Chapter 20-100.]