

Amendment Statement of Principles
concerning

INTERVERTEBRAL DISC PROLAPSE

No. 39 of 2010

for the purposes of the

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
and
Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

1. This Instrument may be cited as Statement of Principles concerning intervertebral disc prolapse No. 39 of 2010.
2. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Statement of Principles concerning intervertebral disc prolapse Instrument No. 40 of 2007, as amended by Instrument No. 81 of 2008, by:
 - (A) Replacing the phrase "motorised aircraft" in factor "(da)" of clause 6 with the phrase "powered aircraft";
 - (B) Replacing the phrase "motorised aircraft" in factor "(ka)" of clause 6 with the phrase "powered aircraft";
 - (C) Adding a new factor "(daa)" in clause 6 immediately following factor "(da)" as follows:

"(daa) flying in a helicopter as operational aircrew, for a cumulative total of at least 5000 hours within the ten years before the clinical onset of intervertebral disc prolapse; or";

- (D) Adding a new factor "(kaa)" in clause 6 immediately following factor "(ka)" as follows:

"(kaa) flying in a helicopter as operational aircrew, for a cumulative total of at least 5000 hours within the ten years before the clinical worsening of intervertebral disc prolapse; or"; and

- (E) Replacing the definition of "**high performance aircraft**" in clause 9 with the following:

"**high performance aircraft**" means an aircraft capable of generating an acceleration force (G force) of four G or more, during routine, normal operations;'

3. The amendment made by this instrument applies to all matters to which Instrument No. 40 of 2007, as amended by Instrument No. 81 of 2008, section 120B of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and section 339 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* apply.
4. The amendments made by this instrument take effect from 12 May 2010.

Dated this *twenty-second* day of *April* 2010.

The Common Seal of the)
Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed to this instrument)
in the presence of)

KEN DONALD
CHAIRPERSON