Amendment of Statement of Principles concerning
ISCHAEMIC HEART DISEASE

ICD CODES: 410, 411, 412, 413, 414.0, 414.10, 414.8

Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(2) of the Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986 (the Act), Instrument No.140 of 1996, (Statement of Principles concerning ischaemic heart disease), by:

1. inserting immediately after paragraph (k) in clause 5, the following:

“(ka) occupational exposure to, and handling of, products containing nitroglycerine or nitroglycol:

(i) each day for at least 20 days within a consecutive period of 30 days; and

(ii) in activities where the active components could be absorbed via cutaneous or respiratory routes; and

(iii) where the last exposure occurred not more than two weeks before the clinical onset of ischaemic heart disease; or”,

2. inserting after the definition of “moderate or vigorous physical activity” in clause 7 the following:
“products containing nitroglycerine or nitroglycol” include double and triple base gun propellants and gelatinous explosives, such as gelignite.”.

3. The amendments made by this instrument apply to all matters to which Instrument No.140 of 1996 and section 120A of the Act apply.

Dated this Ninth day of September 1997

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

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN