



**Australian Government**  
**Repatriation Medical Authority**

Amendment Statement of Principles  
concerning

**THORACIC SPONDYLOSIS**

**No. 69 of 2018**

for the purposes of the

*Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*

and

*Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*

1. This Instrument may be cited as Amendment Statement of Principles concerning thoracic spondylosis No. 69 of 2018.
2. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Statement of Principles concerning thoracic spondylosis Instrument No. 64 of 2014 (Federal Register of Legislation No. F2014L00931) by:
  - A. Repealing factors "(i)", "(j)", "(u)" and "(v)" in clause 6 and substituting the following:
    - "(i) lifting loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the thoracic spine to a cumulative total of at least 100 000 kilograms within any ten year period before the clinical onset of thoracic spondylosis; or";
    - "(j) carrying loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the thoracic spine to a cumulative total of at least 3 800 hours within any ten year period before the clinical onset of thoracic spondylosis; or";
    - "(u) lifting loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the thoracic spine to a cumulative total of at least 100 000 kilograms within any ten year period before the clinical worsening of thoracic spondylosis; or";
    - "(v) carrying loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the thoracic spine to a cumulative total of at least 3 800 hours within any ten year period before the clinical worsening of thoracic spondylosis; or".

3. The amendments made by this instrument commence on 23 July 2018.

Dated this *twenty-second* day of *June* 2018

The Common Seal of the )  
Repatriation Medical Authority )  
was affixed to this instrument )  
at the direction of: )



PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO  
CHAIRPERSON