Amendment Statement of Principles concerning LUMBAR SPONDYLOSIS No. 68 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 lumbar spondylosis No. 68 of 2018.


A. Repealing factors "(i)", "(j)", "(x)" and "(y)" in clause 6 and substituting the following:

"(i) lifting loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the lumbar spine:

(i) to a cumulative total of at least 150 000 kilograms within any ten year period before the clinical onset of lumbar spondylosis; and

(ii) where the clinical onset of lumbar spondylosis occurs within the 25 years following that period; or";

"(j) carrying loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the lumbar spine:

(i) to a cumulative total of at least 3 800 hours within any ten year period before the clinical onset of lumbar spondylosis; and

(ii) where the clinical onset of lumbar spondylosis occurs within the 25 years following that period; or";
"(x) lifting loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the lumbar spine:
(ii) to a cumulative total of at least 150 000 kilograms within any ten year period before the clinical worsening of lumbar spondylosis; and
(ii) where the clinical worsening of lumbar spondylosis occurs within the 25 years following that period; or"

"(y) carrying loads of at least 20 kilograms while bearing weight through the lumbar spine:
(i) to a cumulative total of at least 3 800 hours within any ten year period before the clinical worsening of lumbar spondylosis; and
(ii) where the clinical worsening of lumbar spondylosis occurs within the 25 years following that period; 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