

SAM—WORKERS' COMPENSATION

PERMANENT DISABILITY

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When the insured's condition has stabilized (the treating physician says it will get no better nor worse), the employee may be entitled to permanent disability payments.

Permanent disability payments are due if there are lasting effects from the job-related injury or illness. Permanent disability payments are not supplemented with leave credits.

If an employee is released from temporary disability compensation and starts receiving permanent disability compensation, then he/she may still be able to return to work at his/her prior position. This decision is based upon the medical restrictions placed upon the individual by the treating physician in the final report. If an employee receiving permanent disability is not able to return to work, the department is required to initiate one of the actions outlined in Government Code [19991.4](#).