

## Web OSCAR-Calcs (Beta version)

The **OSCAR-Calcs program** is a software package developed by the Division that addresses the most common date and arithmetic functions that arise during the course of a workers' compensation case. The program has become the primary method of calculating settlement awards.

As a result of feedback received over the years, the Division has redesigned the OSCAR-Calcs program to make it web based. The main benefits of a web-based program are:

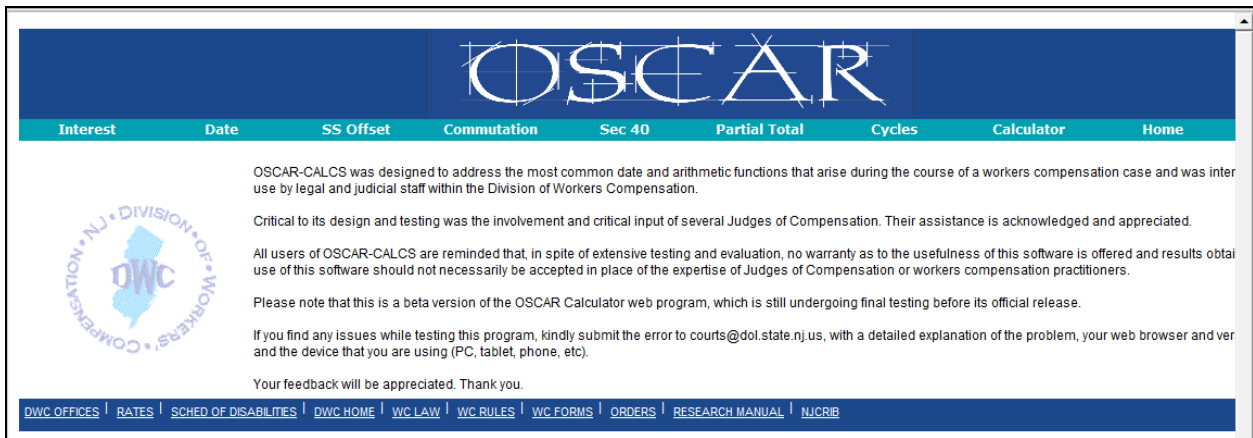
- The yearly SAWW/max rates are automatically updated. You no longer have to download the program yearly to get the latest rates and
- The program can be accessible from any web-device (PC, laptop, Tablet, Smart Phone).

The **beta-version** of this program is available to the public at the following temporary website: <https://courtsonline.dol.state.nj.us/OscarCalc>  
Once the beta-testing has concluded, a notice will be sent out to all WC program participants with a link to the final program.

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### OSCAR-Calcs QUICK GUIDE

#### >>MAIN PAGE:



- Links at the top are the various calculators available in the OSCAR-Calcs program:
  - *Interest Calculator*
  - *Date Calculator*
  - *Social Security Offset Calculator*
  - *Commutation Calculator*
  - *Section 40 Lien Calculator*
  - *Partial Total Calculator*
  - *Date/Cycle Calculator*
  - *Arithmetic Calculator*
- Links at the bottom take you to various pages of interest outside of the OSCAR-Calcs program

#### >>INTEREST CALCULATOR

- The **Interest Calculator** is designed to calculate interest due on permanency benefits based upon specified period since the date of Judgment at a specific interest rate.
- Once the appropriate data has been entered, hit **Calculate** and the basic amount, interest and total amount due will be displayed.

>>DATE CALCULATOR:

- The **Date Calculator** function simply provides the number of weeks and days between two specified dates. Note that the calculations are inclusive of the two dates entered.
- Once both dates have been entered or selected and the **Calculate** button is clicked, the number of weeks and days will be displayed.
- Note: The calculator also will calculate in the reverse. If you enter in weeks & days, it will calculate the time frame from today's date

>>SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSET CALCULATOR

- The "SS Offset Calc" function calculates the offset of workers' compensation benefits provided at N.J.S.A. 34:15-95.5.
- Once either the ACE or 80% ACE, the Monthly SS benefit and weekly workers' compensation benefit rate have been entered, clicking on the **Calculate** button will result in the display of the adjusted weekly workers' compensation rate after offset.

>>COMMUTATION CALCULATOR

- The **Commutation** function will calculate the present value of the requested amount to be commuted at simple interest of 5% as per N.J.S.A. 34:15-25.
- Once all rate, award and requested amount data has been entered and the method for the commutation selected from the three presented, you can hit the **Calculate** button and the amount of the award to be received by the petitioner, the amount used, the number of weeks and the balance of the award will be displayed:

>>SECTION 40 CALCULATOR:

- The **Section 40 Calculator** function will calculate the amounts owed under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:15-40 where a third-party settlement by the petitioner has been concluded.
- Once all applicable award, payment data and third party settlement data have been entered, hit **Calculate** to display the results.

>>PARTIAL TOTAL CALCULATOR:

The **Partial Total Calculator** is designed to accept all data necessary for the calculation of permanent partial disability under N.J.S.A. 34:15-12c. The calculator is a 2-step process as shown below.

1. Select Year of Injury from the drop-down and enter in the Weekly Wage (if wage is left blank, the program will assume max rate).
2. Enter in the percent disabilities next to the appropriate body parts. Hit **Next >** to proceed.
3. The next screen will have the selected body parts from page 1 displayed, pre-filled with the percentage values as entered.

4. You can enter in any credits (Abdullah, Re-opener or Direct) if applicable. Hit **Calculate >**.

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**PARTIAL TOTAL CALCULATOR**

Body Part	Partial Total	Abdullah Credit	Reopener Credit	Exclude
Left Hand	15.0	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left Arm	20.0	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left Thumb	30.0	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>

Direct Dollar credit: \$0.0

To add or remove body parts, hit the Back button and revise your initial sections.

**RESULTS**

Year of Injury: 2015  
 Maximum Weekly Rate: \$855.00  
 Minimum Weekly Rate: \$228.00  
 Total Award For:  
 15.0 % of the left hand  
 20.0 % of the left arm  
 30.0 % of the left thumb  
 Equivalent to 20.85 % of partial total  
 125.25 weeks @ \$246.95 = \$30,930.00

- The results will be displayed on the right side as shown above.
- Hitting the **Print** button will display the results in a pop-up screen that can be printed.
- You can change the percentage values by simply typing in a new value.

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**PARTIAL TOTAL CALCULATOR**

Body Part	Partial Total	Abdullah Credit	Reopener Credit	Exclude
Left Hand	25	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left Arm	30	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left Thumb	0	0	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Direct Dollar credit: \$0.0

To add or remove body parts, hit the Back button and revise your initial sections.

**RESULTS**

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 Maximum Weekly Rate: \$855.00  
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 Total Award For:  
 15.0 % of the left hand  
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 30.0 % of the left thumb  
 Equivalent to 20.85 % of partial total  
 125.25 weeks @ \$246.95 = \$30,930.00

- If you want to delete a body part from the calculation, place a check in the "exclude" box and the entire row will be shaded out.

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Body Part	Partial Total	Abdullah Credit	Reopener Credit	Exclude
Left Hand	25.0	0.0	0.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Left Arm	30.0	0.0	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/>

Direct Dollar credit: \$0.0

To add or remove body parts, hit the Back button and revise your initial sections.

**RESULTS**

Year of Injury: 2015  
 Maximum Weekly Rate: \$855.00  
 Minimum Weekly Rate: \$228.00  
 Total Award For:  
 25.0 % of the left hand  
 30.0 % of the left arm  
 Equivalent to 26.71 % of partial total  
 160.25 weeks @ \$265.97 = \$42,621.25

Year of Injury: 2015  
 Maximum Weekly Rate: \$855.00  
 Minimum Weekly Rate: \$228.00  
 Total Award For:  
 15.0 % of the left hand  
 20.0 % of the left arm  
 30.0 % of the left thumb  
 Equivalent to 20.85 % of partial total  
 125.25 weeks @ \$246.95 = \$30,930.00

- Hit **Calculate** again. New results will be displayed on the right side, at the very top, as shown below.
- Note: If you want to add a new body part to the calculation, you will have to go back to page 1 by hitting the **Back** button, and then enter in a value next to the new body part.

## <<CYCLE CALCULATOR

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**CYCLE CALCULATOR**

Date: 02/24/2015

Calculate Clear

Resulting Cycle Week/Day: 0 / 0

- The **Cycle Calculator** is designed to determine the cycle week and day of a date entered into or selected from the calendar widget.
- The date may be entered manually in the mm/dd/yyyy format or may be selected from the calendar widget.
- Hit the **Calculate** button to display the resulting cycle week/cycle day.