

17 December 2014

Ms Leigh Barber
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Dear Ms Barber

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 11 December 2014 requesting the following information:

Section 65 2 (1) (ii) of the 1982 act has regard to WERC to dependants. There seems to be two levels of dependency; a spouse is considered either totally or partially dependant. How is the level of either total or partial dependency determined? What steps does a claims handler take to make this determination?

Because of the nature of your request, ACC is treating it as a request for information under the Official Information Act 1982.

You may be aware that the Act states that ACC has a maximum of 20 working days to make a decision on your request. Section 2 of the Act notes that the days between 25 December and 15 January (inclusive) are not included in the definition of "working day". As we received your email on 11 December 2014, ACC has until the 30 January 2015 to respond.

If you have any questions I will be happy to work with you to resolve these. I can be contacted via email at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

Yours sincerely

Government Services