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) DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY,) LABOR AND HUMAN RELATIONS)

STATE OF WISCONSIN

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Stephen J. Reilly, Executive Secretary of the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations, and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the attached rules to Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter 12, Work Under Compressed Air, were adopted by the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations on January 24, 1972.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof and of the whole of such original.

> IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at the Capitol, in the City of Madison, this <u>25</u> day of <u>January</u>, A.D., 1972.

Reilly, Executive Secretary Stephen

ORDER OF

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, LABOR AND HUMAN RELATIONS

Pursuant to authority vested in the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations by section 101.01 to 101.29, Wis. Stats., the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations hereby amends, creates and adopts the rules of Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter 12, Work Under Compressed Air.

The rules attached hereto shall become effective on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Code as provided in Section 227. Ind 12.16 is amended to read:

Ind 12.16 Repetitive exposures. In the event it is necessary for an employe to be in compressed air more than 3 times in a 24-hour period, the <u>air master</u> shall be responsible for the establishment of methods and procedures of decompression applicable to repetitive exposure tables. (See repetitive exposure tables No. 3, 4 and 5 in appendix B.)

Subsection Ind 12.82(8) is amended to read:

(8) Periodic Reexamination. Each person reported by the physician to be physically qualified for employment in compressed air shall be reexamined by the physician within one year of the date of the preceding physical examination, or sooner as the physician may deem necessary, to determine whether or not he continues to be physically qualified for such work. A new recommendation as to the employability shall be prepared as provided for in subsection Ind 12.82(5). Forms SB-247 and SB-247-A shall be completed for this examination. Completed forms shall be submitted to the employer and the air master. Copies shall be kept in the retained physician's file.

Ind 12.84 title and (1) are amended to read:

Ind 12.84 Treatment of decompression illness and air embolism. (1) Treatment of decompression illness and air embolism shall be rendered promptly as directed by the retained physician. Recompression in the medical lock or working chamber shall be performed only at the direction of the retained physician. Breathable gases such as oxygen or helium/oxygen mixtures shall be administered only at the direction of the retained physician. Treatment for decompression sickness shall be carried out on U.S. Navy Low Pressure Oxygen Treatment tables V and VI (appendix D) or their equivalent as a minimum directed by the retained physician. Treatment for air embolism shall be carried out on U.S. Navy Low Pressure Oxygen Treatment tables 5A and 6A or their equivalent as a minimum directed by the retained physician.

Appendix D is created to read:

APPENDIX D

U.S. NAVY LOW PRESSURE OXYGEN TREATMENT TABLES

TABLE V

Method used when relief of									
symptoms is complete with-									
in 10 minutes at 27 pounds									
Depth			Total						
(pounds)	Min.	Gas	Min.						
27	20	02	20						
27	5	Air	25						
27	20	02	45						
27-13.5	30	02	75						
13.5	5	Áir	80						
13.5	20 02		100						
13.5	5	Air	1.05						
13.5-0	30	02	135						

For simple or "pain only" bends. If numbness, tingling or paralysis are present, use Table VI.

If other neurological symptoms are present or relief of "pain only" symptoms is not <u>complete</u> in 10 minutes at 27 pounds, use Table VI.

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Depth			Total					
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27	20	02	20					
2.7	5	Air	25					
27	20	02	45					
27	5	Air	50					
27	20	02	70					
27	5	Air	75					
27-13.5	30	02	105					
13.5	15	Air	120					
13.5	60	02	1.80					
13.5	15	Air	195					
13.5	60	02	255					
13.5-0	30	02	285					

For serious symptoms of bends such as numbness, tingling, paralysis or chokes. Use this table for all recurrences after treatment and for cases in which symptoms first appeared while the patient was decompressing (i.e., still under pressure).

EXPLANATIÓN

Commence O₂ breathing prior to pressurization to 27 pounds--time schedules should be followed with care.

<u>Compression</u>: Rapid pressurization is desirable but do not exceed rate tolerated by patient. Pressurization time, usually 1-2 minutes, is not counted as time at 27 pounds. Do not halt the pressurization to verify a report of symptom relief.

TABLE VI



<u>Decompression</u>: Depressurizations are continuous at uniform .445 pounds per minute. Do not compensate for slowing of the rate by subsequent acceleration. Do compensate if the rate is exceeded. If necessary, halt depressurization and hold pressure while ventilating the chamber.

<u>Inside Tender</u>: Tender routinely breathes chamber air. If treatment schedule is lengthened (see below) or if the treatment constitutes a repetitive exposure to compressed air for the tender, he must breathe O₂ for the final 30 minutes, from (27 pounds - Table V) (13.5 pounds - Table VI) to atmospheric pressure.

<u>Relief of Symptoms</u>: If completeness of relief is at all doubtful after 10 minutes 02 breathing at 27 pounds, use the 285 minute schedule. If symptoms recur, fresh symptoms appear, or the patient's condition worsens, return to 27 pounds and use the 285 minute method.

A physician qualified in compressed air medicine can extend the 285 minute schedule with a fourth O_2 - air sequence (20 minutes O_2 - 5 minutes air) at 27 pounds, or a third air - O_2 sequence (15 minutes air - 60 minutes O_2) at 13.5 pounds or both.

Tables 5A and 6A for the treatment of air embolism.

TABLE 5A

PATIENT SYMPTOM FREE WITHIN 15 MINUTES

Pressure (psig)	Time (min.)	Breathing Media	Total Time (min.)
73.5	15*	Air	. 15
73.5-27	4	Air	19
27	20	0 ₂	39
27	5	Air	. 44
27	20	02	64
27-13.5	30	0 ₂	94
13.5	5	Air	99
13.5	20	02	119
13.5	5	Air	124
13.5-0	30	02	154

*Total time will vary as function of this stop. Medical attendant should take time to accomplish a thorough physical examination, since the ensuing treatment is based on patient's physical status.

TABLE 6A

PATIENT SYMPTOM FREE WITHIN 30 MINUTES AND/OR RAPIDLY IMPROVING

Pressure	Time	Breathing	Total Time
(psig)	(min.)	Media	(min.)
73.5	30	Air	30
73.5-27	4	Air	34
27	20	02	54
27	5	Air	59
27	20	02	. 79
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27	5	Air	84
27 .	20	02	104
27	5	Air	109
27-13.5	30	02	139
13.5	15	Air .	154
13.5	60	02	214
13.5	15	Air	229
13.5	60	0 ₂	289
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13.5-0	30	02	319

ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND HIS TORY FORM S B-247 (COMPRESSED AIR)

STATE OF WISCONSIN Department of Industry, Labor & Human Relations Industrial Safety & Buildings Division Post Office Box 2209 MADISON, WISCONSIN 53701

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