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# Standard Insurance Company Employee Benefits Department 800.368.1135 Tel 971.321.8400 Fax

# Washington Council of Police & Sheriffs Long Term Disability Benefits Claim Packet Instructions

# Your Disability Benefit Claim

This packet contains the forms necessary to apply for Long Term Disability benefits. Every space on these forms should be filled in to avoid delay in processing your application. If a section does not apply, or information is not available, write "NA" in the space so that we know you did not overlook that particular question. If a form is received incomplete, it may be returned for completion.

## **How To Apply For Benefits**

The Long Term Disability Benefits application includes claim forms and an Authorization.

#### 1. The Employee's Statement

- Answer every question completely. Be sure to use the appropriate section for injury, sickness or pregnancy. If a question does not apply to you write "NA".
- Use an additional page, if necessary, to give full and complete answers.
- Attach copies of any Social Security, Public Employees Retirement System, Workers' Compensation or other benefit determinations you have received. If you have applied for any other benefits but have not yet received them, please send a copy of the application receipt. This information is needed to accurately calculate your monthly benefits. If you are unable to make copies of these documents please send the originals. We will photocopy and return them to you promptly.
- Remember to sign and date your statement. An unsigned or undated statement will be returned to you.

# 2. The Authorization to Obtain and Release Information The Authorization to Obtain and Release Psychotherapy Notes

• Please sign and date the Authorization to Obtain and Release Information and attach it to the Employee's Statement. Your signature lets Standard Insurance Company get the information about you that we need to determine your eligibility for benefits. The Authorization to Obtain and Release Information also lets The Standard release this information to specific persons.

If you have seen or been treated by a Psychiatrist, Psychotherapist, Psychologist, Clinical Social Worker (MSW, MCSW, etc.), or any other provider of treatment for a mental condition, please sign and return the Authorization to Obtain and Release Information *and* the Authorization to Obtain and Release Psychotherapy Notes.

You will receive copies of these Authorizations upon your request.

You are responsible for making sure all required forms are completed and returned to our office. If you have any questions, please contact your benefit administrator or call our customer service line at 800.368.1135.

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Please type or print. Form may be returned for unanswered questions.

# 1. Claimant

Full Name	_ Social Security No				
Address City		State ZIP			
Phone No. ()	_				
Birthdate	_ Sex	Height Weight			
Name of Spouse	_ Birthdate				
No. of Dependent Children Birthdate of Youngest	_				
Did you receive a Certificate of Insurance?  Yes  No Did you receive a Brochure? If you did not receive a Certificate of Insurance or Brochure, please contact your employ					
2. Employment					
Employer's Name					
Group Name Washington Council of Police and Sheriffs (WACOPS)					
Group Policy No. 753380 Address					
City	_State ZIP	Phone No. ( )			
State your job title and describe your duties at work.					
Is your disability work-related? ☐ Yes ☐ No Date of Injury					
Have you filed a Workers' Compensation claim? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, W.C. claim nu	mber				
Last full day at work					
Date you became unable to work at your occupation as a result of disability					
Are you now working at, or have you worked at, your occupation or any other occupation since t	he date of your injury? $\square$ Yes $\square$ I	No			
If yes, list names of employers, addresses, telephone numbers, and dates of employment.					
Are you self-employed at any activity? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
Date you resumed part-time work Work Phone (	1	Extension			
Date you resumed full-time work Work Phone (					
Are Social Security taxes deducted from your wages with your current employer?		Extension			
Have you had wages from a previous employer reduced by Social Security taxes?					
3. Sickness Please list all illnesses which contribute to your being unable to work at your occupation.					
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Illness		Date First Noticed			
Illness		Date First Noticed			
State what you believe caused your illness.					
Describe your symptoms					
Have you ever had the same condition or a related illness before? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Date				

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Claimant's Name					
4. Iniurv					
Describe Injuries					
Cause of Injuries					
Time, Date and Location of I	njuries.				
5. Pregnancy					
				expected delivery date	
Actual delivery date			E	expected return to work date	
Please indicate any foresees	able complicati	ons.			
		all physicians consulted for		<del>_</del>	<del>-</del>
Physician's Name		S	pecialty		Phone No. ()
Street Address					Fax No. ()
City					State ZIP
Date first consulted for this in	njury or illness		[	Date last consulted	
Physician's Name		S	pecialty		Phone No. ()
Street Address					Fax No. ()
City					State ZIP
Date first consulted for this in	njury or illness		C	Date last consulted	
Physician's Name		S	pecialty		Phone No. ()
Street Address					Fax No. ()
City					State ZIP
					of hospital bill if available.
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From Th		Reason for Hospit			
From Th	nrough	Reason for Hospit	alization		
8. History List all ill	nesses or in	-	received trea		ve years. Use separate sheet if needed.
Ailment	Date	Physician's Name		(	Complete Address

Have you applied for or are you receiving

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**Amount Received** 

Monthly

Weekly

Date .

**Effective** 

Date

Claimant's Name

benefits from:

a. Social Security

Signature .

b. Workers' Compensation

#### 9. Deductible Income/Benefits From Other Sources

Your Group Disability plan is designed so that the income you receive from Standard Insurance Company and other sources (e.g., Social Security, Workers' Compensation, retirement system, and other income or benefits as described in your Group Policy as deductible income or benefits) combined will provide you with a percentage of predisability earnings, as defined in your Group Policy. Please review your Group Policy to determine how receipt of or eligibility for deductible income or benefits may impact your disability benefits. Please review your obligation to keep Standard Insurance Company informed of your application for and receipt of deductible income or benefits. Additionally, your Group Policy may allow Standard Insurance Company to reduce your disability benefit by estimated deductible income or benefits you are eligible to receive even if you have not applied for them. If your Group Policy states that Social Security benefits will be "deemed payable" even if not received, we will deduct from your disability benefit an estimated Social Security benefit for you and your dependents, based on your Social Security wage record. Please also understand that when deductible income or benefits are awarded you may receive a retroactive award (earlier date) and payment. This retroactive payment may result in an overpayment of your disability benefits because you would receive deductible income or benefits for a period during which you already have received disability benefits from Standard Insurance Company.

Receiving

Yes No

 **Date Applied** 

**Applied** 

c. State Disability Insurance									
d. Retirement or Pension (Employer, PERS, Please specify		RA, etc.)							
e. Other		_							
Please send copies of any letters or notices	approvin	g or der	nying benefits.						
10. Vocational Complete the	follow	ing ar	ıd/or attach a	resume	•				
Education level	Yes	No	If no, last grad	le attend	ed.				
Grade School Graduate									
High School Graduate									
GED									
College Graduate			Degree		Majo	r			
Post Graduate			Degree Major						
Have you attended any trade schools or							De.		
Work Experience: Complete the following starting with your most recent work experience.  Job Title & Employer Dates of Employment Duties Last Salary									
Job Title & Employer  1.		From	Dates of Employr	nent		Di	illes		Last Salary
1.		To:							
2. From: To:			:						
3. From: To:									
4.									
5.		From To:	:						
11 Acknowledgement		1			1			I	

I hereby certify that the answers I have made to the foregoing questions are both complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I acknowledge that I have read the applicable fraud notice on page 5 of this form.

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Claim Form Fraud Notices

Some states require us to provide the following information to you:

#### ALABAMA, MARYLAND AND RHODE ISLAND RESIDENTS

Any person who knowingly or willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly or willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

#### **CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS**

For your protection, California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

#### COLORADO RESIDENTS

It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance, and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to the policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado division of insurance within the department of regulatory agencies.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RESIDENTS

WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits, if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

#### FLORIDA RESIDENTS

Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive an insurance company, files a statement of claim or an application containing false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree

#### **NEW JERSEY RESIDENTS**

Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

#### **NEW YORK RESIDENTS**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim, containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

#### PENNSYLVANIA RESIDENTS

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

#### ALL OTHER RESIDENTS

Some states require us to inform you that any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive an insurance company, or other person, files a statement containing false or misleading information concerning any fact material hereto commits a fraudulent insurance act which is subject to civil and/or criminal penalties, depending upon the state. Such actions may be deemed a felony and substantial fines may be imposed.

#### I AUTHORIZE THESE PERSONS having any records or knowledge of me or my health:

- Any physician, medical practitioner or health care provider.
- Any hospital, clinic, pharmacy or other medical or medically related facility or association.
- Kaiser Permanente.
- Any insurance company or annuity company.
- Any employer, policyholder or plan sponsor.
- Any organization or entity administering a benefit or leave program (including statutory benefits) or an annuity program.
- Any educational, vocational or rehabilitation counselor, organization or program.
- Any consumer reporting agency, financial institution, accountant, or tax preparer.
- Any government agency (for example, Social Security Administration, Public Retirement System, Railroad Retirement Board, Workers' Compensation Board, etc.).

### TO GIVE THIS INFORMATION:

- Charts, notes, x-rays, operative reports, lab and medication records and all other medical information about me, including medical history, diagnosis, testing and test results. Prognosis and treatment of any physical or mental condition, including:
  - Any disorder of the immune system, including HIV, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) or other related syndromes or complexes.
  - Any communicable disease or disorder.
  - Any psychiatric or psychological condition, including test results, but excluding psychotherapy notes. Psychotherapy notes do not include a summary of diagnosis, functional status, the treatment plan, symptoms, prognosis and progress to date.
  - Any condition, treatment, or therapy related to substance abuse, including alcohol and drugs.

#### and:

Any non-medical information requested about me, including such things as education, employment history, earnings or
finances, return to work accommodation discussions or evaluations, and eligibility for other benefits or leave periods
including, but not limited to, claims status, benefit amount, payments, settlement terms, effective and termination dates,
plan or program contributions, etc.

# TO STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY, THE STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, THE STANDARD BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS AND THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES (referred to as "The Companies", individually and collectively), AND MY EMPLOYER'S ABSENCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR ("Absence Manager").

- I acknowledge that any agreements I have made to restrict my protected health information do not apply to this authorization and I instruct the persons and organizations identified above to release and disclose my entire medical record without restriction.
- I understand that each of The Companies and Absence Manager will gather my information only if they are administering or deciding my disability or leave of absence claim(s), and will use the information to determine my eligibility or entitlement for benefits or leave of absence.
- I understand that I have the right to refuse to sign this authorization and a right to revoke this authorization at any time by sending a written statement to The Companies and Absence Manager, except to the extent the authorization has been relied upon to disclose requested records. A revocation of the authorization, or the failure to sign the authorization, may impair The Companies and Absence Manager's ability to evaluate or process my claim(s), and may be a basis for denying or closing my claim(s) for benefits or leave of absence.
- I understand that in the course of conducting its business The Companies and Absence Manager may disclose to other parties information about me. They may release information to a reinsurer, a plan administrator, plan sponsor, or any person performing business or legal services for them in connection with my claim(s). I understand that The Companies and Absence Manager will release information to my employer necessary for absence management, for return to work and accommodation discussions, and when performing administration of my employer's self-funded (and not insured) disability plans.
- I understand that The Companies and Absence Manager comply with state and federal laws and regulations enacted to protect my privacy. I also understand that the information disclosed to them pursuant to this authorization may be subject to redisclosure with my authorization or as otherwise permitted or required by law. Information retained and disclosed by The Companies and Absence Manager may not be protected under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act [HIPAA].
- I understand and agree that this authorization as used to gather information shall remain in force from the date signed below:
- For Standard Insurance Company, the duration of my claim(s) or 24 months, whichever occurs first.
  - For The Standard Life Insurance Company of New York, the duration of my claim(s) or 24 months, whichever occurs first.
- For The Standard Benefit Administrators, the duration of my claim(s) administered by The Standard Benefit Administrators or 24 months, whichever occurs first.
- For Absence Manager, 24 months.
- I understand and agree that The Companies and Absence Manager may share information with each other regarding my disability and leave of absence claim(s). This authorization to share information shall remain valid for 12 months from the date signed below.
- I acknowledge that I have read this authorization and the New Mexico notice on page 7. A photocopy or facsimile of this authorization is as valid as the original and will be provided to me upon request.

Name (please print)	Social Security No		
	,		
Signature of Claimant/Representative	Date		
If signature is provided by legal representative (e.g., Attorney in Fact, guardian or conservators	or), please attach documentation of legal status		

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Standard Insurance Company is a licensed insurance company in all states except New York. The Standard Life Insurance Company of New York is an insurance company licensed only in New York. An absence manager may be hired by your employer and may be one of The Companies.

#### FOR RESIDENTS OF NEW MEXICO

The state of New Mexico requires Standard Insurance Company to provide you with the following information pursuant to its Domestic Abuse Insurance Protection Act.

The Authorization form allows Standard Insurance Company to obtain personal information as it determines your eligibility for insurance benefits. The information obtained from you and from other sources may include confidential abuse information. "Confidential abuse information" means information about acts of domestic abuse or abuse status, the work or home address or telephone number of a victim of domestic abuse or the status of an applicant or insured as a family member, employer or associate of a victim of domestic abuse or a person with whom an applicant or insured is known to have a direct, close personal, family or abuse-related counseling relationship. With respect to confidential abuse information, you may revoke this authorization in writing, effective ten days after receipt by Standard Insurance Company, understanding that doing so may result in a claim being denied or may adversely affect a pending insurance action.

Standard Insurance Company is prohibited by law from using abuse status as a basis for denying, refusing to issue, renew or reissue or canceling or otherwise terminating a policy, restricting or excluding coverage or benefits of a policy or charging a higher premium for a policy.

Upon written request you have the right to review your confidential abuse information obtained by Standard Insurance Company. Within 30 business days of receiving the request, Standard Insurance Company will mail you a copy of the information pertaining to you. After you have reviewed the information, you may request that we correct, amend or delete any confidential abuse information which you believe is incorrect. Standard Insurance Company will carefully review your request and make changes when justified. If you would like more information about this right or our information practices, a full notice can be obtained by writing to us.

If you wish to be a protected person (a victim of domestic abuse who has notified Standard Insurance Company that you are or have been a victim of domestic abuse) and participate in Standard Insurance Company's location information confidentiality program, your request should be sent to Standard Insurance Company.

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#### TO GIVE THIS INFORMATION:

• Notes recorded by a health care provider who is a mental health professional documenting or analyzing the contents of conversation(s) during a private counseling session or a group, joint, or family counseling session and that are separated from the rest of my medical record.

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- I understand and agree that The Companies and Absence Manager may share information with each other regarding my disability and leave of absence claim(s). This authorization to share information shall remain valid for 12 months from the date signed below.
- I acknowledge that I have read this authorization and the New Mexico notice on page 9. A photocopy or facsimile of this authorization is as valid as the original and will be provided to me upon request.

Signature of Claimant/Representative Date If signature is provided by legal representative (e.g., Attorney in Fact, guardian or conservator), please attach documentation	Name (please print)	Social Security No
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