

GENERIC CONDITIONS FOR OVERSEAS TRAVEL ASSOCIATED WITH NZOHS AWARDS

The following has been developed to ensure that such travel and representation:

- is undertaken in a highly professional manner:
- is perceived as providing professional benefits to the Awardee:
- maintains the integrity of the NZOHS and protects the good name of the Sponsor(s), and the funding they provide.

The Awards are for professional development in occupational hygiene (education, professional contacts and broadening horizons). They are not awarded for or to be used for the purpose of promoting the business of the member's employer, for activities involved in commercial gain, for holiday travel with family or friends, or other activities which detract from the realisation or perception of professional development in occupational hygiene.

TRAVEL

The standard of travel is economy class. **Travel Insurance particularly full coverage for medical emergency is mandatory.** The Awardee is required to ensure that they are not excluded by the immigration authorities on exit or entry into New Zealand or the Country of destination (be aware that the USA now has very stringent exclusion conditions some of which are based on what would now be considered minor misdemeanours under New Zealand law). If the Awardee has special requirements in terms of a travel then they will be required to put their case for permission from NZOHS well before the date of travel. A travel itinerary which includes stopovers at other out of the way or exotic destinations will rarely be entertained by the NZOHS. The overall tour should be completed within 18 days.

PROFESSIONAL VISITS

The details and extent of professional visits are at the discretion and approval of the NZOHS and the Sponsor(s). If included in the award these are to be scheduled to fit in with the associated travel to the sponsor's offices, manufacturing plant or research centre. Travel to each location is to be undertaken in a manner such that the Awardee is ready to commence the site visit at the start of each business day (taking into account matters of personal safety relevant to some locations), complete work on one day, travel that afternoon or evening ready to start the next visit the following morning; if a weekend is in between visits, then travel is to be taken on the weekend so as to be at the location ready to start the next site visit at commencement of the business day.

REST DAYS

Apart from the initial day after arrival from international travel, public holidays and rest breaks are usually the financial responsibility of the Award recipient. The extent of rest days is not to exceed two (2) in number. Recreational /personal leave may NOT be taken in conjunction with the award, even if the Awardee is prepared to finance such.

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

In line with standard business practice, family or partners or friends are not normally part of the travel conditions. However the Awardee may apply for such permission from the NZOHS, in consultation with Award Sponsors well prior to travel if they have special reasons or requirements. If successful they will be responsible for all additional costs associated with the accompanying person.

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EXPENDITURE

The provision of living allowances etc is not unlimited. Awardees should seek advice from the NZOHS with regard to the expectations of the extent of support in each area of expenditure well prior to travel. Accommodation, meals, telephone, internet and incidental costs should be selected to reflect a moderate life style. Local travel is to be undertaken with a thought to efficiency, economy and safety.

APPROVAL OF ITINERARY:

- Successful Awardees are required to prepare a detailed travel and visit itinerary and an estimate of associated travel costs. This is best done soon after the Award presentations to assist in bookings of the visits and accommodation and cost-efficient travel. It is wise at this stage to contact the NZOHS or the members of the Awards & Sponsorship Committee for guidance on how to fit the proposed itinerary into the Conditions of the Award. The prepared itinerary must be approved by NZOHS prior to making formal travel arrangements.
- Well prior to travel the successful awardee is required to sign an agreement with the NZOHS to undertake the trip according to the conditions laid out in this document.
- In most instances the Awardee will be responsible for arranging the travel and accommodation details. Often assistance is provided by the Sponsor and or the NZOHS.

EXPENDITURE DOCUMENTATION AND TRAVEL REPORT

- On return the Awardee is to furnish the NZOHS with documented expenditure including receipts.
- Within two months, an electronic copy of the travel report suitable for presentation to the Sponsor(s) and for publication for viewing by other members of the NZOHS.

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