

(d) Compensation for silicosis or anthraco-silicosis, and asbestosis, shall be paid only when it is shown that the employee has had an aggregate employment of at least four years in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania during a period of eight years next preceding the date of disability, in an occupation having a silica or asbestos hazard.

In cases of silicosis or anthraco-silicosis length of employment.

(e) Compensation shall not be payable for partial disability due to silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, or asbestosis. Compensation shall be payable, as otherwise provided in this act, for total disability or death caused solely (as definitely distinguished from a contributory or accelerating cause) by silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, or asbestosis, or by silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, or asbestosis, when accompanied by active pulmonary tuberculosis.

Silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, or asbestosis, total disability or death only.

(f) If it be shown that the employee, at or immediately before the date of disability, was employed in any occupation or industry in which the occupational disease is a hazard, it shall be presumed that the employee's occupational disease arose out of and in the course of his employment, but this presumption shall not be conclusive.

Presumption disease caused by special hazard of industry.

(g) The employer liable for the compensation provided by this article shall be the employer in whose employment the employee was last exposed to the hazard of the occupational disease claimed, regardless of the length of time of such last exposure. Provided, That when a claimant alleges that disability or death was due to silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, asbestosis or any other occupational disease which developed to the point of disablement only after an exposure of five or more years, the only employer liable shall be the last employer in whose employment the employee was last exposed to the hazard of such occupational disease during a period of six months or more after the effective date of this act; and in such cases an exposure during a period of less than six months after the effective date of this act shall not be deemed an exposure. The notice of disability or death and claim shall be made to the employer who is liable under this subsection, and his insurance carrier, if any.

Which employer liable.

Proviso.

Notice.

(h) Except as hereinafter provided, all compensation payable under this article shall be payable in periodic instalments, as the wages of the employee were payable before the accident.

Payments in instalments.

Section 302. (a) In every contract of hiring made after October first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and in every contract of hiring renewed or extended by mutual consent, expressed or implied, after said date, it shall be conclusively presumed that the parties have accepted the provisions of article three of this act, and have agreed to be bound thereby, unless

Contracts after October 1, 1939.

Presumption of acceptance of provisions of article three of act.