



Australian Government

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

**Veterans' Entitlements (Treatment Principles -
HomeFront - Frequency of Subsidy) Instrument 2009**

Instrument No. R45/2009

I, Alan Griffin, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, pursuant to subsection 90(5) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, approve this instrument made by the Repatriation Commission.

Dated this 15th day of October 2009

Alan Griffin.....

ALAN GRIFFIN

The Repatriation Commission, pursuant to subsection 90(4) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, varies the *Treatment Principles* (Instrument No.R8 of 2004) in accordance with the Schedule.

Dated this 6th day of October 2009

Ian Campbell.....Shane Carmody.....WD Rolfe

IAN CAMPBELL
PRESIDENT

SHANE CARMODY
DEPUTY PRESIDENT

BRIGADIER W D ROLFE AO (Rtd)
COMMISSIONER

[1] Name of Instrument

This instrument is the *Veterans' Entitlements (Treatment Principles - HomeFront - Frequency of Subsidy) Instrument 2009*

[2] Commencement

This instrument commences on the 29th day from and including the day after the day it is registered on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.

Schedule

1. Paragraph 11.9.1

omit, substitute:

11.9.1 The *Commission* may assist in providing aids and appliances for accident prevention and personal safety for an *entitled person* by approving, only once in any period of 12 months, financial assistance towards the cost of such aids or appliances to a maximum amount of \$200 (maximum amount) — increased annually (if the following formula results in an increase) on 1 January by an amount worked out in accordance with the following formula:

maximum amount (including as indexed) x the movement (expressed as a percentage) in the Wage Cost Index 5 for the previous financial year (as advised to the *Department* by the Australian Government Treasury), rounded to the nearest dollar = increase.

11.9.1A For the purposes of paragraph 11.9.1:

- (a) a period of 12 months commences on the date the *Commission* approves financial assistance; and
- (b) the *Commission* is not to approve financial assistance for an *entitled person* if 12 months has not elapsed from and including the date of any previous approval.

11.9.1B Where the *Commission* approves financial assistance under paragraph 11.9.1 of the *Principles* before the commencement of the *Veterans' Entitlements (Treatment Principles - HomeFront - Frequency of Subsidy) Instrument 2009* (commencement date), and on the commencement date a period of 12 months had not expired from and including the date of that approval, the approval is taken to have been granted under the *Principles* as amended by the *Veterans' Entitlements (Treatment Principles - HomeFront - Frequency of Subsidy) Instrument 2009* and the period of 12 months commences on the date of the approval.

Note: section 88A of the *Act* enables the *Commission* to determine a class of *veterans* to be eligible for specified treatment. The *Commission* determined holders of *white cards* to be eligible for “accident prevention and personal safety treatment” for all injuries/diseases whereas before the determination they could only have been eligible for this treatment for war/defence caused injuries or diseases.