

## Injured workers

### Case Study

Perry was injured at work when he was left using hedge trimming machinery without supervision. The machinery cut through two pairs of pants and left a two inch gash in his leg.

***ADVICE: We advised Perry to complete an injury report form and a WorkCover Claim Form and give to his employer. He could expect to receive reasonable medical expenses and weekly payments if it was necessary for him to take time off work.***

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Jim was on probation as an apprentice butcher. He sliced the top off one of his fingers and was not told by his doctor to stay at home. He was prescribed skin graft medication. He went back to work because he was worried about losing his job. He was sacked.

***ADVICE: Because Jim was on probation, he was unable to lodge an unfair dismissal claim. We advised him to lodge a WorkCover claim in order to cover any medical expenses. We also advised him to contact the Equal Opportunity Commission to discuss a complaint on the basis of impairment. We also suggested he inform the Apprenticeship Administration Branch about his complaint.***