

(Translation. Only the Faroese version has legal validity.)

Declaration under Maritime Labour Convention's (MLC) standard A 2.5.2 on the Daily Benefit System due to disability by reason of illness or injury

Daily benefits is a temporary benefit which you can apply for if you due to illness or injury are unable to work and thus have loss of income. Daily benefits may be provided to a.o. seafarers who are employed or were intended to be employed on a Faroese or foreign ship. The condition for being entitled to daily benefits is that you hold a permanent residence and are subject to full tax liability in the Faroe Islands. Persons who are covered by the Nordic convention on Social Security and are employed on a Faroese registered ship and have a limited tax liability in the Faroe Islands shall, however, not comply with the requirements on permanent residence and full tax liability.

In order to receive daily benefits you have to submit an application for daily benefits to the Social Office (*Almannaverkið*). You are entitled to receive daily benefits from the first day of absence provided that the Social Office has received the application within 60 days after the first day of absence. For seafarers who become disabled between voyages, the first day of absence is the day of the ship's next departure. If the application is received later than 60 days from the first day of absence, the daily benefit can only be granted from the day upon the receiving of the application. The Social Office shall also have a medical certificate which confirms the disability.

The daily benefit is usually calculated on the basis of the average income over the last five weeks prior to the absence. The amount is 100 percent of the income, however, a maximum of 80 percent of the earnings according to bargaining Agreement between the Faroese General Workers Union (*Føroya Arbeiðarafelag*) and the Faroese Employers Association (*Føroya Arbeiðsgevarafelag*). At the time being the maximum daily benefit is DKK 4,412 a week. The maximum period for receiving daily benefits is 40 weeks from the first day of absence in a period of 12 months. However, you can receive daily benefits for up to two years if the absence is due to industrial injury. It is a condition that the matter on the industrial injury has been notified to the Faroese National Board of Industrial Injuries (*Føroya Vanlukkutryggingarráð*) and that it will be considered according to the Parliamentary Act on Compensation for Industrial Injuries.