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I. Specific Injury		
01	No Physical Injury	i.e., Glasses, contact lenses, artificial appliance, replacement of artificial appliance
02	Amputation	Cut off extremity, digit, protruding part of body, usually by surgery, i.e. leg, arm
03	Angina Pectoris	Chest pain
04	Burn	(Heat) Burns or scald. The effect of contact with hot substances. (Chemical) burns, tissue damage resulting from the corrosive action chemicals, fume, etc., (acids, alkalies)
07	Concussion	Brain, cerebral
10	Contusion	Bruise - intact skin surface hematoma
13	Crushing	To grind, pound or break into small bits
16	Dislocation	Pinched nerve, slipped/ruptured disc, herniated disc, sciatica, complete tear, HNP subluxtion, MD dislocation
19	Electric Shock	Electrocution
22	Enucleation	Removal of organ or tumor
25	Foreign Body	*
28	Fracture	Breaking of a bone or cartilage
30	Freezing	Frostbite and other effects of exposure to low temperature
31	Hearing Loss or Impairment	Traumatic only. A separate injury, not the sequelae of another injury.
32	Heat Prostration	Heat stroke, sun stroke, heat exhaustion, heat cramps and other effects of environmental heat. Does not include sunburn.
34	Hernia	The abnormal protrusion of an organ or part through the containing wall of its cavity.

36	Infection	The invasion of a host by organisms such as bacteria, fungi, viruses, mold, protozoa or insects, with or without manifest disease.
37	Inflammation	The reaction of tissue to injury characterized clinically by heat, swelling, redness and pain.
40	Laceration	Cut, scratches, abrasions, superficial wounds, calluses, wound by tearing
41	Myocardial Infarction	Heart attack, heart conditions, hypertension. The inadequate blood flow to the muscular tissue of the heart.
42	Poisoning – General (Not OD or Cumulative Injury)	A systemic morbid condition resulting from the inhalation, ingestion, or skin absorption of a toxic substance affecting the metabolic system, the nervous system, the circulatory system, the digestive system, the respiratory system, the excretory system, the musculoskeletal system, etc. includes chemical or drug poisoning, metal poisoning, organic diseases, and venomous reptile and insect bites. Does NOT include effects of radiation, pneumoconiosis, corrosive effects of chemicals; skin surface irritations, septicemia or infected wounds.
43	Puncture	A hole made by the piercing of a pointed instrument.
46	Rupture	*
47	Severance	To separate, divide or take off.
49	Sprain	Internal derangement, a trauma or wrenching of a joint, producing pain and disability depending upon degree of injury to ligaments.
52	Strain	Internal derangement, the trauma to the muscle or the musculotendinous unit from violent contraction or excessive forcible stretch.
54	Asphyxiation	Strangulation, drowning
55	Vascular	Cerebrovascular and other conditions of circulatory systems, NOC, excludes heart and hemorrhoids. Includes: strokes, varicose veins - non toxic.
58	Vision Loss	*
59	All Other Specific Injuries, NOC	*
II. Occupational Disease or Cumulative Injury		
60	Dust Disease, NOC	All other pneumoconiosis
61	Asbestosis	Lung disease, a form of pneumoconiosis, resulting from protracted inhalation of asbestos particles.
62	Black Lung	The chronic lung disease or pneumoconiosis found in coal miners.

63	Byssinosis	Pneumoconiosis of cotton, flax and hemp workers
64	Silicosis	Pneumoconiosis resulting from inhalation of silica (quartz) dust.
65	Respiratory Disorders	Gases, fumes, chemicals, etc.
66	Poisoning – Chemical (Other Than Metals)	Man-made or organic
67	Poisoning – Metal	Man-made
68	Dermatitis	Rash, skin or tissue inflammation including boils, etc., generally resulting from direct contact with irritants or sensitizing chemicals such as drugs, oils, biologic agents, plants, woods or metals which may be in the form of solids, pastes, liquids or vapors and which may be contacted in the pure state or in compounds or in combination with other materials. Does NOT include skin tissue damage resulting from corrosive action of chemicals, burns from contact with hot substances, effects of exposure to radiation, effects of exposure to low temperatures or inflammation or irritation resulting from friction or impact.
69	Mental Disorder	A clinically significant behavioral or psychological syndrome or pattern typically associated with either a distressing symptom or impairment of function. i.e., acute anxiety, neurosis, stress, non-toxic depression.
70	Radiation	All forms of damage to tissue, bones or body fluids produced by exposure to radiation.
71	All Other Occupational Disease Injury, NOC	*
72	Loss of Hearing	*
73	Contagious Disease	*
74	Cancer	*
75	AIDS	*
76	VDT – Related Diseases	Video display terminal diseases other than carpal tunnel syndrome
77	Mental Stress	*
78	Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	Soreness, tenderness and weakness of the muscles of the thumb caused by pressure on the median nerve at the point at which it goes through the carpal tunnel of the wrist
79	Hepatitis C	*
80	All Other Cumulative Injury, NOC	*

83	COVID-19	Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease caused by a coronavirus.
III. Multiple Injury		
90	Multiple Physical Injuries Only	*
91	Multiple Injuries Including Both Physical and Physiological	*