

Asbestos Claim Overview

GET EXPERIENCE ON YOUR SIDE

Slater and Gordon is Australia's leading asbestos litigation firm. Our specialised team has over 35 years' of experience in asbestos litigation. We will be able to provide you with an expert that will give you a personalised service to help you achieve the best outcome possible. We have acted for more than 2,500 people that have suffered with Mesothelioma for the past 35 years, as well many other people that have unfortunately suffered from asbestos related Lung Cancer and Asbestosis.

We'll come to you, to hear your story, and together agree on the best way forward for you.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT? THE PROCESS AND PRICING

If you've been exposed to asbestos and have been diagnosed with an asbestos related disease we understand no amount of compensation can remove the pain. However, we'll work hard to help provide some financial peace of mind for you and your family.

We understand that every case is unique, however, we have provided below an outline of the potential process, the work we are able to do for you and the potential likely fees that will occur.

DUST DISEASES LIST SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA

If you were exposed at work or in a non-occupational way, such as a home renovation or washing work clothes, and you have been diagnosed with an asbestos related condition, you may be entitled to bring a claim.

The Dust Diseases List is the specialised Court in Victoria which deals with these claims. If your claim is successful, you will be eligible for compensation.



PROCESS OVERVIEW



GET IN TOUCH



EMPLOYMENT
RELATED EXPOSURE



NON-EMPLOYMENT
RELATED EXPOSURE



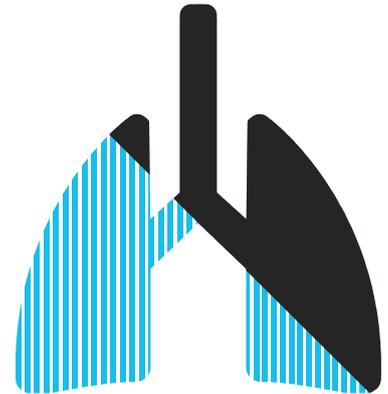
DUST DISEASES LIST
(Compensation)

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

Usually, claims involving asbestos-caused cancers such as Malignant Mesothelioma or Lung Cancer take only months to resolve. If need be, an asbestos claim can be resolved within weeks.

Claims for non-malignant asbestos-related conditions such as Asbestosis can take a little longer.

**TYPICALLY 99%
OF CASES ARE
RESOLVED OUT
OF COURT.**



HELPING TO LOOK AFTER YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Asbestos claims can be complex. We'll guide you through the process and work with you to get a resolution as quickly as possible so you and your family can concentrate on your health.

Q. Do I have to pay anything upfront?

We understand that experiencing any form of an asbestos related condition can have a devastating impact on your financial position.

We offer a No Win, No Fee* payment system. This means that if you don't win you don't pay Slater and Gordon's fees (the fees that we charge for the work we do on your case).

Q. Do you take a percentage of my settlement?

No, we don't take a percentage of any settlement fees and no law firm in Australia should.



SOCIAL WORK SERVICES OFFERED AT SLATER AND GORDON

We recognise that our clients and their families can experience many emotional challenges during their case.

Our **Social Work Services** were established in 2009 to provide short term help with psychosocial issues our client or their family may face during their legal case.

This fully qualified team has extensive social work knowledge, skills, and experience gained working in health services and community sectors.

Our social workers assistance is provided as a complement to our legal services - at no additional cost to Slater and Gordon clients.

COSTS

NO WIN, NO FEE*

We won't charge you until your claim is resolved, and we'll only charge for our work completed if you are successful in the claim.

Additional costs

From time to time, you may incur additional costs throughout your case. In your free initial appointment** we will give you an idea of whether there are likely to be any additional costs and funding options for these costs.

OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES

Disbursements (the legal jargon for expenses) are for those documents or services we need to buy to properly investigate and process your claim to help give you the best chance of success.

These can include:

- + **Clinical notes and reports from your doctors and other health providers, independent medical examinations and reports**
- + **Other reports, such as accountant and vocational assessments**
- + **Investigator services, expert witnesses and other services**
- + **Internal Special counsel, Barristers and Court fees**

We will not require you to make a payment or make any contribution towards any of the disbursements incurred on your behalf whilst your claim is underway. For more information on our no win no fee policy* visit our website at www.slatergordon.com.au/the-firm/legal-costs/no-win-no-fee.

RECOVERABLES

Legal costs are made up of two things:

- + **Slater and Gordon's fees – typically you'll only pay these if you're successful.**
- + **Out of pocket expenses (as outlined above).**

If your claim is successful in court, the other party may be ordered to pay part of your legal costs. If this is the case, we will provide you with estimates for what the other party will likely need to contribute.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

The Cancer Council Australia: www.cancer.org.au

As Australia's peak national non-government cancer control organisation, the Cancer Council Australia advises the Australian Government and other bodies on practices and policies to help prevent, detect and treat cancer.

Questions

SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK IN YOUR FIRST APPOINTMENT

Q. What can I expect if Slater and Gordon handle my asbestos claim?

Q. What are the likely and possible outcomes?

Q. Can you give me a ballpark of my total bill?

Q. Is there a cooling off period?

Q. When will you bill me and how long will I have to pay?

Q. How long is the case likely to take?

Q. Will you be the lawyer looking after my claim?





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*Conditions apply - No win, no fee, this means if you are not successful, you will not be liable to pay our professional fees. You may still be liable for third party costs and disbursements.

Full T&C's: slatergordon.com.au/the-firm/legal-costs/no-win-no-fee

**Conditions apply - Free initial appointment, this means we generally offer a free initial appointment for all of our personal injury services,

If an initial appointment fee is applicable to your case, you'll be told upfront prior to booking an appointment.

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