Please carefully read all of the information in this packet before completing and presenting your Tort Claim Form.

Documents Contained in the Tort Claim Form Packet

- Instructions for completing the Tort Claim Form
- Tort Claim Form
- Medical Authorization

Legal Requirements for Presenting Tort Claim Forms

In order to verify the claim and supporting information, the law requires that the Tort Claim Form be signed by:

- Claimant; or
- Person holding a written power of attorney from the Claimant; or
- Attorney admitted to practice in Washington State on the Claimant’s behalf; or
- Court-approved guardian or guardian ad litem on behalf of the Claimant.

Present in Person or Mail the Tort Claim Form and Supporting Documents to:

James Bliss or Jeff Hollingsworth,
Risk Manager  Port of Seattle
2711 Alaskan Way
P. O. Box 1209
Seattle, WA  98111

Business hours:  Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Closed on weekends and holidays

A claim is deemed presented when the claim form is delivered in person or is received by the agent by regular mail, registered mail or certified mail with return receipt requested, to the agent(s) designated above.
Instructions for Completing the Tort Claim Form

Please read these instructions carefully before presenting a Tort Claim Form.

- Type or print clearly in ink and sign the Tort Claim Form.
- If the requested information cannot be supplied in the space provided, please use additional pages to complete the Tort Claim Form.
- If you are presenting a personal injury claim, please sign and attach the Medical Release form.
- If the incident that caused the damages occurred over a period of time, please provide the beginning and ending date.
- Provide all requested information and any available documents or evidence supporting your claim, such as medical records or bills for personal injuries, photographs, proof of ownership for property damage, receipts for repairs, wage loss information, and other documentation as appropriate.
- An adjuster will be assigned to your claim after it is submitted. It is to your advantage to present with your claim all relevant supporting documents. All documents may be subject to Washington State Public Disclosure statutes.
- Additional claim forms can be downloaded from the Port of Seattle website. http://www.portseattle.org/about/contact/
TORT CLAIM FORM

Pursuant to Chapter 4.96 RCW, this form is for filing a tort claim against the Port of Seattle. Some of the information requested on this form is required by RCW 4.96.020 and may be subject to public disclosure. Pursuant to law, this tort claim form cannot be submitted electronically (via email or fax).

Mail or deliver original form to: James Bliss or Jeff Hollingsworth, Risk Manager Port of Seattle 2711 Alaskan Way P. O. Box 1209 Seattle, WA 98111

Business hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed on weekends and holidays

CLAIMANT INFORMATION

Claimant's Name: ______________________________________________________________________________

Last       First     Middle

Date of Birth: _______________________________

Current Residential Address: ____________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address (if different): ____________________________________________________________________

Residential Address at Time of Incident: ____________________________________________________________

Telephone number(s): ______________________________      _______________________________________

Home/Cell Business

Email address: ______________________________

INCIDENT INFORMATION

Date of Incident: ___________________________    Time of Incident: ___________________________

Location of Incident: ____________________________________________________________________________

Description of the conduct or circumstances that brought about the injury or damage:
Description of injury and/or damage:

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of all persons involved in or witness to this incident and of all Port of Seattle employees having knowledge of this incident:

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of all individuals not already identified that have knowledge regarding the liability issues involved in this incident or knowledge of claimant’s damages. Please include a brief description of the nature and extent of each individual’s knowledge.

Was this incident reported to law enforcement, Port of Seattle or other personnel? If so, when and to whom. Please include the Police department case number and/or copy of the report.

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of treating medical providers. Attach copies of all medical reports and billings.

Name, address and telephone number of your employer if claiming lost wages. Please identify your position and rate of pay.

Amount of damages claimed: $________________________

Please attach all documents which support the allegations and claimed damages.

This Tort Claim Form must be signed by the Claimant, a person holding a written power of attorney from the Claimant, by the attorney-in-fact for the Claimant, by an attorney admitted to practice in Washington State on the Claimant’s behalf, or by a court-approved guardian or guardian ad litem on behalf of the Claimant.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

______________________________  ______________________________
Date                        Signature
Authorization for Release of Protected Health Information

Full Name: __________________________________________

Date of Birth: ________________________________________

Social Security No.: __________________________________

Medicare/Medicaid Recipient: Yes _______          No ________

I hereby authorize disclosure of my protected health information for the purpose of processing my claim for damages filed with the Port of Seattle. Please send legible copies of all records to:

Port of Seattle, Risk Management
P. O. Box 1209
Seattle, WA  98111

I understand that by signing this document, I authorize the release of the following information:

Complete medical records for all services, including history and physical exam; progress notes; x-ray reports; inpatient admissions; operative notes; physical or other therapy; laboratory and other test reports; physician and physician assistant orders; nursing notes; and all other records and references designated by the provider as part of its medical record.

HIV test results and information related to HIV testing and/or treatment.

Psychiatric, mental and behavioral health records, including treatment notes, assessments, testing documents and results, and medical records related to mental health diagnosis and treatment.

Alcohol assessment, testing, referral and/or treatment records.

Pharmacy prescriptions and reports.

All correspondence and documents received or sent, including electronic mail, referencing my treatment, information related to alleged sexual assault or sexually transmitted disease, including test results.

Urgent care, outpatient or other clinic visit information.

Gynecological and/or obstetrical information

All client records generated for or by governmental programs of which I am a client. Identify the programs(s) and agency: ________________________________________________________________.

Financial records related to my care and treatment.
I understand the following: (PLEASE READ AND INITIAL ALL STATEMENTS)

_____ My records are protected under HIPAA/PHI regulations (federal law) and the Washington State Health Care Information Act (RCW 70.02).

_____ My health information may be subject to re-disclosure by the Port of Seattle and not protected for purposes of evaluating and investigating the claim I have filed.

_____ The specific information to be disclosed in my medical record may include information relating to alcohol, drug or other controlled substance use, counseling referrals and/or a history of testing or treatment of HIV/AIDS.

_____ I may revoke this Authorization at any time by notifying the Port of Seattle, Risk Management, in writing. The revocation will be effective as of the date the Port of Seattle receives it. Any records obtained pursuant to this Authorization prior to the revocation will be deemed authorized by me for release.

_____ This Authorization will expire ninety (90) days from the date I sign it. I can also authorize a different time frame for this release to be valid.

A copy of this Authorization is as valid as the original.

Date: ______________________  ____________________________________________
(Signature)