

Impairment due to Pelvic Fractures

Overview: Fractures involving the pelvic bones can result in impairment to the individual depending on the site and nature of the injuries.

If there is a healed fracture without displacement and without residual signs then there is no impairment to the whole person.

If there is a healed fracture with displacement but without residual signs then impairment of the whole person occurs as follows

- symphysis pubis without separation: 5%
- sacrum: 5%
- otherwise no impairment is recognized

If there is a healed fracture with displacement deformity and residual signs then impairment of the whole person occurs as follows:

	Percent whole person impairment
single ramus	0
rami bilateral	5
ilium	2
ischium displaced 1 inch or more	10
symphysis pubis displaced or separated	15
sacrum with involvement of the sacroiliac joint	10
coccyx with nonunion or excision	5

If there is a fracture of the ischium with displacement deformity and residuals signs extending to involve the acetabulum then an additional impairment may occur due to restricted motion of the hip joint.

References:

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