

Retiree Appreciation Day

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Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC)

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- P.L. 107-314 (Dec. 2, 2002)
- CRSC Provides Compensation to Certain Retirees with Combat-Related Disabilities

Effective Date for CRSC

- Effective May 31, 2003
- Compensation began June 2003
- First Payment began 1 July 2003

Eligibility for CRSC

Eligible Members are those retirees who have 20 years of service for retired pay computation and who either have disabilities because of combat injuries for which they have been awarded the Purple Heart *or* who are rated at least 60 percent disabled because of armed conflict, hazardous duty, training exercises, or mishaps involving military equipment

Eligible Retirees for CRSC

- 20 Years or More of Uniformed Services towards Retired Pay
 - Retired Guard members / Reserves not eligible unless they have earned 7,200 Retirement Points (equivalent to 20 years of pay or more)
 - Retirees not Eligible if they waived Military Retirement for Civil-Service Retirement
- Retired Pay Offset by VA Disability Compensation

Combat-Related Disability

- Purple Heart – VA Rating of 10-100%
- VA Rating of 60-100% Incurred:
 - As a Direct Result of Armed Conflict
 - While Engaged in Hazardous Svc
 - Under Conditions Simulating War
 - Instrumentality of War

Direct Result of Armed Conflict

- Including a war, expedition, occupation of an area or territory, battle, skirmish, raid, invasion, rebellion, insurrection, guerrilla action, riot

OR

- Any other action in which service members are engaged with a hostile or belligerent nation, faction, force, or terrorists

Engaged in Hazardous Service

Including, but not limited to, aerial flight duty, parachute duty, demolition duty, experimental stress duty, and diving duty

Under Conditions Simulating War

- Resulting from military training, such as war games, practice alerts, tactical exercises, airborne operations, leadership reaction courses, grenade and live fire weapons practice, bayonet training, hand-to-hand combat training, rappelling, and negotiation of combat confidence and obstacle courses
- Does not include physical training activities, such as calisthenics and jogging or formation running and supervised sports

Instrumentality of War

Includes such causes as wounds caused by a military weapon, accidents involving a combat vehicle, injury or sickness caused by fumes, gases, or explosion of military ordinance, vehicles or material

Application Process

➤ Individual Must Apply – Not Automatic

➤ Go to Web Site:

www.moaa.org

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Combat-Related Special Compensation Summary

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Overview

Combat-related special compensation (CRSC) was authorized by the FY 2003 National Defense Authorization Act (P.L. 107-314, sec. 636) for certain retirees with combat- or operations-related disabilities.

Eligible Retirees: Must have 20 or more years of active duty service in the Uniformed Services (retired reservists are not eligible unless they have accumulated 7,200 points-equivalent of 20 years for pay-or more). Retirees are not eligible if they have waived military retired pay to credit military service toward their civil service retirement, or for any other reason, other than to receive VA disability

Department of Defense Links

- [CRSC Web Site](#) (login required).
- [CRSC Application Form DD2860](#) (PDF)
- [Army Retired Services Officers \(RSOs\)](#) (MS Word DOC)

MOAA Links

- [CRSC FAQ's](#)
- [Special Alert](#)
- [Concurrent Receipt Fact Sheet](#) (PDF).
- [MOAA CRSC Press Release](#)
- [TMC Testimony on Concurrent Receipt](#) (PDF).
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Last Name:	<input type="text" value="Pierce"/>		<input type="button" value="LOGIN"/>

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Fleet Week Brings Navy, New York Together



NEW YORK (NNS) - The 16th annual Fleet Week celebration in New York City struggled with intermittent rain, mist, fog and a distinct lack of sunshine, but it didn't dampen the spirits of the Sailors or visitors to the annual maritime festival.

[FULL STORY](#)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

[MOAA Legislative Update for May 30, 2003](#)

[Combat-Related Special Compensation \(CRSC\) Summary](#)

[MOAA's 2003 Legislative Tool Kit](#)

[Fighting for Fairness](#)
MOAA talks about the inequity of the Social Security offset applied to **SBP**.

DOD Starts Secure

DoD Policy Chief Seeks

Application Process

- Download DD Form 2860
- Fill Out and Attach Appropriate Documentation (**Do Not Send Originals**)
- Send to Parent Service Address Listed on Form

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APPLICATION FOR COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION (CRSC)

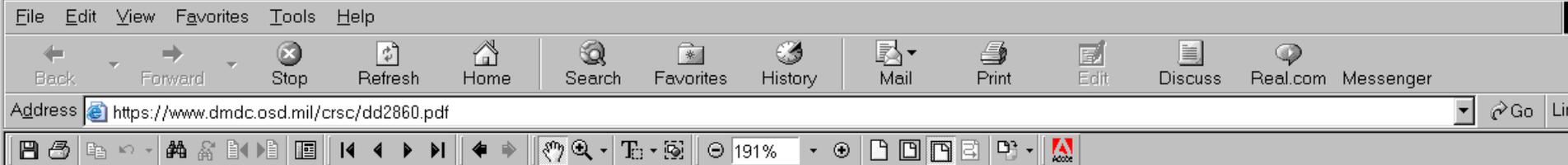
SECTION I - PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION

1. NAME <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>		2. MAILING ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION		
3.a. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER		a. STREET <i>(Include apartment number)</i>		
		b. SERVICE NUMBER <i>(If different)</i>		b. CITY
4. DATE OF BIRTH <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>		5. RETIRED RANK/PAY GRADE	c. STATE	d. ZIP CODE
6.a. UNIFORMED SERVICE FROM WHICH YOU RETIRED		6.b. OTHER UNIFORMED SERVICE(S) IN WHICH YOU SERVED	e. DAYTIME TELEPHONE NO. <i>(Include area code)</i>	f. E-MAIL ADDRESS <i>(Optional)</i>
			7. YEAR RETIRED <i>(YYYY)</i>	
8. DID YOU RETIRE UNDER MILITARY DISABILITY RETIREMENT PROVISIONS <i>(Chapter 61 of Title 10, U.S. Code)?</i>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			YES	NO

SECTION II - PRELIMINARY CRSC CRITERIA

NOTE: You must meet ALL criteria of this section or your application will be denied.

9. ANSWER ONLY THE <u>ONE</u> PART THAT APPLIES TO YOUR RETIREMENT:			
a. FOR REGULAR OR DISABILITY RETIREMENTS ONLY. Do you have 20 or more years of service creditable for the computation of the amount of your retired pay?	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
			NO
b. FOR NON-REGULAR (RESERVE) RETIREMENT <i>(Retired pay based on points) ONLY.</i> Did you have 7,200 points or more for the computation of retired pay?	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
			NO
10. ARE YOU IN A RETIRED STATUS <i>(i.e., are you on the retired rolls, or have you been transferred to the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve)?</i> <small>Members recalled to, or retained on, active duty are not in a retired status during the period of such recall or retention.</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
			NO
11. ARE YOU ENTITLED TO RETIRED PAY? <small>YES - Includes members who have waived military retired pay in order to receive VA disability compensation. NO - Includes members who have waived military retired pay in order to credit military service for purposes of a civil service retirement, or for any reason other than to receive disability compensation from the VA.</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
			NO



SECTION III - FINAL CRSC CRITERIA (Continued)

Complete this section to the best of your ability. If you are unable to answer any of these questions, enter "Don't Know" or "DK". If necessary, list other disabilities on additional copies of this page, including your name and Social Security Number. If you don't have extra copies of this page, use a blank piece of paper, list your full name and SSN, and label and enter the information for Items 13.a.(1), a.(2), b., c., d., e., f., and g. Enter a page number for each page completed: Page ___ of ___ . (e.g., if you have this and 3 additional pages, enter Page 1 of 4.)

NAME <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
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13. FOR EACH OF YOUR DISABILITIES THAT IS RATED BY THE VA, PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
(Complete one Item 13 block for each disability that is rated by the VA.)

(1)	a. (1) MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS CODE <i>(4 digit code of VA award)</i> <div style="background-color:yellow; text-align:center; padding: 5px;">DK</div>	a. (2) PART OF BODY AFFECTED AND NATURE OF THE DISABILITY
	b. CURRENT VA RATING OF THIS DISABILITY	

c. ORIGIN OF DISABILITY CODE *(see list below)*. Select the ONE code that BEST describes the circumstances under which the disability was incurred. If it applies, use Purple Heart (PH) in preference to any other code.
ORIGIN OF DISABILITY CODES *(Full definitions are provided at the end of this section below.)*

NA - No other code applies	HS - Hazardous Service	IN - Instrumentality of War	RE - Radiation Exposure
PH - Purple Heart Injury	SW - Performance of Duty Under Conditions Simulating War	AO - Agent Orange	MG - Mustard Gas or Lewisite
AC - Armed Conflict		GW - Gulf War Service	

d. YEAR DISABILITY WAS INCURRED (YYYY) <i>(Enter year of exposure for AO, GW, RE, and MG)</i>	e. WHERE THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED <i>(Name of installation or vessel, State or Region, and Country or Body of Water)</i>
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f. MILITARY UNIT TO WHICH YOU WERE ASSIGNED OR ATTACHED WHEN YOU INCURRED THE DISABILITY

g. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE DUTY YOU WERE PERFORMING WHEN YOU INCURRED THE DISABILITY. HOW WAS THE DISABILITY CAUSED BY THE COMBAT-RELATED CIRCUMSTANCES YOU ENTERED FOR ITEM c. ABOVE?

Bookmarks
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What Documents Do I Need?

- Any Document You Feel Is Relevant
- DD Form 214
- VA Rating Decisions
- Pages From VA or Medical Records

What If I Don't Have the Required Information or Documentation?

- Fill-Out Form To The Best Of Your Ability
- DoD Has Arrangement with VA and NPRC to Obtain Necessary Information

Where Can I Get Help?

➤ Army

1-866-281-3254

➤ Navy & Marine Corps

1-877-366-2772

➤ Air Force

1-866-229-7074

➤ Coast Guard

1-800-772-8724

Board Process

- Each Uniformed Service will review the applications of their own retirees
- Payments will be retroactive to June 1, 2003, for all approved applications, no matter when received

Board Process

- Service reviews will determine which disabilities, if any, are combat-related or are the result of an injury for which the member was awarded a Purple Heart
- Combat-Related includes those disabilities that are the direct result of armed conflict or from conditions that simulate combat, or that result from the performance of uniquely hazardous military duties, or caused by an instrumentality of war.

Board Process

- **Services will presume that disabilities awarded VA disability compensation based on service-connected exposure to hazards, which are clearly combat-related, are combat-related for the purpose of CRSC**
- **These include:**
 - **Agent Orange**
 - **Gulf War illnesses**
 - **Radiation Exposure**
 - **Mustard Gas and Lewisite**
 - **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) will require combat-related documentation.**

Board Process

- Retirees will be informed of denied applications and the reason for denial.
- Retirees may reapply later if they are able to show they meet the program criteria or appeal the decision if they believe their disabilities were combat-related, but were denied compensation by their Service.

What will be the Amount of the Compensation?

➤ Equal to VA Compensation

10% - \$104

60% - \$801

20% - \$201

70% - \$1,008

30% - \$310

80% - \$1,171

40% - \$445

90% - \$1,317

50% - \$633

100% - \$2,193

➤ **Up to Total Amount of Retired Pay**

Is CRSC Taxable?

➤ No

➤ Ruling based upon current law
Regarding Taxability of Disability
Income (26 U.S.C. 104)

CRSC and Special Compensation

- Cannot Receive Both
- Must Choose Which One to Receive

Frequently Asked Questions

- I have a disability rating from my parent service, but not from the VA. Would I qualify for the new compensation?
- You must have a VA rating and be receiving disability compensation in order to qualify. To file an application for a VA disability rating, contact the Department of Veterans Affairs at (800) 827-1000.

Frequently Asked Questions

- I have a Purple Heart for a combat wound but I have a VA rating that is non-combat related. Do I qualify?
- In order to qualify, the disability must be associated with a Purple Heart, or must be combat-connected and above 60 percent.

Frequently Asked Questions

- I don't have a Purple Heart but I have a VA rating of 60 percent. However, only 30 percent is combat related. Do I qualify?
- No. If you do not have a Purple Heart, the combat-related portions alone must total more than 60 percent.

MOAA's Benefits Information Department

- Retired Pay
- Retirement Benefits
- SBP
- Tricare
- VA Benefits
- Dual Comp
- Military Burials
- Military Awards
- Military Records
- ID Cards
- USFSPA
- CSRS/FERS
- Social Security
- Medicare

Questions & Answers

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