

# TEXAS BENEFITS FOR SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITIES

## **100% PERMANENT & TOTAL – COMPENSATION & IU**

DOD community privileges: Commissary/PX  
POSSIBLE MEDICAL BENEFITS  
Waiver of national service Live Insurance premiums  
Tax-Free Student Loan forgiveness filed through the Department of Education

## **100% Service Connected Disabled & IU**

Dental Treatment  
TOTAL EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES  
(for homestead residence)

### **SPOUSE BENEFITS – 100% P & T Disability:**

**CHAMPVA** for dependents & survivors  
Chapter 35 Education benefits  
Veterans Employment preference for Spouse  
DOD community privileges: Commissary/PX

## **70% Service-Connected Disabled**

Property Tax exemption for first \$12,000 (Texas Benefit)

## **60% Service-Connected Disabled or Missing Limb**

Free TX Driver's License  
Free TX Hunting & Fishing License Pkg.  
Free TX State Park Admission (w/ TPWD passport)

## **50% Service-Connected Disabled**

Property Tax exemption for first \$10,000 (Texas Benefit)  
Special license plates. \$3 fee for first plates, regular price for additional vehicle (Texas Benefit)

## **30% Service-Connected Disabled**

Property Tax exemption for first \$7,500 (Texas Benefit)  
Dependents considered for compensation purposes and payment calculations  
Non-competitive Federal employment  
Mileage reimbursement for VA Medical appointments

## **10% Service-Connected Disabled**

Medical care for rated disability/(ies) at no charge. Co-Pay for non-related prescriptions and Dr. visits.  
Hearing aids and glasses provided at no fee, no charge.  
Property Tax exemption for first \$5,000 (Texas Benefit)  
Vocational Rehabilitation and Counseling [Title 38, Chapter 31]  
Clothing Allowance for prosthetic devices  
Veterans preference on civil service [10%]

## **ALL TEXAS VETERANS:**

Certificate of Eligibility for Home Loan Guarantee  
Home Loan guarantee fee exemption  
SDVI – must file within 2-years of a “new service connection”  
Educational assistance under the Hazelwood Program  
Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) programs require 90-days of cumulative service, and any discharge other than Dishonorable  
Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) housing assistance program  
Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) home improvement program

## HOW TO CHECK THE STATUS OF YOUR CLAIM

THERE ARE FOUR WAYS TO CHECK THE STATUS OF YOUR CLAIM, OR APPEAL:

1. CALL THE TVC REGIONAL OFFICE *(if TVC has POA)* (254) 299-9950 WACO  
(713) 383-2756 HOUSTON
2. CALL THE VA TOLL FREE PHONE NUMBER 1-800-827-1000
3. GO ONLINE TO: [www.ebenefits.va.gov](http://www.ebenefits.va.gov)
4. SEND AN EMAIL TO THE VA AT: [IRIS@VA.GOV](mailto:IRIS@VA.GOV)

When you contact the TVC Regional Office, the VA toll-free phone number, or VA E-mail, be sure to specify whether you are inquiring about a "claim" or an "appeal". Appeal information is located through a different database system.

When you go online to the VA eBenefits website, you will have to create an account (user name and password). After that, you can check the status of your claim. If you have problems or difficulties registering for eBenefits, call 1-800-938-0937 for customer support.

## OTHER HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

<b>CHAMPVA</b> _____	<b>1-800-733-8387</b>
DEBT MANAGEMENT CENTER (DMC) _____	1-800-827-0648
DEFENSE FINANCE ACCOUNTING SERVICES (DFAS) _____	1-888-332-7411
<b>eBENEFITS CUSTOMER SUPPORT</b> _____	<b>1-800-983-0937</b>
EDUCATION & TRAINING _____	1-888-442-4551
ENTREPRENEUR PROGRAM (TVC) _____	1-512-720-0358
HAZELWOOD ACT _____	1-512-463-6834
HEADSTONES & MARKERS _____	1-800-697-6947
<b>HEALTHCARE</b> _____	<b>1-877-222-8387</b>
<b>HELP LINE (AGENT ORANGE &amp; GULF WAR)</b> _____	<b>1-800-749-8387</b>
HOMELESS ASSISTANCE _____	1-877-424-3838
HOME LOANS _____	1-877-827-3702
LIFE INSURANCE _____	1-800-669-8477
MEDICAL CARE COST RECOVERY (MCCR) _____	1-866-393-9132
<b>OIF/OEF/NEW DAWN HELPLINE</b> _____	<b>1-866-606-8216</b>
PENSION MANAGEMENT CENTER (PMC) _____	1-877-294-6380
SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION _____	1-800-827-5722
SOCIAL SECURITY _____	1-800-772-1213
SPECIAL HEALTH ISSUES _____	1-800-749-8387
SGLI/VGLI OFFICE _____	1-800-419-1473
VA FRAUD LINE _____	1-800-488-8244
<b>VETERANS CRISIS HOTLINE (Nationwide Toll-Free)</b> _____	<b>1-800-273-8255</b>
<b>VET CENTER (Nationwide Toll-Free)</b> _____	<b>1-877-927-8357</b>
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES (DADS) _____	1-800-458-9858
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES _____	1-512-458-7111
TEXAS VETERANS LAND BOARD (VLB) _____	1-800-252-8387
TEXAS WOMEN VETERANS INITIATIVE _____	1-512-936-6678