

The Application Process

Application

An application for CRSC is required. Forms are available as follows:

- 1 - U.S Army CRSC Website - <http://www.crsc.army.mil>
2. DoD homepage: <http://www.defenselink.mil/prhome/crsc.html>
- 3 - Army G-1 homepage: www.armyg1.army.mil
- 4 - your installation Retirement Services Officer (RSO) and www.armyg1.army.mil/retire

Army Lead Agent

U.S. Army Physical Disability Agency is the adjudicating agency. They can be reached at 1-866-281-3254 or (703) 325-0750.

Mailing Address for Application

Mail a completed application with supporting documents to:

**US Army Human Resources Command
USA Physical Disability Agency
(CRSC)
200 Stovall Street
Alexandria, VA 22332**

You will be notified when:

- 1) your application is received;
- 2) additional documentation is needed; and
- 3) a decision on eligibility has been made.

If approved, payments will be made by the DFAS - Cleveland Center (DFAS-CL).

If a retiree also receives compensation known as Concurrent Retirement Disability Payments (CRDP), DFAS-CL will pay the higher amount of either CRDP or CRSC. DFAS will annually allow members to elect which compensation they wish to receive.

CRSC replaces the offset of VA disability compensation. Retirees cannot receive both CRSC and CRDP. CRDP is taxable and CRSC is tax-free.

The dollar amount of CRSC is determined by DFAS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Combat Related Special Compensation



The 2003 & 2004 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) established a new form of special compensation, payable to certain disabled retirees. It is called Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC). The law was effective 1 Jun 2003 and expanded 1 January 2004. CRSC pertains to 20 year retirees only.

<http://www.crsc.army.mil/>

CRSC-I Eligibility

Service

-- at least 20 years of active duty, OR
-- combination of active duty and reserve points (7,200), equal to full-time active duty

VA Disability Rating

-- minimum of 10% with award of Purple Heart
-- minimum of 60% for other illnesses or injuries attributed to combat-oriented training or hazardous duty.



CRSC-II Eligibility

Service

-- at least 20 years of creditable service

VA Disability Rating

-- minimum of 10% for illnesses or injuries attributed to combat-oriented training or hazardous duty.

Situations that Constitute "Direct Result of Armed Conflict"

1 -- a war, expedition, occupation of an area or territory, battle skirmish, raid, invasion, rebellion, insurrection, guerilla action, riot, or any other action in which service members are engaged with a hostile or belligerent nation, faction, force, or terrorist.

2 -- engaged in hazardous service that includes, but is not limited to aerial flight duty, parachute duty, demolition duty, experimental stress duty, and diving duty.

3 -- conditions simulating war include results from military training, such as: war games, practice alerts, tactical exercises, airborne operations,

grenade and live-fire weapons practice, leadership reaction course, 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, jogging, formation running and supervised sports.



4 -- instrumentalities of war (which does not have to be incurred during a period of war), include wounds caused by a military weapon; accidents involving a combat vehicle; injury/sickness caused by fumes, gases, or explosion of military ordnance, vehicles or material.