





# **National Guard Bureau**



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# **MGIB-SR (Ch 1606)**



- What Is It?
  - GI Bill Program for members of the Selected Reserve
- How Do I Qualify?
  - Have a High School Diploma or Equivalency
  - Sign a six year contract or Officer Service Agreement
  - Complete IADT/BOLC (MOSQ or Branch Qualified)
- What Do I Get?
  - \$392 per month (Paid directly to the Soldier)
  - Up to 36 months of benefits

\*Note: Cannot be used simultaneously with FTA for the same course



# **ARNG MGIB-SR "Kicker"**



- What Is It?
  - An additional monthly payment in addition to your basic GI Bill basic benefit
- How Do I Qualify?
  - Be eligible for MGIB-SR (Chapter 1606) or MGIB-AD (Chapter 30)
  - Agree to serve in a critical skill/critical unit (NPS/PS/Reenlistment), enter an officer commissioning program (ROTC, Officer and Warrant Officer), or commission
  - Sign a six year contract or officer service agreement (enlist or extend)
  - Meet all other criteria as listed in the current ARNG SRIP/Kicker Policy
- What Do I Get?
  - \$350 per month in addition to Chapter 1606 or 30 benefit



# **MGIB-Active Duty (Chapter 30)**



- What is It?
  - A GI Bill Program for Soldiers who serve on Active Duty
- How Do I Qualify?
  - Have qualifying AD service on or after 1 Jul 85 or AGR service after 29 Nov 89
  - Complete at least two years on Active Duty or AGR (Title 10/32)
  - Complete a mobilization of at least two continuous years (730 days)
  - Contribute \$100/month for 12 months

## What Do I Get?

- Two-year rate \$1,664/month (Consecutive service of more than 2 years but less than 3 years)
- Three-year rate \$2,050/month (Consecutive service of more than 3 years)

#### Important!

\*Top Up applies if on Active Duty/AGR, Ch30 pays the remaining cost of tuition and fees not covered by FTA \*Plus Up allows you to pay up to \$600 and increase your monthly benefit by up to \$150 per month \*For M-day Soldiers, MGIB-AD <u>can</u> be used simultaneously with FTA for the same course



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



- What Is It?
  - A GI Bill Program for Soldiers who serve on Active Duty
- How Do I Qualify?
  - Serve at least 90 days in a period of qualifying active duty on/after Sep 11, 2001
  - Qualifying Active Duty service is:
    - Service in any active component: Title 10 USC, Sections 688, 12301(a), 12301(d), 12301(g), 12301(h), 12302, 12304, 12304a, or 12304b
    - Title 10 or 32 AGR
    - Title 32 USC, Section 502(f):
      - Between 11 Sep 01 31 May 02, in support of Operation Noble Eagle
      - On/After 15 Feb 2019 in support of Operation Guardian Shield
      - On/After 22 March 2020 in response to COVID-19
    - Awarded a Purple Heart
    - Serve in a qualifying duty status for more than 30 days and separate due to a service-connected disability or injury



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



## Non Qualifying Service:

- Title 32 FTNGD-OS/ADOS/ADSW (Other than previously noted)
- Service Academy Contract Period
- ROTC Active Duty Contract Period
- Active Duty used for Active Duty Loan Repayment
- Active Duty period receiving less than Honorable discharge

## Basic Training and AIT:

- Can be added to established qualifying time if:
  - You already completed 24 months of other qualifying active duty time; and
  - Your Basic Training and/or AIT occurred on or after 9/11/2001



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



### • What Do I Get?

Service Requirements on/after 9/11/01 an individual must serve an aggregate of	Payment Tiers Percentage
At least 36 cumulative months or Purple Heart award	100%
At least 30 continuous days on active duty and discharged due to service-connected disability	100%
At least 30 cumulative months	90%
At least 24 cumulative months	80%
At least 18 cumulative months	70%
At least 12 cumulative months	60%
At least 6 cumulative months	50%
At least 90 aggregate days	40%

\* Payment Tier applies to Tuition & Fees, Books & Supplies Stipend, and Housing Stipend



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



### What Do I Get? Continued,

- Tuition and Fees
  - Pays up to 100% of in-state tuition and fees at public schools
  - Pays private and out-of state tuition and fees up to the VA cap of \$24,476.79 annually
  - Payments made directly to the school
- Pays After
  - Any scholarship
  - Federal/State Tuition Assistance
  - Employer based aid or other assistance
- Yellow Ribbon Program
  - Must be eligible for 100% payment tier to qualify
  - School must elect to participate
  - VA may match up to 50% of the cost that exceeds the VA Tuition Cap
  - Includes private schools & out of state schools
  - Go to benefits.va.gov/gibill/ or contact your school's Veterans' benefits representative for more information



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



### What Do I Get? Continued,

#### Housing Stipend - Attending Campus:

- Paid directly to the student
- Must be attending more than half-time
- Payment is equivalent to BAH for an E-5 w/dependents
- Payment amount is determined by zip code of campus where attending classes
- Prorate based on training time and payment tier
- Housing Stipend Attending Distance Learning/Online Classes:
  - Must be attending more than half-time
  - The rate is equal to ½ the national average BAH for an E-5 with dependents (full time at 100% tier = \$894.50)
  - Prorated based on training time and payment tier

#### Important!

\*Service member and spouse not eligible for stipend while on Active Duty \*Children are eligible regardless of the Service member's duty status



# Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch 33)



### What Do I Get? Continued,

#### Books and Supplies

- Paid directly to the student
- Up to \$1,000 per academic year
- Computed at \$41.67 per credit hour
- Lump sum payment (each quarter, semester or term attended) paid directly to the student
- Prorated based on the individual's payment tier (40% to 100%) and rate of pursuit
- Eligible regardless of duty status

#### Period of Use

- While on Active Duty or non Active Duty status
- If last date of qualifying duty is before 1 January 2013, eligibility expires 15 years from date of last Active Duty discharge;
- If last date of qualifying duty is on/after 1 January 2013, eligibility does not expire
- Delimiting date can be extended by qualifying service of at least 90 consecutive days



## **Transfer of Education Benefit (TEB)**

#### What Is It?

 A GI Bill Incentive Program that allows Soldiers to transfer their Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to spouses/dependents in exchange for continued service.

### How Do I Qualify?

- Be currently serving in the Armed Forces, <u>and</u>
- Have completed <u>at least</u> 6 years in the Armed Forces, <u>and</u>
- Not have any adverse action flag (including APFT/ABCP failure), <u>and</u>
- Agree to serve 4 years from the transfer request date

#### Important!

\*Must initiate transfer of benefits <u>while serving</u> in the Armed Forces \*After retiring or separating, can revoke or modify only <u>existing</u> transferred benefits



# **Transfer of Education Benefit (TEB)**

### What Do I Get?

- May transfer remaining months of Post-9/11 benefit or up to 36 months of benefits, whichever is less
- DEERS Eligible Dependents;
  - Spouse
    - Can use immediately after receiving approved TEB
    - Same payments and delimiting date as transferring Soldier
  - Children
    - Must transfer before child turns 21 (before 23 if a full-time student)
    - Can use after SM has served at least 10 years in the Armed Forces
    - Can use as early as age 18 or receipt of HS completion equivalent cert.
    - Ends at age 26 or when benefits are exhausted, whichever comes first

#### "Education, The Key To Strength and Readiness"

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## **Transfer of Education Benefit (TEB)**



### How Do I Apply?

### TEB Process:

- Step 1: Contact the DVA at 1-888-422-4551 (888-GIBILL-1) to determine how many months are available to be transferred
- Step 2: Complete a DA Form 4836 Extension of Enlistment (if needed) with unit
- Step 3: Ensure extension and current NGB 23 is uploaded into iPERMS
- Step 4: Apply to transfer benefits on-line at: <u>https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/</u>
  - Follow instructions sent to Enterprise email (mail.mil) by Education Support Center (ESC)
- Step 5: Return to milConnect, print approval letter, <u>write down your 'Obligation</u> <u>End Date' (OED)</u>

#### Don't wait, submit your TEB request TODAY!



# How to Apply for VA Benefits



## Apply On Line at: <u>www.vets.gov</u>

### Information Needed

- School name and course of study
- Personal Information (Address, Phone, etc...)
- Bank account routing number and account number

### Supporting Documents

- DD214 and/or Orders (Title 10 Mobilizations, Title 10 AGR/ADOS, Title 32 AGR)
- Ensure all orders/DD 214s and current NGB 23 are in your iPERMS record

## For VA Education Support

Call 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551)



# **Recent Changes**



### Service in Support of COVID-19 Pandemic

- Due to recent Presidential Proclamations
  - Presidential Declaration of National Emergency (13 March 2020)
  - Presidential Authority to use Federal Funds (22 March 2020)
- Service under Title 32, USC, Section 502(f) may be considered as qualifying time for the Post-9/11 GI Bill
- State must receive an approved Mission Assignment (MA) from FEMA and FRAGO from the NGB Joint Staff
- Orders must state: project code "X10" and Activation Authority "09994, Presidential Proclamation"





# **Recent Changes**



### Public Law 116-128 (S. 3503) enacted 21 March 2020

- Applicable Period: 1 MAR 20 21 DEC 20
- Provides for the payment of monthly housing stipends (CH 33) or Subsistence allowances (Title 38; Chapters 30, 31, 32 & 35 and Title 10; CH 1606 & 1607) for on-site coursework at an education institution that is converted to Distance Learning by reason of emergencies and health related situations.

### Southwest Border Mission (Title 32, USC, Sec 502(f))

- Applicable Period: Orders beginning on or after 15 February 2019
- Provides for Post 9/11 GI Bill eligibility for those who responded to the Southwest Border Security Mission declared National Emergency by Presidential Proclamation 9844.



## Contacts



### • *VA*

- Call 888-GIBILL-1 (888-442-4551)
- State Education Service Officer
  - https://www.nationalguard.com/select-your-state

## ARNG Education Support Center

- arng.esc@mail.mil
- 866-ARNG-EDU (866-276-4338)