

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

		Then You Are Eligible for...																		
If You Are...	And You Have...	Preparation counseling	Individual Transition Plan (Note #1)	Career change counseling (Note #1)	Verification of Military Experience and Training, DD Form 2586, (Note #6)	Application for the Evaluation of Military Learning Experiences, DD Form 295 (Note #7)	TAP/DTAP workshop (Note #1)	DoD Job Search (Note #1)	PACS registry (Note #1)	Other employment assistance (Note #1)	One-time NAF hiring preference (Note #1)	Relocation assistance (Note #1)	Financial planning assistance (Note #1)	Extension in DoDDS (Note #3)	MWR privileges (Note #1)	Unemployment compensation (Note #1)	America's Job Bank (Note #1)	Veterans' Benefits	JTPA programs	State-of-residence veterans' programs
Voluntarily separating	0-19 years of service	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Note #4	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5
Accepting voluntary separation incentive or special separation benefit	6-19 years of service	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note #3	Note #4	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5
Being involuntarily separated under other than adverse conditions	0-19 years of service	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note #3	Note #4	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5
Retiring	15 or more or years of service	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Note #2	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5
Separated due to medical condition (less than 30%)	0-19 years of service	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Note #3	Yes	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5
Retired due to medical condition	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Note #5	Yes	Yes	Note #5	Note #5

Notes:

1. Applies to Service member's spouse, as appropriate.
2. Registration for public and community service is mandated by Section 4403 of Public Law 102-484, "The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1993," for Service members retiring with more than 15 years but fewer than 20 years of service.
3. Continued enrollment in a DoDDS overseas school shall be on a space-available basis providing the student completed the 11th grade prior to the Service member's separation and subject to the Status of Forces Agreement with the host country. Retiring Service members under the action of a Selective Early Retirement Board are also eligible if they meet these criteria.
4. Service members, who upon separation, will be entitled to an Armed Forces of the United States Geneva Convention Identification Card (Reserve), DD Form 2, and/or a Department of Defense Guard and Reserve Family Member Identification Card, DD Form 1173, shall be permitted to use revenue-generating (for example, clubs, bowling centers, golf courses) morale, welfare and recreation facilities.
5. Eligibility requirements vary. Contact your state or local employment or veterans office for details.
6. Service members must complete a minimum of 180 consecutive days of active duty immediately prior to separation.
7. Navy College Office and Sailor/Marine Corps ACE Registry Transcript: Where Sailors and Marines can request personal copies of college transcripts.

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		Household goods storage	Home of selection move	Home of record move	180-day extension in military family housing (Note #2)	Commissary & Exchange privileges for self and family	Montgomery GI Bill enrollment or VEAP conversion	Teacher and teacher aide certification (Note #4)	Medical and dental care for self and family (Note #1)	Separation pay	Retired pay	Guard and Reserve opportunities counseling and priority placement	Continued health insurance, including preexisting conditions coverage for self and family	Disability separation pay	Excess leave (Note #8)	Permissive TDY/TAD	
																Transition and househunting stationed overseas (Note #8)	Transition and househunting stationed in CONUS (Notes #8 and 9)
Voluntarily separating	0-19 years of service	6 months	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	18 months	No	No	N/A	N/A
Accepting voluntary separation incentive or special separation benefit	6-19 years of service	1 year	Yes	N/A	Note #2	2 years ¹	Note #3	Yes	120 days	Yes	No	Yes	18 months	No	30 days	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days
Being involuntarily separated under other than adverse conditions	Fewer than 6 years of service	1 year	Yes	N/A	Note #2	2 years	Note #3	No	60 days	No	No	Yes	18 months	No	30 days	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days
	6-19 years of service	1 year	Yes	N/A	Note #2	2 years	Note #3	Yes	120 days	Note #6	No	Yes	18 months	No	30 days	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days
Retiring	15 or more or years of service	1 year	Yes	N/A	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Note #7	No	No	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days
Separated due to medical condition (less than 30%)	0-19 years of service	1 year	Yes	N/A	Note #2	2 years	Note #3	Yes	Note #5	No	No	No	18 months	Yes	30 days	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days
Retired due to medical condition	N/A	1 year	Yes	N/A	No	Note #10	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Up to 30 days	Up to 20 days

Notes:

1. Participation in the TRICARE Family Member Dental Plan terminates the last day of the month of active service. It is not a transition benefit. Extended dental care is on a space-available basis at a military treatment facility. Note that, for dental care, the 60 or 120 days listed in this column only refer to card at base dental clinics. Enrollment in the Family Member Dental Plan ceases on the month of separation, provided dental premiums are deducted for that month's coverage.
2. Space available. Rent is charged based on BAQ/VHA/OHA rate. Entitlement is subject to Status of Forces Agreement restrictions overseas. Retiring service members under the action of a Selective Early Retirement Board (SERB) are also eligible if they meet these criteria.
3. Service member must pay \$1,200 and have been honorably discharged.
4. Service member must have completed a bachelor's degree to be eligible for teacher certification. Service member must have completed an associate's degree to be eligible for teacher aide certification.
5. Sixty days care for Service member and family who served fewer than 6 years of service; 120 days for Service member and family who served 6-19 years of service.
6. Service member must have been involuntarily discharged under other than adverse conditions.
7. Certain dependents of retired Service members may be eligible. See the installation Health Benefits Advisor for details.
8. Service members are authorized to request excess leave or permissive TDY/TAD, but not both.
9. Up to 30 days for those members who are domiciliaries before entering active duty and continue to be domiciliaries of states, possessions, or territories of the United States located outside the CONUS, including domiciliaries of foreign countries, and are stationed at a location other than the state, possession, territory, or country of their domicile, contingent up commander's approval and mission requirements

¹ For each block where it indicates "2 years" – this applies to those service members separating between October 1, 1990 and December 31, 2001.

10. The commissary and exchange regulations extend unlimited privileges to a member entitled to retired pay. The same regulations offer unlimited privileges to an honorably discharged veteran with a 100% service-connected disability. Members entitled to retired pay who are also rated by the VA as 100% disabled, remain eligible for the blue ID card even if they waive retired pay to receive VA compensation.