

**Effective Oct. 1, 2006**

Basic rates for people with remaining entitlement under Chapter 34 of Title 38, U.S.C. Chapter 30 Category II rates

Time	No Dependents	One Dependent	Two Dependents	Each Additional
1st Six Months	\$1030.20	\$1044.23	\$1056.55	\$5.95
2nd Six Months	\$765.38	\$776.43	\$785.53	\$4.55
3rd Six Months	\$514.35	\$522.23	\$528.30	\$3.15
Remainder	\$499.05	\$506.48	\$513.23	\$3.15

Chapter 30/38 of U.S.C. completing an enlistment of less than three years of service

1st Six Months	\$742.05
2nd Six Months	\$567.45
Remainder	\$392.85

Chapter 30/38 of U.S.C. completing an enlistment of three or more years of service

1st Six Months	\$913.75
2nd Six Months	\$698.75
Remainder	\$483.75

Chapter 35  
(a surviving spouse or dependent)

1st Six Months	\$676.00
2nd Six Months	\$527.00
3rd Six Months	\$380.00
Remainder	\$157.00

Chapter 1606 of Title 10  
(National Guard/Reserves)

1st Six Months	\$262.65
2nd Six Months	\$200.85
Remainder	\$139.05

Chapter 1607 of Title 10, U.S.C.

Time	Service of 90 days but less than One Year	Service of One Year +	Service of 2 Years +
1st Six Months	\$365.50	\$548.25	\$731.00
2nd Six Months	\$279.50	\$419.25	\$559.00
Remainder	\$193.50	\$290.25	\$387.00

(Rates are proportionally reduced if less than 120 hours is worked)

## How to Begin

### Step 1

*To determine if you are eligible for GI benefits, contact the Department of Veterans Affairs at:*

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

[www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov)



**Department of Veterans Affairs**

### Step 2

*If you are eligible for VA benefits and you want to apply for apprenticeship or on-the-job training, contact:*

Apprenticeship and Training Bureau  
N.C. Department of Labor  
1101 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1101

(919) 733-7533  
1-800-NC-LABOR  
(1-800-625-2267)

[www.nclabor.com](http://www.nclabor.com)



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*Apprenticeship training is skilled on-the-job training supplemented with related instruction.*

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# Apprenticeship Training for Veterans



**APPRENTICESHIP ADVANTAGE**

**Skills With a Lifetime Warranty**

## Apprenticeship/OJT Training for Veterans and Dependents

Apprenticeship is a training method that combines on-the-job training with a minimum of 144 hours of related classroom instruction. Apprenticeship programs range from one to five years, depending on the occupation. On-the-job training is short-term and ranges from six months to two years. A veteran may receive GI Bill benefits, if eligible and not fully trained, while working full time and earning wages.

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### What types of skills are eligible?

Some of the skilled occupations that are approved for the GI Bill through apprenticeship training:

- Fire Fighter
- Police Officer
- Correction Officer
- Machinist
- Mold Maker
- Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator
- Telecommunication Specialist Technician
- Refrigeration, Air Conditioning Mechanic
- Maintenance Mechanic
- Powerline Technician
- Cook/Chef
- Carpenter
- Electrician
- Plumber
- Tool and Die Maker
- *And more than 800 additional occupations*

**Note:** This list is not complete. Check with the N.C. Department of Labor Apprenticeship and Training Bureau to see if your job qualifies. A veteran *must* be employed in a training capacity with a company in apprenticeship or on-the-job training, and not fully trained, before being eligible to receive benefits.



### What veterans are eligible for the GI Bill?

#### Chapters of Entitlement

1. Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty (Chapter 30)
2. Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606)
3. Post-Vietnam Era Veterans Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 32)
4. Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 35)
5. Vocational Rehabilitation (Chapter 31)

*"Apprenticeship is an outstanding program. I have implemented it into my recruiting program at Camp LeJeune, and it has generated a lot of interest among potential recruits for correctional officer at Pender Correctional Facility. I recommend this service highly to all veterans and to other correctional facilities."*

*George Fullwood, Training Specialist  
Pender Correctional Facility*

### When can you apply for benefits?

As a general rule, veterans have 10 years after separation from active service to use their GI Bill benefits. The Chapter 34 GI Bill (Vietnam Era) ended Dec. 31, 1989; however, some Chapter 34 veterans are now eligible for benefits under Chapter 30.

### Members of the Reserve/National Guard

Effective Oct. 1, 1990, certain members of the Reserve/National Guard may be eligible for educational assistance for state-approved apprenticeship training. Contact your Reserve/National Guard unit to verify your eligibility for Chapter 1606 benefits.

### What are the Requirements for Receiving VA Benefits?

- Veteran must be employed with a company that has a registered apprenticeship or on-the-job training program through the N.C. Department of Labor Apprenticeship and Training Bureau, which is the State Approving Agency for apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs in North Carolina.
- Veteran must be registered with the company as an apprentice or trainee.
- Veteran must not be fully trained and receiving wages at the fully trained rate of pay for the occupation.

**Note:** The veteran will be ineligible to receive GI Bill benefits if already fully trained and receiving wages at the fully trained rate of pay.

### What is the amount of the monthly VA benefits for registered apprenticeship/on-the job training programs?

All monthly allowances must be verified by the VA. To check the current rates, visit the VA Web site: <http://www.gibill.va.gov/education>. See the back panel for rates as of Oct. 1, 2006.