

Post 9/11 GI Bill Transferability Worksheet

STEP 1: Determine qualifying service for Post 9/11 eligibility. Title 10 qualifying service is **any** active duty service under section 672(d), 688, 12301 (a), (d), (g), 12302, or 12304 **with** an Honorable discharge, since 9/11/01 **OR Title 32 AGR with** an Honorable discharge (this includes ALL Title 32 **AGR** service including WMD, CST, and State Counterdrug Coordinators) since 9/11/01 **or** "Operation Noble Eagle" from 11 SEP 2001-31 MAY 2002 **with** an Honorable discharge under section 502(f) ADOS or ADSW. (These DFAS pay codes must appear on your orders/DD214s to validate qualifying service.)

STEP 2: Determine remaining GI Bill entitlement. Register on "eBenefits" at www.ebenefits.va.gov/ or Call Veterans Affairs at: 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) to find out how many months of VA Benefit you have used. (You may be eligible for more than one bill. Check the comparison chart for qualifications.) You have 48 months **maximum** lifetime GI Bill education benefit if you qualify for more than one bill. You have a maximum benefit of 36 months under any one bill. Subtract the total number of months used from 48 and this is (potentially) the number of months you have to transfer to a spouse or dependent (up to 36 months total.)

STEP 3: Consider the payment tier from your qualifying service. You must have an aggregate (or combined) qualifying service of at least 90 days. Total qualifying service since 9/11/01 determines the payment tier. (Examples: 90 days – 6 months = 40%; 36 months total combined qualifying service = 100%) Spouse and/or dependent child/ren receive the payment tier the soldier qualifies for.

STEP 4: Make an informed decision. (You need to attend a Post 9/11 briefing or review the briefing slides prior to making a decision.)

There are several significant considerations, to include:

- You **MUST** transfer benefit before you leave the military or you will lose the opportunity!!
- Your education plan
- The payment tier and how much that actually equates with and what it actually pays for

STEP 5: Qualifications. To be approved to transfer benefit/s, you must:
In addition to **at least** 90 days qualifying active duty service after 9/11/01,

- Have completed at least six years of service in the Armed Forces, **and**
- NOT have an adverse action flag, **and**
- Agree to at least four years of service.

STEP 6: 2-step Transfer.

1. Complete TEB (Transfer of Education Benefits):
 - Access through eBenefits *or* Go to www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/
 - Confirm the dependent is enrolled in DEERS
 - Transfer the number of months you want of what you are entitled to

You'll hear back at your AKO email address.

2. Follow the instructions and complete the Statement of Understanding if required.

STEP 7: Apply for "Certificate of Eligibility"

Access through eBenefits *or* Go to <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/>

Soldier fills in the 22-1990

Dependent fills in the 22-1990E

Take the Certificate to the VA official at the school.

CALCULATOR

<u>Program</u>	<u># months used</u>
Ch 1606	_____
Ch 1607	_____
Ch 30*	_____
VEAP	_____
Total	_____

Subtract the Total number of benefits months used from 48 *unless* you only currently have Ch 30, then subtract from 36. This equals the number of months remaining benefit you may be able to transfer to a spouse or dependent/s.

For more information, check with your State Education office or contact a Counselor at 1-866-628-5999 or visit www.nationalguard.com/education