

## Thoraco-lumbar Spine Condition(s) Medical Impairment Assessment

Veteran				UIN					
Insert conditions: For this assessment, each condition needs the impairment as though only that single impairment in this way, please select a design of the conditions.	condition is pres	<b>ent</b> , and that the v	eteran is otherwis	se healthy and nor					
For the purposes of this form, "difficulty" refers to an activity being hard to perform, because of an actual, observable limitation or impediment. Difficulty may be evident through the use of splints, aids, rails, or personal assistance, or through the exertion of additional effort to complete the task. Voluntary avoidance of physical activity to minimise pain cannot be considered. Where possible, your assessment should be based on your observation and examination of the veteran, as well as their history and any relevant investigations.  1. Please select the most accurate description of impairment to active range of movement (ROM) of the thoraco-lumbar spine, due to each condition in isolation. Consider motion in all planes of movement.									
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)		
No loss or x-ray changes only.									
Minor loss.						OR			
Loss of less than half normal range.									
Loss of <b>half</b> normal range.									
Loss of more than half normal range.									
Complete loss (ankylosis).									

<ol><li>Please select the most accurate descr</li></ol>	iption of any difficul	ty with grades and	d slopes, due to ea	ach condition in isc	lation.	_	
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
No difficulty.						OR	
Some difficulty.							
Completely unable.							
3. Please select the most accurate descr	iption of any difficul	ty with ascending	and descending s	teps, due to each o	condition <i>in isola</i> t	tion.	
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
No difficulty.						OR	
Some difficulty.							
Completely unable.							
4. Please record the maximum walking	distance that can be	walked without r	needing to rest, du	ue to each conditio	n <i>in isolation</i> .	_	
Distance (metres)	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	OR	Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
5. Please select the most accurate descr	 iption of any difficul	ty with <b>walking or</b>	l level surfaces, d	lue to each condition	n in isolation.		
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
No difficulty.						OR	
Some difficulty.							
Cannot walk.							

6. Please select the most accurate desc	ription of any difficul	ty with <b>rising to a</b>	standing position	, due to each cond	ition in isolation.	_			
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)		
No difficulty.						OR			
<b>Can rise</b> to, and maintain a standing position, with difficulty.									
Cannot stand.									
7. Please select the most accurate desc	ription of any <b>crush f</b>	ractures, due to e	ach condition in is	solation.		<del>_</del>			
Description	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)		
None.									
Compression of 25% to 50%.						<b>O</b> D			
<ul> <li>Specify number of affected vertebrae:</li> </ul>						OR			
Compression of greater than 50%.									
<ul> <li>Specify number of affected vertebrae:</li> </ul>									
8. Are there any other comments you v	vould like to make re	garding the impac	t of the veteran's	thoraco-lumbar co	ndition(s)?				
Doctor's signature	Doctor's name		Date	Date			Time to complete form		