



Service Pension Claim Work Test Questionnaire

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NOTE:

For invalidity service pension purposes, a person is considered to be permanently incapacitated for work if the person:

1. is permanently blind in both eyes; or
2. is eligible for the Special Rate of disability pension (T&PI) under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* or Special Rate Disability Pension (SRDP) under the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (MRCA); or
3. has a disability(ies) that permanently prevents them from working.

A person who is not blind or eligible for T&PI or SRDP must satisfy the following criteria to be considered to have disability(ies) that prevent them from working. The disability(ies) do not need to be related to military service:

- the person has a disability(ies) that results in a combined impairment rating of 40 points or more using the *Guide to the Assessment of Rates of Veterans' Pensions (GARP)* **and**
- the incapacity from the disability(ies) alone, permanently prevents the person from working for periods adding up to more than 8 hours per week, **and**
- the disability(ies) is permanent.

This form needs to be completed by the veteran's treating doctor.

Please write in BLOCK LETTERS using a blue or black pen (not pencil).

Veteran's details

1. Veteran's surname
2. Veteran's given name(s)
3. Residential address

 Postcode
4. Date of birth / /
5. DVA file no. (if known)

Important

This form needs to be completed because the above named veteran has applied for an invalidity service pension based on a permanent incapacity to work. In this context work means:

- work that a person with the veteran's skills, qualifications and experience might reasonably undertake, possibly with retraining;
- work that is actually undertaken and is not uncommon in the Australian work force; and
- work that is of a kind for which award wages are, or could reasonably be expected to be, paid.

But work in this context is not necessarily limited to:

- the particular type of job that the veteran has previously undertaken; or
- work readily available to the veteran at this time or in the veteran's local area.

6. How many hours per week does the veteran have the capacity to undertake work?

Less than 8 hours per week?

More than 8 hours per week?

Please provide comments to support your answer.

Form with horizontal lines for comments.

7. Is the veteran's incapacity for work likely to continue indefinitely?

Yes

No

Please provide comments to support your answer.

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8. Does the incapacity, of itself alone*, render the veteran permanently incapable of undertaking work for periods adding up to more than 8 hours per week?

Yes

No

Please provide comments to support your answer.

Form with horizontal lines for comments.

* 'Alone' means that it is the disability that affects a person's ability to work, not factors such as education, the labour market, language skills etc.

9. Do you consider that the veteran is permanently incapacitated for invalidity service pension purposes? (See information box on front page)

Yes

No

Please provide comments to support your answer.

Form with horizontal lines for comments.

10. If the veteran arrived in Australia in the last 10 years, do you consider the same level of incapacity existed on arrival?

Yes

No

Please provide comments to support your answer.

Form with horizontal lines for comments.

11. I have been treating this patient since

Doctor's stamp (or address and telephone number)

Doctor's signature

Date