



The state of Nevada offers many veteran benefits for service members and Veterans that have served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America. These benefits include income and property tax exemptions, financial exemptions, education and training programs, hunting and fishing licenses, vehicle registrations, and assistance with employment. Your residency, military career, and disability status may result in certain differences in what benefits you may be eligible for. The following are benefits for the state of Nevada.

Nevada Veteran Financial Benefits

- **Nevada Retirement Income Taxes:** Nevada does not levy a general state income tax on individuals, so you are not required to file an individual state tax return for Nevada. This is also the same for retired military pay.
- **Nevada State Taxes on U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Military Disability Retired Pay:** Nevada does not levy a general state income tax on individuals, so you are not required to file an individual state tax return for Nevada.
- **Nevada State Taxes on U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Disability Dependency and Indemnity Compensation:** Nevada does not levy a general state income tax on individuals, so you are not required to file an individual state tax return for Nevada.
- **Military Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP)/ Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP)/ Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan (RSFPP) Nevada State Tax Benefits:** Nevada does not levy a general state income tax on individuals, so you are not required to file an individual state tax return for Nevada.
- **Nevada Veterans Property Tax Exemption:** An annual tax exemption is available to any Veteran with wartime service. The exemption can be applied to a Veteran's vehicle privilege tax or real property tax. The exemption cannot be split between the two. The first \$2,000 assessed valuation of property in which an applicant has any interest shall be deemed the property of the applicant. To determine the actual value of this benefit or to obtain further information, contact your local County Assessor's office.

Sales Tax:

- Statewide: 4.6%
- Municipalities: can levy a sales tax of no more than 3.665%
- Current average sales tax (with local taxes included): 7.89%

Recreation

Hunting & Fishing License for Disabled Veterans: Honorably separated Veterans who have a disability rating of 50% or more are eligible for discounted hunting and fishing licenses. Nevada resident service members stationed outside of Nevada and home on leave are eligible for a discounted combination license for hunting and fishing.

State Park Admission: Honorably discharged Nevada Veterans who have a disability rating of 10% or more can get a pass for free entrance to all state parks, camping, and boat launch facilities. There is a low annual renewal fee.

Education Programs



Waiver of Fees for Members of Nevada National Guard: Active members of the Nevada National Guard are eligible for a tuition waiver and laboratory fees to the University of Nevada. They may also waive tuition and fees for dependents and surviving spouses for members killed in the line of duty. A child may use the waiver for 10 years after they attain the age of 18 years. A surviving spouse may use the waiver for 10 years after the member's date of death.

Grant-In-Aid for the Family of a Member Killed in the Line-of-Duty: Dependents of an active duty member killed in the line of duty while permanently stationed in Nevada may be eligible for a financial grant that does not require repayment.

Housing: The following are the sites for Veterans Homes

Nevada State Veterans Home at Boulder City

Eligibility for admission:

- Discharged other than on dishonorable accounts
- Spouse and Gold Star Parents may be eligible for admission
- The Veteran must require skilled nursing care
- Veterans pay based on their need

Employment and Job Training: Veterans Preference

All honorably discharged Veterans, along with surviving spouses of members killed in the line of duty can have 10 points added to any passing state employment examination scores. National Guard members and all other surviving spouses get five points. Qualified disabled Veterans are guaranteed an interview and non-disabled Veterans must make up at least 22 percent of those interviewed for any open state job.

Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act: Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) protect civilian job rights and benefits for Veterans and members of Reserve components. USERRA also makes major improvements in protecting service member rights and benefits by clarifying the law, improving enforcement mechanisms, and adding Federal Government employees to those employees already eligible to receive the Department of Labor assistance in processing claims.

Burials and Memorials

Please note that your preference regarding burial in a national cemetery and use of a headstone provided by VA should be documented and kept with your paperwork and medical records. There is no charge for the plot, vault and opening & closing of a gravesite for a veteran. A small fee is charged for the burial of the spouse or dependent of a veteran.

National Cemeteries include:

Fernley: [Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery](#)



Boulder City: [Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery](#)

Nevada VA Benefit Resources

Nevada provides Veterans with a Regional Benefits Office and VA Medical Centers.

Nevada VA Regional Benefits Office

- Reno: [Reno Regional Office](#)

Nevada VA Medical Centers

- North Las Vegas: [VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System](#)
- Reno: [VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System](#)

Important information for Nevada Veteran Benefits:

For Veterans applying for VA benefits for the first time, you must submit a copy of your DD 214 (discharge paperwork). This will provide your discharge status, along with your full name, social security number, branch of service, and dates for which you served. Honorable and general discharges qualify a Veteran for most VA benefits.

You should always keep your paperwork, along with your medical records, in a safe place where you and your family can have access to them. It is imperative to have it in a location where it cannot be destroyed or tampered with, which includes a safe.

Your eligibility for most VA benefits is based upon discharge from active military service under other than dishonorable conditions. Active service means full-time service as a member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or as a commissioned officer of the Public Health Service, the Environmental Services Administration or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Any Veteran discharged from the military under the conditions of "Dishonorable" due to bad conduct discharges issued by general courts-martial may bar VA benefits. Veterans in prison and parolees may be eligible for certain VA benefits. VA regional offices can clarify the eligibility of prisoners, parolees, and individuals with multiple discharges issued under differing conditions.

*This information is accurate as of December 2019