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- 1. On 16 March 2011, the VA published a final rule, effective 15 April 2011, to establish VA regulations regarding the payment of a monthly assistance allowance to veterans training to make the United States Paralympics team, as authorized by section 703 of the Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2008. Change:
 - Added new Part 76.



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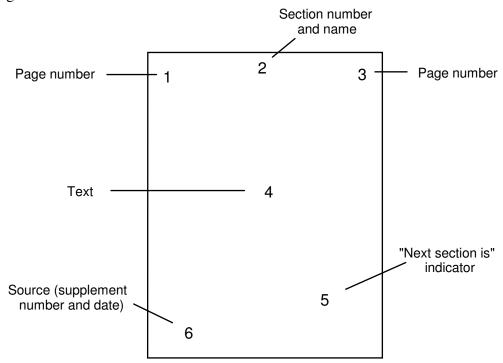
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§76.1 Definiftions

For purposes of part 76, the following definitions apply:

Disability means a service-connected or nonservice-connected disability which meets the criteria prescribed by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Classification Code and International Standards, November 2007 edition, available at http://www.paralympic.org/export/sites/default/IPC/IPC_Handbook/Section_2/2008_2_Classification_Code6.pdf, and qualifies the veteran for participation in a sport sanctioned by the United States Paralympics. The IPC standards are incorporated by reference into this section with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. To enforce any edition other than that specified in this section, VA must publish notice of change in the Federal Register and the material must be available to the public.

- (1) You may obtain a copy from the International Paralympic Committee at International Paralympic Committee, Adenauerallee 212-214, 53113 Bonn, Germany.
- (2) All approved material is available for inspection at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Regulation Policy and Management (02REG), Room 1063B, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of approved materials at NARA, call (202) 741-6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html. The IPC standards are also available here: http://www.va.gov/ABOUT_VA/docs/ParalympicClassificationCode.pdf. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 322(d))

Paralympic Training Center refers to the following locations: The United States Olympic Training Center at Chula Vista, California; the United States Olympic Training Center at Colorado Springs, Colorado; the United States Olympic Training Center at Lake Placid, New York; the Lakeshore Foundation in Birmingham, Alabama; and the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Oklahoma. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 322(d))

[76 FR 14283, Mar. 16, 2011]

§76.2 Assistance allowance

- (a) VA will pay an allowance to a veteran with a disability who is:
- (1) Invited by the United States Paralympics (USP) to compete for a slot on, or selected for, the USP Team for any month or part of any month in which the veteran is training or competing in any event sponsored by the USP or the IPC; or
- (2) Residing at a USP training center in connection with any paralympic training or competition for the period certified under § 76.3.
- (b) In providing this allowance, VA will periodically assess funding for the allowance. If a periodic assessment reveals that funding is insufficient to pay all applicants, VA will first pay in full veterans with service-connected disabilities, and then pay others in full in the order in which their completed applications are received. (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 322(d))

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§76.3 Application and certification

To receive an allowance—

- (a) A veteran must submit a complete application identifying any dependents upon which a higher payable rate of allowance may be based; and
- (b) USP must provide certification of the veteran's participation in training or competition sponsored by the USP or the IPC, or residence at a USP training center, for the period for which payment is requested. The certification must specify whether the payment is due for training, competition, or residence, and the dates of the training, competition, or residence for which payment is due.

(The Office of Management and Budget has approved the information collection provisions in this section under control number 2900-0760.)

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 322(d))

[76 FR 14284, Mar. 16, 2011]

§76.4 Amount of allowance

The following rules govern the amount of allowance payable to veterans under this section.

- (a) Payment will be made at the rate paid for a full-time institutional program under chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code (Chapter 31) that is in effect for a period of certified participation, as prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section. (See 38 CFR 21.260.)
- (b) Payment may be made for each day at 1/30 of the monthly rate to veterans who train or compete in USP or IPC sponsored events for each day of training or competition, or to veterans who reside at a USP training center, for each day of residence, or on a monthly basis at the monthly rate to veterans who train or compete continuously for a full month, or to veterans who reside at a USP training center for a full month.
- (c) VA will pay the allowance at a rate paid to a veteran with dependents for a full-time Chapter 31 institutional program upon receipt of appropriate documentation that a veteran who qualifies for the allowance has dependents. (*See* 38 CFR 21.260.) (Authority: 38 U.S.C. 322(d), 3108)

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