VOLUME 7B, APPENDIX L: “DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION RATES”

A SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES

All changes are denoted by blue font.

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## APPENDIX L

**DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION RATES**  
**DECEMBER 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 1, 2012**

### Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Rates

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**NOTE 1:** If current year is not listed, then see *Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Rates* at the Department of Veterans Affairs website. Additionally, see the Department of Veterans Affairs website for any rate effective before December 1, 2005.
NOTE 2:  The Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) rate remained unchanged from December 1, 2008 through November 30, 2011.

NOTE 3:  DIC is payable at a flat rate and increased by cost-of-living adjustments when a veteran dies on or after January 1, 1993. An additional amount may be payable if the veteran was receiving a Service-connected disability compensation (or would have but for the receipt of retired or retainer pay) for at least 8 years immediately preceding death. If a veteran died before January 1, 1993, then DIC was payable based on the pay grade of the veteran. Effective January 1, 1993, DIC was payable at the flat rate of $750 (including $165, if applicable according to Title 38, United States Code, section 1311(a)(2) if it is more favorable than the DIC amount based on the veteran’s pay grade. The following table provides the historical flat rates (including additional amount, if applicable) through current.

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