

**VOLUME 7B, APPENDIX L: “DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION (DIC) RATES”**

**SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES**

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<b>PARAGRAPH</b>	<b>EXPLANATION OF CHANGE/REVISION</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>
Appendix L	Updated dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) rates for deaths before January 1, 1993. These rates are effective December 1, 2017.	Revision
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## APPENDIX L

## \*DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION (DIC) RATES

## \*DIC Rates: For Deaths Before January 1, 1993 (Notes 1 and 6)

Pay Grade	PL 110-111 Effective Dec 1, 2007 (See note 1)	PL 110-389 Effective Dec 1, 2008 (See note 2)	PL 112-53 Effective Dec 1, 2011 (See note 2)	PL 112-198 Effective Dec 1, 2012	PL 113-52 Effective Dec 1, 2013	PL 113-181 Effective Dec 1, 2014 (See note 3)	PL 114-328 Effective Dec 1, 2016 (See note 3)	*PL 115-91 Effective Dec 1, 2017
E1	\$1,091	\$1,154	\$1,195	\$1,215	\$1,233.23	\$1,254.19	\$1,257.95	\$1,283.11
E2	1,091	1,154	1,195	1,215	1,233.23	1,254.19	1,257.95	1,283.11
E3	1,091	1,154	1,195	1,215	1,233.23	1,254.19	1,257.95	1,283.11
E4	1,091	1,154	1,195	1,215	1,233.23	1,254.19	1,257.95	1,283.11
E5	1,091	1,154	1,195	1,215	1,233.23	1,254.19	1,257.95	1,283.11
E6	1,091	1,154	1,195	1,215	1,233.23	1,254.19	1,257.95	1,283.11
E7	1,129	1,194	1,236	1,257	1,275.86	1,297.55	1,301.44	1,327.47
E8	1,191	1,260	1,305	1,327	1,346.91	1,369.81	1,373.92	1,401.40
E9	1,242	1,314	1,361	1,384	1,404.76	1,428.64	1,432.93	1,461.59
E9 (Note 4)	1,342	1,419	1,470	1,494	1,516.41	1,542.19	1,546.82	1,577.76
W-1	1,153	1,219	1,262	1,283	1,302.25	1,324.39	1,328.36	1,354.93
W-2	1,198	1,267	1,312	1,334	1,354.01	1,377.03	1,381.16	1,408.78
W-3	1,234	1,305	1,351	1,373	1,393.60	1,417.29	1,421.54	1,449.97
W-4	1,305	1,380	1,429	1,453	1,474.80	1,499.87	1,504.37	1,534.46
O-1	1,153	1,219	1,262	1,283	1,302.25	1,324.39	1,328.36	1,354.93
O-2	1,191	1,260	1,305	1,327	1,346.91	1,369.81	1,373.92	1,401.40
O-3	1,274	1,347	1,395	1,418	1,439.27	1,463.74	1,468.13	1,497.49
O-4	1,349	1,427	1,478	1,503	1,525.55	1,551.48	1,556.13	1,587.25
O-5	1,485	1,571	1,627	1,654	1,678.81	1,707.35	1,712.47	1,746.72
O-6	1,674	1,771	1,834	1,865	1,892.98	1,925.16	1,930.94	1,969.56
O-7	1,808	1,912	1,980	2,013	2,043.20	2,077.93	2,084.16	2,125.84
O-8	1,985	2,100	2,175	2,211	2,244.17	2,282.32	2,289.17	2,334.95
O-9	2,123	2,246	2,326	2,365	2,400.48	2,441.29	2,448.61	2,497.58
O-10	2,328	2,463	2,551	2,594	2,632.91	2,677.67	2,685.70	2,739.41
O-10 (Note 5)	2,499	2,643	2,738	2,784	2,825.76	2,873.80	2,882.42	2,940.07

**DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION (DIC) RATES (Continued)****\*DIC Rates: For Deaths On or After January 1, 1993 (Note 6)**

<b>Flat Rate</b>	<b>Additional</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
\$750	\$165	January 1, 1993
769	169	December 1, 1993
790	173	December 1, 1994
810	177	December 1, 1995
833	182	December 1, 1996
850	185	December 1, 1997
861	187	December 1, 1998
881	191	December 1, 1999
911	197	December 1, 2000
935	202	December 1, 2001
948	204	December 1, 2002
967	208	December 1, 2003
993	213	December 1, 2004
1,033	221	December 1, 2005
1,067	228	December 1, 2006
1,091	233	December 1, 2007
1,154	246	December 1, 2008
1,154	246	December 1, 2009
1,154	246	December 1, 2010
1,195	254	December 1, 2011
1,215	258	December 1, 2012
1,233.23	261.87	December 1, 2013
1,254.19	266.32	December 1, 2014
1,254.19	266.32	December 1, 2015
1,257.95	267.12	December 1, 2016
<b>*1,283.11</b>	<b>*272.46</b>	<b>December 1, 2017</b>

**Notes:**

1. If the current year is not listed in the table, see the [Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Rates](#) at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) website. Additionally, see the VA website for any rate effective prior to December 1, 2007.
2. The DIC rates remained unchanged from December 1, 2008 through November 30, 2011.
3. The DIC rates remained unchanged from December 1, 2014 through November 30, 2016.
4. These are E9 pay grade veterans who served as a Sergeant Major of the Army or Marine Corps, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Navy, Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, or Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard.
5. These are O-10 pay grade veterans who served as a Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army or Air Force, Chief of Naval Operations, or Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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6. An additional amount may be payable if at the time of death the veteran was entitled to receive (or, but for the receipt of retired pay or retirement pay, was entitled to receive) compensation for Service-connected disability that was rated totally disabling for a continuous period of at least 8 years immediately preceding death. In determining the period of a veteran's disability for purposes of the preceding sentence, only periods in which the veteran was married to the surviving spouse will be considered. See Title 38, United States Code (U.S.C.), [section 1311\(a\)\(2\)](#). 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 [38 U.S.C. § 1311\(a\)\(2\)](#)) if it is more favorable than the DIC amount based on the veteran's pay grade.