

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

SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES

Changes are identified in this table and also denoted by [blue font](#).

Substantive revisions are denoted by an asterisk (*) symbol preceding the section, paragraph, table, or figure that includes the revision.

Unless otherwise noted, chapters referenced are contained in this volume.

Hyperlinks are denoted by [bold, italic, blue, and underlined font](#).

The previous version dated [March 2021](#) is archived.

PARAGRAPH	EXPLANATION OF CHANGE/REVISION	PURPOSE
All	Updated hyperlinks and formatting to comply with current administrative instructions.	Revision
1.1	Updated Overview section to comply with administrative instructions.	Revision
2.0	Added section to clarify Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) offset and repeal.	Addition
Tables L-1 and L-2	Updated DIC rates.	Revision
References	Updated References where applicable.	Revision

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1.0 GENERAL

*1.1 Overview

DIC is a monthly benefit paid to eligible survivors of military Service members who died in the line of duty or eligible survivors of veterans whose death resulted from a service-connected or compensable disability. The Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuity for an eligible spouse or former spouse may be reduced by a percentage DIC if the annuity is payable on behalf of the same member.

1.2 Purpose

This appendix provides the DIC rates used to determine the SBP annuity reduction amounts listed in Tables L-1 and L-2.

*2.0 DIC Offset

2.1 DIC Offset in General

The SBP annuity payable to a spouse prior to January 1, 2023 may have been reduced by some or all of the DIC paid to the spouse if the DIC paid was due to the service-connected death of the same member for which the spouse is receiving the SBP annuity. See Chapter 46. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) determines entitlement to and the amount of a DIC award. DIC is compensation paid by the VA to the eligible survivors of Military Service members who died after December 31, 1956, from a service-connected or compensable disability. In accordance with Title 38, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 1311, VA establishes annual DIC rates which are required to be published in the Federal Register.

2.2 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

Public Law 116-92, Section 622 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, signed into law on December 20, 2019, amended 10 U.S.C. §1450(c). This legislation created a multi-year phase out of the SBP-DIC offset, beginning in FY 2021.

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*Table L-1 DIC Rates: For Deaths Before January 1, 1993 (Notes 1 and 6)

Table Revision Effective Date: December 1, 2022

Pay Grade	<u>PL 114-197</u> Effective Dec 1, 2016 (See note 3)	<u>PL 115-75</u> Effective Dec 1, 2017	<u>PL 115-258</u> Effective Dec 1, 2018	<u>PL 166-58</u> Effective Dec 1, 2019	<u>PL 116-178</u> Effective Dec 1, 2020	<u>PL 117-45</u> Effective Dec 1, 2021	<u>*PL 117-191</u> Effective Dec 1, 2022
E1	\$1,257.95	\$1,283.11	\$1,319.04	\$1,340.14	\$1,357.56	\$1,437.66	\$1,562.74
E2	1,257.95	1,283.11	1,319.04	1,340.14	1,357.56	1,437.66	1,562.74
E3	1,257.95	1,283.11	1,319.04	1,340.14	1,357.56	1,437.66	1,562.74
E4	1,257.95	1,283.11	1,319.04	1,340.14	1,357.56	1,437.66	1,562.74
E5	1,257.95	1,283.11	1,319.04	1,340.14	1,357.56	1,437.66	1,562.74
E6	1,257.95	1,283.11	1,319.04	1,340.14	1,357.56	1,437.66	1,562.74
E7	1,301.44	1,327.47	1,364.64	1,386.47	1,404.49	1,487.35	1,616.75
E8	1,373.92	1,401.40	1,440.64	1,463.69	1,482.72	1,570.20	1,706.81
E9	1,432.93	1,461.59	1,502.51	1,526.55	1,546.40	1,637.64	1,780.11
E9 (Note 4)	1,546.82	1,577.76	1,621.94	1,647.89	1,669.31	1,767.80	1,921.60
W-1	1,328.36	1,354.93	1,392.87	1,415.16	1,433.56	1,518.147	1,650.22
W-2	1,381.16	1,408.78	1,448.23	1,471.40	1,490.53	1,578.47	1,715.80
W-3	1,421.54	1,449.97	1,490.57	1,514.42	1,534.11	1,624.62	1,765.96
W-4	1,504.37	1,534.46	1,577.42	1,602.66	1,623.49	1,719.28	1,868.86
O-1	1,328.36	1,354.93	1,392.87	1,415.16	1,433.56	1,518.14	1,650.22
O-2	1,373.92	1,401.40	1,440.64	1,463.69	1,482.72	1,570.20	1,706.81
O-3	1,468.13	1,497.49	1,539.42	1,564.05	1,584.38	1,677.86	1,823.83
O-4	1,556.13	1,587.25	1,631.69	1,657.80	1,679.35	1,778.43	1,933.15
O-5	1,712.47	1,746.72	1,795.63	1,824.36	1,848.08	1,957.12	2,127.39
O-6	1,930.94	1,969.56	2,024.71	2,057.11	2,083.85	2,206.80	2,398.79
O-7	2,084.16	2,125.84	2,185.36	2,220.33	2,249.19	2,381.89	2,589.11
O-8	2,289.17	2,334.95	2,400.33	2,438.74	2,470.44	2,616.20	2,843.81
O-9	2,448.61	2,497.58	2,567.51	2,608.59	2,642.50	2,798.41	3,041.87
O-10	2,685.70	2,739.41	2,816.11	2,861.17	2,898.37	3,069.37	3,336.41
O-10 (Note 5)	2,882.42	2,940.07	3,022.39	3,070.75	3,110.67	3,294.20	3,580.80

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*Table L-2 DIC Rates: For Deaths on or After January 1, 1993 (Note 6)

Table Revision Effective Date: December 1, 2022

Flat Rate	Additional	Effective Date
\$750.00	\$165.00	January 1, 1993
769.00	169.00	December 1, 1993
790.00	173.00	December 1, 1994
810.00	177.00	December 1, 1995
833.00	182.00	December 1, 1996
850.00	185.00	December 1, 1997
861.00	187.00	December 1, 1998
881.00	191.00	December 1, 1999
911.00	197.00	December 1, 2000
935.00	202.00	December 1, 2001
948.00	204.00	December 1, 2002
967.00	208.00	December 1, 2003
993.00	213.00	December 1, 2004
1,033.00	221.00	December 1, 2005
1,067.00	228.00	December 1, 2006
1,091.00	233.00	December 1, 2007
1,154.00	246.00	December 1, 2008
1,154.00	246.00	December 1, 2009
1,154.00	246.00	December 1, 2010
1,195.00	254.00	December 1, 2011
1,215.00	258.00	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
1,283.11	272.46	December 1, 2017
1,319.04	280.09	December 1, 2018
1,340.14	284.57	December 1, 2019
1,357.56	288.27	December 1, 2020
1,437.66	305.28	December 1, 2021
1,562.74	331.84	December 1, 2022

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, 2016.
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.
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 [38 U.S.C. § 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.

*REFERENCES

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1.0 – GENERAL (L001)

38 U.S.C. § 1311
38 U.S.C. § 5110(d)
38 U.S.C. § 5111(a)
10 U.S.C. § 1450(c)
63 Comp Gen 536, B-21446, August 20, 1984
10 U.S.C. § 1451(c)
Department of Defense Instruction 1332.42,
December 30, 2020
Public Law 116-92, Section 622, National Defense
Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

2.0 – DIC Offset

Public Law 116-92, Section 622, National Defense
Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

Tables L-1 and L2

Public Law 116-78
Public Law 117-45
Public Law 117-191