

Get Reimbursed for Test Fees

Are you interested in taking a licensing and certification exam or national test and using Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits?

The GI Bill covers more than just tuition and fees. You can also use your entitlement to cover the cost of certain licensure and certification exams and national tests.

Under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, prorated entitlement may be used for approved licensing and certification exams and national tests. Previously, GI Bill beneficiaries were charged the rate of one month of entitlement.



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

For Licensing and Exams

VA will:

- Pay for tests for as many approved licenses or certifications as you'd like as long as you have remaining entitlement.
- Pay for tests even if you don't score high enough to get your license or certification. You can take the same test as many times as you need.
- Pay for you to retake a test you passed, if you need to take it again to get recertified, or retain a license you already have.

For National Testing

VA will:

- Pay for the cost to register, the cost of specialized tests, and administrative fees.
- Pay for approved college admissions tests, approved tests that you can take to earn college credits, approved graduate school admissions tests, and approved admissions tests for pre-health professional programs.

VA will not:

- Pay for pretest costs (such as Kaplan tests), fees to get scores quickly or optional items not required to take an approved test.

VA will not:

- Pay for fees or costs related to getting the actual license or certification document.
- Pay more than \$2,000 in fees for one test.

For tests taken after August 1, 2018, VA will prorate the entitlement charges under the Post-9/11 GI Bill based on the actual amount of the fee charged for the test.

How do I know what Licensing and Certification exams are covered?

You can use our [search tool](#) to learn which tests are covered and their costs. In the field that says "L&C Name," enter the name of the license or certification you're interested in. For example, you can enter "paramedic" to learn which paramedic licenses and certifications are eligible for fee repayment.

Note: If you don't see a test listed, it may be a valid test that's just not yet approved. Please [submit an application](#) for reimbursement.

Before taking any tests, take a look at what's offered and learn more [here](#).

If you have questions, please call 1-888-GI-BILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) (inside the U.S.) or 001-918-781-5678 (outside the U.S.).