



# Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) Post-9/11 GI Bill®

## 1. What is it?

- TEB is an incentive for continued service offered to Service Members who qualify for the Post-9/11 GI Bill. All ARNG Soldiers considering TEB should initiate the TEB process as soon as they meet the requirements (Ref: Title 38 USC Section 3319; DoDI 1341.13).

## 2. How Do I Qualify?

- Qualify for the Post-9/11 GI Bill at any payment tier
- Be currently serving in the Uniformed Services, with at least six years completed
- Have completed fewer than 16 years of service (effective January 12, 2020)
- NOT be flagged for adverse action, APFT/ABCP failure, or as Unsatisfactory Participant
- Agree to a **four-year** service obligation from the date of your transfer request
- Transfer to an eligible dependent
  - Spouse and/or dependents must be listed under you in DEERS
  - Transfers to children must be completed before each child's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday (23<sup>rd</sup> birthday if they are enrolled full-time at an Educational Institution)

## 3. What Do I Get?

- A Dependent receives the same payment eligibility tier as Soldier
- Spouse:
  - May use transferred benefits immediately
    - If your last day of qualifying service is before January 1, 2013, your spouse's eligibility ends 15 years from the last day of that qualifying duty
    - If your last day of qualifying service is on or after January 1, 2013, your spouse's eligibility never ends
  - The spouse of a Soldier on Active Duty/AGR is NOT eligible for the Housing Stipend
- Child/Children:
  - Cannot use the benefit until transferring Soldier has completed 10 years in the Armed Forces
  - Is always paid as if Soldier is in a Non-Active Duty Status
  - Can begin using the benefit on their 18th birthday or upon high school graduation, whichever comes first
  - A child's eligibility ends on their 26th birthday unless you specify an earlier end date.
- You can modify and/or revoke months between any dependent you originally transferred months to – even after you separate from service
- **Important! You must be currently serving to ADD a new dependent**

## 4. How Do I Apply?

### Step 1: Contact the VA

- Call 1-888-GIBILL-1, ask how many months you have remaining in each GI Bill program.
  - If you are only eligible for one program, subtract those months from 36. This is the number of months you are eligible to transfer.
  - If you are eligible for more than one program, subtract the total months from 48. You may transfer this number of months or 36 months, whichever is fewer.

### **Step 2: Complete Extension (If required)**

- Enlisted Soldiers MUST have an ETS date that is four or more years after the TEB request date. If you do not have four years remaining, you will need to extend before your TEB will be approved.
- Officers' MRD MUST be four or more years after the request date
- IMPORTANT! Your TEB request cannot be approved until the ETS/MRD is updated in GIMS.

### **Step 3: Complete Application for Transfer**

- Log into milConnect <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/>
- Verify your dependents are listed as eligible to receive the transfer.
  - Your dependents will be listed in the List of Family Members chart.
  - If your dependent(s) is under 23 years old and is identified as ineligible, contact your DEERS office to enroll that dependent into DEERS.
- Enter the number of months you wish to transfer to each dependent
- Entering a Transfer End Date is optional, and **not recommended**. If left blank, the dependent will receive the longest period of eligibility allowed by law.
- Click the "OK" button and repeat for each dependent.
- Complete the application by reading every statement and selecting EVERY check box. **Be sure to click the SUBMIT button.**

### **Step 4: Access your Enterprise Email and follow TEB email instructions**

- The ARNG GI Bill Support Team will review your application and send approval instructions to your military email (mail.mil account).
- Once you have met all the requirements, you will receive a "TEB APPROVED" email from the GI Bill Support Team.
- Login to milConnect, review your obligation end date (OED), print your approval form.
- **NOTE: IF YOU VOLUNTARILY SEPARATE FROM THE ARNG PRIOR TO COMPLETING YOUR OED, YOUR TEB WILL BE TERMINATED AND ANY FUNDS PAID TO YOUR DEPENDENTS WILL BE RECOUPED!**

### **Step 5: Dependent Application to VA**

- When ready to attend school, your approved dependent(s) apply for the Post 9/11 GI Bill at: [www.vets.gov](http://www.vets.gov)
- Notify the VA Certifying Official at your school to certify your enrollment.

#### ***For More Information:***

- Go to the VA Web Site: [www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill)
- Visit us On-Line: [www.nationalguard.com/education](http://www.nationalguard.com/education)
- Contact State Education Services Office at: [www.nationalguard.com/contacts/eso](http://www.nationalguard.com/contacts/eso)



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