

# Nevada State Veteran's Benefits & Discounts



The state of Nevada provides several veteran benefits. This section offers a brief description of each of the following benefits.

- Housing Benefits
- Financial Assistance Benefits
- Employment Benefits
- Other State Veteran Benefits

## **Nevada Veteran Housing Programs**

### **Nevada Veterans' Home**

A State-owned and operated veterans' home is located in Boulder City. The home consists of an extended care facility for veterans in need of skilled nursing home care. Future plans call for a Veterans Home in Northern Nevada.

Visit the Nevada Office of Veterans Services website <http://veterans.nv.gov> for contact information and benefits assistance.

## **Nevada Financial Assistance Benefits**

### **Veterans Tax Exemption**

An annual tax exemption is available to any veteran with wartime service (including in-theater service during the

Persian Gulf War, Afghanistan and Iraqi Wars). To obtain this exemption, take a copy of your DD214 or discharge papers to your local County Assessor.

The exemption can be applied to a veteran's vehicle privilege tax or real property tax. The exemption cannot be split between the two. To obtain the exact amount of this benefit, contact your County Assessor. Veterans may also "donate" their exempted tax directly to the Nevada Veterans' Home Account, which will contribute the amount toward the operation of a Veterans' Home in Nevada.

### **Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption**

Nevada offers a property tax exemption to any veteran with a service-connected disability of 60% or more.

The amounts of exemption that are or will be available to disabled veterans varies from \$6,250 to \$20,000 of assessed valuation, depending on the percentage of disability and the year filed. To qualify, the veteran must have an honorable separation from the service and be a resident of Nevada.

The widow or widower of a disabled veteran, who was eligible for this exemption at the time of his or her death, may also be eligible to receive this exemption.

This exemption can be applied to a veteran's vehicle tax or personal property tax. To determine the actual value of this benefit or to obtain further information, contact your local county assessor's office.

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## **Nevada Employment Benefits**

### **Civil Service Preference**

Civil service preference is given to veterans applying for State employment in Nevada. Veterans with service-connected disabilities receive additional preference.

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## **Other Nevada State Veteran Benefits**

### **Assistance With Claims**

Any veteran family member of a veteran, or Nevada resident on Active Duty can receive free assistance in filing a claim with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for a service-connected disability, pension or other benefit program. Assistance includes help in filing claims, representation at local hearings, appeals and discharge upgrades.

### **Hunting and Fishing License**

The State of Nevada Wildlife Division will issue free hunting fishing licenses to any honorably separated veteran who has a service-connected disability of 50% or more.

### **Guardianship Program**

Nevada State Law permits the Nevada Office of Veterans' Services to act as the financial guardian for incompetent veterans, their widows and children.

**Veteran Cemetery Plots**

Eligible veterans and members of their immediate family may be buried at the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley, or at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City. There is no charge for the plot, vault and opening & closing of a gravesite for a Veteran. A \$350 fee (subject to change) is charged for the burial of the spouse or dependent of a veteran.

**Disabled Parking Privileges**

The State of Nevada authorizes special parking permits for physically disabled persons. Applications are available at your local DMV office or can be obtained by contacting the DMV Special Plate Section in Carson City.

**Special Veteran License Plates**

The Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles offers several distinctive license plates for veterans that include:

Ex-Prisoner of War

Disabled Veteran

Purple Heart

Army, Army Airborne, Army National Guard, Navy, Navy Seabee, Air Force National Guard , Marine Corps, or Coast Guard Veteran

National Guard Active

Pearl Harbor Survivors & Veterans

Congressional Medal of Honor





Applications for special plates can be obtained at your local DMV Office. Initial fee is \$61 with an annual \$30 renewal fee. Personalized plates run \$96 with an annual renewal fee of \$50. A portion of the fees help subsidize veteran causes.

#### **Documents**

Veterans or their dependents filing claims for service-connected disabilities may receive a one-time free copy of their birth, divorce, death or marriage certificate from the appropriate county courthouse.

#### **Recording Fees**

Discharge certificates are recorded free of charge to eligible veterans by Nevada Court Recorders.

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## **Military Discounts in New Jersey**

1. MVDC has close to 2000 business locations in Nevada that have discounts for military personnel and veterans. In addition to businesses providing discounts, the state of Nevada also provides discounts for those that have served.

To find business discounts, enter your zip code and category in the search box at

<http://militaryandveteransdiscounts.com/location/nevada.html>

2. Veterans Designation on drivers license: Pending

3. Discounted Fees and Taxes

- National Guard members may receive hunting and fishing license permits for free
- Eligible veterans with a service-connected disability of 50% or more may be issued a hunting and fishing license permit for free.
- Veterans are eligible for special license plates

4. Property tax

- Any veteran with wartime service can apply an annual tax exemption to the vehicle privilege tax or real property tax. However, the exemption cannot be split between the two. For more information on the exact benefit, contact the county assessor
- Nevada also offers a property tax exemption to eligible veterans with a service-connected disability of 60% or more. The amount varies depending on the percentage of disability and the year filed.
- The widow or widower of the disabled veteran who was eligible at the time of his or her death, may also be eligible to receive this exemption. It is applicable to either the vehicle tax or personal property tax. More information can be obtained through the local county assessor's office.

#### 5. Education Discounts

- 100% tuition waiver for members of the National Guard for fall and spring semester at state schools (including text books, but excluding tech and lab fees)
- 100% of summer semester costs for members of the National Guard subsidized through the Education Encouragement Fund

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