the eligibility requirements of §21.5040(f)(4) and (5).

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3231 (a) and (b))

(b) Termination of right to begin participation. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(3) of this section, no individual on active duty in the Armed Forces may initially enroll after June 30, 1985.

(2) An initial enrollment occurs when a serviceperson who has never contributed to the fund—

(i) First makes a lump-sum payment to the fund, or

(ii) First authorizes an allotment to VA for deposit in the fund. See 32 CFR 59.3(b)(10).

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b)(1) of this section, any individual on active duty in the Armed Forces who was eligible to enroll on June 30, 1985, may enroll at any time during the period beginning on October 28, 1986, and ending on March 31, 1987.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3221(a), (b))


§ 21.5058 Resumption of participation.

(a) General. An eligible individual, who remains otherwise eligible, may resume active contribution to the fund, if he or she has:

(1) Voluntarily elected to suspend following completion of minimum participation;

(2) Suspended at any time for reasons of hardship; or

(3) Received a discharge or release from active duty after participation and reenlisted.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3221)

(b) Disenrollment in order to participate in other educational programs. A person who elects to disenroll in order to receive educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty, as provided in §21.7045, may not reenroll.


(c) Reenrollment permitted following some disenrollments. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a person who has disenrolled may reenroll, but will have to qualify again for minimum participation as described in §21.5052(a).

(2) If a person does reenroll, he or she may “repurchase” entitlement by tendering previously refunded contributions which he or she received upon disenrollment, subject to the conditions of §21.5052(f).

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3221, 3222)


§ 21.5060 Disenrollment.

(a) Voluntary disenrollment. (1) An individual may disenroll at anytime after the initial 12 months of participation.

(2) At any time within the initial 12 months of participation, an individual may elect to disenroll for reasons of personal hardship only.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3221(a), (b))

(b) Nonvoluntary disenrollment. The Department of Veterans Affairs shall disenroll automatically an individual who meets any of the following sets of conditions:

(1) The individual is discharged or released from his or her initial obligated period of active service and:

(i) The discharge or release is under dishonorable conditions, or

(ii) A statutory bar to benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs exists for the individual;

(2) The individual participated only after completion of the initial or subsequent period of active service; is discharged or released and:

(i) The discharge or release is under dishonorable conditions, or