§ 1642.1 Purpose; definitions.
(a) The provisions of this part govern the consideration of a claim by a registrant for classification in Class 3-A (§ 1630.30 of this chapter).

(b) The following definitions apply to the interpretation of the provisions of this part.

1. The term dependent shall apply to the wife, child, parent, grandparent, brother or sister of a registrant.

2. The term child includes an unborn child, a stepchild, a foster child or a legally adopted child, who is legitimate or illegitimate, but shall not include any person 18 years of age or older unless he or she is physically or mentally handicapped.

3. The term parent shall include any person who has stood in the place of a parent to the registrant for at least 5 years preceding the 18th anniversary of the registrant’s date of birth and is now supported in good faith by the registrant.

4. The term brother or sister shall include a person having one or both parents in common with the registrant, who is either under 18 years of age or is physically or mentally handicapped.

5. The term support includes but is not limited to financial assistance.

6. Hardship is the unreasonable deprivation of a dependent of the financial assistance, personal care or companionship furnished by the registrant when that deprivation would be caused by the registrant’s induction.


SOURCE: 47 FR 4658, Feb. 1, 1982, unless otherwise noted.

§ 1642.2 The claim for classification in Class 3-A.
A claim for classification in Class 3-A must be made by the registrant in writing. Prior to the consideration of the claim, the registrant shall submit supporting documentation, such documents being placed in his file folder.

§ 1642.3 Basis for classification in Class 3-A.
(a) In Class 3-A shall be placed any registrant:
(1) Whose induction would result in extreme hardship to his wife when she alone is dependent upon him for support; or
(2) Whose deferment is advisable because his child(ren), parent(s), grandparent(s), brother(s), or sister(s) is dependent upon him for support; or
(3) Whose deferment is advisable because his wife and child(ren), parent(s), grandparent(s), brother(s), or sister(s) are dependent upon him for support.

(b) In its consideration of a claim by a registrant for classification in Class 3-A, the board will first determine whether the registrant’s wife, child(ren), parent(s), grandparent(s), brother(s), or sister(s) is dependent upon him for support. Support may be financial assistance, personal care or companionship. If financial assistance is the basis of support, the registrant’s contribution must be a substantial portion of the necessities of the dependent. Under most circumstances 40 to 50% of the cost of the necessities may be considered substantial. If that determination is affirmative, the board will determine whether the registrant’s induction would result in extreme hardship to his wife when she is the only dependent, or whether the registrant’s deferment is advisable because his child(ren), parent(s), grandparent(s), brother(s), or sister(s) is dependent upon him for support, or because his wife and his child(ren), parent(s), grandparent(s), brother(s), or sister(s) are dependent upon him for support. A deferment is advisable whenever the registrant’s induction would result in hardship to his dependents.

(c) The registrant’s classification shall be determined on the basis of the written information in his file, oral
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§ 1642.4 Ineligibility for Class 3-A.

(a) A registrant is ineligible for Class 3-A when:

(1) He assumed an obligation to his dependents specifically for the purpose of evading training and service; or

(2) He acquired excessive financial obligations primarily to establish his dependency claim; or

(3) His dependents would not be deprived of reasonable support if the registrant is inducted; or

(4) There are other persons willing and able to assume the support of his dependents; or

(5) The dependents would suffer only normal anguish of separation from the registrant if he is inducted; or

(6) The hardship to a dependent is based solely on financial conditions and can be removed by payment and allowances which are payable by the United States to the dependents of persons who are serving in the Armed Forces; or

(7) The hardship to the dependent is based upon considerations that can be eliminated by payments and allowances which are payable by the United States to the dependents of persons who are serving in the Armed Forces.

(b) [Reserved]

§ 1642.5 Impartiality.

(a) Boards shall consider all questions in a claim for classification in Class 3-A with equal consideration of race, creed, color, sex or ethnic background.

(b) Boards may not give precedence to one type of dependency hardship over another.

§ 1642.6 Considerations relevant to granting or denying claims for Class 3-A.

(a) The registrant’s claim for Class 3-A must include the following, with documentation, as applicable:

(1) Registrant’s and his dependent’s marital status;

(2) Physician’s statement concerning any dependent who is physically or mentally handicapped;

(3) Employment status of registrant and his dependents; and

(b) Each case must be weighed carefully and decided on its own merits.

§ 1642.7 Types of decisions.

(a) A board may grant a classification into Class 3-A for such period of time it deems appropriate but in no event the period exceed one year.

(b) Upon the expiration of a 3-A classification a board shall review any request for an extension of the classification as if it were the first request for that classification, and the fact that the registrant was placed in Class 3-A under apparently similar circumstances will not be a factor in the decision of the board. This section does not relieve a registrant from his duties under §1621.1 of this chapter.

(c) [Reserved]

(d) A board shall deny a claim for Class 3-A when the evidence fails to meet the criteria established in this part.

§ 1642.8 Statement of reason for denial.

(a) Denial of a claim for Class 3-A by a board must be accompanied by a statement specifying the reason(s) for such denial as prescribed in §§1633.9, 1651.4 and 1653.3 of this chapter. The reason must in turn, be supported by evidence in the registrant’s file.

(b) If a board’s denial is based on statements by the registrant or his witnesses at a personal appearance, this must be fully explained in the statement of reasons accompanying the denial.