

Veterans' Preference

COMPLETE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU ARE CLAIMING VETERANS' PREFERENCE

NOTE: VETERANS' PREFERENCE POINTS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. ATTACH COPY OF "VETERAN'S DD214 COPY 2, 4 or 6), OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION VERIFYING MILITARY SERVICE. DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE APPLICATION DEADLINE OF THE POSTING IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. (VETERAN IS DEFINED BY MINN. STAT. § 197.447)

You must submit a PHOTOCOPY of your DD214 (Copy 2, 4, or 6) or other documentation verifying military service to substantiate the services information requested on the form. Claims not accompanied by proper documentation will not be processed. For assistance in obtaining a copy of your DD214, or other documentation verifying military service, contact your County Veterans' Service Office.

The Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board operates under a point preference system, which awards points to qualified veterans to supplement their application. After receiving a passing score, ten (10) points are granted to non-disabled veterans on open competitive examinations; Fifteen (15) points are awarded if the veteran has a service-connected compensable disability as certified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (USDVA).

To qualify for preference for a **competitive exam**, you must have earned a passing score and been separated under honorable conditions from any branch of the armed forces of the United States after having served on active duty for 181 consecutive days, **or** by reason of disability incurred while serving on active duty, **or** after having served

the full period called **or** ordered for federal, active duty **and** be a United States citizen or resident alien. Veteran's preference may be used by the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran, and by the spouse of a disabled veteran who is unable to qualify because of the disability.

To qualify for preference on a **promotional exam**, a veteran must have earned a passing exam score and received a USDVA active-duty service-connected disability rating of 50% or more. For a promotional exam, a qualified disabled veteran is entitled to be granted five (5) points. Disabled veterans eligible for such preference may use the five points preference only once when applying for the first promotion after securing public employment.

Claims must be made on the form below and submitted with your application by the application deadline of the position for which you are applying. If the DD214 Copy 2, 4 or 6), or other documentation verifying military service, is submitted to our office separate from this sheet, please attach a note with it indicating the position for which you are applying and your present address.

Name (Last) (First) (MI)	Position For Which You Applied	
Closing Date:		
Address (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)	Phone Number	Are you a US Citizen or Resident Alien? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

VETERAN (10 points):

(DD214 or DD215, Copy 2, 4, or 6, or other documentation verifying military service, must be submitted to receive points)
Honorably discharged veteran: ☐ Yes ☐ No

DISABLED VETERAN (15 points):

(DD214, Copy 2, 4 or 6, or other documentation verifying military service, and USDVA Summary of Benefits Letter showing a compensable service connected disability rating decision, usually 10% or more must be submitted to receive points)
Percent of Disability: _____ %
Have you ever applied for promotion in public employment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

SPOUSE OF DECEASED VETERAN (10 points or 15 if the veteran was disabled at time of death):

(Veteran's DD214 or DD215, or other documentation verifying military service, photocopy of marriage certificate, spouse's death certificate and proof veteran is deceased must be submitted to receive points. You are ineligible to receive points if you have remarried or were divorced from the veteran).
Date of Death: _____ Have you remarried? ☐ Yes ☐ No

SPOUSE OF DISABLED VETERAN (15 points):

(Veteran's DD214 or DD215, Copy 2, 4, or 6, or other documentation verifying military service, photocopy of marriage certificate, and USD VA Rating Decision showing a compensable service connected disability rating decision, usually of 10% or more, and which shows the nature of the disability, must be submitted to receive points.
How does veteran's disability prevent performance of a stated job "requirement?" Due to the veteran's service-connected disability the veteran is unable to qualify for this position because (be specific).

AFFIDAVIT: I hereby claim Veterans' Preference points for this examination and swear/affirm that the information given is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby acknowledge that I am responsible to obtain the required Veterans' Preference verification documents and submit them to the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board by the required application deadline.

Signature

Date

Information Regarding Claiming Veterans' Preference

Preference points are awarded to qualified veterans as defined by Minn. Stat. § 197.447, and to certain spouses of deceased or disabled veterans subject to the provision of Minn. Stat. §§ 197.447 and 197.455.

The veteran must:

- a) be a U.S. citizen or resident alien;
- b) have received a discharge under honorable conditions from any branch of the U.S. Armed Forces; AND have either:
 - i. served on active duty for at least 181 consecutive days, or
 - ii. have been discharged by reason of disability incurred while serving on active duty, or
 - iii. have completed the minimum active duty requirement of federal law, as defined by Code of Federal Regulations title 38, section 3.12a, i.e., having fulfilled the full period for which a person was called or ordered to active duty under Title 10 of the United States Code, or
 - iv. certified service and verification of "veteran status" granted under U.S. PL 95-202.

The information provided will be used to determine your eligibility for veterans' preference points. You are required to supply the following information:

- 1) Attach a copy of your DD214 or DD215, Copy 2, 4, or 6, or other documentation verifying military service. This copy must state the character of discharge; i.e., honorable, general, medical, under honorable conditions.
- 2) Disabled veterans must also supply a Military/United States Department of Veterans' Affairs Rating Decision or Summary of Benefits Letter that supports/verifies the fact that the veteran has a compensable Service connected disability.
- 3) A spouse of a deceased veteran, applying for preference points must supply their marriage certificate, the veteran's DD214 or DD215 Copy 2, 4, or 6, or other documentation verifying military service, a death certificate, verification of their marriage at the time of veteran's death, and that the spouse has not remarried.

Thank you for your military service and for your interest in employment with the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board. Please contact our office at 612-230-6430 or your local County Veterans' Service Office, if you have any questions regarding veterans' preference.