



# 2011 VETERAN'S STATUS / VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER WORKFORCE REDUCTION FORM

There are certain protections for veterans and exempt volunteer firefighters in the event of a workforce reduction. Please review the attached eligibility requirements on page two. In order to request protection you must timely complete this form and submit the required documentation.

Emplid: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Kronos Timecard ID#) (Please Print)

## VETERAN'S STATUS

Service Serial Number (s) \_\_\_\_\_

- Non-disabled Veteran
- Disabled Veteran, VA Claim No. \_\_\_\_\_

If you are claiming "disabled veteran's credits", you must attach documentation issued by the US Department of Veterans Affairs indicating that you have a combined service connected disability rated at ten percent (10%) or greater. Acceptable documentation includes the Summary of Benefits Letter or other written proof issued by the US Department of Veterans Affairs.

- Spouse of disabled Veteran with whom I reside. I am Head of Household Yes  No

If you are a spouse of a veteran with a 100% service-related disability, you must attach documentation issued by the US Department of Veterans Affairs. Acceptable documentation includes the Summary of Benefits Letter or other written proof issued by the US Department of Veterans Affairs.

## VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER EXEMPTION

- Volunteer Firefighter since \_\_\_\_\_

If you are claiming exempt volunteer firemen status, you must attach documentation from your Fire Chief or Commissioner, on official Fire Company letterhead, stating your dates of service and that you performed service in the protection of life and property from fire.

In order to receive these benefits, you must receive written (email or letter) confirmation from the Division of Human Resources by **April 22, 2011**. Submission of this form and documentation does not guarantee that you will receive either Veteran's Status or a Volunteer Firefighter exemption. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have received written confirmation by April 22, 2011.

I affirm that the statements made on this form and any attachments are, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

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Signature Date Daytime Telephone



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### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR VETERAN'S STATUS

1. Honorary Discharge or separated from the Armed Forces of the United States.
2. Active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during any of the following periods:
  - a. World War II- December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946
  - b. US Public Health Service- July 29, 1945 to September 2, 1945 or June 26, 1950 to July 3, 1952
  - c. Hostilities from June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955
  - d. Hostilities from February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975
  - e. Hostilities in Lebanon from June 1, 1983 to December 1, 1987, as established by receipt of the armed forces expeditionary medal, the navy expeditionary medal, or the marine corps expeditionary medal
  - f. Hostilities in Grenada, from October 23, 1983 to November 21, 1983, as established by receipt of the armed forces expeditionary medal, the navy expeditionary medal, or the marine corps expeditionary medal
  - g. Hostilities in Panama, from December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990, as established by receipt of the armed forces expeditionary medal, the navy expeditionary medal, or the marine corps expeditionary medal
  - h. Hostilities in the Persian Gulf from August 2, 1990 to the end of such hostilities

### ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTARY PROOF

Report of Separation and Honorable Discharge and/or Certificate. Acceptable military forms NAVPERS-553; NAVMC-78PD; WDAGO-53;55; WDAGO-53;98; DD214. If your name is different from that shown on your Report of Separation and Honorable Discharge and/or Certificate of Service, include a marriage certificate or other legal document to verify the change.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A VOLUNTEER FIREPERSON

An exempt volunteer fireman is hereby declared to be a person who as a member of a volunteer fire company duly organized under the laws of the State of New York shall have at any time after attaining the age of eighteen years faithfully actually performed service in the protection of life and property from fire within the territory immediately protected by the company of which he is a member, and while a bona fide resident therein, for a period of five years, as provided in this article, or, if such company shall have been sooner disbanded upon the organization of a paid fire department, for a period of at least one year and shall also have been a member of such volunteer fire company at the time it shall be disbanded; but the limitation of one year's service shall not apply to a volunteer fireman who was a member of a fire company which was disbanded prior to January first, nineteen hundred two. The foregoing residence requirements shall not apply (1) to a volunteer fireman who has been duly elected to membership in his fire company as a non-resident member residing in territory which is afforded fire protection by his fire company pursuant to a contract for fire protection, as authorized by paragraph three of subdivision c of section fourteen hundred two of the not-for-profit corporation law or by subdivisions two and three of either section 10-1006 of the village law, section one hundred seventy-six b of the town law or section sixteen-a of the general city law, (2) to a volunteer fireman whose membership has been duly continued in his fire company as authorized by paragraph three of subdivision c of section fourteen hundred two of the not-for-profit corporation law or by subdivision five of either section 10-1006 of the village law, section one hundred seventy-six b of the town law or section sixteen-a of the general city law and (3) to a volunteer fireman who has been duly elected to membership as a non-resident as authorized by paragraph three of subdivision c of section fourteen hundred two of the not-for-profit corporation law or by subdivision six of either section 10-1006 of the village law, section one hundred seventy-six-b of the town law or section sixteen-a of the general city law. The foregoing requirement of five years' service shall not apply to a volunteer fireman serving as such at the time of his entry into the military service of the United States or of one of its allies in World War II, or during the period of hostilities as defined in subparagraph three or subparagraph four of paragraph (c) of subdivision one of section eighty-five of the civil service law, who, as a result of such military service, shall have become incapacitated for performing the full duties of a volunteer fireman, or to a volunteer fireman who, as the result of the performance of his duties as such, shall have become likewise incapacitated, but any such volunteer fireman shall be an exempt volunteer fireman even though he may have served as such for a lesser period than five years, and he shall be entitled to a certificate as provided in section two hundred two of this chapter which, in addition to the specifications contained in said section, shall set forth the facts in reference to his military service, if any, as aforesaid and that as a result of such military service, or as the result of service as a volunteer fireman, he was incapacitated for performing the full duties of a volunteer fireman. The term "military service" as used in this section shall mean the same as the term "military duty" as used in section two hundred forty-three of the military law, except that it shall relate to service for an ally of the United States in World War II as well as to service for the United States.

### RETURN TO:

E-mail [Vet-FF-Proof@nycourts.gov](mailto:Vet-FF-Proof@nycourts.gov)

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