

Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division by a broadcast station or other owner of the right of transmission, the Library of Congress will inform the requestor whether a particular transmission program has been copied by the Library.

§ 705.5 Disposition and use of copies and phonorecords by the Library of Congress.

(a) All copies and phonorecords acquired under this part will be maintained by the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division of the Library of Congress. The Library may make such copies or phonorecords of a program as are necessary for purposes of preservation, security, and, as specified in § 705.7, distribution.

(b) To the extent that the Library of Congress's use of copies and phonorecords acquired under this part is not subject to the provisions of the American Television and Radio Archives Act (section 170 of title 2 of the United States Code) and this part, such use shall be subject to the restrictions concerning copying and access found in Library of Congress Regulation 818-17, "Policies Governing the Use and Availability of Motion Pictures and Other Audiovisual Works in the Collections of the Library of Congress," and Library of Congress Regulation 818-18.1, "Recorded Sound Listening and Duplication Services" available from the Office of the General Counsel, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540-1050. Such use shall also be governed by the Copyright Act of 1976, as amended.

§ 705.6 Compilation.

(a) Library of Congress staff acting under the general authority of the Librarian of Congress may compile, without abridgement or any other editing, portions of recordings created pursuant to § 705.4 according to subject matter, and may reproduce such compilations for purposes of preservation, security, or distribution as permitted under § 705.7 below.

(b) Compilations shall be organized, to the greatest extent possible, in chronological order, and shall include the entirety of any particular news segment.

(c) No compilation by the Librarian shall be deemed for any purpose or proceeding to be an official determination of the subject matter covered by such compilation.

§ 705.7 Distribution.

(a) Library staff acting under the general authority of the Librarian of Congress may distribute a reproduction

of a transmission program or a compilation of transmission programs made under this part, by loan to a researcher, provided that the researcher indicates the particular segments of the news broadcasts or compilations that he or she wishes to review, on the basis of an index or other finding aid prepared by the Librarian; and for deposit in a library or archives which meets the requirements of section 108(a) of title 17 of the United States Code.

(b) Library staff will advise all recipients of such reproductions that such distribution shall be only for the purposes of research and not for further reproduction or performance, and that any use in excess of that permitted by the American Television and Radio Archives Act (section 170 of title 2 of the United States Code), title 17 of the United States Code, and this part may violate copyrights or other rights.

§ 705.8 Agreements modifying the terms of this part.

(a) The Library of Congress may, at its sole discretion, enter into an agreement whereby the provision of copies or phonorecords of transmission programs of regularly scheduled newscasts or on-the-spot coverage of news events on terms different from those contained in this part is authorized.

(b) Any such agreement may be terminated without notice by the Library of Congress.

Dated: June 24, 2004.

Approved by:

James H. Billington,
The Librarian of Congress.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 1

RIN 2900-AM00

Eligibility for Burial in a National Cemetery for Surviving Spouses Who Remarry and New Philippine Scouts

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) regulations to implement sections 212 and 502 of the Veterans Benefits Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-183). Section 502 of the Act extends eligibility for burial in a national cemetery to a remarried surviving spouse who died on or after January 1, 2000, based on his or her prior marriage to an eligible veteran.

Additionally, section 212 of the Act extends eligibility for burial in a national cemetery to New Philippine Scouts who lawfully resided in the United States and died on or after December 16, 2003.

DATES: *Effective Date:* August 2, 2004.

Applicability Date: Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 108-183, the Veterans Benefits Act of 2003, the provisions to this regulation shall apply with respect to interment of remarried surviving spouses whose deaths occurred on or after January 1, 2000, and with respect to interment of certain New Philippine Scouts whose deaths occurred on or after December 16, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth Beardsley, Program Analyst, Office of Field Programs (41A), National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; Telephone: (202) 273-5227 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The provisions of 38 U.S.C. 2402 set forth eligibility requirements for burying the remains of persons in any national cemetery with available space under the jurisdiction of the National Cemetery Administration. This final rule implements provisions of the Veterans Benefits Act of 2003, to extend eligibility for burial in a national cemetery to a remarried surviving spouse whose death occurred on or after January 1, 2000, based on his or her prior marriage to an eligible veteran. This revision acknowledges the importance of the prior marriage and will allow the deceased veteran to be buried with a spouse with whom he or she expected to be buried. It will also allow any children to visit a single gravesite to pay their respects to their parents.

Additionally, this final rule implements provisions of the Veterans Benefits Act of 2003, extending eligibility for burial in a national cemetery to certain New Philippine Scouts. To be eligible, a person must have died on or after December 16, 2003, and must have enlisted in the U.S. Armed Forces with the consent of the Philippine government between October 6, 1945, and June 30, 1947, pursuant to section 14 of the Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945. At time of death, the person must have been a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, and residing in the United States.

Organization and Clarity

We are making changes to the format of 38 CFR 1.620(e) and (h) to provide better organization and clarity.

Administrative Procedures Act

We are publishing this as a final rule without notice and comment under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553 because the changes it makes either are non-substantive or merely reflect statutory changes.

Unfunded Mandates

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act requires, at 2 U.S.C. 1532, that agencies prepare an assessment of anticipated costs and benefits before developing any rule that may result in an expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any given year. This rule would have no such effect on State, local, or tribal governments, or the private sector.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This document does not contain new provisions constituting a collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521).

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Secretary hereby certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities as they are defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612. Only individual VA beneficiaries would be directly affected. Therefore, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), this final rule is exempt from the initial and final regulatory flexibility analyses requirements of sections 603 and 604.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance program number for this document is 64.201.

List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 1

Administrative practice and procedure, Cemeteries, Veterans.

Approved: May 27, 2004.

Anthony J. Principi,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

■ For the reasons set out in the preamble, 38 CFR part 1 is amended as set forth below:

PART 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 1 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501(a), unless otherwise noted.

■ 2. In § 1.620, revise paragraphs (e) and (h) to read as follows:

§ 1.620 Eligibility for burial.

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(e) The spouse, surviving spouse, minor child, or unmarried adult child of a person eligible under paragraph (a), (b), (c), (d), or (g) of this section. For purposes of this section—

(1) A surviving spouse includes a surviving spouse who had a subsequent remarriage;

(2) A minor child means an unmarried child under 21 years of age, or under 23 years of age if pursuing a full-time course of instruction at an approved educational institution; and

(3) An unmarried adult child means a child who became permanently physically or mentally disabled and incapable of self-support before reaching 21 years of age, or before reaching 23 years of age if pursuing a full-time course of instruction at an approved educational institution.

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(h) Any person who:

(1) Was a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States at the time of their death; and

(2) Resided in the United States at the time of their death; and

(3) Either was a—

(i) Commonwealth Army veteran or member of the organized guerillas—a person who served before July 1, 1946, in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, while such forces were in the service of the Armed Forces of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President dated July 26, 1941, including organized guerilla forces under commanders appointed, designated, or subsequently recognized by the Commander in Chief, Southwest Pacific Area, or other competent authority in the Army of the United States, and who died on or after November 1, 2000; or

(ii) New Philippine Scout—a person who enlisted between October 6, 1945, and June 30, 1947, with the Armed Forces of the United States with the consent of the Philippine government, pursuant to section 14 of the Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945, and who died on or after December 16, 2003.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 107, 501, 2402)

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 17

RIN 2900–AL49

Copayments for Extended Care Services

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends VA's medical regulations by modifying provisions regarding the methodology of computing copayments for extended care services provided to veterans. This final rule enhances the protection of veterans' spouses by not counting certain assets as available resources for computing these copayments. Other non-substantive changes are made for purposes of clarification.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The final rule is effective August 2, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Eileen Downey, Chief Business Office (161), at (202) 254–0347 and Daniel Schoeps, Geriatrics and Extended Care (114), at (202) 273–8540. Both are officials in the Veterans Health Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. (These are not toll free numbers.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a document published in the **Federal Register** on October 16, 2003 (68 FR 59557), we proposed to amend VA's medical regulations by modifying provisions regarding the methodology of computing copayments for extended care services provided to veterans either directly by VA or by contract. These changes are as follows: We are revising the formulas to clarify what resources veterans have available for purposes of determining the appropriate copayment. We are excluding from the definition of "available resources" contained in paragraph (d)(1) of § 17.111 income, assets, expenses and allowance of legally separated spouses. We are removing from the definition of "veterans allowance" the inclusion of expenses because we are now including expenses in the definition of "available resources" contained in paragraph (d)(1) of § 17.111. We are also changing the definition of "expenses," to include (1) insurance premiums of the veteran and the veteran's spouse and dependents and (2) personal property taxes, not just income taxes. Further, we are clarifying that the definition of "liquid assets," includes art, rare coins, stamp collections, and collectibles and changing that definition to exclude household and personal items such as