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# Utah State Veteran's Benefits

The state of Utah provides several veteran benefits. This section offers a brief description of each of the following benefits.

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## Utah Veteran Housing and Tax Programs

### Veterans Homes

There are four state-operated Veterans Homes located in the state of Utah. They are located in the communities of Salt Lake City, Ogden, Payson, and Ivins. While wartime service is not a requirement for admission to the nursing homes, wartime veterans with one day or more of wartime service, as recognized by state and federal laws, have top priority. A veteran's spouse or surviving spouse may also qualify for admittance to the Utah State Veterans Nursing Homes, providing the marriage to the veteran occurred at least one year before the application.

In state-owned veterans homes, the VA pays for nearly one half the cost of care for the resident. In certain instances of service connected disabilities, 100% of the cost of care is paid.

### Property Tax Abatement

A Utah permanent place-of-residence property tax exemption equivalent to the military service-connected disability rating percentage is provided for disabled veterans or for their unremarried widows or minor orphans.

Veteran's disability rating must be at least 10%. The maximum property tax exemption is \$252,126 in taxable value, based on percentage of disability.

## Utah Veteran Employment Programs

### Veterans Job Preference

Eligible veterans or un-remarried spouses are granted either 5 or 10 points, as applicable, for employment preference, added to the results of any written &/or oral exam or other related qualifying technique, by any Utah government entity (state, county, municipality, special district or other political subdivision or administration).

## Utah Veteran Education Assistance Programs

### Tuition Waiver for Purple Heart Recipients

Purple Heart recipients are eligible for a tuition waiver at all public institution of higher learning in Utah. This benefit can be used toward a degree up to and including a Masters Degree. To receive this benefit the Veteran must submit proof that they are a Purple Heart recipient to the State Institution they are attending.

### Scott B Lundell Tuition Waiver for Military Members' Surviving Dependents

Surviving dependants of service members killed in action on or after September 11, 2001 are eligible for a tuition waiver at state schools.

### Honorary High School Diplomas

Veterans from WWII, Korea and Vietnam who left High School for military service are eligible to receive Honorary High School Diplomas from the school they left. Contact the local school district for information on how to receive the diploma.

## **Other Utah State Veteran Benefits**

### **Veterans License Plates**

Utah offers several special commemorative license plates to special groups and categories of veterans.

### **Purple Heart Fee Exemption**

Recipients of a Purple Heart is exempt from paying the following motor vehicle license and registration fees: automobile driver education fee; motor vehicle registration fee; license plate issuance fees; uninsured motorist identification fee; and local option transportation corridor preservation fee. The only fee due is property tax or age-based fee.

### **Utah State Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park**

Located at 17111 Camp Williams Road in Bluffdale. This states veteran's cemetery generally follows the eligibility requirements of VA National Cemetery System, including: any U.S. Armed Forces active personnel dying while performing duty or after having served during wartime. Reservist and National Guard retired personnel with 20 years of service are eligible for burial also. Surviving spouses and dependent children also are eligible to be buried in the Utah State Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park, under rules established by the state of Utah. Authorized in 1988 by act of the Utah State Legislature, dedication occurred on Memorial Day, 1990. Veterans are not to be buried in any portion of any cemetery or burial ground used for paupers; cities, towns, counties or other political subdivisions of the state of Utah may provide proper sites for burial of veterans.

### **Free Use of Armories**

Organizations of war veterans are entitled to have free use of state of Utah armories as meeting places, provided such use shall not interfere with the use of armories by the National Guard or organized militia of Utah.

### **Hunting and Fishing License Privileges**

Utah Disabled Veterans with 20% or greater disability may be eligible for discounted or free hunting and fishing licenses.

Visit the [Utah Dept. of Veterans Affairs](#) website for more information on any of these programs.