

Priority of Service for Eligible Veterans and Spouses

The Jobs for Veterans Act affords priority of service to covered veterans and eligible spouses over non-covered persons for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services provided under new or existing job training programs funded in whole or in part, by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL).

AM I ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible for priority of service you must meet the following definition as a Covered Person.

The term 'covered person' means any of the following individuals:

A veteran: A person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

Eligible Spouse: The spouse of any of the following individuals:

Any veteran who died of a service connected disability

Any veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability.

Any veteran who died while a disability so evaluated was in existence.

Any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for assistance under this section, is listed, pursuant to section 556 of title 37 and regulations issued by the Secretary concerned, in one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days:

missing in action, captured in the line of duty by a hostile force, or forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power.

WHAT IT MEANS

Veterans priority of service means the right of eligible covered persons to take precedence over eligible non-covered persons in obtaining services. For example, this could mean:

The covered person receives access to the service or resource earlier in time than the non-covered person; or

If the service or resource is limited, the covered person receives access to the service or resource before the non-covered person.