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Purpose

This brief describes the benefit, the value, and the step-by-step process for TEB.

Transferability of Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits to family members provides a tremendous opportunity for eligible Sailors. Too often, individuals wait too long to take the actions required, causing them to miss the opportunity.

Sign up for TEB as soon as you are eligible!
Transferability of the Post-9/11 GI Bill is a retention incentive available to eligible Sailors.

- **TEB** can typically be worth **over $80,000**.

- Despite its significance, **some Sailors do not transfer their benefits at the earliest opportunity**, even if they plan to continue serving.

- Some wait too long and miss out.
Family members with “0” in the months column have no benefits “transferred” to them. If you leave the service and a family member has “0” months allocated, that family member will **NEVER** be eligible to receive benefits.

As soon as you are eligible, have at least one DEERS eligible family member, and can obligate 4 additional years of service, transfer at least 1 month to each eligible family member.

Do not wait until you are ready to retire to transfer benefits. TEB is not a reward for past service.

Log in to milConnect and verify!
Sailors are responsible for understanding the purpose of transferability and the obligation/application requirements.

By law, transferability is:
- “a recruitment and retention tool”

Transferability is **NOT**:
- A right
- A benefit
- An entitlement
- A reward for past service
- Automatic – Every Sailor must take action
Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) Eligibility

**Basic Post-9/11 GI Bill benefit eligibility for MEMBER:**

- Must complete minimum service requirement of 90 aggregate days of active duty.

**OR**

**Basic Post-9/11 GI Bill requirements for TEB:**

- **Served at least 6 years** in the Armed Forces and agree to serve four additional years Active Duty or SELRES.

- **Served at least 10 years** in the Armed Forces and is prevented by statute or standard DoD/service policy from obligating four additional years, must serve the maximum time allowed by such policy or statute.

Spouses may use benefits immediately; children may use benefits after member has served 10 years.
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**Basic Post-9/11 GI Bill benefit eligibility for TEB (cont):**

- Eligible family members must be listed in DEERS

- Election must be made and approved while a member of the Armed Forces (Active Duty or SELRES)
  - **Ineligible Categories:** Retired, Fleet Reserve, Individual Ready Reserve (ASP/VTU – even if mobilized), TDRL, PDRL
  - May only add family members while on Active Duty or SELRES

- Remain Active Duty or SELRES until **Obligation End Date**

**Obligation End Date - Established on the date of APPROVED TEB Request.**
Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) Obligation

Additional Service Obligation

- **PAGE 13:** ALL OFFICERS andSELRES require NSIPS Post-9/11 Transferability Page 13.

- **CONTRACT TIME:** ALL ENLISTED require at least 4 years on contract at time of TEB submission.
  - Must submit TEB request NLT 30 days following 4-year reenlistment. No exceptions!

Retain a copy of your signed obligation
Application

- Log in to DMDC milConnect:
  https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect

- Select the Education Benefits tab, then click on Transferability of Education Benefits link.

- Read the “Message from Your Service Component” box for updated information.
Application Continued

- Select the Post-9/11 GI Bill acknowledge block.

- Allocate months to each family member desired.
  - Recommend at least 1 month to each eligible family member.

- Read and check each acknowledgement

- Click “Submit” - If you don’t click “Submit”, you haven’t applied!

- Verify status changes to “Submitted”
Verification

- **Must log in within 4-5 days** to verify status!

- If “Request Approved”, print Approval Form

- If “Rejected”, correct the discrepancy and **reapply**.
  - Obligation will be from date of resubmission and cannot be back-dated.
As soon as you are eligible and can obligate the required additional service, submit your TEB.

What is the benefit of this action?

- You, the veteran, can **ALWAYS** take the months back or shift them between beneficiaries.

- TEB obligation runs concurrently with any other service obligation.

What is the risk of not taking this action?

- Losing an opportunity typically worth **over $80,000**.

- Waiting may put your opportunity to transfer benefits at risk.
Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) Resources

- **Active Duty (Including FTS)**
  Commander, Navy Personnel Command
  GI Bill Programs Branch (PERS-314)
  5720 Integrity Drive
  Millington TN 38055-0314
  Phone: (901) 874-4258/DSN 882 or 1-866-827-5672 ext 4258 or
  Email: Mill_gibill@navy.mil

- **SELRES (including mobilized and recalled SELRES)**
  Commander, Navy Reserve Forces Command
  Post 9/11 GI Bill Manager
  1915 Forrestal Drive
  Norfolk, VA 23551-4615
  Phone: 1-800-621-8853
  Email: cnrfc_post911gibill@navy.mil

**NPC GI Bill Programs Page**

**CNRFC Education Benefits Page**
Backup
Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) Application Map

All Hands Verify DEERS Enrollment
https://www.dmfc.osd.mil/milconnect

All Officers (AC/FTS/SELRES)

Complete NSIPS Page 13

Contract Time
4-Years
If <4 Years to EAOS must reenlist

Enlisted (AC/FTS)

Obligation not started until next step...

Contract Time
4-Years
If <4 Years to EOS must reenlist

Enlisted (SELRES)

Complete NSIPS Page 13

1. Log in to DMDC
2. Submit TEB Request
3. Verify status = “Submitted”
4-5 Days Later

Notes:
- Extensions for Post-9/11 TEB not authorized. All extensions must comply with MILPERSMAN 1160-040
- If status = “Rejected”, must correct issue and Re-apply
- No automatic notification of TEB status. Be proactive – It’s a lucrative incentive!
Contact Admin/Personnel Office

Complete NSIPS Post-9/11 Transferability Page 13

Verify Page 13 entered in NSIPS ESR (see below):

https://nsipsprod.nmci.navy.mil/nsipsclo/jsp/index.jsp
Go to milConnect:  https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect

1. Click the red “Sign In” button

2. Select Log-in Option

3. Navigate to TEB Portal
Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) to Family Members

- Veteran Affairs will only disperse benefits at 6 years to Spouses and 10 years to children, transfer for both can commence at 6 years with a 4 year obligation.
  - Children over the age of 21 must be enrolled full-time in college to remain in DEERS. Once children reach the age of 23, they are no longer eligible to have benefits transferred to them. If already transferred, may use benefits until age 26.

- May transfer any or all unused months of benefits

- Modification or revocation
  - May add dependents, modify months, or revoke entitlement while serving in the Armed Forces
  - May **ONLY** modify months or revoke entitlement after leaving AD or SELRES.
  - May **NOT** add new family members or increase a “0” after leaving AD or SELRES.

Family members with “0” in the months column have no benefits “transferred” to them. Family member with “0” months allocated them when the sponsor separates will **NEVER** be eligible to receive benefits.

- **Best practice:** Transfer at least 1 month to each eligible family member! If you add a new dependent and have already been approved for TEB, log in and allocate 1 month to the new dependent before separating – with no additional obligation.