

HOW TO GET STARTED

If you believe you may be eligible for on-the-job training (OJT), please coordinate with your agency or place of employment and have them reach out to the State Approving Agency (SAA).

MONTHLY OUTREACH

A representative from ODVA holds monthly outreach sessions every 3rd Wednesday at:
Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST)
4190 Aumsville Hwy SE, Salem, OR 97317

CONTACT

For questions about the OJT program, please contact the SAA:

Phone (503) 373-7367

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GI BILL® OPPORTUNITIES *For* VETERAN FIRST RESPONDERS





YOUR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS *include* ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Did you know that your military service education benefits can be applied to on-the-job training opportunities as a first responder?

On-the-job training (OJT) allows eligible veterans to use their VA education benefits to learn a skill or trade through training on the job, rather than by attending formal classroom instruction.

Depending on the details of your service and your employment, OJT benefits may be available and provide a tax-free stipend on top of your base salary while still in a probationary status!

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MONTGOMERY GI BILL

You may be eligible for Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB-AD) benefits while you are on or after you separate from active duty.

At a minimum, you must have a high school diploma or GED.

To receive benefits after separating, you must have received an honorable discharge.

You have 10 years from your last date of separation from active duty to use your MGIB-AD benefits.

POST-9/11 GI BILL

The Post-9/11 GI Bill pays a Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) based on the Department of Defense's Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) for an E-5 with dependents, which is paid in addition to wages.

The stipend is reduced 20% every six months, until it equals 20% of the Monthly Housing Allowance.

You have 15 years from your last date of separation from active duty to use this benefit, unless discharged after January 1, 2013.

SELECTED RESERVISTS

You may be eligible for Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR) benefits if you have a 6-year obligation to serve in the Selected Reserve, complete your Initial Active Duty for Training, serve in a drilling unit and remain in good standing, and obtain a high school diploma or equivalency. The Guard and Reserves decide if you are eligible, while the VA makes payments for the program. Your eligibility for MGIB-SR benefits ends on the day you leave the Selected Reserve.

VR&E

To be eligible for Veteran Readiness & Employment (VR&E), a veteran must have a VA service-connected disability rating of at least 20% with an employment handicap, or rated 10% with a serious employment handicap, and be discharged or released from military service under other than dishonorable conditions.

Employers hire veterans at an apprentice wage, and VR&E supplements the salary up to the journeyman wage (up to maximum allowable under OJT).

ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS

Certain dependents or survivors may qualify for OJT. Please inquire with the State Approving Agency (SAA).