



National Testing Program Q & A

What tests are approved?

Currently the only approved tests are:

- · SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test)
- LSAT (Law School Admission Test)
- GRE (Graduate Record Exam)
- GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test)
- AP (Advanced Placement Exam)
- CLEP (College-Level Examination Program)
- ACT (American College Testing Program)
- DAT (Dental Admissions Test)
- MAT (Miller Analogies Test)
- MCAT (Medical College Admissions Test)
- OAT (Optometry Admissions Testing)
- PCAT (Pharmacy College Admissions Test)
- TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)
- DSST (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests)
- ECE (Excelsior College Examinations)

What test fees does VA reimburse?

While VA will reimburse a person for required test fees, VA has no authority to reimburse a person for any optional costs related to the testing process.

Test fees that VA will reimburse include:

- Registration fees
- Fees for specialized tests
- Administrative fees.

Fees VA will not reimburse include:

- Fees to take pre-tests (such as Kaplan tests)
- Fees to receive scores quickly
- Other costs or fees for optional items which are not required to take an approved test.

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Does every applicant for a national test need to have filed an original claim for benefits?

Yes. Every applicant for reimbursement for a national test must have filed an original application for chapter 30, 32 (or sec. 903), or 35 at some point and have been found eligible

Is there a particular form that I must submit to receive reimbursement for a national test?

No. The best way to claim the benefit to submit the following:

- · A copy of your test results and
- A signed note or a signed VA Form 21-4138, Statement in Support of Claim, stating that you are requesting reimbursement for the cost of a national test.

The following information is required:

- Name of the Test
- Name of the organization offering the test
- Date the person took the test
- Cost of taking the test
- · A signed statement authorizing release of your test information to the VA
- General Rule Regarding Receipts: You do not normally have to submit a receipt or proof of payment for the cost. However, in certain instances, it is necessary to submit this evidence. These situations are the following:
 - DSST Tests (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests)
 - o Certain situations regarding the CLEP, MAT, and PCAT tests

NOTE: if you cannot provide a copy of the test results, request duplicate test results from the testing organization.

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