

# VA Military Reimbursement NASM CPT, PES & CES Exams



## OVERVIEW

If you are eligible, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) can reimburse you for taking the NASM CPT, PES or CES exams. Eligibility, in part, is as follows:

- Licensing and certification tests taken on or after March 1, 2001 are reimbursable for Chapter 30, 32, and 35 beneficiaries only.
- Chapter 1606 and 1607 beneficiaries became eligible for these benefits on January 6, 2006.

VA can pay only for the cost of the NASM CPT, CES, or PES Exam, up to \$2,000.00, and not other fees connected with obtaining a license or certification. VA will pay for tests even if failed. Payment is issued after you submit proof of payment to the VA.

The NASM CPT, PES and CES exams are already approved for VA purposes. This can be confirmed by visiting the VA database: <http://inquiry.vba.va.gov/weamspub/buildSearchLCCriteria.do>

VA database search tips:

Exam Title:	L&C Name: enter	LAC Category Type: select
NASM Certified Personal Trainer (CPT)	"NASM"	"Certification"
NASM Performance Enhancement Specialist (PES)	"PES"	"Certification"
NASM Corrective Exercise Specialist (CES)	"CES"	"Certification"

## PURCHASE AND REIMBURSE – A SIMPLE TWO-STEP PROCESS

**Step 1, Purchase:** Purchase your NASM course either online ([www.nasm.org/military](http://www.nasm.org/military)) or over the phone, 1.800.460.6276 (NASM), Option 1.

**Step 2, Reimbursement:** If you have never filed an application for education benefits, you need to submit an application for benefits along with your request for payment for a test or tests.

If you are a veteran or are on active duty, download VA Form 22-1990  
<http://www.vba.va.gov/pubs/forms/22-1990.pdf>

If you are an eligible child or spouse, download VA Form 22-5490  
<http://www.vba.va.gov/pubs/forms/VBA-22-5490-ARE.pdf>

Mail your application form together with your NASM Exam information to:

The Department of Veteran Affairs  
Muskogee Regional Processing Office  
125 South Main Street  
Muskogee, OK 74401