

Final Rule on DMZ Agent Orange Exposure

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Due to a final regulation just issued, VA officials will now presume herbicide exposure for any veteran who served between April 1, 1968, and August 31, 1971, in a unit determined by VA and Department of Defense officials to have operated in an area in or near the Korean DMZ in which herbicides were applied. Veterans with covered service in Korea who have medical conditions that may be related to Agent Orange are encouraged to submit their applications for access to VA health care and compensation as soon as possible.

Click on these links to learn about [Veterans' diseases associated with Agent Orange exposure](#) and [birth defects in children of Vietnam-era Veterans](#). For more information on filing a claim, visit the VA's [Filing Claims for Presumptive Conditions Based on Herbicide Exposure](#) website. Additional information about [Agent Orange and VA's services for Veterans exposed to the chemical](#) is available at this website.

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