



VETERANS' PREFERENCE FORM

Complete ONLY if you are claiming Veterans Preference.

Overview: Chapter 295, Florida Statutes, sets forth certain requirements for public employers to accord preferences, in appointment, retention, and promotion, to certain veterans who are Florida residents. The relevant portions of the law apply to "the state and its political subdivisions." Public utilities, state universities, school districts, and special taxing districts are subject to Chapter 295.

Please check the appropriate statement as it applies to you.

Section 295.07, Florida Statutes, extends veterans' preference to:

- A veteran with a service-connected disability who is eligible for or receiving compensation, disability retirement, or pension under public laws administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Defense, *or*
- The spouse of a veteran who cannot qualify for employment because of a total and permanent disability, or the spouse of a veteran missing in action, captured, or forcibly detained by a foreign power, *or*
- A veteran of any war who has served on active duty for one day or more during a wartime period, excluding active duty for training, and who was discharged under honorable conditions from the Armed Forces of the United States of America, *or*
- The unmarried widow or widower of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability, *or*
- A veteran that received the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, as well as the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal are qualifying for Veterans' Preference, provided the individual is otherwise eligible.

Please check the appropriate statement as it applies to you.

Section 295.07, Florida Statutes, extends veterans' preference to:

- Operation Iraqi Freedom:** **March 19, 2003 to Present**
- Operation Enduring Freedom:** **October 7, 2001 to Present**
- Persian Gulf:** **August 2, 1990 to January 2, 1992**
- Vietnam Era:** **February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975**
- Korean Conflict:** **June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955**
- World War II:** **December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946**
- A veteran who has served in a Campaign or Expedition for which a qualifying Campaign Badge has been authorized, including: and Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.**

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO I am claiming Veterans' Preference (Attach DD 214 form or equivalent)		
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Are you a resident of the State of Florida?		
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO I have a compensable service connected disability (attach proof at time of application).		
Branch of Service	Date of Entry	Date of Discharge
I _____ am claiming Veterans' Preference and certify that I am eligible to do so.		
(Print Name)		
Signature: _____		Date: _____
<p>If an applicant is claiming veterans' preference for a vacant position and is not selected, he/she may file a complaint with the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, 11351 Ulmerton Road, Largo, Fl. 33778. A complaint must be filed within twenty-one days of the applicant receiving notice of the hiring decision made by the employing agency or within three months of the date the application is filed with the employer if no notice is given.</p>		