

Guidance Notes on Eligibility

Section 1 Ex Officers

Eligibility Criteria

Ex officers who have been seriously injured or disabled, physically/psychologically or both as a result of being the direct target of a terrorist attack and for which, a minimum Band 2* Injury on Duty (IOD) medical discharge pension has been awarded. (Only incidents cited on your IOD banding papers will be considered for establishing eligibility)

*NIPF may consider other evidence e.g. medical reports for eligibility if a Part Time Reserve Officer is not in receipt of an IOD

SPED, arrival at the scene and injuries sustained at civil or public disorder incidents are examples of incidents that do not meet the eligibility criteria of The NIPF – this list is not exhaustive

Please enclose with this completed application form:

- a copy of your retirement papers or letter from the Policing Board confirming your disability banding level and injuries sustained as a result of being the direct target of a terrorist attack
- a copy of your Selected Medical Practitioners Report (SMP Report) which relates to your IOD percentage
 - Please note were eligibility is dependent on a Band 2 (IOD) or above that has a review period, updated reviews must be forwarded to NIPF if and when received so that the most up to date Banding is supplied.
- statement(s) of witness, doctors letters, medical certificate(s) of unfitness showing the incidents which you were involved in for which the award was made
- exact dates of incidents and how you were injured and any other information you may have that would enable us to link your IOD to you being the direct target of a terrorist attack and subsequently awarded as a result
- A copy of one document from each of the following categories:
 - Confirmation of Name: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Passport or Birth certificate
 - Confirmation of Address: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Utility bills, debit or credit card statements

We cannot access details of your IOD pension award or incident details as the data protection act prevents the Policing Board from giving us this information. You can contact the Policing Board directly to request:

- The incident details (Medical Report) which relates to your IOD percentage awarded
- A copy of your banding papers
- A copy of the BMI/Capita medical practitioners report, clarifying the reason your IOD was awarded i.e. dates and injuries sustained

Please note that under the Data Protection Act 1998, you are required to apply in writing to the Policing Board for information relating to your IOD Award and you are required to provide proof of identity when doing so

Northern Ireland Policing Board, James House, Block D, 2-4 Cromac Avenue, The Gasworks Belfast, BT7 2JA

Tel: 028 9040 8500

If you are unable to obtain the information required, you may need to contact your HR Department of your previous station to obtain a copy of your records.

Section 2 Serving Officers

Eligibility Criteria

Serving Officers who have serious physical injuries caused as a result of being the direct target of a terrorist attack will be considered for help under the Disability Adaptations Scheme

Please enclose with this completed application form:

- Any documentation showing that you were injured as a result of being the direct target of a terrorist attack. Such as, statement(s) of witness, doctors letters, medical certificate(s) of unfitness
- Exact dates of incidents and how you were injured and any other information you may have that would enable us to link you to being the direct target of a terrorist attack
- A copy of one document from each of the following categories:
 - Confirmation of Name: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Passport or Birth certificate
 - Confirmation of Address: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Utility bills, debit or credit card statements

Section 3 Widows/Widowers or Parents

Eligibility Criteria

Widow/ers including remarried widow/ers and Parents/legal guardians of RUC & PSNI officers whose death occurred as a result of being the direct target of a terrorist attack

Please enclose with this completed application form:

- A copy of your marriage certificate (widows/widowers only)
- A copy of one document from each of the following categories:
 - Confirmation of Name: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Passport or Birth certificate
 - Confirmation of Address: Full Driving Licence (both parts), Utility bills, debit or credit card statements

Application Process

On receipt of your application and supporting documents, your information will be assessed and submitted to the Board of the Fund to make a decision on your eligibility.

If you require further assistance please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Assessment Team.

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