

## Section 5.—Post-Discharge Re-Establishment Grants and Benefits

The backbone of the rehabilitation program is the Post-Discharge Re-establishment Order P.C. 5210, of July 13, 1944. This Order in Council replaces P.C. 7633 of Oct. 1, 1941.

Under this Order the Minister of Veterans Affairs, subject to certain provisions of the Order, may authorize the payment to a discharged person of one of the following benefits:—

- (1) *Out-of-Work Benefit*.—For any period during which a discharged person is capable of, and available for work, but unable to obtain suitable employment. Available for length of service up to one year within eighteen months following discharge.
- (2) *Vocational or Technical Training*.—Where a discharged person is pursuing vocational or technical training or other educational training which has been approved by the Department as training which will fit him, or keep him fit for employment or re-employment, or will enable him to obtain better or more suitable employment. Available, if applied for, within one year after discharge or one year after cessation of hostilities, whichever is the later date.
- (3) *Awaiting Returns from Enterprise*.—Where a discharged person has established himself in a farm or business enterprise on his own account from which sufficient income to maintain himself and his family is not immediately forthcoming. Available for length of service up to one year. Applications must be submitted within one year following discharge or cessation of hostilities, whichever is the later date.
- (4) *Temporary Incapacitation*.—Where a discharged person is unable through temporary illness to accept work or to take training, but is not entitled to care under the Department's treatment regulations. Available for length of service up to one year within eighteen months following discharge.
- (5) *University Training*.—Where a discharged person obtains admission to a recognized university for a course, either undergraduate or post-graduate, approved by the Department. Available for length of service, subject to satisfactory progress. Education normally expected to begin within fifteen months of discharge.

The Post-Discharge Re-establishment Order permits the Minister of Veterans Affairs to authorize maintenance grants with additional allowances for dependants on the following scale, while taking vocational or technical training, or continuing education:—

Basic grant, \$60 per month for a single veteran; \$80 per month for a married veteran.	
Additional monthly allowance for person in lieu of a wife.....	\$ 18·20
Additional monthly allowance for one child.....	\$ 12
Additional monthly allowance for second child.....	\$ 12
Additional monthly allowance for third child.....	\$ 10
Additional monthly allowance for each subsequent child (not in excess of three).\$	8
Additional maximum monthly allowance which may be authorized for dependent parent or parents.....	\$ 15

For those out of work, temporarily incapacitated, or awaiting returns from private endeavour, the rate is \$50 and \$70 a month, respectively, with the same allowances for dependants.

Under the provisions of the Order all pensioners will continue to receive the full amount of their pension, and any additional pension allowances from the Canadian Pension Commission. However, when the pension, with these allowances, is less than the amount of the benefit or grant provided under the Post-Discharge Re-establishment Order, the pension is supplemented by a grant to bring the pensioner's income at least to the level of a non-pensioner. In the case of a pensioner who is receiving vocational training or continuing his education, a special grant is paid based on his pension rate, the grants increasing proportionately with the increased percentage of disability. This has the effect of bringing the