

VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY
CLAIM FOR VETERAN'S PREFERENCE



NOTE: YOU **MUST** SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL OR CERTIFIED COPY OF YOUR DD214 OR OTHER ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTATION AND THIS FORM WITH YOUR EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED FOR VETERAN'S PREFERENCE.

Name (printed): _____ Position Applied For: _____

In accordance with Section 55A-7 of the Florida Administrative Code, the Village of Palmetto Bay will extend appointment and retention preference for certain eligible positions to any veteran or the spouse of any veteran who:

- has not been classified by any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States as a deserter; or
- has not received a discharge under less than honorable conditions upon separation from the Armed Forces.
- is a resident of the State of Florida.

As provided in Chapter 295, Florida Statute, I claim veterans' preference based upon the following:

1. As 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.
2. As the spouse of a veteran who cannot qualify for employment because of a total and permanent service-connected disability, or the spouse of a veteran missing in action, captured in line of duty by a hostile force, or forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power.
3. As a veteran, who has served on active duty for 1 day or more during a wartime period, excluding active duty for training and was honorably discharged. A veteran who served honorably but who has not met the criteria for the award of a campaign or expeditionary medal for service in Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom qualifies for the preference in appointment effective July 1, 2007. Service dates are as follows:
- Operation Enduring Freedom: October 7, 2001, and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law
 - Operation Iraqi Freedom: March 19, 2003, and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law
4. As the unremarried spouse of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability.
5. Any veteran who has served in a qualifying campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized. The Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal qualify for veterans' preference consideration.

Branch of Service	Date of Entry	Date of Discharge	Type of Discharge

Effective July 1, 2007, preference eligibility no longer expires upon appointment of the eligible person to a position with the state or any political subdivision in the state. Persons who were previously ineligible for preference because they held or are currently holding a job with a public employer may now be eligible to use their veterans' preference again with all employers covered by the law.

Signature

Date

NOTE: Any eligible applicant who believes he/she was not afforded employment preference in hiring or at any point during employment in accordance with F.S. 295.08, may file a complaint with the Division of Veterans' Affairs within 21 days from the date of notice of hiring decision.