

Application for Tier Classification by an F-111 deseal/reseal program participant or F-111 fuel tank entry maintenance worker

Important information

A person who is classified as Tier 1, 2, or 3 is entitled to the following benefits:

Tier 1

(for formal program participants only)

- Access to a more beneficial standard of proof for compensation and health care for certain conditions under subsection 7(2) of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988 (DRCA):
- eligibility for treatment and counselling under the SHOAMP Health Care Scheme;
- eligibility for cancer screening and access to information on disease prevention under the Better Health Program; and
- a one-off payment of \$40,000 in recognition of the unique working conditions on the F-111 deseal/reseal programs.

Tier 2 (for formal program participants only)

- Access to a more beneficial standard of proof for compensation and health care for certain conditions under subsection 7(2) of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988 (DRCA);
- eligibility for treatment and counselling under the SHOAMP Health Care Scheme;
- eligibility for cancer screening and access to information on disease prevention under the Better Health Program; and
- a one-off payment of \$10,000 in recognition of the unique working conditions on the F-111 deseal/reseal programs.

Tier 3

- Access to a more beneficial standard of proof for compensation and health care for certain conditions under subsection 7(2) of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988 (DRCA); and
- eligibility for treatment and counselling under the SHOAMP Health Care Scheme;
- eligibility for cancer screening and access to information on disease prevention under the Better Health Program.

Other information

Please answer all relevant questions (using a **black** or **blue** pen) and include any other documents and information that you think may help support this claim. The Department of Veterans' Affairs will then contact the Department of Defence to gather any evidence they may have relating to your F-111 deseal/reseal or fuel tank entry involvement. If further evidence is still needed, the Department of Veterans' Affairs will contact you about obtaining statutory declarations to support your claim. Please refer to https://www.dva.gov.au/get-support/financial-support/compensation-claims/claims-f-111-workers/use-statutory-declaration-when-you-apply-tier-classification for further information on providing statutory declarations.

Privacy notice

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988*. Your personal information may be collected by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) for the delivery of government programs for war veterans, members of the Australian Defence Force, members of the Australian Federal Police and their dependants.

Read more: How DVA manages personal information

Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

Where to lodge this claim

This claim must be lodged at the Department of Veterans' Affairs:

F-111 Tier Classification Team GPO Box 9998 Brisbane QLD 4001

How to contact DVA

Please call 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372) during business hours.

Information is also available on the F-111 website

https://www.dva.gov.au/financial-support/compensation-claims/claims-f-111-workers

	SECTION A	Claimant's Details		
1	Surname			
2	Other names (in full)			
3	Sex	Male Female		
4	Date of birth			
5	Address where you live now	POSTCODE		
6	Telephone numbers	Home Work/mobile		
7	E-mail address			
8	Have you lodged a claim for, or received, a common law settlement from the Department of Defence?	No Yes How much was the payment \$ When was the payment made / Who made the payment		
9	Are you or were you: - a member of the Armed Forces? - a public servant? - a civilian contractor?	No		
	SECTION B	Armed Forces Details		
10	Rank held during the F-111 deseal/reseal process			
11	Service number			
12	Name of Unit			
13	Details of work environment 1 (if insufficient space, attach separate sheet) You may be requested to provide the name of an individual who worked with you at the time of this employment. A statutory declaration in support of the claim by this person may assist in the processing of your claim.	Dates Duty assignment Nature of this employment Duration of this employment		

	Section B (continued) Armed Forces Details				
14	Details of work environment 2 (if insufficient space, attach separate sheet) You may be requested to provide the name of an individual who worked with you at the time of this employment. A statutory declaration in support of the claim by this person may assist in the processing of your claim.	Location			
		Dates			
		Duty assignment			
		Nature of this			
		employment			
		Duration of this employment			
	SECTION C	Civilian Contractors or Public Servants Details			
15	Occupation when involved in the F-111 deseal/reseal programs or involvement in fuel tank maintenance involving entry				
16	Employer at time of the F-111 deseal/reseal programs or involvement in fuel tank maintenance involving entry				
17	Employee's number (e.g. AGS number if public servant)				
18	Details of work environment 1 (if insufficient space, attach separate sheet) You may be requested to provide the name of an individual who worked with you at the time of this employment. A statutory declaration in support of the claim by this person may assist in the processing of your claim.	Location			
		Dates			
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		Assignment			
		Nature of			
		this employment			
		Duration of this employment			
19	Details of work environment 2	Location			
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		Assignment			
		Nature of			
		this employment			
		Duration of this employment			

SECTION D

Payment Details - Tier 1 and Tier 2

If your service is classified as Tier 1 or Tier 2, a one-off lump sum ex-gratia payment will be deposited directly into an account, nominated by you, at an Australian bank, credit union or building society. The account must be in your name or joint names.

We will contact you for the account details prior to finalising the claim.

Only one lump sum ex-gratia payment may be made to each eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2 person, regardless of how many times a person may be eligible. For example, a member of the Armed Forces who participated in the F-111 deseal/reseal program, who subsequently became an employee of Hawker De Havilland and who continued to participate in the F-111 deseal/reseal programs may be assessed as Tier 1 or Tier 2 for both periods of employment. However, the person is only eligible for one ex-gratia payment.

If you receive more than one lump sum ex-gratia payment you will have to return the payments to which you are not entitled.

SECTION E

Declaration

- I declare that the details provided in this form are complete and correct.
- I am aware that there are penalties for making false statements.
- I authorise the Repatriation Commission, Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission and the Department of Veterans' Affairs to obtain information needed to process, determine or review this claim.
- I consent to the release of medical, clinical and other information to the Department of Veterans' Affairs by all medical practitioners, hospitals, clinics, insurance companies, Centrelink, the Department of Defence or other organisations, in relation to this claim or its review.
- I consent to the release of any information relating to my tier determination to the Department of Defence by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, including details of any ex-gratia payments.

You must sign this form yourself if you can – even if someone else has filled it in for you. If someone else signs on your behalf they must provide their authority for signing.

Signature		/	/	
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Bef	Before returning this form please check the following				
	Have you signed the declaration above and checked this form carefully?				
	Have you filled in all the parts that apply to you?				
	Have you enclosed any other evidence that you feel will support your claim (this may include supporting RAAF documents, statutory declarations)?				
	If your claim includes a statutory declaration, have you followed the guidelines described at https://www.dva.gov.au/get-support/financial-support/compensation-claims/claims-f-111-workers/use-statutory-declaration-when-you-apply-tier-classification , (including a supporting statutory declaration)?				

Please send completed form to: F-111 Tier Classification Team

GPO Box 9998 Brisbane QLD 4001