

Armed Forces Compensation Scheme

Information and advice for patients

Dermatology Department

The Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) compensates for any injury, illness or death which was caused by service on or after 6 April 2005. If you have been diagnosed with a skin cancer you may be entitled to claim please follow information below for ways to apply.

Who is eligible?

The Scheme covers all regular service personnel, the Royal Gibraltar Regiment and members of the reserves for all 3 services. You can claim whether you are still serving or have left HM Armed Forces.

There are 2 main types of AFCS awards:

- a tax free lump sum payment for pain and suffering
- a Guaranteed Income Payment (GIP) which is a tax free, index linked monthly payment.

It is entirely separate from any other personal accident cover, such as Personal Accident (PAX) or Life Insurance (LI). Any accident cover that you may already hold is not considered when determining an AFCS award.

To Apply:

Visit www.gov.uk/guidance/armed-forces-compensation-scheme-afcs and follow the link to complete claims form.

By Phone: 0800 169 2277

Write and ask for a claim form:

The Service Personnel and Veterans Agency
Norcross
Blackpool
Lancashire
FY5 3WP

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Contact details

Veterans UK helpline

Veterans UK
Ministry of Defence
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Thornton Cleveleys
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