

Department of Veterans Affairs
Sections of VA Manual M21-1MR Part IV Subpart ii Chapters 1 & 2

NOTE - this link was to the original file dated 10/8/15, which was named

M21-1MR_PrtIV_Subprt-ii_Chapt2_secC_Thailand.pdf The above file is now outdated.

The new file is named MR_PrtIV_Subprt-ii_Chpt1-5_Chapt2-10_Thailand.pdf and is located at URL

http://www.westin553.net/batcatPDF/M21-1MR_PrtIV_Subprt-ii_Chpt1-5_Chapt2-10_Thailand.pdf

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The following file was created by downloading from the Department of Veterans Affairs on November 4, 2015 two files which comprise M21-1MR Part IV Subpart ii Chapter 1 (VA file name M21-1IV_ii_1_SecH.docx) and a second file which comprises M21-1MR Part IV Subpart ii Chapter 2 (ch02_secc.doc). Both of these files were downloaded from the VA homepage on November 4, 2015. I extracted and present with this file two areas from these files which deal with herbicide exposure for veterans assigned to Thailand during the Vietnam era. The Vietnam era with respect to Thailand veterans is anytime between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975.

NOTE - even though this information was downloaded at the same time from the Department of Veterans Affairs homepage, there are differences between the wording of the two sections as they apply to Thailand based veterans. Read both chapters and sections carefully.

First area which follows is from VA Manual M21-1MR Part IV Subpart ii Chapter 1 section H-5. This section of the manual shows it was updated on October 30, 2015. This section was downloaded from the Veterans Administration homepage on November 4, 2015 and should be current.

Section H - 5. Developing Claims Based on Herbicide Exposure in anytime between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975 Thailand During the Vietnam Era.

IMPORTANT - the VA gives presumption of exposure to Thailand veterans only to those who were Security Police or K-9 Handlers. Veterans who were not Security Police or K-9 Handlers must complete steps 2 through 5 to prove eligibility for herbicide exposure.

Second area which follows is from VA Manual M21-1MR Part IV Subpart ii Chapter 2 section C-10. Section C - 10 of the manual does not show the date written, or date updated. This section was downloaded from the Veterans Administration homepage on November 4, 2015 and should be current.

Section C - 10. Service Connection for Disabilities Resulting From Exposure to Herbicides or Based on Service in the Republic of Vietnam (RVN), q. Herbicide Exposure in Thailand During the Vietnam Era.