

MILPERSMAN 1850-030

TEMPORARY DISABILITY RETIRED LIST (TDRL)

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References	10 U.S.C. 12774 10 U.S.C. 1372
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1. **Background.** The TDRL is in the nature of a "pending list" (10 U.S.C. 12774) for all members who, through due process of medical procedures, have been found unfit to perform the duties of their office, grade, rank, or rating and who, according to accepted medical principles, may be permanently disabled. In this sense, the list provides a safeguard in the best interests of the government against permanently retiring a member who may subsequently fully recover, or nearly so, from the disability that originally caused the member to be placed on this list; and conversely, the list provides a safeguard in the best interests of the member from being permanently retired with a condition that may develop into a more serious permanent disability.

2. **Assignment of Grade on List.** Unless entitled to a higher grade under some other provisions of law, under authority contained in 10 U.S.C. 1372, any member who is retired for physical disability, or whose name is placed on the TDRL is assigned to the highest grade equivalent to the following:

a. The grade or rank in which the member is serving on the date when the member's name is placed on the TDRL or, if member's name was carried on that list, on the date when he or she is retired.

b. The highest temporary grade or rank in which the member served satisfactorily, as determined by the Secretary of the Navy.

c. The permanent Regular or Reserve grade to which a member would have been promoted had it not been for the physical disability for which he or she is retired and which was found to exist as a result of physical examination for promotion.

d. The temporary grade to which a member would have been promoted had it not been for the physical disability for which he or she is retired, if eligibility for that promotion was required to be based on cumulative years of service or years of service in grade and the disability was found to exist as a result of physical examination for promotion.

3. **Periodic Physical Examination.** Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM) will issue orders to members on the TDRL for a periodic physical examination to be conducted at a medical activity nearest the residence of the member concerned with proper facilities for conducting the examination, as designated in each case by Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

4. Contents of Orders.

a. Following is an example of the content of orders that will be issued and a suggested endorsement to be used by commanding officer (CO) of the examining medical activity:

From: Commander, Navy Personnel Command

To:

Via: [CO of medical activity]

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1. When directed by [fill-in the via addressee] during [month, year] you will proceed and report to that command for periodic physical examination to determine any change in the condition for which you were placed on the Temporary Disability Retired List, your condition that is coded in the Department of Defense Disease Injury Code (DDIC) as [fill-in]. [Fill-in the via addressee] is authorized to modify the reporting date to the month preceding or following the month specified above.

2. Your report of last medical examination or medical board report will be sent to the examining activity by Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM). Upon completion of this examination the commanding officer of the examining activity is requested to forward the medical record and a summary of the findings of the medical board in your case, with special reference to the physical condition for which you were retired, to the Physical Evaluation Board, Arlington, VA.

3. When directed by the commanding officer, examining activity, you will return to the above address. These orders do not constitute assignment to active duty and wearing of naval uniform is not mandatory.

4. Changes of address should be promptly reported to the via addressee and NAVPERSCOM (PERS-83).

5. [Accounting data.]

[Signature]

b. Suggested endorsement:

FIRST ENDORSEMENT on NAVPERSCOM orders [fill-in]

From: Commanding Officer

To:

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1. Per paragraph 1 of basic orders you are hereby directed to report to this activity at [time and date].

2. If for any reason you cannot report on the date specified in paragraph 1 above, you are directed to immediately notify this activity by telephone or letter setting forth the reasons.

[Signature]

5. **Completion of Medical Examination.** Upon completion of the medical examination, the member shall be directed to such office as the CO of the examining activity may designate to complete a voucher form if authorized travel has been performed. The designated office shall complete the appropriate voucher form in as much detail as possible prior to the time the member departs from the activity. Each member shall be instructed as to the exact information necessary to complete the voucher form upon completion of travel and to return the completed voucher to the disbursing officer at the examining activity for payment. In the event the examining activity does not have a disbursing officer attached, the member shall be advised of the address of the appropriate disbursing officer authorized to pay personal travel vouchers.

6. **Failure to Report.** If a member on the TDRL fails to report for periodic physical examination, the CO of the examining activity shall notify NAVPERSCOM (PERS-83) immediately.