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Department of Veterans Affairs

EXAMINATION FOR HOUSEBOUND STATUS OR PERMANENT NEED FOR REGULAR AID AND ATTENDANCE

1. FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME - LAST NAME OF VETERAN	2. FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME - LAST NAME OF CLAIMANT	3. RELATIONSHIP OF CLAIMANT TO VETERAN

4A. VETERAN'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	4B. CLAIMANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	5. CLAIM NUMBER

6. DATE OF EXAMINATION	7. HOME ADDRESS

8A. IS CLAIMANT HOSPITALIZED? ☐ YES ☐ NO *(If "Yes," complete Items 8B and 9)*	8B. DATE ADMITTED	9. NAME AND ADDRESS OF HOSPITAL

NOTE: EXAMINER PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The purpose of this examination is to record manifestations and findings pertinent to the question of whether the claimant is housebound (confined to the home or immediate premises) or in need of the regular aid and attendance of another person.
The report should be in sufficient detail for the VA decision makers to determine the extent that disease or injury produces physical or mental impairment, that loss of coordination or enfeeblement affects the ability: to dress and undress; to feed him/herself; to attend to the wants of nature; or keep him/herself ordinarily clean and presentable.
Findings should be recorded to show whether the claimant is blind or bedridden.
Whether the claimant seeks housebound or aid and attendance benefits, the report should reflect how well he/she ambulates, where he/she goes, and what he/she is able to do during a typical day.

10. COMPLETE DIAGNOSIS *(Diagnosis needs to equate to the level of assistance described in questions 20 through 34)*

11A. AGE	11B. SEX	12. WEIGHT ACTUAL: LBS. ESTIMATED: LBS.	13. HEIGHT FEET: INCHES:

14. NUTRITION	15. GAIT

16. BLOOD PRESSURE	17. PULSE RATE	18. RESPIRATORY RATE	19. WHAT DISABILITIES RESTRICT THE LISTED ACTIVITIES/FUNCTIONS?

20. IF THE CLAIMANT IS CONFINED TO BED, INDICATE THE NUMBER OF HOURS IN BED

From 9 PM to 9 AM: From 9 AM to 9 PM:

21. IS THE CLAIMANT ABLE TO FEED HIM/HERSELF? *(If "No," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

22. IS CLAIMANT ABLE TO PREPARE OWN MEALS? *(If "No," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

23. DOES THE CLAIMANT NEED ASSISTANCE IN BATHING AND TENDING TO OTHER HYGIENE NEEDS? *(If "Yes," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

24A. IS THE CLAIMANT LEGALLY BLIND? *(If "Yes," provide explanation)* ☐ YES ☐ NO	24B. CORRECTED VISION	
	LEFT EYE	RIGHT EYE

25. DOES THE CLAIMANT REQUIRE NURSING HOME CARE? *(If "Yes," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

26. DOES THE CLAIMANT REQUIRE MEDICATION MANAGEMENT? *(If "Yes," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

27. DOES THE CLAIMANT HAVE THE ABILITY TO MANAGE HIS/HER OWN FINANCIAL AFFAIRS? *(If "No," provide explanation)*

☐ YES ☐ NO

28. POSTURE AND GENERAL APPEARANCE *(Attach a separate sheet of paper if additional space is needed)*

29. DESCRIBE RESTRICTIONS OF EACH UPPER EXTREMITY WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO GRIP, FINE MOVEMENTS, AND ABILITY TO FEED HIM/HERSELF, TO BUTTON CLOTHING, SHAVE AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF NATURE *(Attach a separate sheet of paper if additional space is needed)*

30. DESCRIBE RESTRICTIONS OF EACH LOWER EXTREMITY WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE EXTENT OF LIMITATION OF MOTION, ATROPHY, AND CONTRACTURESOR OTHER INTERFERENCE. IF INDICATED, COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON WEIGHT BEARING, BALANCE AND PROPULSION OF EACH LOWER EXTREMITY.

31. DESCRIBE RESTRICTION OF THE SPINE, TRUNK AND NECK

32. SET FORTH ALL OTHER PATHOLOGY INCLUDING THE LOSS OF BOWEL OR BLADDER CONTROL OR THE EFFECTS OF ADVANCING AGE, SUCH AS DIZZINESS, LOSS OF MEMORY OR POOR BALANCE, THAT AFFECTS CLAIMANT'S ABILITY TO PERFORM SELF-CARE, AMBULATE OR TRAVEL BEYOND THE PREMISES OF THE HOME, OR, IF HOSPITALIZED, BEYOND THE WARD OR CLINICAL AREA. DESCRIBE WHERE THE CLAIMANT GOES AND WHAT HE OR SHE DOES DURING A TYPICAL DAY.

33. DESCRIBE HOW OFTEN PER DAY OR WEEK AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THE CLAIMANT IS ABLE TO LEAVE THE HOME OR IMMEDIATE PREMISES

34. ARE AIDS SUCH AS CANES, BRACES, CRUTCHES, OR THE ASSISTANCE OF ANOTHER PERSON REQUIRED FOR LOCOMOTION? *(If so, specify and describe effectiveness in terms of distance that can be traveled, as in Item 32 above)*

☐ YES
☐ NO *(If "YES," give distance) (Check applicable box or specify distance)* ☐ 1 BLOCK ☐ 5 or 6 BLOCKS ☐ 1 MILE OTHER *(Specify distance)* _____

35A. PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINING PHYSICIAN	35B. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF EXAMINING PHYSICIAN	35C. DATE SIGNED

36A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF MEDICAL FACILITY	36B. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF MEDICAL FACILITY *(Include Area Code)*

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RESPONDENT BURDEN: We need this information to determine your eligibility for aid and attendance or housebound benefits. Title 38, United States Code 1521 (d) and (e), 1115(1)(e), 1311(c) and (d), 1315(h), 1122, 1541(d)(e), and 1502 (b) and (c) allows us to ask for this information. We estimate that you will need an average of 30 minutes to review the instructions, find the information, and complete this form. VA cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless a valid OMB control number is displayed. You are not required to respond to a collection of information if this number is not displayed. Valid OMB control numbers can be located on the OMB Internet pate at **http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain**. If desired, you can call 1-800-827-1000 to get information on where to send comments or suggestions about this form.