

Steps for Completing the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry

1. Go to <https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home>.
2. Obtain a premium DS logon level 2 account. This logon is not unique to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and is used with many VA and Department of Defense (DoD) applications and websites such as eBenefits. The best place for information on the DS Logon is at <https://mobile.va.gov/content/how-obtain-ebenefits-premium-account-ds-logon>.
3. There are two parts to Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry (AHOBPR) participation. PART #1 is the online AHOBPR questionnaire. PART #2 is the voluntary, in-person AHOBPR medical evaluation. One must complete part #1 to be eligible for part #2.
4. Once logged into the AHOBPR, the system pulls available deployment history from your DoD records. You should ensure that all administrative elements, such as your address and email, are complete. Eligibility covers: Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Djibouti, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Oman, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, and waters of the Persian Gulf, Arabian Sea, and Red Sea.
5. Some Veterans or Servicemembers may have airborne hazard or burn pit concerns but are not eligible for this program as outlined above. They should make an appointment with their health care provider to discuss their concerns.
6. Some Veterans eligible for the program will not have the automatic linkage to their deployment records. This is common for Veterans who deployed prior to 1998. If this is the case for you, then you will be prompted to enter self-reported deployment information. Once entered, select "REQUEST REVIEW." Self-reported deployment history can take up to 30 days for VA to review for eligibility. Once the review is complete, an automated notification will be forwarded to the email address you provided. The AHOBPR Help Desk ([1-877-470-5947](tel:1-877-470-5947)) can assist Veterans with general questions concerning the registry, including DS Logon issues, modifying deployment segment dates, and basic maneuvering around the tool.
7. Once you have access to the AHOBPR, complete the entire questionnaire and submit it. This should take about 40 minutes. The questions were designed by epidemiologists to be broad-based and to look at the issue of possible health conditions from burn pits from many angles. The registry can be completed in steps. You need to save at the last screen. If you leave the questionnaire before completing it, the system will bring back where you left off when you return.
8. Print out and save your completed questionnaire for your records. It will be important for the next step of the process.
9. The Veteran or Servicemember needs to complete the online questionnaire to move to the next step of the process which is the optional clinical exam.

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- 10.** If you are a Veteran and already enrolled in the VA Health Care System, and you have completed the questionnaire, you may schedule an optional no-cost in-person medical evaluation. Please contact your primary health care provider or your Patient Aligned Care Team to schedule this medical evaluation. If you have any difficulties in making this appointment, please contact your local Environmental Health Coordinator (EHC). The EHC is your point of contact for any issues or questions not including questionnaire login problems, and can help you schedule your medical exam with your provider or an Environmental Health Clinician. You can find a local EHC by visiting <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/coordinators.asp>
- 11.** If you are not enrolled in the VA Health Care System, you can still get a no-cost, in-person medical evaluation. Please contact an EHC near you to schedule an appointment (see above link).
- 12.** Reserve Component Members (Army and Air National Guard, and Reserve): whether you separated or are still serving, you are eligible for a no-cost VA medical evaluation, just like other Veterans. Please contact a VA EHC near you.
- 13.** You should bring your printed-out questionnaire to your exam because it may be helpful to the provider conducting your exam.
- 14.** The VA electronic medical record note template entitled "Airborne Hazard/Burn Pit Registry Initial Evaluation Note" captures your information so it can be matched to your questionnaire data in the registry.

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