



## DESCHUTES COUNTY VETERANS' PREFERENCE FORM

Under Oregon law, armed forces veterans may be entitled to preference in employment or promotion. If you think you may qualify, please read the following information carefully and check the box(es) in each section appropriate to you. If you need further explanation or have specific questions please contact Deschutes County Human Resources at (541)388-6553.

**QUALIFIED VETERAN:** You may claim veterans' preference if you are able to check one or more boxes in this section and provide proof of veterans' preference eligibility by submitting a copy of your Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD214/DD215 that reflects "other than dishonorable" separation status) at the time you submit your completed employment application. **Preference will not be applied unless we receive the appropriate documentation prior to the closing date of the recruitment.**

### ORS 408.225(1)(e) – Veteran

- I served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for a period of more than 90 consecutive days beginning on or before January 31, 1955, and was discharged or released under honorable conditions; or
- I served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for a period of more than 178 consecutive days beginning after January 31, 1955, and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions; or
- I served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for 178 days or less and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions because of a service-connected disability; or
- I served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for 178 days or less and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions and have a disability rating from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; or
- I served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States for at least one day in a combat zone and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions; or
- I received a combat or campaign ribbon or an expeditionary medal for service in the Armed Forces of the United States and was discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions; or
- I am receiving a nonservice-connected pension from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (requires a letter from the US Department of Veterans Affairs indicating you receive a nonservice-connected pension).

**QUALIFIED DISABLED VETERAN (and Qualifying Spouse):** You may claim additional preference as a disabled veteran if you are able to check one or more boxes in this section and provide proof of eligibility by submitting: (1) a copy of your Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD214/DD215) that reflects "other than dishonorable" separation status **and** (2) a disability eligibility letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, unless the information is already included in the DD214/DD215 form. You can order an employment preference or eligibility letter by calling the US Dept of Veterans Affairs at 1-800-827-1000. **Preference will not be applied unless we receive the appropriate documentation prior to the closing date of the recruitment.**

### ORS 408.225(1)(c) - Disabled Veteran (or Qualifying Spouse)

- I am entitled to disability compensation under laws administered by the US Department of Veteran Affairs; or
- I was discharged or released from active duty for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of active duty; or
- I was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in combat.
- I am the spouse of a veteran who has been issued an approved letter, an approved application form, or I have verified my status to receive spousal preference with Deschutes County.

**I hereby claim veterans' preference and certify that the above information is true and correct. I understand that any false statements or misrepresentations made by me may be cause for my disqualification or dismissal, regardless of when discovered.**

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Print Name

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

Position Applied for: \_\_\_\_\_