Skin Cancer in Armed Forces

Men and women with skin cancer who have served in Her Majesty’s Armed Forces may well qualify for a lump sum payment or regular pension if it is believed the skin cancer arose as a result of sun exposure occurring during their period of service.

To be eligible for compensation you would usually need to have served in a hot climate and had significant unprotected sun exposure or history of sunburn.

How to Claim?

You need to complete a claim form.

The information requested in this form is necessary for your claim.

How to access the claim form

- Copies are available in the Dermatology Department or can be sent to you by contacting your Skin Cancer Nurse Specialist on 01423 557476
- The form is available to download or print on the Veterans UK website

Website link: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/veterans-uk

From the home page select “Injury/Illness Compensation Scheme”

Halfway down the page click on highlighted words “Claim Form”, this can then be printed off or downloaded.

For help completing the form

- Ring Veterans UK helpline 0808 1914218, a Welfare Officer can advise you over the phone or visit you at home
- Contact our Benefits Advisor at the Sir Robert Ogden Macmillan Centre on 01423 557318

If you need more detailed information on your diagnosis or treatment to complete the claim form please contact: Skin Cancer Nurse Specialist on 01423 557476

Alternative Contact: Dermatology Secretaries - 01423 553740

If you require this information in an alternative language or format (such as Braille, audiotape or large print), please ask the staff who are looking after you.