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Montgomery GI Bill®

Selected Reserves Kicker

What are the basic qualifications for Kicker and when can I use it?

- MDAY soldiers (No Techs or AGRs)
- Have completed IADT or BOLC
- 6 year commitment to a Reserve Component
- Have not previously had a kicker in a Reserve Component
- Eligible for Chapter 1606 MGIB-SR or Chapter 30 MGIB-AD
- Not receiving Title 10 USC 2107 ROTC Scholarship (e.g. Dedicated Guard)
- Pays \$200 or \$350 monthly on top of any GI Bill

What can cause Kicker to be suspended?

- Transfer to Active Duty, IRR, ING, AGR, TECH
- Become a potential unsatisfactory participant (9 AWOLS)

How can Kicker be reinstated?

- Return to drilling status from TECH/AGR/ Active Duty Status
 - may have to extend to fulfill a 6 year contract as a drilling Soldier
- Return (within 12 months) from break in service
 - may have to extend to fulfill a 6 year contract as a drilling Soldier
- Determined Satisfactory Participant by Unit Commander

How can Kicker be terminated?

- Fail to re-affiliate from break in service within required amount of time
- Take a second break in service
- Receive a Title 10 USC 2107 ROTC Scholarship (e.g. Dedicated Guard)
- Determined Unsatisfactory Participant
- Voluntary MOS change or failure to commission (ROTC, OCS, WOCS Kickers)
- Discharged to a civilian status (exception: medical discharge)

How do soldiers apply for kicker?

- Enlisted Soldiers at Enlistment (\$350)
 - Enlist for 6 years into a deployable unit
 - 50+ AFQT score
 - Prior Service Soldiers must be E7 or below and duty MOS qualified
 - Sign kicker addendum at MEPS
- Enlisted Soldiers at Extension (\$350)
 - 50+ AFQT score (ASVAB retesting available if needed thru Education Office)
 - E1-E7, duty MOS qualified, completed 3-14 years' time in service
 - Extend for kicker with their unit at any time
- ROTC/SMP (09R) (\$350)
 - Have previously completed an enlisted MOS school
 - Have signed SMP Agreement (NGB 594) and ROTC Contract (DA 597)
 - Sign kicker addendum any time, and
 - Sign extension (DA 4836) providing 6 years' service remaining until ETS
- Officer Candidate School (09S) (\$350)
 - Have previously completed an enlisted MOS school
 - Sign kicker addendum any time after completing Phase 1 OCS, and
 - Sign extension (DA 4836) to have at least 6 years remaining until ETS
- Warrant Officer Candidate School (09W) (\$350)
 - Have previously completed an enlisted MOS school
 - Sign kicker addendum any time after acceptance into WOCS, and
 - Sign extension (DA 4836) to have at least 6 years remaining until ETS
- Commissioned Officers/Warrant Officers (\$350)
 - Sign kicker addendum any time within 1 year after commissioning, and
 - Sign Officer Service Agreement (DA 5447-R) for 6 year obligation
 - Officers who have not completed an AIT will be eligible to draw after BOLC

If I have a \$200 kicker, may I upgrade to the higher amount later?

- Yes! If you have a \$200 kicker and enter into a commissioning program, you can easily "Bump-Up" to the higher rate.
 - Sign a supplemental kicker form from your unit, R&R, or GI Bill Manager
 - No extension or Officer Service Agreement (OSA) needed