



## Veterans' Support Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2025

Cindy Kiro, Governor-General

### Order in Council

At Wellington this 22nd day of September 2025

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

These regulations are made under section 265 of the Veterans' Support Act 2014—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister for Veterans made in accordance with section 23 of that Act.

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### Regulations

- 1 Title**

These regulations are the Veterans' Support Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2025.

**2 Commencement**

These regulations come into force on 23 October 2025.

**3 Principal regulations**

These regulations amend the Veterans' Support Regulations 2014.

**4 Schedule 1 amended**

Amend Schedule 1 as set out in the Schedule of these regulations.

## Schedule Schedule 1 amended

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In the item relating to adjustment disorder,—

- (a) replace “23/2016” with “58/2025”; and
- (b) replace “24/2016” with “59/2025”.

In the item relating to analgesic nephropathy,—

- (a) replace “77/2016” with “43/2025”; and
- (b) replace “78/2016” with “44/2025”.

In the item relating to benign neoplasm of the eye and adnexa,—

- (a) replace “41/2016” with “62/2025”; and
- (b) replace “42/2016” with “63/2025”.

After the item relating to cerebrovascular accident (stroke), insert:

cervical dystonia (spasmodic torticollis)	41/2025	42/2025
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In the item relating to cut, stab, abrasion and laceration,—

- (a) replace “53/2016” with “37/2025”; and
- (b) replace “54/2016” with “38/2025”.

In the item relating to discoid lupus erythematosus,—

- (a) replace “126/2015” with “49/2025”; and
- (b) replace “127/2015” with “50/2025”.

In the item relating to diverticular disease of the colon,—

- (a) replace “15/2016” with “51/2025”; and
- (b) replace “16/2016” with “52/2025”.

Revoke the item relating to presbyopia.

In the item relating to sarcoidosis,—

- (a) replace “59/2016” with “60/2025”; and
- (b) replace “60/2016” with “61/2025”.

Replace the item relating to Scheuermann’s disease with:

Scheuermann’s disease (kyphosis)	45/2025	46/2025
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Revoke the item relating to spasmodic torticollis.

In the item relating to spondylolisthesis and spondylolysis,—

- (a) replace “24/2017” with “56/2025”; and
- (b) replace “25/2017” with “57/2025”.

In the item relating to suicide and attempted suicide,—

- (a) replace “65/2016” with “39/2025”; and

(b) replace “66/2016” with “40/2025”.

In the item relating to systemic lupus erythematosus,—

(a) replace “21/2016” with “47/2025”; and

(b) replace “22/2016” with “48/2025”.

Rachel Hayward,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

## Explanatory note

*This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations, which come into force on 23 October 2025, amend the Veterans' Support Regulations 2014 (the **principal regulations**).

*Regulation 4* and the *Schedule* amend Schedule 1 of the principal regulations, which lists the Australian statements of principles (the **statements**) that apply to specific medical conditions for the purposes of the Veterans' Support Act 2014. The amendments—

- insert new names and references to statements of 2 conditions (cervical dystonia (spasmodic torticollis) and Scheuermann's disease (kyphosis)), to replace the names and references to statements of 2 conditions (spasmodic torticollis and Scheuermann's disease):
- replace references to statements of the following conditions with updated references:
  - adjustment disorder:
  - analgesic nephropathy:
  - benign neoplasm of the eye and adnexa:
  - cut, stab, abrasion and laceration:
  - discoid lupus erythematosus:
  - diverticular disease of the colon:
  - sarcoidosis:
  - spondylolisthesis and spondylolysis:
  - suicide and attempted suicide:
  - systemic lupus erythematosus:
- revoke the item relating to the condition presbyopia.

The statements are legislative instruments determined by the Australian Repatriation Medical Authority under an Australian Act of Parliament, the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986. Further information about the statements, as well as a link to the state-

ments, can be found at <https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/for-clients/how-we-make-decisions/conditions-we-cover/statements-of-principles/>

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