

Skin Cancer and War Pensions

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 that the tumour arose as a result of sun exposure during their period of service.

If you have been diagnosed with Basal Cell Carcinoma (BCC), Squamous Cell Carcinoma (SCC) or Melanoma and served in sunny climates you may be eligible and should seek further advice from Veterans UK.

Veterans UK have a helpful team who can advise and help with completion of the application claim form. This can be done either online or on paper. There is no time limit for claims.

Veterans UK can be contacted by phone on their free helpline number:

0808 1914218

Or via e-mail on veterans-uk@mod.uk

Their website also has further information: www.veterans-uk.info

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