

**APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS**

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I apply for a period of disability and/or all insurance benefits for which I am eligible under Title II and Part A of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, as presently amended.

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| 1.  | PRINT your name _____<br>FIRST NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL, LAST NAME  |   |
| 2.  | Enter your Social Security Number _____   | ___ / ___ / _____   |
| 3.  | Check (X) whether you are _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female   |
| 4.  | If this claim is awarded, do you want a password to use SSA's Internet/phone service?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  |
| Answer question 5 if English is not your preferred language. Otherwise, go to item 6. |   |   |
| 5.  | Enter the language you prefer to: Speak _____ Write _____   |   |
| 6.  | (a) Enter your date of birth _____  | MONTH, DAY, YEAR  |
|   | (b) Enter name of State or foreign country where you were born. _____   |   |
|   | (c) Was a public record of your birth made before you were age 5?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown   |
|   | (d) Was a religious record of your birth made before you were age 5?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown   |
| 7.  | (a) Are you a U.S. citizen? _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Go to item 8    Go to item (b)  |
|   | (b) Are you an alien lawfully present in the U.S.?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Go to item (c)    Go to item 8  |
|   | (c) When were you lawfully admitted to the U.S.?  |   |
| 8.  | (a) Enter your name at birth if different from item (1)   |   |
|   | (b) Have you used any other names? _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Go to (c)    Go to item 9   |
|   | (c) Other name(s) used.   |   |
| 9.  | (a) Have you used any other Social Security number(s)? _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Go to (b)    Go to item 10  |
|   | (b) Enter Social Security number(s) used. _____   | ___ / ___ / _____   |
| 10.   | Enter the date you became unable to work because of your illness, injuries, or conditions. _____  |   |
| 11.   | (a) Have you (or has someone on your behalf) ever filed an application for Social Security benefits, a period of disability under Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, or hospital or medical insurance under Medicare? _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown<br>(If "Yes," answer (b) and (c).)    (If "No," or "Unknown," go to item 12.) |
|   | (b) Enter name of person on whose Social Security record you filed the other application. _____   |   |
|   | (c) Enter Social Security Number of person named in (b). _____<br>If unknown, check this block. <input type="checkbox"/>  | ___ / ___ / _____   |

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| 12. | (a) Were you in the active military or naval service (including Reserve or National Guard active duty or active duty for training) after September 7, 1939 and before 1968? _____                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br>(If "Yes," answer (b) and (c).) | <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>(If "No," go to item 13.) |
|     | (b) Enter dates of service _____   | FROM: (Month, Year)   | TO: (Month, Year)  |
|     | (c) Have you ever been (or will you be) eligible for a monthly benefit from a military or civilian Federal agency? (Include Veterans Administration benefits <i>only</i> if you waived military retirement pay.) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| 13. | Have you or your spouse worked in the railroad industry for 5 years or more? _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| 14. | (a) Do you have Social Security credits (for example, based on work or residence) under another country's Social Security System? _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br>(If "Yes," answer (b).)         | <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>(If "No," go to item 15.) |
|     | (b) List the country(ies): _____   |   |  |
| 15. | (a) Are you entitled to, or do you expect to become entitled to, a pension or annuity based on your work after 1956 not covered by Social Security? _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," answer (b) and (c).)    | <input type="checkbox"/> No (If "No," go on to item 16.) |
|     | (b) <input type="checkbox"/> I became entitled, or expect to become entitled, beginning _____  | MONTH   | YEAR   |
|     | (c) <input type="checkbox"/> I became eligible, or expect to become eligible, beginning _____  | MONTH   | YEAR   |

I AGREE TO PROMPTLY NOTIFY the Social Security Administration if I become entitled to a pension or annuity based on my employment not covered by Social Security, or if such pension or annuity stops.

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| 16.   | (a) Have you ever been married? _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br>Go to (b)  | <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Go to item 17   |
|   | (b) Give the following information about your current marriage. If not currently married, write "None". _____ Go on to item 16(c) |  |  |
| Spouse's name (including maiden name)   |   | When (Month, day, year)  | Where (Name of City and State)   |
| Marriage performed by:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Clergyman or public official<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)  | Spouse's date of birth (or age)   | Spouse's Social Security Number (If none or unknown, so indicate)<br>____ / ____ / _____ |  |
| (c) Enter information about any other marriage if you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Had a marriage that lasted at least 10 years; or</li> <li>Had a marriage that ended due to the death of your spouse, regardless of duration; or</li> <li>Were divorced, remarried the same individual within the year immediately following the year of the divorce, and the combined period of marriage totaled 10 years or more. If none, write "None" _____. Go on to item 16(d) if you have a child(ren) who is under age 16 or disabled or handicapped (age 16 or over and disability began before age 22) and you are divorced from the child's other parent who is now deceased and the marriage lasted less than 10 years.</li> </ul> |   |  |  |
| Spouse's name (including maiden name)   |   | When (Month, day, year)  | Where (Name of City and State)   |
| How marriage ended  |   | When (Month, day, year)  | Where (Name of City and State)   |
| Marriage performed by:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Clergyman or public official<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)  | Spouse's date of birth (or age)   | If spouse deceased, give date of death   | Spouse's Social Security Number (If none or unknown, so indicate)<br>____ / ____ / _____ |
| (d) Enter information about any marriage if you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have a child(ren) who is under age 16 or disabled or handicapped (age 16 or over and disability began before age 22); and</li> <li>Were married for less than 10 years to the child's mother or father, who is now deceased; and</li> <li>The marriage ended in divorce</li> </ul> If none, write "None" _____.   |   |  |  |
| Spouse's name (including maiden name)   |   | When (Month, day, year)  | Where (Name of City and State)   |
| Date of divorce (Month, day, year)  |   | Where (Name of City and State)   |  |
| Marriage performed by:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Clergyman or public official<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)  | Spouse's date of birth (or age)   | Date of spouse's death   | Spouse's Social Security Number (If none or unknown, so indicate)<br>____ / ____ / _____ |

Use the "REMARKS" space on page 5 for marriage continuation or explanation.

17. If your claim for disability benefits is approved, your children (including adopted children, and stepchildren) or dependent grandchildren (including stepgrandchildren) may be eligible for benefits based on your earnings record.

List below: FULL NAME OF ALL such children who are now or were in the past 12 months UNMARRIED and:

- UNDER AGE 18
- AGE 18 TO 19 AND ATTENDING ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL FULL-TIME
- DISABLED OR HANDICAPPED (age 18 or over and disability began before age 22)

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18. (a) Did you have wages or self-employment income covered under Social Security in all years from 1978 through last year?  Yes  No  
(If "Yes," go to item 19.) (If "No," answer (b).)

(b) List the years from 1978 through last year in which you did not have wages or self-employment income covered under Social Security.

19. (a) Enter below the names and addresses of all the persons, companies, or Government agencies for whom you have worked this year and last year. IF NONE, WRITE "NONE" BELOW AND GO TO ITEM 20.

| NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER<br>(If you had more than one employer, please list them in order beginning with your last (most recent) employer) | Work Began |      | Work Ended<br>(If still working show "Not Ended") |      |
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|  | MONTH      | YEAR | MONTH   | YEAR |
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(If you need more space, use "Remarks".)

(b) Are you an officer of a corporation or related to an officer of a corporation?  Yes  No

20. May the Social Security Administration or State agency reviewing your case, ask your employers for information needed to process the claim?  Yes  No

21. Complete item 21 even if you were an employee.

(a) Were you self-employed this year or last year?  Yes  No  
Go to (b) Go to item 22

| (b) Check the year (or years) you were self-employed | In what type of trade/business were you self-employed?<br>(For example, storekeeper, farmer, physician) | Were your net earnings from the trade or business \$400 or more?<br>(Check "Yes" or "No") |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> This year                   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Last year                   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                  |

22. (a) How much were your total earnings last year? Count both wages and self-employment income. (If none, write "None.") Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(b) How much have you earned so far this year? (If none, write "None.") Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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| 23. | What are the illnesses, injuries, or conditions that limit your ability to work? (Give a brief description.)  |
| 24. | (a) Are you still unable to work because of your illnesses, injuries, or conditions? _____ → <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Go to item 25 <input type="checkbox"/> No Go to (b) |
|     | (b) Enter the date you became able to work. _____ → MONTH, DAY, YEAR  |

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS  
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

**SUBMITTING MEDICAL EVIDENCE:** I understand that I must provide medical evidence about my disability and I may be asked to assist the Social Security Administration in obtaining the evidence. I understand that I may be requested by the State Disability Determination Services to have a consultative examination at the expense of the Social Security Administration and that if I do not go, my claim may be denied.

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| 25. | Are your illnesses, injuries, or conditions related to your work in any way? _____ →  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                         |
| 26. | (a) Have you filed, or do you intend to file, for any other public disability benefits (including workers' compensation, Black Lung benefits and SSI)? _____ →  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Go to (b) <input type="checkbox"/> No Go to item 27 |
|     | (b) The other public disability benefit(s) you have filed (or intend to file) for is (Check as many as apply):<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Administration Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> Welfare<br><input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Security Income (SSI) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (If "Other," complete a Workers' Compensation/Public Disability Benefit Questionnaire) |  |
| 27. | (a) Did you receive any money from an employer(s) on or after the date in item 10 when you became unable to work because of your illnesses, injuries, or conditions? If "Yes", give the amounts and explain in "Remarks". _____ →   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Amount \$ _____      |
|     | (b) Do you expect to receive any additional money from an employer, such as sick pay, vacation pay, other special pay? If "Yes," please give amounts and explain in "Remarks". _____ →  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>Amount \$ _____      |
| 28. | Do you, or did you, have a child under age 3 (your own or your spouse's) living with you in one or more calendar years when you had no earnings?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                         |
| 29. | Do you have a dependent parent who was receiving at least one-half support from you when you became unable to work because of your disability? If "Yes," enter the parent's name and address and Social Security number, if known, in "Remarks".  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                         |
| 30. | If you were unable to work before age 22 because of an illness, injury or condition, do you have a parent (including adoptive or stepparent) or grandparent who is receiving social security retirement or disability benefits or who is deceased? If yes, enter the name(s) and Social Security number, if known, in "Remarks" (if unknown, write "Unknown").  |  |

REMARKS (You may use this space for any explanation. If you need more space, attach a separate sheet.)

Horizontal lines for writing remarks.

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined all the information on the form and any accompanying statements or forms, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT   | Date (Month, Day, Year)   |
| Signature (First name, middle initial, last name) (Write in ink) | Telephone Number(s) at which you may be contacted during the day. (Include the area code) |

**SIGN HERE** 

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| <b>FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY</b> | Direct Deposit Payment Address ( <i>Financial Institution</i> ) |     |                          | <input type="checkbox"/> No Account<br><input type="checkbox"/> Direct Deposit Refused |
|                              | Routing Transit Number  | C/S | Depositor Account Number |  |

Applicant's Mailing Address (*Number and street, Apt No., P.O. Box, or Rural Route*) (Enter Residence Address in "Remarks," if different.)

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| City and State | ZIP Code | County ( <i>if any</i> ) in which you now live |
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Witnesses are required ONLY if this application has been signed by mark (X) above. If signed by mark (X), two witnesses to the signing who know the applicant must sign below, giving their full addresses. Also, print the applicant's name in Signature block.

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| 1. Signature of Witness  | 2. Signature of Witness  |
| Address ( <i>Number and street, City, State and ZIP Code</i> ) | Address ( <i>Number and street, City, State and ZIP Code</i> ) |

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

An agency in your State that works with us in administering the Social Security disability program is responsible for making the disability decision on your claim. In some cases, it is necessary for them to get additional information about your condition or to arrange for you to have a medical examination at Government expense.

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### Collection and Use of Information From Your Application – Privacy Act Notice/Paperwork Act Notice

Sections 202, 205, and 223 of the Social Security Act, as amended, authorize us to collect this information. We will use the information you provide to determine if you or a dependent are eligible for insurance coverage and/or monthly benefits.

The information you furnish on this form is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information may prevent us from making an accurate and timely decision concerning your or a dependent's entitlement to benefit payments.

We rarely use the information you supply for any purpose other than for determining the identity of a spouse. However, we may use it for the administration and integrity of Social Security programs. We may also disclose information to another person or to another agency in accordance with approved routine uses, which include but are not limited to the following:

1. To enable a third party or an agency to assist Social Security in establishing rights to Social Security benefits and/or coverage;
2. To comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information from Social Security records (e.g., to the Government Accountability Office and Department of Veterans Affairs);
3. To make determinations for eligibility in similar health and income maintenance programs at the Federal, State, and local level; and
4. To facilitate statistical research, investigative, and audit activities necessary to assure the integrity of Social Security programs.

We may also use the information you provide in computer matching programs. Matching programs compare our records with records kept by other Federal, State, or local government agencies. Information from these matching programs can be used to establish or verify a person's eligibility for Federally-funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment of payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

Additional information regarding this form, routine uses of information, and our programs and systems, is available on-line at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) or at your local Social Security office.

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**RECEIPT FOR YOUR CLAIM FOR SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS**

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| PERSON TO CONTACT ABOUT YOUR CLAIM   | SSA OFFICE                   | DATE CLAIM RECEIVED |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE)   |                              |                     |
| <p>Your application for Social Security disability benefits has been received and will be processed as quickly as possible.</p> <p>You should hear from us within _____ days after you have given us all the information we requested. Some claims may take longer if additional information is needed.</p> <p>In the meantime, if you change your address, or if there is</p> |                              |                     |
| <p>some other change that may affect your claim, you — or someone for you — should report the change. The changes to be reported are listed below.</p> <p>Always give us your claim number when writing or telephoning about your claim.</p> <p>If you have any questions about your claim, we will be glad to help you.</p>   |                              |                     |
| CLAIMANT   | SOCIAL SECURITY CLAIM NUMBER |                     |
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**CHANGES TO BE REPORTED AND HOW TO REPORT  
FAILURE TO REPORT MAY RESULT IN OVERPAYMENTS THAT MUST BE REPAID**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ You change your mailing address for checks or residence. To avoid delay in receipt of checks you should ALSO file a regular change of address notice with your post office.</li> <li>▶ Your citizenship or immigration status changes.</li> <li>▶ You go outside the U.S.A. for 30 consecutive days or longer.</li> <li>▶ Any beneficiary dies or becomes unable to handle benefits.</li> <li>▶ Custody Change—Report if a person for whom you are filing or who is in your care dies, leaves your care or custody, or changes address.</li> <li>▶ You are confined to jail, prison, penal institution or correctional facility for conviction of a crime or you are confined to a public institution by court order in connection with a crime.</li> <li>▶ You become entitled to a pension or annuity based on your employment not covered by Social Security, or if such pension or annuity changes or stops.</li> <li>▶ Your stepchild is entitled to benefits on your record and you and the stepchild's parent divorce. Stepchild benefits are not payable beginning with the month after the month the divorce becomes final.</li> <li>▶ You have an unsatisfied warrant for your arrest for a crime or attempted crime that is a felony (or, in jurisdictions that do not define crimes as felonies, a crime that is punishable by death or imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year).</li> <li>▶ You have an unsatisfied warrant for a violation of probation or parole under Federal or State law.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Change of Marital Status—Marriage, divorce, annulment of marriage.</li> <li>▶ If you become the parent of a child (including an adopted child) after you have filed your claim, let us know about the child so we can decide if the child is eligible for benefits. Failure to report the existence of these children may result in the loss of possible benefits to the child(ren).</li> <li>▶ You return to work (as an employee or self-employed) regardless of amount of earnings.</li> <li>▶ Your condition improves.</li> <li>▶ You are under age 65 and you apply for or begin to receive workers' compensation (including black lung benefits) or another public disability benefit, or the amount of your present workers' compensation or public disability benefit changes or stops, or you receive a lump-sum settlement.</li> </ul> |
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**HOW TO REPORT**

You can make your reports online, by telephone, mail, or in person, whichever you prefer.

If you are awarded benefits, and one or more of the above change(s) occur, you should report by:

- Visiting the section "What You Can Do Online" at our web site at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov);
- Calling us TOLL FREE at 1-800-772-1213;
- If you are deaf or hearing impaired, calling us TOLL FREE at TTY 1-800-325-0778; or
- Calling, visiting or writing your local Social Security office.

For general information about Social Security, visit our web site at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).