

CHAPTER 6**CLOTHING ALLOWANCES****6.01 - Cross Reference to VAC Policy Manual**

The provisions of this Chapter should be read in conjunction with Article 38(4),(5),(6),(7),(8) of Veterans Affairs Canada Policy Manual.

6.02 - Wear and Tear of Clothing on Account of Use of Appliances

1. The requirements for the award of Clothing Allowances are laid down in Section 38 of the Pension Act.
2. The rates prescribed in subsection 38(6) of the Pension Act are subject to supplements based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI Supplement) in accordance with section 75 of the Pension Act. Awards shall be assessed in grades 1 to 10 as guided by the Table to Article 6.02.
3. The value assigned to each grade is published annually as adjusted to the Consumer Price Index.

TABLE TO ARTICLE 6.02		
Type of Appliance		Rate
1.	<u>Upper Extremity Appliances</u>	
	a)	Arm Brace #47
		Arm Brace #48
		Grade 9
	b)	Universal Hand Splint #40
		Drop Wrist Splint #46
		Grade 10
2.	<u>Spinal Appliances</u>	
	a)	Harris Brace #13
		Taylor Brace #15
		Camp Hyperextension
		Blair Hyperextension
		Jewett Hyperextension
		Jones Spinal
		Steindler Spinal
		Grade 6

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	b)	3/4 Taylor Brace	Grade 8
		Castex Body Cast	
		Plastic Body Corset	
	c)	Cervical Splint #51	Grade 9

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TABLE TO ARTICLE 6.02...CONTINUED			
	d)	Harris Brace #16	Grade 10 if wear and tear demonstrated
		Williams Flexion Brace	
		Goldthwait Spinal	
		Memphis Spinal	
		Orthopaedic Corset #9	
		Dorsolumbar (Ottawa Truss #888)	
		Dorsolumbar (Ottawa Truss #444) demonstrated	
3.	<u>Lower Extremity AppliancesRate</u>		
	a)	Leg Brace #69	Grade 4
		Paraplegic Braces #75	
	b)	Knee Cage (Jones) #68	Grade 5
		Thomas Caliper Splint #70	
	c)	Oxford Drop Foot Splint #59	Grade 6
		Drop Foot Splint #64	
		Drop Foot Splint #65	
		Miller Splint	
		Klenzak Drop Foot Splint	
		Pope Double Drop Foot Splint	
	d)	Ankle Brace #63	Grade 9
		Knee Corset Misc. "C"	
		(Gibson)	
	e)	Universal Ankle Brace #57	if wear and tear demonstrated
		Drop Foot Lifter #58	
		Drop Foot Lifter (wire) #60	
		Hinged Knee Cap (Ottawa Truss #969)	Grade 10
		Laced Knee Cap (Ottawa Truss #971)	

CHAPTER 6**CLOTHING ALLOWANCES****6.03 - Wear and Tear of Clothing on Account of Amputation**

The amounts to be paid for wear and tear of clothing on account of amputation are fixed by Subsection 38(4)(5) and Section 75 of the Pension Act being Grade 4 for a single amputation and Grade 3 for a double amputation.

6.04 - Specially Made Wearing Apparel

The amounts to be paid for specially made wearing apparel are fixed by Subsection 38(8) and Section 75 of the Pension Act, being Grade 4.

6.05 - Clothing Allowance for Soiling

The maximum clothing allowance payable for soiling is Grade 5 rates as prescribed in Article 38(4),(5),(6),(7) and (8) of the VAC Policy Manual.