

## State Presumptive Disability Laws

The following states have presumptive disability laws which recognize that fire fighters are at increased risk for certain illnesses. The laws create a presumption that the specified diseases are job related. Because the laws vary greatly from state to state, readers should use links to review the verbiage of the specific state laws to determine the law's application. Cod Part: WC = Workers' Compensation, RS = Retirement/Pension System, GP= General Provisions/Other Section, asterisk (\*) = death/disability benefits.

State	Heart Disease	Lung Disease	Cancer	Infectious Diseases	Behavioral Health	Other	Code Part
1. Alabama	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*			GP
2. Alaska	✓	✓	✓				WC
3. Arizona	✓	✓	✓		✓*		WC
4. Arkansas			✓				RS/GP
5. California	✓*		✓*	✓*	✓*	Hernia	WC/RC
6. Colorado	✓*		✓	✓	✓*		WC/GP
7. Connecticut	✓		✓*	✓*	✓*		WC
8. Delaware			✓*				GP
9. Florida	✓		✓	✓	✓*		GP
10. Georgia			✓*				GP
11. Hawaii	✓	✓	✓*				RS
12. Idaho	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*	✓*		WC
13. Illinois	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*	✓*	Hernia/Hearing	RS/WC
14. Indiana	✓	✓	✓			Parkinson's	GP
15. Iowa	✓	✓	✓	✓			RS
16. Kansas	✓	✓	✓				RS
17. Kentucky			✓*				GP
18. Louisiana	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Hearing	GP
19. Maine	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		WC
20. Maryland	✓	✓	✓				WC
21. Massachusetts	✓	✓	✓				RS
22. Michigan	✓	✓	✓				WC
23. Minnesota	✓		✓	✓	✓		WC
24. Mississippi			✓*				WC
25. Missouri	✓	✓	✓	✓			RS
26. Montana	✓		✓				WC
27. Nebraska	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*		GP
28. Nevada	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*		GP
29. New Hampshire	✓	✓	✓		✓		WC
30. New Jersey	✓	✓	✓				WC
31. New Mexico	✓		✓	✓	✓		WC
32. New York	✓*	✓*	✓	✓	✓*	Parkinson's	RS
33. North Carolina			✓*				RS
34. North Dakota	✓	✓	✓	✓			GP
35. Ohio	✓	✓	✓				WC
36. Oklahoma	✓	✓	✓	✓			RS
37. Oregon	✓	✓	✓		✓		WC
38. Pennsylvania			✓	✓			WC
39. Rhode Island		✓	✓	✓			GP
40. South Carolina	✓	✓	✓*				WC
41. South Dakota	✓	✓	✓*				RS
42. Tennessee	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*		GP
43. Texas	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*		GP/WC

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44. Utah	✓*	✓*	✓	✓			WC
45. Vermont	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		WC
46. Virginia	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*		WC
47. Washington	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		WC
48. West Virginia	✓	✓	✓				WC
49. Wisconsin	✓	✓	✓	✓			GP
50. Wyoming	✓		✓		✓*		WC
<b>Totals</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>22</b>		<b>WC=27</b>
	<b>35+7*</b>	<b>30+5*</b>	<b>40+10*</b>	<b>22+5*</b>	<b>8+14*</b>		<b>RS=11</b>
							<b>GP=16</b>

Province/Territory	Heart Disease	Lung Disease	Cancer	Infectious Diseases	Behavioral Health	Code Part
Alberta	✓		✓		✓	WC
British Columbia	✓		✓	✓	✓	WC
Manitoba	✓		✓		✓	WC
New Brunswick	✓		✓		✓	WC
Newfoundland	✓		✓		✓	WC
Northwest Territories	✓		✓			WC
Nova Scotia	✓		✓		✓	WC
Nunavut Territory	✓		✓			WC
Ontario	✓		✓		✓	WC
Prince Edward Island	✓		✓			WC
Quebec			✓			
Saskatchewan	✓		✓		✓	WC
Yukon Territory	✓		✓		✓	WC
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>WC=12</b>

\*AL has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung & infectious diseases, including COVID-19

\*AZ has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD

\*AR has a death/disability for certain cancers

\*CA has a death/disability eligibility for cancer, heart, infectious disease, & PTSD

\*CO has a benefits eligibility for heart disease and “mental impairment”

\*CT has a death/disability eligibility for cancer, infectious disease & PTSD

\*DE has a death/disability eligibility for cancer, but it is not presumptive

\*FL has an eligibility for benefits for cancer and PTSD

\*GA has a death/disability eligibility for cancer

\*HI has a death/disability eligibility for cancer

\*ID has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung, infectious disease & PTSD

\*IL has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung & infectious disease

\*IN has a death/disability eligibility for mental illnesses

\*KY has a death benefits eligibility for certain cancers

\*MI has a death/disability eligibility for certain cancers

\*NC has a death/disability eligibility for cancer

\*NE has an eligibility for benefits for a mental health disability

\*NY heart & lung disease presumption only apply to fire fighters in New York City

\*NY has an eligibility for benefits for a mental incapacitation

\*SC has a death/disability eligibility for cancer

\*SD has a death/disability eligibility for cancer

- \*TN has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD
- \*TX has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD
- \*UT has a death/disability eligibility for heart & lung disease
- \*VA has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD
- \*WY has an eligibility for benefits for mental injury

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