



American Legion Post 100 Fact Sheet

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C- 123 AIRCRAFT AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE CLAIMS

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has determined that a select group of Air Force and Air Force Reserve personnel were exposed to herbicides through regular and repeated duties as ground, flight, or medical crew members on contaminated Operation Ranch Hand (ORH) C-123 aircraft that were used to spray Agent Orange in Vietnam.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any Air Force Veteran or Air Force Reservist who was assigned to one of the affected Reserve or active duty units as a ground, flight, or medical crew member on a contaminated aircraft and later developed a disability that has been linked to Agent Orange exposure should file a claim. VA has information indicating that few Air Force units (active duty and Reserve) had one or more of the contaminated aircraft during the period 1969 through 1986 (depending upon unit of assignment). VA compiled a list of these units and the dates on which they had the aircraft, which is publicly available at:

<http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/locations/residue-c123-aircraft/index.asp>

Who To Contact At the DOD for Records

If you are a Veteran or next-of-kin of a deceased Veteran, you may now use Vetrecs.archives.gov to order a copy of your military records. For all others, your request is best made using a Standard Form 180. It includes complete instructions for preparing and submitting requests. Please Note: All requests must be in writing, signed and mailed to the following address:

**National Personnel Records Center
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, Missouri 63138**