

## 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 the links to review the specific state laws to determine the law's application.

Code Part: WC = Workman's Comp, RS = Retirement / Pension System,  
GP = General Provisions / other section

State	Heart Disease	Lung Disease	Cancer	Infectious Diseases	Other	Code Part
1. Alabama	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*		GP
2. Alaska	✓	✓	✓			WC
3. Arizona	✓		✓		*PTSD	WC
4. Arkansas			✓*			RS
5. California	✓		✓	✓	Hernia	WC & RS
6. Colorado	✓*		✓	✓	*Mental Impairment	WC & GP
7. Connecticut	✓		✓*	✓*		WC
8. Delaware						
9. Florida	✓			✓	*PTSD	GP
10. Georgia			✓*			GP
11. Hawaii	✓	✓				RS
12. Idaho	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*		WC
13. Illinois	✓*	✓*	✓	✓*		RS
14. Indiana	✓	✓	✓		Parkinson's	GP
15. Iowa	✓	✓	✓	✓		RS
16. Kansas	✓	✓	✓			RS
17. Kentucky			✓*			GP
18. Louisiana	✓	✓	✓	✓	Hearing	GP
19. Maine	✓	✓	✓	✓	PTSD	WC
20. Maryland	✓	✓	✓			WC
21. Massachusetts	✓	✓	✓			RS
22. Michigan	✓	✓	✓			WC
23. Minnesota	✓		✓	✓		WC
24. Mississippi						
25. Missouri	✓	✓	✓	✓		RS
26. Montana						
27. Nebraska	✓	✓	✓	✓	*Mental injury/illness	GP
28. Nevada	✓	✓	✓	✓		GP
29. New Hampshire	✓	✓	✓			WC
30. New Jersey	✓	✓				WC
31. New Mexico	✓		✓	✓		WC



- \*AL has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung & infectious disease
- \*AZ has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD
- \*AR a death/disability eligibility for certain cancers
- \*CO has a benefit eligibility for heart disease and mental impairment
- \*CT has a death/disability eligibility for cancer & infectious disease
- \*FL has an eligibility for benefits for PTSD
- \*GA has a death/disability eligibility for cancer
- \*ID has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung & Infectious disease
- \*IL has a death/disability eligibility for heart, lung & infectious disease
- \*KY has a death benefit eligibility for certain cancers
- \*NE has an eligibility for benefits for a mental health disability
- \*NY heart & lung disease presumptions only apply to fire fighters in New York City
- \*NY has an eligibility for benefits for a mental incapacitation
- \*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