

FOOT CLAIMS

ACQUIRED FLATFOOT RATING GUIDE

An orthopedic blueprint for service connection, examination evidence, functional loss, and the current rating schedule.



STRUCTURAL FIELD REFERENCE

FOUR POINTS TO UNDERSTAND

0%

MILD, RELIEVED BY SUPPORT

Symptoms relieved by built-up shoe or arch support.

10%

MODERATE, ONE OR BOTH FEET

Weight-bearing line, Achilles bowing, and pain on manipulation and use are listed criteria.

20/30%

SEVERE UNILATERAL OR BILATERAL

Marked deformity, accentuated pain, swelling on use, and characteristic callosities.

30/50%

PRONOUNCED UNILATERAL OR BILATERAL

Marked pronation, extreme tenderness, Achilles displacement and spasm, and no improvement from orthopedic appliances.

Use the regulation in effect for the rating period. Measure functional loss accurately, keep distinct manifestations separate, and avoid compensating the same symptom twice.