

FOOT CLAIMS

OTHER FOOT INJURIES AND HALLUX VALGUS

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



STRUCTURAL FIELD REFERENCE

FOUR POINTS TO UNDERSTAND

5284

OTHER FOOT INJURIES

Use DC 5284 only when it fits an injury residual not more specifically addressed by another code.

LEVELS

10, 20, OR 30 PERCENT

Moderate, moderately severe, and severe injury residuals use increasing levels.

5280

HALLUX VALGUS

A qualifying severe condition or operation with metatarsal-head resection receives 10 percent.

LOSS

ACTUAL LOSS OF USE

DC 5284 directs a 40 percent rating for actual loss of use of the foot.

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