



INDIVIDUAL UNEMPLOYABILITY

TDIU CLAIM CHECKLIST

Use this as a record-completeness check, not as a promise of an outcome.

38 C.F.R. 4.16

BEFORE FILING OR REVIEW

CAN THE RECORD ANSWER EACH QUESTION?

☒ Current service-connected disabilities and ratings are identified.	☒ The schedular or extraschedular route is identified.
☒ Work dates, earnings, hours, and reasons employment ended are accurate.	☒ Education, training, licenses, and transferable skills are documented.
☒ Medical evidence describes relevant functional limitations.	☒ Statements connect limitations to concrete work demands.
☒ Marginal or protected employment facts are documented when relevant.	☒ VA Forms 21-8940 and 21-4192 are current and internally consistent.
☒ Nonservice-connected conditions and age are not used as the TDIU basis.	☒ Potential effective-date evidence and pending rating claims were reviewed.
☒ Potential SMC-S implications were checked when one disability may support TDIU.	☒ The complete submission was reviewed for inconsistent dates or unexplained gaps.

