

Ten MHA payment reminders



1. You must have a rate of pursuit over 50% in order to be eligible to receive MHA payments. If your rate of pursuit is equal to or less than 50%, you are not eligible to receive MHA.
2. MHA paid is based upon the zip code of the campus or training location where you are physically attending the majority of your courses.
3. MHA payments are prorated by your rate of pursuit, if you attend at less than 100%, rounded to the nearest multiple of 10.
4. MHA payments are prorated by your individual [benefit percentage level](#).
5. MHA payments are prorated if your course(s) do not span an entire month. If you are certified for part of a month, your payment will be prorated as follows:

VA uses a 30-day month. Divide the monthly rate by 30 to get the daily rate. If your courses begin mid-month, starting on the 15th and running through the 30th, then you are entitled to 15/30ths of the full MHA rate.
6. If you are taking only distance-learning courses, MHA is based on 50% of the national average. You can find the current online rate on our [GI Bill website](#).
7. Changes in enrollment can affect your rate of pursuit, which will subsequently affect your MHA. For example, dropping a course which takes your rate of pursuit from 100% to 90% will cause your MHA payments in future months to be prorated. If those months were already paid (the change was not reported before payment), a debt will be assessed to you for any overpayment.

8. Terminating your enrollment (dropping all of your courses) will cause MHA to stop being paid effective the date of termination. If you were already paid for the full month, or longer, a debt will be assessed to you for any overpayment.
9. [You must verify your enrollment monthly](#). If two consecutive months pass without any verification action, your MHA benefits will be held indefinitely until you verify your attendance.
10. MHA payments are made in arrears, meaning that you will routinely receive the previous month's MHA payments during the first week of the following month.

Example: If your course began mid-August, the MHA payment you received at the beginning of September was the prorated August MHA payment.