

Veteran	UIN

Insert conditions:

For this assessment, each condition needs to be assessed in **isolation** from all others. This means that when assessing a condition, you will need to assess the impairment **as though only that single condition is present**, and that the veteran is otherwise healthy and normal.

1. Please describe the current cardiorespiratory symptoms (e.g. dyspnoea, angina etc.) that limit the exercise tolerance, due to each condition *in isolation*.

Condition	Symptoms		

Please review the table and select <u>one</u> activity category, which consistently causes cardiorespiratory symptoms, due to each condition *in isolation*. If it is not possible to separate the impairment in this way, please select <u>one</u> activity category under "combined conditions." The examples below are <u>not</u> <u>exhaustive</u> and should be used as a reference point to identify similar activities.

Cardiorespiratory Effort Tolerance	Condition:	Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
Unable to assess       • The veteran does not experience any cardiorespiratory symptoms       • The veteran's cardiorespiratory symptoms do not predictably occur at a certain level of effort       • The veteran is prevented from maximal exertion by non-cardiorespiratory conditions (e.g. osteoarthritis, obesity)					
Example of activities in METS level 1					
Symptoms regularly occur Sitting Lying down at rest					
Example of activities in METS level 1–2     • Sedate activities while sitting down   • Standing for a time sitting down   • Clerical work (desk work)     • Playing cards   • Strolling slowly					
Example of activities in METS level 2–3     • Cooking or preparing meals   • Light recreational sports (e.g. pool, lawn bowls, fishing, golf with power buggy)   • Clerical work involving moving around     • Playing sedentary musical instruments   fishing, golf with power buggy)   • Using self-propelled mower     • Light household duties   • Dressing, showering   • Driving a car				OR	
•   Walking at average pace (5 km/h)   •   Sedate cycling (5-10 km/h) •   •   Table tennis and golf (pulling buggy)     •   Light gardening (e.g. weeding and watering)   •   Regular household duties bed, laundry, cleaning car)   •   Leisurely canoeing					
Example of activities in METS level 4–5     • Shopping and carrying groceries (10 kg)   • Moderate household duties (e.g. mopping, scrubbing floors, polishing floors, polishing furniture)   • Tennis doubles (non-competitive)     • Golf (carrying bag)   • scrubbing floors, polishing furniture)   • Painting and/or wallpapering of house     • Stacking firewood/shelves   • Gentle swimming					

Cardiorespiratory Effort Tolerance		Condition:	Condition:		Combined Conditions (if unable to isolate)
Example of activities in METS level 5–6     • Brisk walking (6.5-7 km/h)   • Ice skating/ Roller-blading   • Carpentry (e.g. using hand tools)     • Gardening (e.g. shovelling, pushing wheelbarrow and digging)   • Swimming laps (non-competitive)   • Slowly climbing stairs					
• Rowing/Kayaking at pace   • Slow jogging   • Hiking     • Tennis (singles, non-competitive)   • Using a pick/shovel to dig   • Water skiing					
Example of activities in METS level 7–8     • Carrying objects (30kg) on level ground   • Cycling (20-25 km/h)   • Horseback riding (galloping)     • Tennis (singles, competitive)   • Sawing hardwood with hand tools   • Sawing hardwood with hand tools				OR	
Example of activities in METS level 8–9     • Running (9 km/h)   • Skiing (cross-country)   • Swimming fast laps     • Calisthenics   • Squash					
Example of activities in METS level 10+     • Running quickly (10 km/h)   • Carrying loads (10 kg) up a   • Football (any code) gradient     • Cycling quickly (30 km/h)   gradient   • Football (any code)					

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