

(III) IF NO INDIVIDUAL IS ELIGIBLE UNDER ITEM (I) OR (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, TO EACH SURVIVING CHILD OF THE DECEDENT IN EQUAL SHARES;

(IV) IF NO INDIVIDUAL IS ELIGIBLE UNDER ITEM (I), (II), OR (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, TO THE DECEDENT'S SURVIVING PARENT; OR

(V) IF NO INDIVIDUAL IS ELIGIBLE UNDER ITEM (I), (II), (III), OR (IV) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, TO EACH SURVIVING SISTER, BROTHER, OR GRANDPARENT OF THE DECEDENT IN EQUAL SHARES.

(C) PENSION BENEFITS.

(1) IF THERE IS A SURVIVING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD:

(I) UNTIL THE SURVIVING SPOUSE REMARRIES, THE SURVIVING SPOUSE IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PENSION FROM THE MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION; AND

(II) UNTIL THE DEPENDENT CHILD BECOMES AN ADULT, EACH DEPENDENT CHILD IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PENSION FROM THE MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

(2) THE BOARD SHALL PAY A BENEFIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FROM THE TREASURY OF THE MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT, AT THE TIMES, AND IN THE INSTALLMENTS THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES.

(3) THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD SHALL ADD THE NAME OF EACH BENEFICIARY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO THE DISABLED FIREMEN'S AND RESCUE SQUADMEN'S LIST.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 38A, § 42A(b), (c), and (d).

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the reference to a "member" of a volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue squad is substituted for the former references to a volunteer "firefighter" and "individual" serving on a volunteer rescue squad for clarity and consistency with § 7-202 of this subtitle.

In subsection (a)(1)(iv) of this section, the reference to a volunteer unit or company "located" in the State is added to clarify that the volunteer unit or company must be located in the State.

In subsection (a)(2)(ii) of this section, the former reference to "adjacent states" is deleted as surplusage.

Subsection (b)(2) of this section is revised in the active voice to clarify that the Board is responsible for paying death benefits under this section.

In subsection (b)(2)(i) and (ii) of this section, the word "decedent's" is added to modify the terms "surviving spouse", "dependent child", and "dependent parent", respectively, to clarify that benefits will only be paid to the decedent's specified relatives.