Retired Pay Cheat Sheet

1. **Gross VA (GVA) amount is less than Gross Retired Pay (GRP)** *(applies to original and increased awards where GVA < GRP) *__Most common__*

   - **Formula: New Gross VA (GVA) amount – Net VA amount previously paid = New amount to withhold**

2. **Gross Retired Pay (GRP) amount is less than Gross VA (GVA) amount** *(__ORIGINAL__ Grant of Benefit awards ONLY)*

   - **Formula: Gross VA amount – Gross Retired Pay amount = Amount to PAY veteran**
   - **An easier way to look at this: WITHHOLD the __Gross Retired Pay__**

3. **If Gross VA amount was previously less than Gross Retired Pay amount, but the veteran was awarded an increase so now the Gross VA amount is greater than the Gross Retired Pay amount** *(__NOT__ an original grant of benefits)*

   Formula: Gross Retired Pay amount – Net VA amount previously paid = New Withholding amount

4. **If GVA was already greater than or equal to Gross Retired Pay amount**

   - **Leave withholding as it is-do not change! No other withholdings necessary as it should be a total waiver of retired pay (DFAS stops paying so the veteran can get all $ tax free from VA)**