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be computed from the date the continuous total disability commenced, as determined by the Disability Insurance Claims activity.

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§ 8.32 Authority of the guardian.

What actions does a guardian have the authority to take for insurance purposes? The guardian of an insured or beneficiary has the authority to take the following actions:

- (a) Apply for insurance or for conversion of a policy or change of plan;
- (b) Reinstate a policy;
- (c) Withdraw dividends held on deposit or credit;
- (d) Select or change a dividend option;
- (e) Obtain a policy loan;
- (f) Cash surrender a policy;
- (g) Authorize a deduction from benefits or allotment from military retired pay to pay premiums;
- (h) Apply for and receive payment of proceeds on a matured policy;
- (i) Select or change the premium payment option;
- (j) Apply for waiver of premiums and total disability income benefits;
- (k) Select or change settlement options for beneficiaries; and
- (l) Assign a beneficiary's interest as provided under section 1918 of title 38 U.S.C.

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§ 8.33 Cash value for term-capped policies.

(a) *What is a term-capped policy?* A term-capped policy is a National Service Life Insurance policy prefixed with "V" or Veterans Special Life Insurance policy prefixed with "RS," issued on a 5-year level premium term plan in which premiums have been capped (frozen) at the renewal age 70 rate.

(b) *How can a term-capped policy accrue cash value?* Normally, a policy issued on a 5-year level premium term plan does not accrue cash value (see section 8.14). However, notwithstanding any other provisions of this part, re-

serves have been established to provide for cash value for term-capped policies.

(c) *On what basis have the reserve values been established?* Reserve values have been established based upon the 1980 Commissioners Standard Ordinary Basic Table and interest at five per centum per annum in accordance with accepted actuarial practices.

(d) *How much cash value does a term-capped policy have?* The cash value for each policy will depend on the age of the insured, the type of policy, and the amount of coverage in force and will be calculated in accordance with accepted actuarial practices. For illustrative purposes, below are some examples of cash values based upon a \$10,000 policy at various attained ages for an NSLI "V" policy and a VSLI "RS" policy:

Age	Cash value "V"	Cash value "RS"
75	\$1,494	\$1,716
80	3,212	3,358
85	4,786	4,818
90	6,249	6,217
95	8,887	7,286

(e) *What can be done with this cash value?* Upon cancellation or lapse of the policy, a policyholder may receive the cash value in a lump sum or may use the cash value to purchase paid-up insurance. If a term-capped policy is kept in force, cash values will continue to grow.

(f) *How much paid-up insurance can be obtained for the cash value?* The amount of paid-up insurance that can be purchased will depend on the amount of cash value that the policy has accrued and will be calculated in accordance with accepted actuarial practices. For illustrative purposes, below are some examples of paid-up insurance that could be purchased by the cash value of a "V" and an "RS" \$10,000 policy at various attained ages:

Age	Paid-up "V" insurance	Paid-up "RS" insurance
75	\$2,284	\$2,625
80	4,452	4,654
85	6,109	6,149
90	7,421	7,115
95	9,331	7,650