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Welcome to the Military Times EDGE "Best for Vets: Employers" survey.

A few notes before you get started:

If you quit the survey before pressing "submit" on the final page, your answers will be saved. You can return to the survey to change or add answers by clicking on the emailed link again. At the end of the survey, you will have a chance to review your answers and print a copy for your records. You cannot return to the survey once you click "submit." If you need to make changes after submitting, contact Cecilia Hadley (chadley@militarytimes.com or 703.642.7387).

Thank you for your time and interest.

Are you filling out this survey on behalf of all of the company's divisions and/or subsidiaries?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Section 1 of 4: Recruiting veterans

Does your company specifically recruit U.S. military veterans?

- Yes
- No

If so, what strategies does your company use to recruit veterans?

- Attending military-specific job fairs
- Posting job openings on military-specific job boards
- Advertising in military-specific publications and websites
- Maintaining an employment website directed at veterans
- Contracting recruiters that specialize in veterans hiring
- Developing relationships with Local Veterans Employment Representatives
- Developing relationships with local Guard and Reserve units
- Developing relationships with the military Transition Assistance Program
- Developing relationships with student veterans groups and/or colleges
- Developing relationships with professional military associations
- Developing relationships with veterans service organizations
- Recruiting through current veteran employees
- Participating in the Employer Partnership of the Armed Forces
- Participating in Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve
- Participating in the Army Partnership for Youth Success program

Other

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Does your company have full-time employees who work specifically on veterans recruitment at least 50 percent of the time?

- Yes
- No

Do recruiters and hiring managers receive any training in military culture, structure or career paths?

- Yes
- No

Do veterans receive any special consideration in your company's hiring process?

- Yes
- No

What percentage of your recruiting budget for the last complete fiscal year was dedicated to recruiting U.S. military veterans?

- Zero percent
- 1 to 10 percent
- 11 to 20 percent
- 21 to 30 percent
- 31 to 40 percent
- More than 40 percent
- Do not know
- Do not disclose

How many new hires did your company make in the U.S. in fiscal 2010?

- Do not know
- Do not disclose

Number

1011

How many of those new hires identified themselves as military veterans?

- Do not know
- Do not disclose

Number

66

How many of those new hires identified themselves as disabled military veterans?

- Do not know
- Do not disclose

Number

0

Does your company dedicate any effort and resources specifically to hiring disabled veterans?

- Yes
- No

Does your company have an active hiring program for active-duty military spouses?

- Yes
- No

Section 2 of 4: Corporate culture

What percentage of your current U.S. employees have identified themselves as veterans?

- Zero percent
- 1 to 5 percent
- 6 to 10 percent
- 11 to 15 percent
- 16 to 20 percent
- 21 to 25 percent
- More than 25 percent
- Do not track
- Do not disclose

What percentage of your company's executive-level employees have identified themselves as veterans?

- Zero percent
- 1 to 5 percent
- 6 to 10 percent
- 11 to 15 percent
- 16 to 20 percent
- More than 20 percent
- Do not track
- Do not disclose

Does your company's orientation and/or onboarding process include any elements specifically for military veterans?

- Yes
- No

Does your company have any training programs (e.g., management training, skills training) exclusively or primarily for veterans?

- Yes
- No

Does your company have an employee affinity or resource group specifically for veterans and/or reservists?

- Yes
- No

Does your company have any apprenticeships or on-the-job training programs that are eligible for GI Bill funding?

- Yes
- No

Does your company accept military experience in lieu of technical certification in any fields?

- Yes
- No

Does your company observe Veterans Day?

- Yes
- No

If so, check all that apply.

- Paid holiday for all or most employees
- Paid holiday for veteran/reservist employees
- Ceremony or event to recognize veteran/reservist employees
- Other recognition for veteran/reservist employees

Other

Recognized by our President through an internal blog

Is your company involved in any programs to prepare service members for civilian careers?

- Yes
- No

Is your company involved in any efforts/programs to promote the hiring of veterans in the business community?

- Yes
- No

Does your company make any special accommodations for employees who are military spouses?

- Yes
- No

If so, please describe.

Each Manager is empowered to take care of their Employees in a reasonable way.

Is your company involved in any other military or veterans' causes or organizations?

- Yes
- No

If so, please list the organizations and describe the nature of the company's involvement.

A bobtail has been dedicated to the following organizations with a percentage of the sales of each bobtail going directly to the organization:

USO (2 trucks dedicated to this cause), Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation, Navy Wives' Food Locker

Section 3 of 4: Reserve policies

Has your company signed a Statement of Support with the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, the Defense Department agency that promotes cooperation between reservists and civilian employers?

- Yes
- No

Has your company received any awards from the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve?

- Yes
- No

Does your company have any policies to accommodate or support reservists fulfilling their reserve duty -- typically one weekend a month, two weeks a year?

- Yes
- No

If so, please describe them.

Full time employees receive a military pay supplement up to 10 days in a two-week period paying the difference between the military pay and base salary.

Does your company have any policies to accommodate or support reservists called to active duty?

- Yes
- No

If so, what best describes them?

- Pay
- Benefits
- Personal support

Reservist benefits

What benefits does your company offer activated reservists? Check all that apply.

- Medical insurance
- Life insurance
- Promotion opportunities
- Pay raises
- Profit sharing
- Retirement fund contributions
- Sick days
- Vacation day accrual

Other

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Does the medical insurance cover dependents?

- Yes
- No

Is there any time limit on medical coverage?

- No limit

Limit:

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Does the life insurance cover dependents?

- Yes
- No

Is there any time limit on life insurance coverage?

- No limit

Limit:

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Are reservists who volunteer for active duty eligible for these continued benefits?

- Yes
- No

Reservist support services

What kinds of support services does your company offer activated reservists and their families? Check all that apply.

- Financial assistance
- Contact with and personal support for the family
- Contact with and personal support for the service member
- Farewell and/or welcome home events
- Programs or policies to ease reintegration
- Paid time off before or after deployment (in addition to regular vacation days)

Other

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Are reservists who volunteer for active duty eligible for these support services?

- Yes
- No

Section 4 of 4: Company, contact info

Tell us more about your company.

Company

Ferrellgas

Headquarters

Overland Park, KS

Number of U.S. employees

4872

Number of worldwide employees

4872

Fiscal 2010 revenue

2,099,060,000

Website

www.ferrellgas.com

Employment website

www.ferrellgas.com/Job-Openings

Please describe your company's products and/or services briefly.

For more than 70 years, Americans have relied on Ferrellgas for their home, business, and agricultural propane needs. Throughout our history, we've prided ourselves on being not only propane industry leaders, but good neighbors to the approximately 1 million Customers we serve nationwide.

Please check this box to confirm that you answered these questions accurately and to the best of your ability.

I have answered these questions accurately and to the best of my ability.

Click here to review your answers or print a copy for your records before submitting. Just be sure to return to this page and click "Submit."

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