DoD Government Travel Charge Card for DTAs

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Agenda

- Government Travel Charge Card (GTCC) Program Overview
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Ways DTAs Can Help the GTCC Program
- Ways APCs Can Help DTAs
- Resources
GTCC Program Overview

• Policy
  – Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-264) mandates use of the travel card for all “Official Business Travel”
  – DoD use is required IAW DoD FMR Vol. 9, Chapter 3

• DoD has 1.3 million cardholders
  – Comprises 62% of government-wide GTCC spending

Improves DoD cash management

Reduces travel processing and administrative costs

Facilitates access/use of GSA City Pair program fees
Program Organization

- Electronic Access System (EAS) User IDs control access granted to Agency Program Coordinators (APC)

- Cardholders are assigned to a particular hierarchy for reporting and program management
Roles and Responsibilities

• DTMO
  – Manage DoD Task Order under GSA’s SmartPay® Master Contract
  – Coordinate with GSA, DoD components, and industry
  – Develop DoD travel card policy and procedures
  – Facilitate travel card training for DoD
  – Review or initiate component review of card processes
  – Represent DoD at meetings/conferences
  – Complete and submit required reports to OMB, OSD-C and others, as required
  – Respond to inquiries for Congressional and others
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

• Component Program Managers (CPM) (*Appointed in writing*)
  – Provide program oversight; initiate/conduct component reviews
  – Serve as a liaison to DTMO
  – Provide direction to APCs located at major commands and other subordinate organizations
  – Ensure Individually Billed Accounts (IBAs), Centrally Billed Accounts (CBAs), Unit Cards:
    • Are properly approved
    • Are reviewed annually to monitor credit limits and card utilization
    • Have reasonable credit limits established and maintained
  – Establish/maintain component’s organizational structure
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

- **Agency Program Coordinators (APCs) (designated in writing)**
  - Manage IBAs and overall day-to-day operations of program
  - Educate cardholders on proper use of GTCC
  - Ensure mandatory training is completed
  - Ensure program compliance; initiate/conduct agency reviews
  - Monitor cardholder activity through EAS-generated reports
  - Monitor delinquencies/misuse and take appropriate action
  - Terminate GTCC upon cardholder’s dismissal, retirement, or separation
  - Maintain hierarchy structure
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

• CBA Account Managers (*Designated in writing*)
  – Manage and oversee overall day-to-day operations
  – Ensure appropriate use of CBA (If traveler has IBA = no CBA use)
  – Ensure timely reconciliation and payment of invoices
  – Are familiar with Designated Payment Office (DPO) and Designated Billing Office (DBO) points of contact
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

• Cardholders *must*:
  – Complete mandatory initial and required refresher training; become familiar with program policies
  – Use card for OFFICIAL travel expenses ONLY
  – Track expenses while on travel in order to have accurate information for filing travel claims
  – Keep receipts for ALL transactions made on travel card
  – File travel claim within 5 business days of return from TDY
  – Submit payment in full for each monthly bill
  – Contact their APC for questions about card use
  – Immediately report a lost or stolen card to their APC
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

- **Cardholders must:**
  - Notify their APC of impending travel dates to ensure travel card is activated and ready for use
    - Critical for infrequent traveler whose card may be inactivated when not on travel status
  - Ensure ‘profile’ (card number, expiration date, mailing address, etc.) is updated with both Citi© and in DTS
  - Promptly notify the Commercial Travel Office (CTO) of tickets or partial tickets that were not used so a refund can be requested
  - If applicable, dispute erroneous charges to Citi © no later than 60 days from statement date on which they first appeared
Roles and Responsibilities (continued)

• Cardholders *must not*:
  – Use the Travel Charge Card for personal use
  – Obtain ATM travel advances unless in a travel status or will be in a travel status shortly
  – Obtain ATM travel advances which exceed the expected out of pocket expenditures for a trip
  – Allow monthly bill to become overdue; this could result in suspension or cancellation of card
  – Wait for receipt of the monthly bill to file travel claims
  – Pay for another individual’s travel expenses
  – Write personal identification number (PIN) on the card or carry in a wallet
Delinquency Timelines

- Account must be paid within 60 days of billing statement date in order to avoid suspension and other penalties
Ways DTAs Can Help GTCC Program

• Familiarize yourself with the GTCC Program and its policies
  – DoD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 9, Chapter 3 outlines the policies and procedures relating to the travel card program
  – Service/Command specific policy on GTCC usage

• Ensure you know and work with your organization’s APC
Ways DTAs Can Help GTCC Program (continued)

• Advise travelers in your organization…
  – Ensure GTCC account information in DTS is current
    • Traveler’s can now update their profile information from the Traveler Setup option on main menu
  – Travelers’ GTCC transactions are viewable from within DTS (on Non-Mileage Expense screen) to assist with voucher preparation and to ensure proper split-disbursement
    • Also available from Citi© online or via toll-free number
  – Travelers must ensure the proper split disbursement amount, using the Payment Totals screen, to ensure Citi © receives the correct amount owed (and to reduce need for separate, off-line payments)
GTCC Transactions in DTS

Non-Mileage Expenses

Use this screen to view non-mileage expenses for your travel document.

* view government charge card transactions

Expense Type: Gasoline-Rental/Govt. Car
Date: 05/19/10
Cost: $25.52

Parking - Terminal
Date: 05/19/10
Cost: $68.00

Hotel Room Tax
Date: 05/19/10
Cost: $45.24

Total Expenses: $138.76

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• Ensure travelers’ profiles are correct:
  – Run DTS reports to ensure profiles are correct
    • Current account number and expiration date
    • Mandatory user = Yes

• View People List reports:
  – Accounts Info List report shows expiration dates for GTCC's in the travelers' profiles
    • Location of report: Administrative->DTA Maintenance Tool->People->View People List->Accounts Info List

**Leading Practice Idea:** run report monthly; send an email to travelers whose charge cards are expiring the next month, asking them to update their charge card in their profile
Ways DTAs Can Help the GTCC Program
(continued)

• Work closely with your APC
  – APCs are assigned as the GTCC manager for the organization’s travel card program
    • Manage local GTCC program
    • Some locations have a dual DTA/APC
    • Usually within the finance, personnel, or transportation section of your organization

• Encourage travelers to cancel DTS documents in a timely manner (if applicable)
  – Before ticket issue, if possible to avoid CTO fee and reduce the numbers of unused tickets
Ways APCs Can Help DTAs

• APCs have a direct link to Citi© and can help by:
  – Determining if an individual has an account and if it is open and activated for use
  – Identifying past due accounts or verifying if a payment has been received by the bank
  – Determining if an account has been reported lost/stolen and verifying if a replacement card has been issued (to keep profile updated)
  – Ensuring in- and out-processing of travelers
  – Performing compliance checks on GTCC usage to ensure travelers are on official travel
  – Determining why charges are declined
  – Determining if account numbers and/or expiration dates have changed and need to be updated in DTS
Electronic Access System (EAS) Reports

- Mission Critical Report
- CBA Aging Analysis Report
- IBA Aging Analysis Report
- Account Activity Report
- Pre-Suspension Report
- Non-travel Activity Exceptions Report
- Delinquency Report
- Account Listing Report
- Account Renewal Report
- Weekend/Holiday Activity Report
- Suspension Report
Resources – Component Websites

• Army  www.asafm.army.mil
• Navy  https://www.navsup.navy.mil/ccpmd
• Air Force  https://www.my.af.mil/afknprod/afgtc
• USMC  http://www.marines.mil/units/hqmc/pandr/gtcc
Resources

DTMO Website
- Access GTCC information including:
- APC, cardholder, and EAS information

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

Travel Explorer (TraX)
- Access Knowledge Center for Travel Card Training for cardholders and APCs

www.defensetravel.dod.mil/Passport

Travel Assistance Center (TAC)
- 1-888-Help1-Go (1-888-435-7146)
- Overseas: Use DSN to dial directly
- 24 hours a day/7 days a week
- Submit a Help Ticket through the Tickets section of TraX
DTMO Website – Travel Card Information

Welcome to Travel Talk with DoD, our DoD Live weblog. Designed to share travel related news and initiate an ongoing conversation with you, our most important stakeholders...

Talk Back - click to participate.

Learn more about the DTMO.
DTMO Website – APC Information

Agency Program Coordinators

Agency Program Coordinators (APCs) are responsible to their respective DoD Component Program Manager for program execution and management. The APCs are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the DoD travel card program. Each APC, in conjunction with the card contractor, shall maintain an up-to-date list of all current cardholders and accounts to include information such as account names, account numbers, addresses, and telephone numbers.

CitiDirect - Electronic Access System (EAS)

CitiDirect EAS consists of two parts, Citi Custom Reporting System (CCRS) and Citi Card Management System (CCMS). CCMS is a secured web-based tool designed to provide APCs with the ability to access, navigate, and explore relational data and make key business decisions in real-time. CCMS allows APCs and cardholders to effectively manage accounts. Click here to access CitiDirect EAS.

Training

The following training is available for APCs:

- Travel Card Program Management (mandatory)
- Travel Card Program (Travel Card 101)
- CitiDirect EAS 1.2 and 3 (web-based)
- Citibank offers onsite training at no cost for agencies meeting the required minimum participation level of 20 or more. Training consists of an 8-hour hands-on classroom session. Click here if you are interested in hosting CitiDirect® EAS training at your base or installation.

Quick Links and Resources

- CitiDirect EAS
- CitiDirect Resources
  - CCRS Report Functional/Matrix
  - Accessing CCMS (Adding Users, Managing Users, Registering for an Account)
  - APC Setup Guide
  - Bulk Maintenance
  - How to Subscribe to Reports
  - How to Reset Registration ID from Landing Page

On-Site Citidirect® Training Requirements Form

2011 GSA SmartPay® Conference Briefings

- GTCC Overview
- CBA Reconciliation Processes
- DT8 CBA Reconciliation Module Overview
- Agency Briefing
- Briefings Presented by Citi
DTMO Website – Cardholder Information

Card Holders

Cardholders for Individually Billed Accounts (IBAs) are personnel to whom travel cards have been issued for use while performing official government travel. Cardholders shall adhere to the procedures set forth in the DoD Financial Management Regulation and applicable DoD Component guidance. Individual cardholders are responsible for payment in full of the undisputed amounts due in the monthly billing statement from the card contractor.

Managing your Account Online

Review statements, update account information, or make payments online via CitiDirect.

- How To: Access CitiDirect
- How To: Access Online Statements and Make Payments via CitiDirect

Mailing Payments

All mailed payments must include the remittance slip from the paper statement and account number written on the personal check. If payments are submitted without this critical account information, cardholders run the risk of payments being delayed, posted to the wrong account, returned to sender, or unable to be processed.

Send remittance slip or account number with payment for Citi accounts to:

Citibank Government Card Services
PO Box 6575
The Lakes, NV 88901-6575

Split Disbursements

Split Disbursement is a method used to assist cardholders with timely payment of their travel card account. It is mandatory for all DoD travelers. When preparing your voucher, you need to review the split disbursement amounts and ensure enough money is being disbursed to completely pay off all GTCC charges. If not, and if you use DTS, you need to manually change the amount going to the vendor.

Travel Card Training

The DTMO requires all cardholders to take Travel Card Program (Travel Card 101) training at no cost to users, and is available through Trax. For instructions on accessing Travel Card Program training, click here.