Select Per Diem Entitlements from the subnavigation bar to change allowances for lodging, duty conditions, meals, and leave. See the DPM, Section 2.7.3

Note: If your TDY exceeds 30 days in one location, you will use the flat rate per diem (75% of the locality rate). If your TDY exceeds 180 days in one location, you will use flat rate per diem (55% of the locality rate).



Single LOAs: When only one LOA is used:

- 1. Select **Accounting** from the navigation bar.
- 2. Select the **LOA** from the appropriate drop-down list. **Multiple LOAs**: When two or more LOAs are used:
- 1. Select **OK** in the pop-up window.
- Select the How To Allocate drop-down arrow and choose an allocation method.
- 3. Select Allocate Expenses.
- 4. Allocate the expenses among the LOAs.
- 5. Select Save Allocations.



- 2. Select Additional Options from the navigation bar.
- 3. Select **Profile** to view or edit personal profile data.
- Select Partial Payments to receive partial reimbursement during the trip.
 Trip must exceed 45 days.
- Select Advances to request an advance. Advances are typically for travelers who do not have a Government Travel Charge Card (GTCC). Only the LOA(s) that were selected on the Accounting Codes screen will display.
- After entering any Additional Options, select Continue at the bottom of the screen.



- 1. Review the itinerary.
- Select Other Auths. from the subnavigation bar. If necessary, select Add Additional Authorizations For This Trip. Place a check in the box next to the appropriate authorization(s), then select Add at the bottom of the screen. Enter any Remarks that must appear on the document.

Note: Per Secretary of Defense memorandum, "Track Four Initiative Decisions" dated 14 March 2011; all authorizations must include the statement "Alternate means such as, Secure Video Teleconference (SVTC) or other web-based communication, are not sufficiently able to accomplish travel objectives". Travelers should add this justification to travel authorizations based on their Service/Agency specific instructions.

- Select Save and Proceed to Pre-Audits to save any remarks.
 -OR-
 - Select Continue.
- 4. Enter **Justification** for any flagged items.
- 5. Select Save And Proceed To Digital Signature.
- Select the Submit this document as drop-down list arrow and select SIGNED.
- (Optional) Select a Routing List, if different from the default.
- 8. (Optional) Enter Comments in the **Remarks** box.
- 9. Select Submit Completed Document.
- 10. If the traveler has made airline reservations or made a request for CTO Assistance, the Cancellation Warning screen opens. The warning states that if the document is not APPROVED and tickets issued at least 72 hours prior to departure, airline reservations will be cancelled. Airline reservations booked within 72 hours of scheduled flight departure time must be approved and ticketed within 24 hours to avoid cancellation. Select **OK**.
- 11. Complete the **PIN** field then select **OK**.

The authorization must be signed within 24 hours of booking or all reservations will be cancelled.

Note: Refer to the *Adjusting/Amending an Itinerary and Reservations in an Authorization* tri-fold for assistance with date, per diem location, and/or reservation changes.

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Create an Authorization: Traveler Instructions

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This trifold is designed to guide the traveler/travel clerk through the steps to create a typical authorization. For modes of transportation other than air or rental car, see Chapter 2 in the Document Processing Manual (DPM).

Log On to DTS

- 1. Insert your CAC into the reader.
- Access the DTS Home page: http://www.defensetravel.osd.mil.
- Select LOGIN TO DTS.
- 4. Read the DoD Privacy & Ethics Policy; select Accept.
- 5. Complete the **PIN** field then select **OK**.
- Returning users skip remaining steps. First-time users will see the User Activation screen. Enter the traveler's SSN in both fields then select **Submit**.
- If the DTS account has not been created, only an Administrative menu displays. Mouse over Administrative and select Self Registration.
- 8. Complete the **Basic** and **Additional Information** screens, then select **SAVE AND PROCEED**.
- Select Submit on the last screen. An e-mail will be sent to the user when the registration has been accepted. Follow Steps 1 through 6 to activate the account.

Create an Authorization



- On the DTS User Welcome screen, mouse over Official Travel on the menu bar.
- 2. Select **Authorizations/Orders** from the drop-down list
- 3. Select Create New Authorization/Order.

Note: If this is the first time that a document has been created for you, the Profile Validation screen opens. Confirm or update the information then select **Update Personal Information**.



Trip Overview

- Enter the Starting Point by selecting a location in the Starting Locations in Profile box or by typing a location in the open text field.
- 2. In the **Departing On** field, type the date or use the calendar tool to enter the departure date.
- 3. Select the **Trip Type** and **Trip Purpose** by using the drop-down lists.
- (Optional) Complete the Trip Description field with details of the trip.
- 5. Check the **mode of transportation** for travel to the location and choose a **departure time**.
- You may type the TDY location in the Location 1 text field or use the Location Tools.
- 7. The **Arriving On** date field will use the date that was entered in **Departing On** in Section A. If the arrival date for the location is different, select the calendar tool to correct the date.
- 8. In the **Departing On** date field, use the calendar tool and select the **departure date** for the location.
- 9. Check the **Rental Car** and/or **Lodging** box if reservations are needed at the location.
- 10. Select **Yes** or **No** for *Will you be traveling to another TDY Location?* If Yes, repeat Steps 6 12.
- 11. When you have entered all TDY locations, the Trip Overview screen refreshes. Enter the Ending Point by selecting the location from the Return Locations in Profile box or by typing in a location.
- 12. Check the **mode of transportation** for travel to the **return location** and choose a **departure time**.
- 13. Check the **box** in Section E if other ticketed transportation will be used (e.g., bus, rail).
- 14. In Section F, select **Not Applicable** if you are not attending a conference.

-OR-

Select the **Search Conference/Event** button if you will be attending a conference. Locate the name of your conference and select its **event ID** or select **Other** if the conference is not on the list.

15. Select Save and Proceed.

-OR-

Select **CTO Full Assistance Request** to receive assistance in booking reservations instead of using the DTS Travel module to select the reservations. An additional fee may be charged for this option.

Select **OK** to proceed. Add additional comments if necessary, then select **Send Comments to CTO**.



If commercial air was indicated on the Trip Overview screen, the Air screen displays.

- Use the Airfare tabs to review the different fares. Choose Select Flight for the preferred flight. -OR-
 - Modify the search criteria on the left side of the screen; select **Search**, and then **Select Flight** from the new list.
- 2. The Seat Selector window will open. Choose a **seat** or a general preference then select **Done**.
- 3. The TSA Secure Flight Information screen displays. Enter or update the **required fields**.
- 4. Select Save TSA Information.
- 5. Select the return flight by repeating Steps 1 2.



If rental car was indicated on the Trip Overview screen, the Rental Car screen displays next.

Choose Select Car next to the preferred rental car.
 -OR-

Modify the search criteria on the left side of the screen, select Search, and then choose your rental car from the new list.



The Lodging screen displays next. DTS determines the most appropriate lodging type for your trip and displays it.

- 1. Choose **Select Hotel** for the preferred hotel.
- 2. Choose **Select Room** to book the room.
- *Additional information on the lodging tabs and selecting other lodging is found in DPM, Chapter 2.
- **+IMPORTANT:** Choosing "**Select Room**" more than once may result in double booking, which may not be

reflected on your itinerary. Carefully check the itinerary you receive from DTS and the Commercial Travel Office. You should always check your itinerary closely when your document has been cancelled to ensure that your lodging reservations have been completely cancelled.



When all reservations have been entered, the **Summary** screen displays next.

- 1. Review the information on the Payment Information tab and update if necessary.
- 2. Select Save and Continue.
- Review the Final Trip Itinerary information.
- Select Continue.
- Select **OK** to acknowledge the pop-up window warning reservations will be cancelled in 24 hours if the authorization remains unsigned.



- Select Expenses from the navigation bar to open Non-Mileage screen.
- Select an item from the Select Expense Type dropdown. If the expense is not listed, type it in the -ORtext box.
- 3. Type the estimated **Cost** of the expense and select the **Date** the expense will be incurred.
- The Method of Reimbursement field populates for the type of expense. Repeat steps 2- 4 until all expenses are entered.
- 5. Select Save Expenses.
- 6. Select **Mileage** from the subnavigation bar.
- 7. Select the **Expense Type** drop-down list and select the **type of expense**.
- 8. Enter **Date** of the expense.
- Enter the expected mileage if a POC will be used.
 Note: If Pvt Auto TDY/TAD or Pvt Motorcycle TDY/TAD is selected, the Defense Table of Official Distances (DTOD) must be used to calculate the number.
- 10. Check the Create separate mileage expense for **return trip mileage** box, if appropriate.
- 11. Select Save Expenses.