

APPENDIX F: CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

PART 1: LOCATIONS HAVING CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCES

A. **Members Only**

1. A member, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 lbs. of suitable consumable goods per tour-year (i.e., 12 month tour – 1,250 lbs.; 18 month tour – 1,875 lbs., etc.).
2. Two consumable goods shipments (totaling 1,250 lbs.) per year are allowed if the consumable allowance is authorized.

B. **Employees Only**

1. An employee, assigned to a PDS in an area listed below, is authorized to ship up to 1,250 lbs. of suitable consumable goods per tour-year (i.e., 12 month tour – 1,250 lbs.; 18 month tour – 1,875 lbs., etc.).
2. Two consumable goods shipments (totaling 1,250 lbs.) per year are allowed if the consumable allowance is authorized.
3. This allowance is in addition to the 4,500 lbs. weight allowance authorized in par. 5692.
4. In no event may the total weight of HHG transported and/or stored at Gov’t expense exceed 18,000 lbs..
5. The 18,000 lbs. includes the weight of HHG transported at Gov’t expense, consumable goods shipments, and the weight of HHG stored.

C. Increased Consumable Goods Weight Allowance Request. Requests for increased weight allowances for consumable goods shipments must be justified in writing and sent through the appropriate organizational channels to the PDTATAC for action. In no event may the maximum weight allowance for consumable goods shipment exceed 2,000 lbs. per year.

D. Authorized Locations

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Afghanistan	
Kabul	
Albania	
Tirana	
Algeria	
Algiers	
Angola	
Luanda	
Armenia	
Yerevan	
Azerbaijan	
Baku	
Bangladesh	

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dhaka	
Belarus	
Minsk	
Benin	
Cotonou	
Bolivia	
La Paz	
Bosnia & Herzegovina, Federation of	
Botswana	
Bulgaria	
Sofia	
Burkina Faso	
Ouagadougou	
Burma	
Rangoon	
Burundi	
Bujumbura	
Cambodia	
Phnom Penh	
Cameroon	
Douala	27 Jun 2012
Yaoundé	
Cape Verde	
Praia	
Central African Republic	
Bangui	
Chad	
N'Djamena	
China	
Beijing	
Chengdu	
Guangzhou	
Shanghai	
Shenyang	
Wuhan	27 Jun 2012
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	
Brazzaville	
Kinshasa	
Cote d'Ivoire	
Abidjan	
Cuba	

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Havana	
Cyprus	
Nicosia	
Czech Republic	
Vyskov	
Djibouti	
East Timor (See Timor, L'Este)	
Ecuador	
Quito	
Equatorial Guinea	
Malabo	
Eritrea	
Asmara	
Estonia	
Ethiopia	
Addis Ababa	
Fiji	
Suva	
Gabon	
Libreville	
Gambia, The	
Banjul	4 May 2014
Georgia	
Tbilisi	
Ghana	
Accra	
Grenada	
St. George's	
Guinea	
Conakry	
Guyana	
Georgetown	
Haiti	
Port Au Prince	27 Jun 2012
India	
Calcutta	
Chennai	
Kolkata	27 Jun 2012
Mumbai	
New Delhi	
Indonesia	

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Ivory Coast (See Cote d'Ivoire)	
Kazakhstan	
Almaty (Alma-Ata)	
Astana (Aqmola)	
Kenya	
Kisumu	27 Jun 2012
Kyrgyzstan	
Bishkek	
Kosovo	
Pristina	
Laos	
Vientiane	27 Jun 2012
Latvia	
Riga	
Liberia	
Monrovia	
Libya	
Tripoli	
Lithuania	
Vilnius	
Macedonia , the Former Yugoslav Republic of	
Skopje	
Madagascar	
Antananarivo	
Malawi	
Lilongwe	
Mali	
Bamako	
Marshall Islands	
Majuro	27 Jun 2012
Mauritania	
Nouakchott	
Micronesia	
Kolonia	
Moldova	
Chisinau	27 Jun 2012
Mongolia	
Ulaanbaatar	
Montenegro	
Podgorica	
Mozambique	

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Maputo	
Namibia	
Windhoek	24 Jan 2012
Nepal	
Kathmandu	
Nicaragua	
Managua	
Niger	
Niamey	
Nigeria	
Abuja	
Lagos	
Norway	
Bodo	
Muscat	
Pakistan	
Islamabad	
Quetta	
Philippines	
Manila	
Poland	
Bydgoszcz	
Szczecin	
Warsaw	
Romania	
Bucharest	
Russia	
Moscow	
St. Petersburg	
Vladivostok	
Yekaterinburg	
Rwanda	
Kigali	
Senegal	
Serbia	
Belgrade	
Sierra Leone	
Freetown	
Slovakia	
Trencin	
Somalia	

<u>Country/City</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Mogadishu	
Sri Lanka	
Colombo	
Sudan	
Khartoum	
Suriname	
Paramaribo	
Syria	
Damascus	
Tajikistan	
Dushanbe	
Tanzania	
Dar es Salaam	
Thailand	
Udon	27 Jun 2012
Timor, L'Este	
Dili	27 Jun 2012
Togo	
Lome	
Turkmenistan	
Ashgabat	
Uganda	
Kampala	
Ukraine	
Kiev	
Uzbekistan	
Tashkent	
Venezuela	
Caracas	
Vietnam	
Hanoi	27 Jun 2012
Ho Chi Minh City	27 Jun 2012
Yemen	
Sanaa	
Zaire (See Congo, Democratic Republic of the)	
Zambia	
Lusaka	
Zimbabwe	
Harare	27 Jun 2012

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PART 2: CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING A CONSUMABLE GOODS ALLOWANCE

A. The senior officer, in the area concerned, may submit a justified request for the area to be designated as an OCONUS location to which consumable goods may be shipped. The justified request is sent through the appropriate organizational channels to the following for approval:

Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee
Attn: Policy and Regulations Branch
4800 Mark Center Drive
Suite 04J25-01
Alexandria, VA 22350-9000

B. The request must address the following questions:

1. How many members and DoD employees serve in the area?
2. Are State Department employees authorized a consumable goods shipment to the area?
3. What types of consumable goods are unavailable locally? Please include foodstuffs, household and personal items.
4. Is the quality of consumable goods available locally equivalent to the American counterpart? If not, explain.
5. What factors contribute to the lack of a reliable local source of adequate, necessary consumable goods? Are those factors likely to improve in the foreseeable future?
6. Do locally available fresh foods require preparation far different from the American counterpart of those foods? If so, explain.
7. Why do members/employees prefer/need to eat canned/dried/processed vegetables and produce versus locally available items?
8. Do food shortages require members/employees to wait in line for items for long periods?
9. Does State Department have a commissary or food locker/co-op at the station? If so:
 - a. What is the space and storage capacity of the facility?
 - b. What variety of items are available?
 - c. How often is it restocked?
 - d. Can members/employees place bulk orders for consumable goods through the facility?
 - e. How often are bulk orders placed?
 - f. Are the bulk orders received on time?
10. Who is the PoC for this request? Please include *commercial* phone and fax numbers, and email address, if available.

NOTE: The high price of consumable goods in an area is not a factor in deciding whether or not to establish a consumable goods allowance. COLA is designed to offset a high cost of living at an OCONUS PDS.

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