MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: UTD/CTD for MAP/CAP 140-15(E) – Distinguish Between a Mobile Home and a Recreational Vehicle for TDY Lodging Costs

1. SYNOPSIS: Distinguishes between a Mobile Home being a permanent-type residence, the costs associated with not eligible to claim as lodging costs for TDY travel, and a Recreational Vehicle being a temporary-type lodging, the costs associated with being eligible to establish a lodging cost.

2. These changes are scheduled to appear in the JTR, dated 1 March 2016.

3. This determination is effective when published in the JTR.

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**4160-A:**

*4160 APARTMENT, HOUSE, MOBILE HOME, OR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE LEASED OR RENTED WHILE TDY*

| *A. General. An apartment, house, mobile home, or recreational vehicle (e.g., camper, camping trailer, or self-propelled recreational vehicle) leased or rented ICW official TDY qualifies as lodging. |

**4165:**

**4165 RESIDENCE OR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PURCHASED AND USED FOR TDY LODGING**

| *A. Reimbursement is not authorized for any costs associated with a residence purchased/owned by a traveler when used as lodging while in a TDY status. For the purpose of this paragraph, a ‘residence’ would include an apartment, house, mobile home, or like dwellings that are normally used as a permanent residence. |

| *B. When using a personally-owned recreational vehicle (e.g., camper, camping trailer, 5th wheel or self-propelled recreational vehicle), the traveler may not be reimbursed for any expenses associated with the purchase, sale, or payment for the recreational vehicle. However, the traveler may be reimbursed parking fees, fees for connection, use, and disconnection of utilities, electricity, gas, water and sewage, bath or shower fees, and dumping fees which may be considered as a lodging cost (FTR, 301-11.12), not to exceed the total of the maximum lodging rate allowed for the entire TDY. |

**5808-G:**

| *G. Allowable Expenses when an Apartment, House, Mobile Home or Recreational Vehicle Is Rented or Used for Lodging. When an employee on PCS at the old and/or new PDS rents a furnished/unfurnished apartment, house, mobile home or recreational vehicle (includes a camper, camping trailer, 5th wheel or a self-propelled mobile recreational vehicle) for use as lodging, TQSE lodging expenses are computed IAW par. 4160-A (50 Comp. Gen. 647 (1971), 52 id. 730 (1973), CBCA 1573-RELO, 17 November 2009, B-191831, 8 May 1979, B-215055, 7 February 1985, and GSBCA 15289-RELO, 1 February 2001). An apartment, house or mobile home that becomes/is to become the PDS permanent residence cannot also be used as a temporary residence. |

1. Computation Rules. *****

**App A1:**

**MIXED MODES. *****

| *MOBILE HOME. |

1. *****

2. Examples of mobile homes are a:

   a. House trailer,
*b. Privately owned railcar converted for use as a principal residence (51 Comp. Gen. 806 (1972)),
c. Boat a member uses as the place of principal residence (62 Comp. Gen. 292 (1983)).

3. *****

MONETARY ALLOWANCE IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION (MALT) *****

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*RECREATIONAL VEHICLE.

1. A mobile dwelling constructed or converted and intended for use as a temporary residence, normally for recreational purposes, and designed to be moved, either self-propelled or towed.

2. Examples of recreational vehicles are a:
   a. Camper,
   b. Camping trailer,
   c. 5th wheel trailer regardless of size or options such as slide outs,
   d. Self-propelled vehicle a member does not normally use as the place of principle residence,
   e. Boat a member does not normally use as the place of principal residence (62 Comp. Gen. 292 (1983)).

REDUCED PER DIEM. *****