

JOINT TRAVEL REGULATIONS, VOLUME 2 (JTR)**Change 538 — 1 August 2010**

- A. Authorized Personnel. These regulation changes are issued for all Department of Defense civilian employees.
- B. New Regulation Changes. Material new to this change is indicated by an asterisk (*) and is effective 1 August 2010 unless otherwise indicated.
- C. Civilian Principals. The following are the current Civilian Principals:

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- D. Applicable CAP Items. This change includes all material written in the following CAP Items: 39-10(E), 40-10(I), 51-10(I), 52-10(I), 54-10(I), and 60-10(I).
- E. Brief of Revision. The following are this month's major revisions:

C1002-C. Corrects erroneous cross-reference.

C4552-C1 and C7450-B. Adds CBCA and GAO decisions clarifying that an agency may reimburse an employee with a special need or disability for reasonable accommodations and additional travel expenses incurred on official travel within the PDS limits. The agency may not reimburse an employee for overnight lodging unless the employee is traveling on official business away from the employee's PDS. Under the Rehabilitation Act, the employing agency is not required to provide the accommodation that the employee requests or prefers; the agency has the discretion to choose any accommodation that is effective.

C5602. Clarifies reference that DTOD is the official source for map distance for most official travel.

C7750. Rewrites and aligns wording for rest and recuperation (R&R) leave transportation in the JFTR and JTR.

APP S. Coast Guard recertifies Havana, Cuba as a FEML location and Miami, FL as the designated location per memo dated 19 May 2010. This change affects Coast Guard members and eligible dependents assigned to Havana, Cuba. The re-certification date terminates 31 January 2012.

APP T. Revises APP T, Standard Data Elements for Travel, IAW GSA Final Rule Case 2010-02.

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PART A: APPLICATION AND GENERAL RULES

C1001 APPLICATION

A. Inclusion. Except as indicated in par. C1001-B, JTR applies to:

1. A DoD personal services contract employee (27 Comp. Gen. 695 (1948));
2. A DoD civilian employee and/or the employee's dependents, ***NOTE: This includes a direct hire non-U.S. person employed by DoD in an OCONUS area, except as restricted and limited by OCONUS commands or by agreement with the host government.***;
3. Civilian marine personnel of Military Sealift Command to the extent provided in Civilian Marine Personnel Instruction 4650 (Navy);
4. A civilian official and/or employee of another GOV'T department and/or AGENCY who performs an official assignment for and at DoD's expense;
5. A person who performs travel under a DoD ITA involving GOV'T business (including a non-U.S. person indirect hire);
6. A National Guard technician employed pursuant to 32 USC §709;
7. A person employed intermittently as a consultant or expert and paid on a WAE basis or a person serving without compensation or at one dollar a year for official travel away from home or regular place of business and while at a place of employment or service for the GOV'T; and
8. A new appointee to the SES and certain Presidential appointees.

B. Restrictions. JTR does not apply to:

1. A NAF official and/or employee traveling on NAF business (may be adopted by NAF activities).
2. A contractor's representative and/or contractor's employee under a contract with DoD.
3. A DoD employee appointed under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Section 625(d), as amended.
4. A DoD civilian employee who performs an official assignment (TDY, TCS or PCS) funded by a non-DoD AGENCY and who is subject to the funding AGENCY's travel and transportation policies which includes travel (payment advance, authorization, reimbursement, and voucher submission), and transportation between the official locations.
5. A Uniformed Service member wherever assigned for official duty. A member on loan, assignment, or detail to another department or AGENCY is authorized travel and transportation allowances including station allowances under JFTR. JFTR, par. U1000. ***The member is financially responsible for returning to the GOV'T all unauthorized or duplicate travel and transportation allowances erroneously received or reimbursed.***

C. Authority Not Stated. There may be circumstances in which the FTR authorizes a discretionary travel and transportation allowance, and the JTR remains silent. A discretionary FTR authority that is not addressed in the JTR is not implemented within DoD.

D. Duplicate Payment. A duplicate payment is a GOV'T payment claimed by a traveler for an expense paid/to be paid to the traveler by another entity. If an expense is incurred and reimbursed by another entity that would otherwise be reimbursed by the GOV'T, that expense must not be claimed against, nor paid by, the GOV'T. Par. C4554-B for an exception. ***A non-deductible meal as listed in par. C4554-B provided to a traveler in a per diem***

status does not result in a duplicate payment. The traveler is financially responsible to the GOV'T for all duplicate travel and transportation allowance payments received. ***This includes any and all allowances covered in these regulations.*** The Improper Payments Information Act of 2002, Public Law 107-300 applies (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/memoranda/m03-13-attach.pdf>).

C1002 IMPLEMENTATION

A. Allowance Regulations. Under DoDD 5154.29, the provisions of, and subsequent changes to, JTR are effective based on PDTATAC regulatory authority, without further allowances implementation by the separate departments. The separate departments may issue related administrative procedures provided they do not contravene or unnecessarily duplicate JTR provisions.

B. Regulation Review Process. DoDD 5154.29 requires that PDTATAC staff review all written material that implements JTR provisions to ensure per diem, travel and transportation allowances, relocation allowances, and certain other allowances are uniformly applied IAW GSA's FTR. The review process applies to all DoD components IAW par. C1001-A. The written material should be forwarded as a Word document, via the Service/ AGENCY CAP representative found in the Introduction Feedback Reporting section to:

1. Email address: pdtatac@dtmo.pentagon.mil; or
2. Fax: (703) 696-7890; or
3. Mail to:

Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee
ATTN: Regulations Branch
4601 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 800
Arlington, VA 22203-1546

*C. Exclusion. The JTR provisions are not applicable to the organizations and personnel in par. C1001-B.

C1003 DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DoS) TEMPORARY QUARTERS EXPENSE ALLOWANCE (TQSA)

An employee is authorized TQSA for temporary QTRS (including meals and laundry/dry-cleaning expenses) occupied after first arrival at a PDS in a foreign area or immediately preceding final departure from that PDS if the employee is eligible for a Living Quarters Allowance (LQA) under the provisions in the DoD Civilian Personnel Manual DoD 1400.25-M, Subchapter 1250-E and DSSR Section 031.1. TQSA rules are in DSSR Section 120.

C1004 DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DoS) FTA AND HSTA

A. Policy, Payment and Procedural Guidance. DSSR, Section 240 (http://aoprals.state.gov/content.asp?content_id=247&menu_id=81) for FTA policy, payment and procedural guidance. DSSR, Section 250 (http://aoprals.state.gov/content.asp?content_id=248&menu_id=81) for HSTA policy, payment and procedural guidance.

B. Transfer. An employee transferring from a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area PDS to a foreign country PDS is authorized an MEA under Ch 5, Part G, but **not** the FTA allowance in par. C1004-C1 below (DSSR, Section 242.6, http://aoprals.state.gov/content.asp?content_id=247&menu_id=81). An employee transferring from a foreign country PDS to a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area PDS may be authorized TQSE under Ch 5, Part H1, but **not** the HSTA in par. C1004-C3b below (DSSR, Section 252.6, http://aoprals.state.gov/content.asp?content_id=248&menu_id=81). A transferring employee is eligible for the Lease Penalty Expense Portion under both the FTA and HSTA.

C. FTA and HSTA. The FTA/HSTA are DoS allowances (5 USC §§5924(2)(A) and 5924(2)(B)), respectively) that reimburse certain expenses when an employee is appointed/PCSing to/reassigned from a foreign country PDS. The FTA/HSTA apply to an employee as indicated below. *A new appointee is not eligible for HSTA*. The FTA and HSTA are composed of four elements:

1. Reimbursable Expense. This portion is allowable *only* for a DoD new appointee being assigned to the first PDS in a foreign area (FTA).
2. Wardrobe Expense. *This portion is not allowable for a DoD civilian employee.*
3. Pre-departure Subsistence Expense (FTA) and Subsistence Expense Portion (HSTA). *NOTE: The FTA and HSTA subsistence portions are only for expenses incurred in the CONUS or non-foreign OCONUS area – not in the foreign area.*
 - a. FTA. This portion is allowable for a DoD employee PCSing from a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area PDS to a foreign area PDS and for a new appointee traveling from a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area actual residence to the first foreign area PDS.
 - b. HSTA. *This portion is not allowed for a DoD civilian employee.*
4. Lease Penalty Expense
 - a. FTA. This portion is allowable for any DoD employee (including a new appointee) PCSing to a foreign area PDS or between foreign country PDSs.
 - b. HSTA. This portion is allowed *only for a reassigned employee (not a new appointee)* PCSing from a foreign country PDS to a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area PDS.

NOTE: Ch 5, Part B for other allowances relevant to first duty station travel.

C1005 GAIN-SHARING PROGRAM

A Gain-Sharing Program is a bonus-oriented incentive program, not a travel program, designed to share GOV'T travel and transportation cost savings with a traveler. Title 5 USC, Chapter 45, Subchapter 1 provides authority for this program. Discretionary participation in a Gain-Sharing Program is not covered by, nor addressed in, the JTR.

C1006 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The separate DoD components may issue administrative procedures for the judicious administration of JTR allowances. *Those procedures must not contravene or duplicate JTR provisions and must be reviewed IAW par. C1002.*

C1007 COMPUTATION RULES

A. Computation Rules. The computation rules in these regulations may be unique JTR. Consult the relevant Chapters and Parts, to determine the correct computation process for the specific travel and transportation allowances.

1. Use the actual amount without rounding when computing TDY mileage, MALT, TQSE and per diem computation. AEA and PMR computations are rounded to the next highest dollar with the provision in par. C1007-A2 in force.
2. AEA computation is rounded-up to the nearest dollar. For example, \$29.50 = \$30.00. The AEA is NTE the authorized percentage of the maximum locality per diem rate. *When AEA for lodging and M&IE exceeds the maximum AEA M&IE locality rate, decrease the AEA M&IE rate to the descending dollar and add the extra cents to the AEA lodging rate.* For example, reduce \$76.50 to \$76 as shown in par. C4626, Example 3.

3. PMR computation is rounded-up to the nearest dollar.

NOTE: A conference lodging allowance is a pre-determined allowance of up to 125% of the applicable locality lodging ceiling (rounded to the next highest dollar). For example, the locality lodging ceiling of \$100 may be increased to \$125. A conference lodging allowance is not AEA and must not be used with AEA per diem. APP R2, par. M.

- B. AEA Limitation. The AEA limit is 300% of the maximum locality per diem rate IAW par. C4620.

C1008 DEFENSE TRAVEL SYSTEM (DTS)

A. General. At locations at which DTS has been fielded, TDY vouchers are paid using DTS. The Services/Agencies must require the CTO/TMC to arrange commercial transportation IAW law, GOV'T policies, agreements and contracted rates using U.S.-certificated carriers and coach/economy-class accommodations, whenever possible along usually-travelled routes.

B. Travel Computed by DTS. DTS covers individual TDY travel for business, travel for schoolhouse training and deployment or personnel traveling together with or without no/limited reimbursement, and certain travel under special circumstances. It does not cover PCS (Ch 5), or evacuation (Ch 6).

TDY performed as part of a PCS move (i.e., TDY en route) is not paid through DTS.

C. AO Responsibilities. The AO has broad authority to determine when TDY travel is necessary to accomplish the unit's mission, authorize travel, obligate unit travel funds, approve trip arrangements and authorize travel expenses incurred ICW that mission and IAW this Regulation. The AO must determine the travel purpose (APP H) for notation on the Trip Record. The information provided by the DTS Reservation Module or directly from the CTO/TMC is central in helping to execute those responsibilities. The AO also must:

1. Use the cost estimate on the Trip Record to determine if the travel budget can support the travel. If the standard arrangements made in compliance with travel policies using GOV'T negotiated airline, lodging and rental car rates do not meet mission needs, the AO may authorize other travel options requested by the traveler, provided they conform to law, regulation, policy and contractual obligations. The AO authorizes the cost estimate.
2. Obtain information on policies relating to transportation and travel arrangements from the CTO/TMC and TO, command channels or Service headquarters to assist in future travel decisions.
3. Assure the traveler has access to a GTCC (the unit's or a CBA) if the traveler does not have a GTCC IBA. Refer inquiries about card usage to the local GTCC program coordinator or the TO.
4. Adhere to policies and procedures IAW this regulation, use good judgment in obligating unit funds, and ensure the traveler receives adequate reimbursement IAW this regulation.
5. Review the amounts claimed on the traveler's expense report as soon after receiving it as possible. The AO's signature on the expense report certifies that the travel was taken, the charges are reasonable, the phone calls authorized for reimbursement are in the GOV'T's best interest, and approves authorized expenses reimbursement. Expense reports are subject to random selection for examination based on financial management directives.
6. Permit a traveler to combine official travel with leave or personal travel. Contract fare travel must never be used for personal travel (APP P2, par. E). The official portion must be arranged through the CTO/TMC. Transportation reimbursement is authorized for the cost of official travel between duty stations only. The traveler may arrange other travel plans and pay the excess above the official cost; no excess costs for travel or M&IE are borne by the GOV'T, par. C4563-C applies. The AO is not to permit a TDY trip that is an excuse for personal travel.

D. Traveler Rights and Responsibilities

1. A traveler should promptly update the trip record, and confirm/modify arrangements, when communication with the CTO/TMC was not possible.
2. When using the DTS for TDY over 45 days, a traveler should include a request for scheduled partial payments with the order so the traveler is paid every 30 days. This ensures the traveler is paid for expenses in about the same time as the IBA bills are received.

E. A Typical Business Trip

1. Before the Trip

- a. Cost Estimate. A traveler should obtain a should-cost estimate for the trip. It lets the traveler and the AO know up-front the standard and actual arrangements, their associated costs, and the allowance maximums. It includes transportation costs to and from the TDY location, lodging costs (including tax), and (if one is authorized) rental car fees as determined by the DTS Reservation Module or directly from the CTO/TMC. The estimate also must reflect the per diem rate broken out by M&IE and lodging and should also include any known planned reimbursable expenses. A traveler may ask the CTO/TMC to estimate the amount for using commercial transportation.
- b. Tailoring the Trip. The AO decides if the traveler should use non-standard arrangements for mission reasons. The AO may authorize certain changes for the traveler's convenience (for example, using a POC instead of flying). However, the standard arrangement's estimate (as the AO approves for mission reasons) is the reimbursement baseline.
- c. Authority for Travel. The AO authorizes the TDY, the arrangements, determines the fund cite, and obligates funds to pay for the trip, to include the payment of a travel advance or scheduled partial payment if included. The resulting document is the Trip Record.
- d. Travel Packet. The CTO/TMC updates the Trip Record with the confirmed reservations and commercial ticket information. The TO provides the documents needed for GOV'T transportation if the CTO/TMC does not provide this service.
- e. Paying for Arranged Services and Obtaining Cash to Pay Expenses while Traveling. The CTO/TMC typically uses the traveler's individual (IBA) or unit GTCC to charge or hold reservations. Airline and/or rail tickets in some cases may also be charged to a GTCC CBA. While on the trip, the traveler should charge expenses incident to official travel on the IBA or unit GTCC, whenever possible. For official travel-related expenses that cannot be charged, the traveler can avoid using personal funds by using the IBA to obtain cash advances or travelers checks. An advance is not an option on a unit GTCC.

2. During the Trip

- a. Changing Plans. If travel plans change from the itinerary, the traveler should call the CTO/TMC toll-free number, if possible, to modify the itinerary. The CTO/TMC must update the traveler's Trip Record. Although the AO may approve changes after trip completion, the traveler should obtain the AO's authority in advance, and update the Trip Record. The traveler is reimbursed AO approved Trip Record changes.
- b. Receipts. The traveler must produce receipts for lodging and individual official travel expenses of \$75 or more.

3. After the Traveler Returns

- a. Completing the Expense Report. A traveler should complete and submit the Trip Record expense report portion within 5 working days after returning from the trip. The receipts (lodging, and individual expenses of \$75 or more) must be attached to the expense report.
- b. AO Approval. The AO must approve the expenses on the Trip Record, and review required receipts, before the traveler is reimbursed.
- c. Submitting the Expense Report. If using the DTS, the expense report is automatically routed to a disbursing office for payment. If not using the DTS, a finance office or an office contractually arranged by the traveler's Service/AGENCY may provide this service. The amount paid is the amount the AO approves.
- d. Random Audits. Random audits of travel expense reports are conducted. The traveler or AO may be required to provide additional information to the audit team.
- e. Lost/Stolen/Unused Paper Tickets. Par. C1320.

C1010 REGISTERED AND/OR TRUSTED TRAVELER PROGRAM MEMBERSHIP FEE

A. General. Registered and/or trusted traveler programs (i.e., FlyClear) are voluntary individual private sector programs designed to expedite the security screening process at participating airports. Registered/trusted travelers pass through special, shorter security lines, which require the individual member to provide personal information in advance. Collection of the personal information requires memberships to be obtained by individual travelers as opposed to an agency.

B. Participation. Participation in this program is voluntary and is not required by the GOV'T. *Use of GOV'T funds to obtain membership in such a program is statutorily prohibited by 5 USC §5946 per GSA Bulletin FTR 08-05 of 25 June 2008.*

C. Enrollment Fees. Enrollment fees in this program are *not* reimbursable IAW APP G.

PART B: PER DIEM

C4550 PER DIEM RATE

A. General. Per diem prescribed in this Part is applicable for all TDY periods, except when an AEA, authorized under Part C, applies, and for all PDT periods. ***The per diem rate is determined based on the traveler's TDY location, not the lodging location.*** Par. C4555-A if neither GOV'T QTRS nor commercial lodging is available at the TDY location.

NOTE: When the TDY point or new PDS is a reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) that falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, Hawai'i) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky)), the per diem rate is the locality rate specifically listed for the reservation, station or other established area. When the location (reservation, station or other established area) is not specifically listed in the per diem tables, the applicable per diem rate is based on the reservation, station or other established area front gate location. Refer to the U.S. Census Bureau website <http://quickfacts.census.gov/cgi-bin/qfd/lookup> which can help determine in which county a destination is located. If the specific location (e.g., city or town) is not listed in the per diem list, but the county is, then the county per diem rate is the rate for that entire county – including all encompassed cities and towns. If neither the city/town nor the county is listed, that area is a Standard CONUS per diem rate location. Par. C4550-F3 for the current Standard CONUS per diem rate.

B. Responsibility for Authorizing/Approving a Per Diem Rate. Each DoD Component head, or a designee, is responsible to ensure per diem for a traveler is sufficient to meet the necessary subsistence expenses for the official travel. ***Allowances in excess of need must be avoided.*** The per diem allowances prescribed in this Part are the maximums allowable. Par. C4550-C for information about requesting a reduced per diem rate. To avoid an excessive authorized/approved amount (beyond the amount needed), consideration must be given to the following factors that tend to reduce an employee's necessary expenses:

1. Actual arrangements or established cost experience at a TDY location showing that lodging and/or meals can be obtained without cost or at reduced cost to an employee;
2. Special accommodation rates availability for a particular meeting, conference, training or other TDY assignment;
3. An employee's familiarity with establishments providing lodging and meals at a lower cost in certain localities, particularly to which repetitive travel or extended stays are involved;
4. GOV'T-furnished lodging availability, such as GOV'T QTRS, or other lodging procured for the employee using a purchase order (par. C4552-H).

C. Authorizing a Reduced Per Diem Rate. When it can be determined factually that a per diem rate prescribed in this Part is in excess of need for a particular duty assignment because of known lodging and/or meal costs reductions resulting from pre-arrangement, special discounts, or other reasons (par. C4550-B), the AO should seek authority to prescribe a reduced per diem lower than the applicable rate prescribed in this Part. ***Such authority must be requested and authorized prior to the travel.*** The rate must be less than the locality per diem rate. The request, including established lodging and meal costs, the traveler's name, travel dates, and TDY assignment location should be submitted to the appropriate office indicated in par. C4550-E. Include the name and telephone number for a PoC who may be contacted concerning the request. If the request is approved, the appropriate office listed in par. C4550-E sends a lower per diem rate authorization to the requesting official. The reduced per diem rate does not apply to any day the employee is traveling. ***The authorized reduced per diem rate must be stated on the order before travel begins (or as part of an order amendment/modification covering a prospective period after the original order was issued).*** ***Except as indicated in pars. C4554-D and C4558-C, a DoD COMPONENT head (APP A) is the sole authority for substituting a lower per diem rate for the otherwise applicable per diem rate prescribed in this Part.***

D. Offices Designated to Authorize Decreased Per Diem Rate. A DoD Component head may authorize (in

advance) zero per diem or per diem rates in lesser amounts than those in <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/perdiem/pdrates.html> when the circumstances of the travel or duty to be performed so warrant and are peculiar to that particular DoD Component. This authority may be delegated to a chief of an appropriate bureau or staff agency of the headquarters of the DoD Component concerned and may not be re-delegated. In the absence of a reduced or no per diem authority on the order before travel begins (or part of an order amendment covering a prospective period after the order modification), an order, modified after the fact prescribing per diem different from those in <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/perdiem/pdrates.html> are without effect. Reduced per diem rates should incorporate amounts for laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothes if the travel is OCONUS or for less than 4 days in CONUS.

NOTE: An increase to the zero or reduced per diem rate for a travel period that has been completed can only be approved on an AEA basis based on the reduced per diem rate (e.g., 150% of the reduced per diem rate) under par. C4600.

E. Offices Designated to Receive Reduced Per Diem Requests. AOs should send requests for zero or reduced per diem rates to the offices listed in pars. C4550-E1 through E4:

1. Army: Army Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Department of the Army, Office of the Assistant G-1 for Civilian Personnel, ATTN: DAPE-CP-EPD, Hoffman Building 1, Room 148, 2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22331-3001;
2. Navy and Marine Corps: Office of Civilian Human Resources, Labor and Employee Relations Division (012), 614 Sicard Street SE, Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, Washington DC 20374-5072;
3. Air Force: HQ USAF/A1PA, 2221 South Clark Street, Crystal Plaza 6, Ste 500, Arlington, VA 22202-3745;
4. OSD/WHS/Defense Agencies: DoD Civilian Personnel Management Service, Field Advisory Service, Attn: Civilian Advisory Panel Member, 1400 Key Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22209-5144.

F. Standard CONUS Per Diem Rate

1. The Standard CONUS per diem rate is the rate for any CONUS location not included in a defined locality (county/area) in the CONUS per diem rates.
2. The Standard CONUS per diem rate is used for all CONUS locations when PDT is involved.
3. Effective 1 October 2009, the Standard CONUS per diem rate is:

LODGING	M&IE	TOTAL
\$70	\$46	\$116

C4551 PER DIEM RATE REVIEW

A. General. When a traveler, command, or AO thinks that the lodging and/or meal expenses for an area are inconsistent with the prescribed per diem rate, a letter identifying the location and nature of the problem should be sent to the appropriate activity listed in par. C4551-B via (1) the appropriate Service/AGENCY channels and (2) the applicable department/office listed below:

1. Army - Army Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Department of the Army, Office of the Assistant G-1 for Civilian Personnel, ATTN: DAPE-CP-EPD, Hoffman Building 1, Room 148, 2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22331-3001.
2. Navy - Navy Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Office of the Civilian Human Resources, Labor and Employee Relations Division (012), 614 Sicard Street SE, Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20374-5072.

3. Marine Corps - Marine Corps Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps, Manpower and Reserve Affairs (MPC-10), 3280 Russell Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5103.
4. Air Force - Air Force Civilian Advisory Panel Member, HQ AF/A1PA, 2221 South Clark Street, Crystal Plaza 6, Ste 500, Arlington, VA 22202-3745.
5. OSD/WHS/Defense Agencies - DoD Civilian Personnel Management Service, Field Advisory Service, Attn: Civilian Advisory Panel Member, 1400 Key Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22209-5144.

NOTE: Ch 4, Part C to cover one-time necessary expenses in excess of the prescribed per diem rate.

B. Final Submission Process. The Service/AGENCY determines the survey request is valid (depending on the location in question along with other factors) and then may submit the request to:

CONUS Locations
General Services Administration
Office of Governmentwide Policy
Travel Management Policy (MTT)
1800 F Street NW, Room G-219
Washington, DC 20405-0001
Or Jill.denning@gsa.gov

Non-Foreign OCONUS Locations
**Per Diem, Travel and
Transportation Allowance
Committee (PDTATAC)**
ATTN: Allowances Branch
4601 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 800
Arlington, VA 22203-1546

Foreign OCONUS Locations
Department of State
Director of Allowances
State Annex 1, Room L314
Washington, DC 20522-0103

C4552 GENERAL RULES REGARDING PER DIEM

A. Per Diem Beginning and Ending. For per diem, official travel begins on the day an employee leaves the place of abode, office or other authorized departure point and ends on the day the employee returns to the place of abode, office, or other authorized point at the TDY assignment conclusion.

B. Restriction in Establishing PDS. *Activities must not fix an employee's PDS at a place for the purpose of paying per diem when most official duties are performed at another place (31 Comp. Gen. 289 (1952)).*

C. Per Diem at the PDS

1. Per Diem Not Allowed

*a. Per diem cannot be authorized or paid within the PDS limits (APP A), or at, or within the vicinity of, the place of abode (residence) from which the employee commutes daily to the official station except as provided in par. C4552-D (CBCA 1795-TRAV, 12 March 2010, B-318229, 22 December 2009).

b. Except as indicated in par. C4552-C2, per diem is not authorized or payable at the old or new PDS for TDY en route that is part of PCS travel.

c. Non-payment of per diem applies even if the traveler vacated the permanent dwelling at the old PDS and lodged in temporary lodgings during the TDY period.

2. Per Diem Allowed

a. After PCS. An employee who departs PCS from the old PDS, performs TDY en route elsewhere, and returns TDY en route to the old PDS, is authorized per diem at the old PDS (B-161267, 30 August 1967).

Example. An employee departs the Pentagon (Arlington, VA) PCS on 15 June, performs TDY en route at Ft. Leavenworth 1-31 July, returns TDY en route to the Pentagon 5-15 August, and then arrives PCS to Ft. Polk on 31 August. The employee is authorized per diem at the Pentagon (old PDS) 5-15 August. If the employee had departed on 15 June but performed TDY in Arlington, VA, first, no per diem is payable for the TDY in Arlington immediately after detachment.

b. During TDY. Per diem at the PDS must be paid if an employee's travel status is uninterrupted by a

brief stay in the PDS vicinity (i.e., usual routing between two TDY locations has the employee passing back through the PDS airport and remaining overnight at a hotel ICW a transportation connection as opposed to going 'home' or going to the workplace), **and** the employee is in transit from one TDY site to another (GSBCA 16144-TRAV, 14 November 2003).

D. TDY at Nearby Places outside the PDS. Per diem is not authorized when an employee performs TDY in the vicinity of, but outside, the PDS, unless overnight lodging is required. If the travel period is more than 12 consecutive hours (par. C4552-F), the AO may authorize per diem if overnight lodging is required.

E. Dependents Accompanying an Employee on TDY. The fact an employee's dependents may accompany the employee on TDY at personal expense does not affect the employee's prescribed per diem rate.

F. Travel of 12 or Fewer Hours (12-Hour Rule). **Per diem is not allowed when the official travel period is 12 or fewer hours.** This also applies to PDT. For TDY travel, the prohibition applies if the total time en route and duty period from the departure time until the return time to the PDS is 12 or fewer hours.

G. Per Diem Relationship to Overseas Post Differential. Per diem is paid to defray necessary TDY expenses while traveling. The foreign or non-foreign OCONUS post differential provides additional compensation for an employee assigned to an OCONUS PDS at which environmental conditions require a recruitment and retention incentive. When an employee is assigned away from the PDS on detail or TDY to an OCONUS PDS classified as a differential post and is eligible for differential payment under pertinent regulation provisions while on the detail or TDY, per diem payment is authorized concurrent with differential payment.

H. Lodging and/or Meals Obtained under Contract. A contracting officer may contract for rooms and/or meals for an employee traveling on TDY. The total daily amount paid by the GOV'T for the employee's lodging, meals, and IE is NTE the applicable per diem rate authorized in Ch 4, Part B. Par. C4655 for a training course exception. Ch 4, Part C for AEA information. **NOTE: There is NO reimbursement for any items rented for contract QTRS that are rented with an "option to buy"** (GSBCA 15890-TRAV, 29 July 2003).

I. Personnel Traveling Together. 'Personnel traveling together' refers to travel away from the PDS during which the mission requires the travelers to remain together as a group while actually traveling. Ordinary travel reimbursements apply unless the travelers' order directs limited or no reimbursement, in which case transportation, food, lodging, and other items ordinarily reimbursed, must be provided without cost to the travelers. **No per diem is payable on days travelers travel when the order directs limited or no reimbursement for personnel traveling together.** The restriction applies to per diem payment only on the travel days between duty locations and does not include allowances for full days at the duty locations. The per diem prohibition begins when the traveler departs the PDS and ends at 2400 the day the traveler arrives at the TDY location. The prohibition begins again at 0001 the departure day from the TDY location and continues until arrival at the PDS. A civilian employee pays the food cost and operating expense and is authorized reimbursement of the amount paid for food. **Directing several personnel to travel together with limited or no reimbursement must never be done simply to save travel funds.**

J. Meeting and Convention. In the interest of uniform treatment of employees, whenever a meeting or conference is arranged that involves the attendee' travel from other DoD Components, and reduced cost lodging accommodations are prearranged at the meeting or conference site, the component sponsoring the meeting or conference must recommend a reasonable per diem rate to the other participating agencies or components. APP R regarding attendance at a meeting and registration fees.

K. Employee Dies or Is in a Missing Status while in a Travel Status. Per diem terminates at the end of the calendar day for on which the employee is determined to be dead or is otherwise in a missing status under the Missing Persons Act.

C4553 'LODGINGS-PLUS' PER DIEM METHOD COMPUTATION

NOTE: The 75% rule must be applied to the M&IE rate on the first and last travel days when computing per diem using 'Lodgings-Plus' Computation.

A. General. Per diem for all official travel, including PCS, must be computed under the 'Lodgings-Plus' method except when:

1. A reduced per diem rate is authorized for the TDY under par. C4550-C;
2. A per diem for a TDY assignment in the vicinity of, but outside, the PDS area is authorized/approved under par. C4552-D;
3. A per diem rate prescribed in par. C4558 for travel by ship applies;
4. The per diem prescribed in par. C4556 applies because meals and lodgings are furnished without cost to the employee;
5. Per diem is not payable as indicated in par. C4554- C when TDY is performed in support of a military unit while on field duty;
6. A per diem prescribed in par. C4562 for a consultant, expert, and private individual (including an ROTC member) applies; or
7. An AEA has been authorized for the TDY assignment under par. C4600.

Under the 'Lodgings-Plus' computation method, the per diem for each travel day is the actual amount the traveler pays for lodgings NTE the locality lodging ceiling, plus M&IE; the total of which may not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate for the TDY location. Pars. C4553-B through F apply in the specific situations described.

B. Maximum Per Diem Rate

1. Rates. The General Services Administration, Department of Defense, and State are responsible for travel per diem rates. The Standard CONUS per diem rate applies for any CONUS city/county location not identified in the CONUS per diem rates (par. C4550-F3). Unspecified OCONUS locations in the OCONUS per diem rates use the 'Other' rate for the applicable country.
2. Per Diem when the TDY Location Is a Reservation, Station, Other Established Area, or Established Large Reservation Subdivision. When the TDY point or new PDS is a reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix)) that falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, Hawai'i) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky), the per diem rate is the locality rate specified for the reservation, station or other established area. When the location (reservation, station or other established area) is not specified, the per diem rate is the rate applicable to the front gate location for the reservation, station or other established area.

C. Per Diem Elements

1. Maximum Lodging Expense Allowance. Per diem rates include a maximum amount for lodging expenses. Reimbursement may not exceed actual lodging costs nor the applicable maximum amount. ***Receipts for lodging are required (par. C1310).***

NOTE: The locality per diem lodging ceiling in CONUS and in a non-foreign OCONUS area does not include lodging tax. Lodging tax in CONUS and in a non-foreign OCONUS area is a reimbursable expense (APP G). The locality per diem lodging ceiling in a foreign OCONUS area includes lodging tax. Lodging tax in a foreign OCONUS area is not a reimbursable expense.

2. M&IE Allowance. Per diem rates include a fixed allowance for M&IE. The M&IE rate, or fraction thereof, is payable to a traveler without expense itemization or receipts. Neither the PMR nor GMR (par. C4554) can be applied for the first and last travel days.

NOTE: The cost for clothing laundry, dry cleaning and pressing is a separately reimbursable expense in addition to per diem/AEA when travel is within CONUS and requires at least 4 consecutive nights TDY/PCS lodging in CONUS. The cost for laundry/dry cleaning/pressing clothing is not a separate reimbursable travel expense for travel OCONUS and is included as a reimbursable expense within the AEA authorized/approved for OCONUS travel.

D. Computation

1. TDY of More than 12 Hours but Not Exceeding 24 Hours. When the entire trip for which per diem has been authorized is more than 12 hours but less than or equal to 24 hours, M&IE of 75% of the M&IE rate for the TDY location is paid for each travel day. No meals deduction is made. If more than one TDY point is involved and lodging is not required, the highest M&IE rate prescribed for any of the TDY locations is used (e.g., 15-hour trip covering 2 days with three stops on day 1 and two stops on day 2 – the highest of the three rates on day 1 for day 1 and the highest for the 2 on day 2 for day 2). Par. C4565, Example 4. Use the school location M&IE rate for student dependent travel instead of a TDY location M&IE rate (par. C5120-C, Example 1). If lodging is required, the rules in par. C4553-D2 for travel of more than 24 hours apply.

NOTE: Per diem payment authorized by par. C4553-D1a may be taxable (ref. IRS Revenue Rule 68-663 & 26 CFR §162-2(a); verify possible state and local implications).

2. Travel of More than 24 Hours. The applicable per diem rate for each calendar travel day is determined by the traveler's travel status and TDY location at 2400 (midnight) and whether or not lodging is required at the location. When lodging is required (and the traveler is still en route), the applicable per diem rate is the TDY location per diem rate, or a stopover point per diem rate at which lodging is obtained while en route to, from, or between TDY locations. Par. C4553-B for maximum per diem rates and par. C4555-A for lodging location. ***Only one per diem rate can be applicable to a calendar day.*** Pars. C4553-D2a through C4553-D2d; C4555-C (lodging obtained after midnight), and C4558-C (travel by commercial ship) apply in calculating the allowable per diem for travel of more than 24 hours.

a. Day Travel Begins

NOTE: This is the departure day from the PDS, home, or other authorized point.

(1) Lodging Required. When lodging is required on the day travel begins, the per diem is the actual lodging cost incurred by the traveler, NTE the stopover point or TDY location maximum lodging ceiling (as appropriate), plus the applicable M&IE rate prescribed for that location as provided in par. C4553-D2e. If the traveler arrives at a TDY location on the first day, the TDY location per diem rate applies. ***NOTE:*** Lodging reimbursement (e.g., the school location) is not allowed for a student dependent and the school location M&IE applies for the arrival day.

(2) Lodging Not Required. When lodging is not required on the day travel begins, the per diem is the next destination (TDY/stopover point) M&IE rate. For student dependent travel, the school location M&IE rate applies.

b. Full Calendar Travel Days

(1) Lodging Required. For each full calendar day a traveler is in a travel status and lodging is required (whether en route or at the destination, the per diem is the actual lodging cost incurred by the traveler, NTE the applicable stopover point or TDY location per diem lodging ceiling (***NOTE:*** The destination (e.g., the school location) lodging cost is not allowed for a student dependent.), plus the applicable M&IE rate.

(2) Lodging Not Required. For each full calendar day a traveler is in a travel status and lodging is not required (such as when a traveler is en route overnight to the next destination), the per diem is the next destination (TDY/stopover point) M&IE rate to which the traveler is traveling or the last TDY location if en route to the PDS.

c. Returning from Travel

(1) Lodging Required. For each full calendar travel day when lodging is required at an en route location while the traveler is returning to the PDS, home, or other authorized point, the per diem is the actual lodging cost, NTE the applicable stopover point or TDY location lodging ceiling (as appropriate), plus the applicable M&IE rate.

(2) Lodging Not Required. For any full calendar travel day when lodging is not required while the traveler is en route overnight returning to the PDS, home, or other authorized point, the per diem is the M&IE rate applicable to the preceding calendar day (for a student dependent, the rate applicable to the preceding calendar day is the M&IE rate for the student dependent's school location unless lodging en route was required).

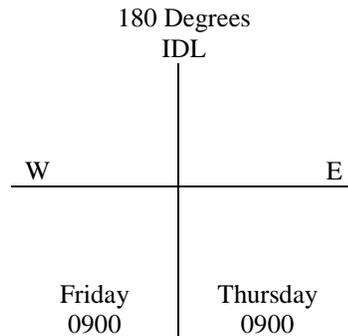
(3) Day Travel Ends. For the day travel ends (return day to the PDS, home, or other authorized point), the per diem is the M&IE rate applicable to the preceding day (last TDY or authorized delay point). For a student dependent the M&IE rate is the rate applicable to the student dependent's school location unless lodging en route was required. Par. C4553-D2d. Any TDY en route locations, on the day travel ends, do not affect the M&IE rate for the return day unless overnight lodgings are required.

Example	
1 September	Depart PDS
1 September	Arrive TDY A (\$50 M&IE)
10 September	Depart TDY A
10 September	Arrive TDY B (\$60 M&IE)
10 September	Depart TDY B
10 September	Arrive PDS
Pay 75% of \$50 (TDY A M&IE for preceding day) on 10 Sep.	

(4) Lodging Required on the Day Travel Ends. When lodging is required on the day travel ends and the AO authorizes/approves lodging on that day, the lodging allowance is based on the locality rate, or AEA if appropriate, for the en route stopover (i.e., a location at which the traveler remained overnight) site.

d. Departure Day from and Return Day to the PDS. The applicable M&IE rate is authorized at a flat 75% of the TDY location M&IE on the departure day from, and the return day to, the PDS ICW TDY. For student dependent travel, the school location M&IE applies. ***The GMR, PMR, \$3.50 IE, or reduced per diem rate do not apply on days of departure or return to PDS. If travel begins and ends on the same day, and is longer than 12 hours, per diem is 75% of the appropriate M&IE rate.***

E. Computing Per Diem when Crossing the International Dateline (IDL). The IDL is a hypothetical line along the 180th meridian where each calendar day begins. For example, when it is Thursday east of the IDL it is Friday west of the IDL.



Par. C4565, Example 3, for per diem computation method.

F. Mixed Travel Reimbursement. "Mixed travel" occurs when official travel within a single trip is subject to per diem payment under the 'Lodgings-Plus' computation method and an AEA under the actual expense method. Reimbursement is computed under only one method for each calendar day except when par. C4710 or C4622-C, applies. When AEA reimbursement for certain travel days is intermittent with the per diem method used for other days, par. C4624-D governs.

C4554 PER DIEM RULES CONCERNING MEALS

A. M&IE Rate Determination

1. Full Day

a. CONUS. The

- (1) Applicable locality per diem rate,
- (2) Standard GMR, plus \$5 for IE on any day the AO specifies the GMR rate, or
- (3) PMR, plus \$5 for IE on any day the AO specifies the PMR rate.

b. OCONUS. The

- (1) Applicable locality per diem rate, (plus the locality IE rate or \$3.50 if the AO determines \$3.50 to be adequate for anticipated expenses (**NOTE** below on IE));
- (2) Standard GMR for meals in a GOV'T dining facility/mess plus the IE rate (**NOTE** below) on any day the AO specifies the GMR rate, or;
- (3) PMR plus the IE rate (**NOTE** below) on any day the AO specifies the PMR rate.

NOTE: The IE rate OCONUS is the applicable locality per diem rate, or \$3.50 when the AO determines \$3.50 to be adequate for anticipated expenses. Regardless of at what location the traveler is lodged, the \$3.50 must be stated on the order for it to be paid for travel beginning on or after 1 July 2009. The \$3.50 IE rate does not apply on any day the employee is traveling.

c. Joint Task Force (JTF) Operations. Ch 4, Part I.

NOTE: For training and deployments the AO may specify the GMR or PMR based on GOV'T dining facility/mess availability. The AO may only specify the GMR when all 3 meals on a given day are available. The AO may only specify the PMR when at least one meal a day is available. A GOV'T dining facility/mess is available only if: GOV'T QTRS on a U.S. INSTALLATION are available and the command controlling the GOV'T dining facility/mess has made the dining facility/mess available to the traveler. A GOV'T dining facility/mess is not available on an interim travel day.

2. Partial Days. *On the days of departure from and return to the PDS, the GM, PMR, \$3.50 IE, or reduced per diem rate do not apply.*

3. Schoolhouse Training (Formal Courses of Instruction). *The schoolhouse commander is authorized to determine the appropriate meals rate (GMR, PMR or locality meals rate) regardless of what the AO may put in a TDY order to the contrary.* If there is information about the course that provides the appropriate meal rate, that information, and its source, should be part of the order. If that information is not available prior to order issuance, the information must be provided to the traveler upon arrival at the school and submitted with the travel voucher.

B. Deductible Meal

1. The PMR in par. C4554-A applies on any day when one or two deductible meals is/are provided. APP R2, par. J. The GOV'T should not pay for the same meal twice (e.g., originally by registration fee, etc., and then again through per diem). A meal that is provided to the traveler for which the GOV'T pays nothing does not affect per diem payment.

2. A deductible meal is a meal:

a. Made available pursuant to an agreement between a DoD COMPONENT or AGENCY and any organization, if the order indicates the facility providing the meal(s) is available;

b. Included in a registration fee ultimately paid by the GOV'T;

c. Furnished at no cost to the traveler by a school while attending a course of instruction if the GOV'T ultimately pays the school for the meal cost;

d. Furnished by the GOV'T at no cost to the traveler;

e. Provided by a lodging establishment for which a charge is added in the lodging cost (ex., lodging cost \$75 without breakfast; lodging cost \$85 with breakfast); or

f. Provided by a lodging establishment when the meal(s) is/are included in the lodging cost under an agreement between the GOV'T and the lodging establishment (ex., an AGENCY arranges for lodging at a conference and the cost of one or more meals is included in the lodging cost). ***NOTE: A negotiated rate should fall either within the locality lodging ceiling, or if a conference lodging ceiling has been declared (APP R) within the conference lodging ceiling. If the negotiated rate exceeds the locality (or conference) lodging ceiling, an AEA should be provided to cover the higher lodging cost that includes the meal(s).***

NOTE: 'Light refreshments' (including a continental breakfast) are a deductible meal if otherwise qualified above and served at a meal time (e.g., breakfast - 0600-0800). Light refreshments served during a break (not at a meal time) are not a deductible meal.

3. The following is not a deductible meal:

a. Box lunch (to include such things as C Rations, K Rations, MREs) -- except when an MRE and/or a box

lunch is the *only method* of providing adequate subsistence to a traveler. ***NOTE: Ch 4, Part I, for a traveler on TDY within a Combatant Command or Joint Task Force AOR,***

- b. In-flight meal,
- c. Rations furnished by the GOV'T on military aircraft,
- d. GOV'T meal paid for by the traveler and consumed in a GOV'T dining facility/mess,
- e. Meal furnished on commercial aircraft,
- f. Meal provided by private individuals, or
- g. Meal provided by a lodging establishment on a complimentary basis without adding a charge for the meal in the lodging cost (ex., lodging cost \$75 with or without breakfast).

NOTE: If all three meals are deductible and provided/consumed at no cost to the traveler only the IE for that day (\$5 in CONUS; or the locality IE or \$3.50 OCONUS) are payable.

- 4. The AO may authorize/approve the locality meal rate or PMR, as applicable, if the traveler:
 - a. is unable to eat an otherwise deductible meal because of medical requirements or religious beliefs (the AO may require substantiating documentation from the appropriate professional authority), and
 - b. attempted to make, but was unable to make, alternative meal arrangements for a substitute meal, and
 - c. must purchase a meal that satisfies the medical requirements or religious beliefs.

The AO may authorize/approve the locality meal rate or PMR, as applicable, when the traveler is unable to eat the deductible meal due to mission.

C. TDY Performed in Support of a Military Unit on Field Duty. No per diem is payable to a civilian employee under a civilian order who, as part of assigned duties, accompanies a military unit on field duty, or provides noncombatant support to a military unit (APP A). The per diem payment prohibition applies when both GOV'T dining facility/mess, including field rations (even though the employee is assessed a charge for that meal(s)) and GOV'T-provided billeting are available (non-transient barracks or tents). An employee on field duty is required to pay the discounted meal rate for any meal(s) consumed in a GOV'T dining facility/mess (including field rations). Reimbursement is authorized for any charges incurred for meals or lodging cost necessarily procured during the TDY assignment.

D. Meals Provided by a Common Carrier or Complimentary Meals Provided at a Lodging Establishment. Meals provided by a common carrier do not affect per diem. Complimentary meals provided at a lodging establishment do not affect per diem as long as the room charge is the same with or without meals. Pars. C4554-B2e and C4554-B2f when a charge for meals is added to the lodging cost.

C4555 RULES CONCERNING LODGING AND LODGING COST

A. Lodging Location Rules

NOTE: In CONUS, per diem locations are defined ordinarily by counties, not just cities.

- 1. Lodging at a TDY Location. Ordinarily an employee should lodge at the TDY location. If an employee obtains lodging outside the area covered by the TDY location per diem rate for personal preference or convenience, the allowable per diem is limited to the maximum per diem rate prescribed for the TDY location.
- 2. Lodging Not Available at a TDY Location. If lodgings are not available at a TDY location and must be

obtained in an adjacent locality at which the prescribed maximum per diem rate is higher, a DoD Component may, on an individual case basis, authorize/approve the higher maximum per diem rate. If the higher maximum rate is not justified and authorized in advance, an employee must furnish a written statement with the travel voucher satisfactorily explaining the circumstances.

B. Allowable Lodging Expenses. An official traveler is reimbursed for actual lodging costs NTE the maximum lodging amount for the TDY locality. Expenses are allowed, as indicated, for lodging in the situations described in pars. C4555-B1, C4551-B2, C4551-B3, and C4555-B4.

1. Conventional Lodging. When an employee uses conventional commercial lodging facilities (hotel, motel, boarding house, etc.), the allowable lodging expense is based on the single room rate for the lodging used. Par. C4555-II for double occupancy. Par. C4555-G for computing the daily lodging expense when lodging is rented on a weekly or monthly basis.

2. GOV'T QTRS. A fee or service charge paid for GOV'T QTRS use is an allowable lodging expense. Reimbursement to the traveler for GOV'T QTRS use may not exceed the maximum locality lodging ceiling.

3. Lodging with a Friend or Relative (FTR §301-11-12 (c)). ***Lodging cost reimbursement is not ordinarily authorized when staying with a friend or relative.*** When an official traveler lodges with a friend or relative - with or without charge - the official traveler may be reimbursed for additional lodging costs the host incurs in accommodating the traveler if the traveler can substantiate the costs and the AO determines the costs are reasonable. ***The Service/AGENCY cannot direct the official traveler to lodge with a friend or relative.*** A traveler, who lodges with a friend or relative, is authorized the TDY location M&IE rate, if otherwise eligible.

The lodging reimbursement examples below apply for official travel including as an attendant/escort, evacuation, extended TDY, limited evacuation and other circumstances in which the official traveler has the option to stay with a friend or relative. The official traveler is not reimbursed the cost of comparable conventional lodging in the area or a flat 'token' amount.

Example 1: A civilian employee (extended TDY) and a member (short-term TDY), each traveling under an official TDY order to Location A, reside together with family members who live at/ near Location A during the TDY. They commute daily to the TDY location. The DoD civilian employee's lodging cost may be reimbursed for substantiated lodging cost (above the cost the host ordinarily incurs) if the additional costs are substantiated and determined to be reasonable by the AO, but the member is not authorized lodging reimbursement (par. U4129-E).

Example 2: A DoD civilian employee is TDY (training) to Location A and stays in commercial lodging. A family member later joins the employee at personal expense. The traveler is authorized NTE the single room rate and room tax if applicable. Par. C4430, if the civilian employee's TDY duration exceeds 30 days.

The traveler must be counseled on required document substantiation and responsibility to support lodging cost reimbursement when staying with friend(s) and family.

NOTE 1: If the friend or relative is in the business of renting on a regular basis the lodgings involved - for example, if that individual is operating a hotel or apartment house - the "friends or relatives" provision does not apply (GSBCA 14398-TRAV, 24 Feb 1998).

NOTE 2: Shortly after being transferred to a new PDS, an employee was sent TDY to the old PDS at which the employee stayed at the former residence which was not yet sold. GSBCA ruled that the employee was not authorized reimbursement for lodging at the former residence (GSBCA 15600-TRAV, 7 March 2002).

NOTE 3: A traveler assigned at Avon Park Air Force Range (AFR), Florida, lives in the Avon Park area during the week at a location approximately fifteen miles from the PDS and commutes to and from the family residence near Orlando, Florida, approximately 100 miles from the AFR, on weekends. The traveler had to attend a meeting near Orlando at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, 23 February. The meeting location was

approximately twelve miles from the family residence. The meeting was to run until Friday, 25 February. The traveler began TDY travel to the Orlando area on the evening of Tuesday, 22 February. GSBICA ruled that the traveler should be authorized travel expenses both to and from the TDY location and M&IE even though the traveler lodged at the family residence in the TDY area. GSBICA also indicated that for the first and last TDY days, 22 and 25 February (unless the traveler was authorized to return on the 26th) the traveler is authorized 75% of the applicable M&IE rate for each day. M&IE for the days between the first and last day is authorized at the full rate. Adopted from GSBICA 16652-TRAV, 26 August 2005.

4. Lodging in Non-conventional Facilities. The cost of non-conventional commercial lodging facilities is allowed. These facilities include college dormitories or similar facilities and rooms generally not offered commercially that are made available to the public by area residents in their homes. In these cases, a traveler must provide a written explanation of the circumstances that is acceptable to the DoD Component.

C. Lodging Obtained after Midnight. Although per diem ordinarily is based on an employee's TDY location at midnight, there are instances in which an employee is en route and does not arrive at a lodging location (either TDY location or en route stopover point) until after midnight. In these cases, the lodging expense must be claimed for the preceding calendar day and the applicable maximum per diem for the preceding day is determined as if the employee had been at the lodging location at 2400 (midnight) of that day.

D. Allowable Expenses when an Apartment, House, or Recreational Vehicle Is Rented or Used for Lodgings. When an employee on TDY rents a furnished/unfurnished apartment, house or recreational vehicle (includes a mobile home, camper, camping trailer, or a self-propelled mobile recreational vehicle) for use as lodgings, per diem is computed IAW par. C4553, and par. C4559 when a recreational vehicle is used for lodging. Allowable lodging expenses are (50 Comp. Gen. 647 (1971) and 52 id. 730 (1973)):

1. Apartment, house, or recreational vehicle rent (par. C4559-B);
2. Parking space rental for the recreational vehicle;
3. Appropriate and necessary furniture rent, such as a stove, refrigerator, chairs, tables, beds, sofas, television, and a vacuum cleaner;

NOTE 1: Some rental agreements (i.e., furniture rental agreements) include options-to-buy clauses that result in the renter owning the rented item (i.e., furniture) at the contract term end. A traveler may be reimbursed for the cost of such a rental agreement (i.e., cost of furniture rental as part of the lodging cost) while on TDY if the traveler has no other choice but to enter into such an agreement. However, if the traveler exercises the purchase option, the amount that is being credited toward the purchase must be returned to the GOV'T by the traveler if paid to the traveler as part of the travel claim settlement (B-259520, 7 December 1995).

NOTE 2: An employee who rents and occupies a residence at the TDY location may not be reimbursed for the cost of: 1. shipment of furniture from previous residence, or 2. purchase of furniture needed for unfurnished temporary duty lodgings, even if shipment/purchase was less expensive than rental would have been (GSBICA 16699-TRAV, 17 August 2005).

4. Connection, use, and disconnection costs of utilities including electricity, natural gas, water, fuel oil, and sewer charges;
5. Dumping fees;
6. Shower fees;
7. Maid fees and cleaning charges;

8. Monthly telephone use fees (*does not include installation charges and unofficial long distance calls. When a personally-owned cellular phone is used in lieu of an installed phone, the monthly cell-phone fee may not be claimed. APP G for official communications.*);
9. Special user fee costs such as cable TV charges and plug-in charges for automobile head bolt heaters, if ordinarily included in a hotel/motel room price in the area concerned; and
10. Exchange fee (but not the annual maintenance fee) paid by a traveler to use timeshare lodgings at the TDY point (B-254626, 17 February 1994).

In determining the daily amount of expense items that do not accrue on a daily basis such as cost for connection/disconnection of utilities, dumping fees, shower fees, cleaning charges, monthly telephone use fee, etc., these expenses may be averaged over the number of days the employee is authorized per diem during the entire TDY trip.

E. Allowable Expenses when a Residence Is Purchased and Used for TDY Lodgings. An employee may purchase and occupy a residence at a TDY location. Allowable expenses are the monthly:

1. Mortgage interest,
2. Property tax, and
3. Utility costs actually incurred (does not include any installation and hook-up charges), e.g., electricity, natural gas, water, fuel oil, and sewer charges

prorated based on the number of days in the month rather than by the actual number of days the employee occupied the residence (57 Comp. Gen. 147 (1977)). *In no case may the total per diem payable exceed the applicable maximum locality rate for the area unless an AEA (Ch 4, Part C) is authorized/approved. Par. C4555-G does not apply when the residence is purchased.*

NOTE: An employee who purchases and occupies a residence at the TDY location may not be reimbursed for any cost associated with the rental, purchase or shipment of furniture.

F. Dual Lodging Reimbursement on a Single Day

1. Per Diem Basis. When the AO determines it necessary for a traveler to retain lodgings at one TDY location (Location A) for other than personal convenience and procure lodgings at a second TDY location (Location B) on the same calendar day, the lodgings cost incurred at the second TDY location (Location B) at which the traveler remained overnight is used for computing the traveler's per diem for TDY at that location (Location B) for that day.
2. AO Considerations. The AO must verify that the traveler acted reasonably and prudently. Considerations for dual lodging reimbursement include:
 - a. The inability to occupy lodging at the first TDY location was due to conditions beyond the traveler's control (60 Comp. Gen. 630 (1981));
 - b. Economical impact (daily, weekly, monthly room rate, availability, storage charges, or shipment costs) (GSBCA 15321-TRAV 26 October 2000; GSBCA 15482-TRAV 18 October 2001); and
 - c. Practicality of checking out (B-257670, 10 January 1995).
3. Reimbursable Expense for Lodging. The lodging cost incurred at the first location (Location A) is reimbursable as a reimbursable expense (APP G), if approved by the AO (60 Comp. Gen. 630 (1981)).
4. Maximum Reimbursement. Actual lodging cost reimbursement at the first TDY location (Location A) is NTE the amount of per diem or AEA plus lodging tax that would have been paid had the traveler remained at

Location A overnight. Receipts are required for dual lodging claims.

5. **Limitation.** *Dual lodging exists to cover lodging expenses that arise because of unexpected circumstances beyond the traveler's control during TDY travel.* Dual lodging must be approved after the fact by an amended order or by the approving official on the travel voucher. Any period of dual lodging reimbursement is limited to a maximum of 14 consecutive days, with extensions beyond 14 consecutive days only if approved by the Secretarial Process.

6. **Long-term Dual Lodgings Occupancy.** *Long-term reimbursement for dual lodging is not permitted and an order may not contain such a provision.*

7. **Example.** An order is prepared for TDY at Location C for 150 days. The AO knows the traveler is to spend limited time at Location C and is also going to one or more other locations for lengthy periods during the TDY period. *Using par. C4555-F to authorize multiple long periods (or a single all-encompassing period) of dual lodging reimbursement for lodging retained at Location C is not authorized. The known TDY locations must be named in the order.*

Example 1
A traveler, who leased an apartment while TDY at Location A, was required to perform additional TDY in Location B for 5 days. The AO agreed that it would be more economical for the traveler to retain the apartment in Location A while TDY in Location B and authorized/approved the \$45 daily apartment cost as a reimbursable expense (APP G). The lodging cost incurred in Location B (\$95/day) was used for computing the traveler's per diem while TDY in that location.
Applicable per diem rates as used in this example:
Location A (\$130/ \$46) Location B (\$119/ \$46)
Location A apartment reimbursement for 5 days: \$225 (\$45/day x 5 days)
TDY assignment per diem in Location B:
First day (departure day from Location A and arrival day in Location B): \$95 (lodging cost) + \$46 (M&IE) = \$141/day plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Second thru fifth day: \$95 (lodging cost) + \$46 (M&IE) = \$141/day x 4 days = \$564 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Return day to Location A: \$45 (lodging cost) + \$46 (M&IE) = \$91

Example 2
A traveler occupied GOV'T QTRS while on a training assignment at a U.S. INSTALLATION in Location C. The traveler was required to perform additional TDY for 3 days in Location D. If the traveler vacated the GOV'T QTRS (daily cost \$25) while on the 3-day TDY assignment, the QTRS might not be available upon return. The AO agreed that it would be more economical for the traveler to retain the GOV'T QTRS while TDY in Location D and authorized/approved the cost of those QTRS as a reimbursable expense (APP G). The lodging costs (\$110/day) incurred in Location D was used to determine the traveler's per diem while on TDY in that city.
Applicable per diem rates as used in this example:
Location C (\$109/ \$38) Location D (\$130/ \$46)
GOV'T QTRS reimbursement for 3 days: \$75 (\$25/day x 3 days).
TDY assignment per diem in Location D:
First day (departure day from Location C and arrival day in Location D): \$110 (lodging cost) + \$46 (M&IE) = \$156/day plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Second and third day: \$110 (lodging cost) + \$46 (M&IE) = \$156/day x 2 days = \$312 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Return day to Location C: \$25 (lodging cost) + \$38 (M&IE) = \$63
NOTE: <i>Lodging tax is not separately reimbursable in addition to per diem when TDY is in a foreign area.</i>

G. Lodging Obtained on a Weekly, Monthly, or Longer Term Basis. When a traveler obtains lodging on a weekly, monthly, or longer term basis, the daily TDY lodging cost is computed by dividing the total periodic (e.g., weekly, monthly) lodging cost by the number of days the traveler is authorized the lodging portion of per diem (62 Comp. Gen. 63 (1982)).

This computation presumes that the traveler acts prudently in renting by the week or month, and that the GOV'T cost does not exceed the cost of renting conventional lodgings at a daily rate. ***NOTE: This does not apply when a residence is purchased. Par. C4555-E.***

Example
1. A traveler is TDY at a location at which the per diem is \$116 (\$70/ \$46).
2. The traveler obtains lodgings on a long-term basis and is paying \$900 a month for an apartment and utilities.
3. The daily lodging cost per month is \$30 (\$900/30 days).
4. In June the traveler took leave for 10 days and is authorized per diem for only 20 days.
5. The daily lodging cost for the traveler during June is computed to be \$45/day (\$900/month/20 eligible days/ month). Since the \$45/day lodging cost does not exceed the authorized \$70/day locality lodging ceiling, the traveler is reimbursed \$45/day for 20 days of lodging in June.

H. Nonrefundable Room Deposit and/or Prepaid Rent Reimbursement. APP G for lodging cost reimbursement when TDY is curtailed, canceled or interrupted for official purposes.

I. Double Occupancy. For double occupancy, each official traveler is allowed one-half of the double occupancy charge if a room is shared with another official traveler. Otherwise, the official traveler is allowed the single room rate. ***The official traveler must provide the single room rate.***

J. Lodging Tax. Unless exempted by the State or local jurisdiction, an employee, paying for lodging with the GOV'T reimbursing the employee, is required to pay applicable lodging tax while traveling on GOV'T business. Exemptions from tax for a Federal traveler and the form required to claim the exemption vary from location to location. The GSA Travel Homepage (www.gsa.gov/statetaxforms) lists jurisdictions in which lodging tax-exemption may be offered.

C4556 LODGING AND MEALS PROVIDED WITHOUT COST

On a day that all meals and lodgings are provided without cost to a traveler incident to a TDY or training assignment, the per diem is:

1. \$5 incident to an assignment in CONUS; and
2. The IE rate for the locality concerned unless the AO determines \$3.50 to be adequate for anticipated expenses. The OCONUS IE of \$3.50 must be stated in the order.

However, the applicable amount, plus the cost of meals - and lodgings furnished without cost to the traveler - may not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate. Par. C4554-C for per diem when TDY is performed in support of a field training exercise with a military unit.

C4558 PER DIEM FOR TRAVEL BY SHIP

A. General. For ship travel, the per diem for the arrival day on board (embarkation day) and departure day from the ship (debarcation day) is based on the debarcation/embarkation port rates and computed under the 'Lodging-Plus' method in par. C4553. ***There is no per diem paid for the first/last travel day by GOV'T ship when it departs from the port that is the employee's PDS/returns to the port that is the PDS.***

B. GOV'T Ship

1. General. No per diem is payable when TDY aboard a GOV'T ship when QTRS are provided without charge and meals with/without charge. The prohibition on per diem begins at 0001 on the day after the arrival day on

board and ends at 2400 on the day before the departure day from the ship. When a traveler is required to pay for meals, the employee is reimbursed the meal cost. The current (standard) GOV'T meal rate is paid unless otherwise indicated in par. C4558. In the event a traveler maintains commercial lodgings ashore for use following the completion of short trip(s) at sea, the employee is paid the actual daily lodgings cost, NTE the locality per diem lodging ceiling for the TDY location ashore. ***Reimbursement for the total cost of QTRS on the ship and lodging ashore may not exceed the maximum lodging amount for the TDY locality concerned.*** When a traveler is authorized to procure meals ashore at personal expense, reimbursement is authorized IAW pars. C4554-A1a and C4554-A1b, as applicable. The total per diem may not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate for the TDY locality concerned.

2. Naval Ship Research and Development Center Underwater Explosion Barge. The per diem rates provided in par. C4558-B1 are prescribed for TDY performed aboard a Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory warping tug or the Underwater Explosion Barge (UEB).

3. Corps of Engineers Floating Plant. The employee is not paid per diem if all meals are furnished at no cost in a dining facility/mess aboard an Army Corps of Engineer floating plant incident to TDY. If the employee must pay for the furnished meals or only 1 or 2 meals are to be provided at no cost, the AO must authorize an M&IE rate to cover the meal(s) cost. If the employee is not furnished any meals with or without charge, the Standard CONUS M&IE rate (par. C4550-F3 for the current Standard CONUS per diem rate) is paid. The AO should have stated in the order the circumstances and rate. The actual lodging cost, if any, NTE the Standard CONUS lodging ceiling, is reimbursed.

C. Commercial Ship

1. Employee Not Charged for Meals. An employee is not authorized per diem when traveling aboard a commercial ship when meals are furnished without charge, (or are part of the accommodations cost), except on embarkation and debarkation days if otherwise authorized.

2. Employee Charged for Meals. An employee traveling aboard a commercial ship, other than an oceangoing ferry, for 24 or more hours as a passenger who is charged for meals is authorized the meals portion of per diem equal to the furnished meals cost, except on embarkation and debarkation days if otherwise authorized. The AO should set the meals portion of per diem equal to the anticipated expenses and state in the order the circumstances warranting the rate.

D. POC Travel Involving a Car Ferry. When an employee on TDY travels partly by POC and partly by car ferry (circuitously/indirectly or otherwise), the employee is authorized per diem. Par. C2193 for transportation allowances.

1. Lodging. Reimbursement for the actual cost of required accommodations (unless included in the transportation cost) is authorized (par. C2205-C).

2. M&IE When Travel Includes an Overnight on a Car Ferry Anywhere in the World. M&IE is based on and computed for the employee using the highest CONUS M&IE rate for the arrival day (embarkation) on the ferry through the day before the departure day (debarkation) from the ferry. M&IE for the departure day (debarkation) from the ferry is based on the rate applicable for the employee's location at 2400 on that day (par. C4550-F).

3. M&IE When Travel Does Not Include an Overnight on a Car Ferry. If the ferry passage does not include an overnight, the applicable M&IE while on the ferry is that rate applicable to the employee's location at 2400 on the debarkation day (par. C4553).

NOTE: Par. C2204-B3 for required documentation if a U.S. registered ferry is not available.

C4559 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE USE FOR LODGING

The term "recreational vehicle" includes mobile homes, campers, camping trailers, or self-propelled mobile

recreational vehicles.

A. Privately Owned

1. Lodging Costs. Par. C4555-D for allowable lodging expenses. Depreciation is not an allowable lodging expense.

2. M&IE. The AO must: (a) determine an appropriate amount for M&IE based on whether or not the recreational vehicle used by an employee has meal preparation facilities, and (b) request a reduced per diem IAW par. C4550-C if the expected actual costs can be determined in advance of the travel.

B. Rented Recreational Vehicle. When rented recreational vehicle use is authorized/approved as being to the GOV'T's advantage, the rental fee and the allowable expenses in par. C4555-D are lodging costs. Advantageous use might occur when an employee is on an extended TDY assignment in a remote area or at which conventional lodging facilities are limited or not available. If rented recreational vehicle use is not authorized/approved as advantageous, only expenses listed in pars. C4555-D2 through D9, are lodging costs.

C4560 LODGING WHEN TDY AT ONE LOCATION FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS

If a traveler is TDY at one location for more than 30 days, lodging reservations should be made on a weekly, monthly, or other long-term basis if possible. If paid under DTS, the CTO/TMC should be used to make these arrangements unless the CTO/TMC does not provide this service. Pars. C4555-D, C4555-E, C4555-G and C4559.

C4562 PER DIEM FOR A CONSULTANT, AN EXPERT, AND/OR A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL TRAVELING WORLDWIDE

A. General. An individual employed intermittently in the GOV'T service as a consultant or expert and paid on a daily when-actually-employed (WAE) basis, and an individual serving without pay or at \$1 a year, do not have a PDS within the meaning of that term. The individual is authorized per diem as prescribed in par. C4562-B through E while traveling on official business for the GOV'T away from home or the regular place of business and while at a place of GOV'T employment or service. Maximum rates prescribed herein are applicable except as provided in par. C4562-D or unless a higher rate is specifically authorized in an appropriation or other statute.

B. Travel Expenses Paid from a Non-federal Source. For regulations concerning travel expenses paid from a non-federal source please refer to the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R.

C. Consultant and/or Expert Employed on an Intermittent Basis. An individual serving intermittently in the GOV'T, with or without compensation, while in an official travel and duty assignment status as described in par. C7905, is authorized a per diem or AEA IAW pars. C4553 and C4600.

D. Private Individual Serving without Compensation. Most individuals performing invitational travel (APP E), are authorized per diem/AEA (pars. C4553 and C4600).

E. Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) Cadet Serving without Compensation. An ROTC cadet who performs recruiting duty under an ITA while attending the educational institution at which the ROTC unit is located is authorized a per diem or AEA under pars. C4553 and C4600 except when recruiting in the cadet's residence area. A cadet is a person serving without pay. For par. C4562, the area of the place the cadet resides while attending the educational institution at which the ROTC unit is located means the metropolitan area, in which the residence is located, surrounding the residence that is ordinarily serviced by the city's or town's local common carriers, or in the comparable surrounding area if not located within a recognized metropolitan area.

C4563 EFFECT OF ABSENCE ON PER DIEM PAYMENT

A. Absence due to Illness or Injury. Par. C7370 for per diem authority when an employee becomes incapacitated during travel because of illness or injury.

- B. Detained in Quarantine. An employee is authorized per diem while detained in quarantine on TDY.
- C. Leave and Non-workday
1. General. *An employee is authorized per diem for days leave is taken (other than as provided in Ch 7, Part H) for only part of the workday, but is not authorized per diem when leave is taken for the whole workday.* For purposes of par. C4563-C1, "place of abode" means the place from which the employee commutes daily to the official station; "workday" means all the prescribed daily working hours in a day.
 2. Non-workdays. Non-workdays are legal Federal GOV'T holidays and weekends or other scheduled non-workdays. An employee is authorized per diem on non-workdays except when the employee returns to the PDS or place of abode, or if par. C4563-C2a or C4563-C2b applies.
 - a. Leave before and after Non-workdays. An employee is not authorized per diem for a non-workday when leave is taken for the whole workday before and the whole workday following the non-workday.
 - b. Leave between Non-workdays. An employee is authorized per diem for not more than two non-workdays if leave is taken for all workdays between the non-workdays.
- D. Return to PDS on Non-workday. An employee who voluntarily returns home on a non-workday from TDY is reimbursed for the round-trip travel as provided in par. C4677.
- E. Travel on Non-workday to Location other than PDS. An employee on TDY who travels for personal reasons on a non-workday from a TDY site to a location other than the home or PDS is authorized per diem or AEA for the non-workday NTE the amount payable had the employee remained at the TDY site. There is no authority for transportation cost reimbursement (B-171266, 24 February 1971).
- F. Delay in Returning to PDS. When for personal reasons, including taking leave, an employee does not return immediately to the PDS after TDY, the employee is authorized per diem for the time between when the employee reasonably could have left the TDY point and arrived at the PDS. Normally, when the return trip is short or travel is authorized on carriers with sleeping accommodations, the constructed departure day is the same day that the TDY is completed. When return travel is by an authorized mode on which sleeping accommodations are not available, the constructed departure date may be the morning of the day following TDY completion. *An employee is not expected to select a schedule that requires boarding or leaving a carrier between 2400 and 0600.* Travel time should be based on regular published carrier schedules and becomes approved when the voucher is properly approved.
- G. Permanent Duty Travel. An employee is not authorized per diem while on leave during permanent duty travel.

C4564 EMPLOYEE'S LEAVE CANCELED OR INTERRUPTED

- A. Absent from PDS for Personal Reasons. Except as provided in par. C4564-D, an employee who is absent from the PDS for personal reasons and who is required to return to the PDS for official reasons prior to the originally contemplated return time is not authorized reimbursement for expenses incurred for such travel.
- B. TDY Required at Leave Location. An employee, required to perform TDY at a place away from the PDS to which the employee has traveled for personal reasons, is authorized per diem for the TDY period and to per diem and transportation expenses for the return trip that exceed those that the employee otherwise would have incurred if the employee had not been required to perform the TDY (31 Comp. Gen. 509 (1952)).
- C. TDY at Various Places, Including Return to PDS. An employee, while in authorized leave status away from the PDS, who is required to interrupt the leave to perform official TDY at various places, including return to the PDS, and then resume leave status upon TDY assignment completion, is allowed per diem and transportation expenses from the place at which leave was interrupted to the TDY places (except no per diem while at PDS) and return to the place at which leave was interrupted (25 Comp. Gen. 347 (1945); 28 id. 237 (1948); 39 id. 611 (1960)).
- D. TDY at Various Places Not Involving Return to PDS. In a situation not involving temporary return to a PDS,

but otherwise similar to par. C4564-B, an employee upon TDY completion is allowed per diem and transportation expenses to return to resume leave at a point more distant from the TDY location than the point at which leave was interrupted, provided the round-trip distance and expense are not greater than the distances and constructed travel expense between the employee's PDS and the TDY location (27 Comp. Gen. 648 (1948)).

E. Authorized Leave of 5 or More Days Canceled within 24 Hours, and Leave Temporarily Interrupted due to Recall to PDS. When an employee leaves the PDS on authorized leave of absence for 5 or more days and, because of an urgent unforeseen circumstance, it is necessary to cancel the leave and recall the employee to duty at the PDS within 24 hours after departure, the return per diem and transportation expenses may be authorized. Also, if an employee's authorized leave of absence away from the PDS is temporarily interrupted because the employee is recalled to duty at the PDS, or is authorized to perform TDY at another place, and the employee wishes to resume leave immediately after duty completion at the place at which the leave of absence was interrupted or at another place, per diem and transportation expenses NTE the per diem and transportation expenses for travel from the place at which the leave of absence was interrupted to the place at which the duty was performed and return may be authorized. The one way, or round trip, must not be allowed unless, an appropriate statement in the order indicates clearly that an administrative determination was made that the personal expense incurred by the employee in traveling to the leave location made it unreasonable to require the employee to assume the additional travel expense to comply with the recall or TDY order (39 Comp. Gen. 611 (1960)).

F. Leave Interrupted for TDY, Employee Not Allowed to Resume Leave Status. An employee on authorized leave away from the PDS, who is required to perform TDY at places other than the PDS and upon TDY assignment completion is not allowed to resume the leave status but is required to return to the PDS, is allowed per diem and transportation expenses for the TDY performed. However, for return to the PDS from the TDY assignment location after TDY completion, per diem and transportation expenses are allowed only to the extent they exceed the constructed per diem and transportation expenses for return direct from the leave location to the PDS (11 Comp. Gen. 336 (1932); 16 id. 481 (1936); 30 id. 443 (1951)).

G. TDY Directed at Leave Status Termination. An employee on authorized leave away from the PDS who is directed, at leave termination, to proceed to a TDY location and upon TDY assignment completion to return to the PDS, is authorized per diem and transportation expenses only to the extent travel relating to the TDY assignment exceeds the direct route travel constructed cost from the leave location to the PDS (19 Comp. Gen. 977 (1940)). If, in relation to the place at which the employee is on leave, the TDY location is located in a routing direction through and beyond the employee's PDS, the allowable per diem and transportation expenses are limited to that for round-trip travel between the PDS and the TDY location (24 Comp. Gen. 443 (1944)).

H. TDY Order Cancellation after Travel Commencement and while on Authorized Leave. When an employee is on leave en route to a TDY station and the TDY order is canceled, the employee is authorized travel and transportation allowances for travel performed, provided the order is canceled on/after the date travel was required to begin. In such case, the allowances payable must not exceed the constructed allowances payable for travel from the PDS to the TDY station and return over a usually traveled direct route, provided that official travel to the TDY station is authorized prior to departure on annual leave.

NOTE: If the TDY requirement is known before departure on leave, the employee is reimbursed actual travel expenses NTE the constructed round-trip cost between the PDS and TDY location. City-pair airfares are not authorized for use to/from the leave location if the TDY requirement is known before leave is begun.

C4565 PER DIEM COMPUTATION EXAMPLES

A. Lodging Tax

1. The maximum amount allowed for lodging in CONUS and non-foreign OCONUS locations does not include a lodging tax amount.
2. Lodging tax in CONUS and non-foreign OCONUS locations are a separately reimbursable travel expense.
3. The maximum amount allowed for lodging in foreign OCONUS locations includes a lodging tax amount.

4. Lodging tax in foreign OCONUS locations is not a reimbursable expense.

B. TDY Mileage Rates. The TDY mileage rates used in the examples below are for illustrative purposes only and may not reflect current rates. Par. C2500 prescribes current TDY mileage rates and par. C2505 prescribes the current MALT.

C. Per Diem Rates. The per diem rates used in the examples below are for illustrative purposes only and may not reflect current rates. Par. C4550-F3 for the current Standard CONUS per diem rate.

D. Examples. The following are per diem computation examples for specific circumstances:

1. Example 1-TDY Travel

Example 1 TDY Travel		
An employee is TDY for 9 1/2 days. The employee departed the residence and arrived at the TDY station on Day 1. The employee departed the TDY station and arrived at the residence on Day 10. Lodgings were obtained for 9 nights, two of which were spent in GOV'T QTRS with charge, and one night at a friend's house at no cost. The employee paid \$40 for 6 nights of lodging in a hotel, \$4 for 2 nights spent in GOV'T QTRS, but no cost for the night of lodging obtained in a friend's home at the TDY location. Per diem is computed as follows:		
Day 1 (departure day)	\$40 (lodging) + 75% x \$46 (M&IE) =	\$ 74.50
Day 2 to 6	(\$40 (lodging) + \$46 (M&IE))/day x 5 days =	430.00
Day 7 to 8	(\$4 (lodging) + \$46 (M&IE))/day x 2 days =	100.00
Day 9	\$0 (lodging) + \$46 (M&IE) =	46.00
Day 10 (return day)	75% x \$46 (preceding calendar day M&IE rate) =	34.50
Amount due employee		\$685.00
Per diem for each day is derived by adding the applicable M&IE rate to the actual daily lodging cost – reimbursement is NTE the maximum <u>per diem rate</u> for the locality concerned. This example uses the Standard CONUS per diem rate of \$116 (\$70/ \$46). <u>Day 1</u> (departure day) - the applicable per diem rate is the lodging cost (\$40) plus 75% of the M&IE rate (\$46) (\$34.50) for that day; pay \$74.50. <u>Days 2 - 6</u> - the applicable per diem is lodging cost (\$40) plus the M&IE rate (\$46) times the number of days 5; pay \$430. <u>Days 7 - 8</u> - the applicable per diem is the lodging cost (\$4) plus the M&IE rate (\$46) times the number of days 2; pay \$100. <u>Day 9</u> - the applicable per diem is the M&IE rate (\$46) plus the lodging cost (\$0), pay \$46. <u>Day 10</u> (return day) - the applicable per diem rate is 75% of the preceding calendar day's M&IE rate (\$46); pay \$34.50. The per diem authority began with the departure day, and continued through the return day to the PDS, residence, or other authorized point. The different lodging amounts could have applied to any days without change to the total.		

2. Example 2-TDY Travel

Example 2 TDY Travel			
DEPART	Residence		1st Day
ARRIVE	Goteborg, Sweden		2nd Day
TDY	Goteborg, Sweden		3rd - 7th day
DEPART	Goteborg, Sweden		8th Day
ARRIVE	Residence		8th Day
GOV'T QTRS were occupied (not on a U.S. INSTALLATION) for 6 nights at Goteborg, Sweden at \$4 per night. The <u>per diem rate</u> for Goteborg, Sweden at the time the employee traveled was \$256 maximum (\$143/ \$113). The employee's authorized per diem is computed as follows:			
1 st Day	Travel day with no lodging expense	\$113 x 75% (M&IE for Goteborg) =	\$ 84.75
2 nd Day	Arrival day	\$4 (GOV'T QTRS charge) + \$113 (M&IE for Goteborg) (two deductible meals were furnished without charge but adjustment for meals is not made on a travel day) =	117.00
3 rd -7 th Day	TDY at Goteborg \$23 (incidental rate for Goteborg)	\$4 (GOV'T QTRS charge) + \$23 (3 deductible meals furnished each day without charge (par. C4554-B) = \$27/day x 5 days =	135.00
8 th Day	Travel day with no lodging expense	\$113 (M&IE for Goteborg) (breakfast was furnished without charge but adjustment for meals is not made on a travel day) x 75% =	<u>\$ 84.75</u>
Amount due			\$421.50

3. Example 3-TDY Travel Involving IDL with a 'Lost' Day

Example 3 TDY Travel Involving IDL with a 'Lost' Day			
TDY location lodging cost is \$135/night. The per diem rate is \$225 (\$135/ \$90).			
The traveler departs (heading west) on 8/18 and arrives at the TDY location on 8/20.			
When crossing the IDL in a westward direction, the dates 8/18 -8/19 (Wednesday and Thursday) are treated as one day for per diem computation purposes because the traveler did not arrive at the TDY location until 8/20. Upon return (west to east) when traveler crosses the IDL, the traveler is paid M&IE for two 8/25 dates.			
A GOV'T dining facility/mess is not available at the TDY point. AEA is not authorized.			
ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	At
18 Aug Wednesday	PDS/Residence		
20-24 Aug (Friday-Tuesday)			TDY Station
25 Aug Wednesday	TDY Station		
25 Aug Wednesday		PDS/Residence	
REIMBURSEMENT (Actual and Constructed Cost Comparison)			
18 Aug Wednesday	\$90 x 75 % =		\$67.50
20-24 Aug (Friday-Tuesday)	\$135 (lodging) + \$90 (M&IE) = \$225/day x 5 days =		\$1,125.00
25 Aug Wednesday	\$90 (M&IE) =		\$90.00
25 Aug Wednesday	\$90 x 75 % =		\$67.50
Total			\$1,350.00

4. Example 4-TDY Travel Involving IDL without a 'Lost' Day

Example 4			
TDY Travel Involving IDL without a 'Lost' Day			
TDY location lodging cost is \$140/night. The per diem rate is \$218 (\$146/ \$72). The traveler departs (heading west) on 8/18 and arrives at the TDY location on 8/19. When crossing the IDL in a westward direction, the date 8/19 (Thursday) is treated as a full day for per diem computation purposes as the traveler arrived on 8/19. Upon return (west to east) when traveler crosses the IDL, the traveler is paid M&IE for one 8/25 date. A GOV'T dining facility/mess is not available at the TDY point. AEA is not authorized.			
ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	At
18 Aug Wednesday	PDS/Residence		
19-24 Aug (Thurs-Tues)			TDY Station
25 Aug Wednesday	TDY Station		
25 Aug Wednesday		PDS/Residence	
REIMBURSEMENT (Actual and Constructed Cost Comparison)			
18 Aug Wednesday	\$72 x 75 % =		\$54
19-24 Aug (Thurs-Tues)	\$140 (lodging) + \$72 (M&IE) = \$212/day x 6 days =		\$1,272
25 Aug Wednesday	\$72 x 75 % =		\$54
Total			\$1,380

5. Example 5- AOR Per Diem/TDY Travel Overnight – No Lodging Required

Example 5				
AOR Per Diem/TDY Travel Overnight – No Lodging Required				
An employee is authorized TDY to an AOR. On 2 Jan, the employee departed the residence via POC, and was awaiting transportation without procuring lodging, from 2-3 Jan, arriving at the AOR TDY station on 4 Jan. The employee stayed in GOV'T QTRS and received the AOR per diem rate from 5-30 Jan. The employee departed the AOR TDY station and arrived at another AOR location on 31 Jan. The employee departed the AOR location and arrived at an approved delay stopover point procuring lodging on 1 Feb. The employee departed the stopover point and arrived at the residence on 2 Feb. Per diem is computed as follows:				
Date	Travel Plan	Transportation Mode/Means	Reason For Stop	Per Diem Rate
2 Jan	Dep Residence (Departure Day)	PA		\$15 (\$0/ \$15) TDY Destination
	En route(no lodging required)	TP	AT	
3 Jan	En route (no lodging required)	TP	AT	\$15 (\$0/ \$15) TDY Destination
4 Jan	Arr TDY location (enter AOR)	TP	TD	\$15 (\$0/ \$15) TDY Destination
5-30 Jan	TDY (AOR)	--	TD	\$15 (\$0/ \$15) TDY Destination
31 Jan	Dep TDY(AOR)	TP	--	\$3.50 (AOR to AOR)
	En route(AOR to AOR)	TP	AT	
1 Feb	En route(exit AOR/lodging)	TP	AD	\$190 (\$126/ \$64) Stopover Point
2 Feb	Arr Residence	PA	MC	\$190 (\$126/ \$64) Preceding calendar day's M&IE rate
Reimbursement				
2 Jan	\$15/day x 75% = (Departure Day = 75% of TDY destination M&IE, no lodging required)			\$11.25
3 Jan	\$15/day x 1 day = (TDY destination M&IE, no lodging required)			\$15.00
4 Jan	\$15/day (TDY destination M&IE, lodging \$0)			\$15.00
5-30 Jan	\$3.50/day x 26 days = (AOR M&IE, lodging \$0)			\$91.00
31 Jan	\$3.50/day (En route AOR to AOR M&IE, lodging \$0)			\$3.50
1 Feb	\$70 + \$64 = \$134/day (Exit AOR to AD stopover point, stopover point M&IE, lodging procured at \$70)			\$134.00
2 Feb	\$64/day x 75% = (75% of preceding calendar day's M&IE rate)			\$48.00
Reimbursement for per diem due employee				\$317.75

C4566 QUICK REFERENCE TABLES - PER DIEM AUTHORITY

The following tables are for reference purposes only. Ch 4, Part B for applicable rules. Ch 4, Part I for meal allowances when JTF operations are involved.

Quick Reference - Per Diem						
TDY Travel of More Than 12 Hours						
Footnotes: Table # 4						
(1) Departure Day from PDS						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Arrived at a TDY location (not a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the same day as departed the PDS.	Arrived at a TDY location (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the same day as departed the PDS. The traveler occupied GOV'T QTRS.	Arrived at a TDY location (on a U.S. INSTALLATION - GOV'T QTRS available) on same day as departed the PDS. Traveler elected not to occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	Traveled overnight - no lodging required.	Overnight lodging required at a stopover en route to a TDY location.	Arrived at a the TDY location at which per diem at a lesser amount than rate prescribed for the TDY location as authorized under par. C4550-C on same day as departed the PDS.
Per Diem for the Departure Day from the PDS^{5/}	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ^{1/} , plus the lodging cost NTE the maximum TDY locality lodging ceiling. ^{2/, 4/}	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ^{1/} , plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ^{11/} ceiling.	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ^{1/} , plus the lodging cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling. ^{8/}	75% of the next destination locality M&IE rate (TDY/ stopover point) ^{1/} for the departure day.	75% of the en route stopover locality M&IE rate, plus the lodging cost NTE the stopover locality maximum lodging ceiling. ^{2/, 4/}	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate, plus the lodging cost NTE that location's maximum lodging ceiling rate. A reduced per diem rate does not apply on the travel day to that location.

(2) Whole Days of Travel in CONUS						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Traveled overnight & arrived at a CONUS TDY location (not a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS.	Traveled overnight & arrived at a CONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on day after departing PDS. Traveler occupied GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at a CONUS TDY locality (not a U.S. INSTALLATION).	Each whole day at a CONUS TDY locality (a U.S. INSTALLATION) when traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at a CONUS TDY locality (a U.S. INSTALLATION) when the traveler elects not to occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at a CONUS location at which the employee is authorized a reduced per diem rate.
Per Diem for Whole Days of Travel ^{5/}	M&IE applicable to CONUS TDY locality (unless the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals), plus the lodging cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling ^{2/6/} .	M&IE plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ^{11/} . M&IE may be at the TDY locality rate, or PMR plus \$5 if the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals ^{6/} . Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	M&IE applicable to the CONUS TDY locality, plus the lodging cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling ^{2/} . If one or two deductible meals are provided, M&IE is PMR plus \$5 ^{2/6/} . Par. C4554-B.	M&IE, plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ^{11/} . M&IE may be at (1) the TDY locality rate, (2) Standard GMR ^{8/} plus \$5, or, (3) PMR ^{6/9/10/} plus \$5. There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4554-C and C4900). Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	M&IE, plus the occupied lodging cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling ^{2/} . M&IE may be at (1) the TDY locality rate, (2) Standard GMR ^{8/} plus \$5, (3) PMR ^{6/9/10/} plus \$5. There is no per diem when field duty is involved (pars. C4554-C and C4900). Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	Per diem at the rate authorized under par. C4550-C. ^{2/5/7/}

(3) Whole Days of Travel – OCONUS						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Traveled overnight & arrived at an OCONUS TDY location (not a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS.	Traveled overnight & arrived at OCONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS. Traveler occupied GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at an OCONUS TDY locality (not a U.S. INSTALLATION).	Each whole day at an OCONUS TDY locality (on U.S. INSTALLATION). Traveler occupied GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at an OCONUS TDY locality (on U.S. INSTALLATION) when traveler elects not to occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	Each whole day at an OCONUS location at which the employee is authorized a reduced per diem rate.
Per Diem for Whole Travel Days^{5/}	The OCONUS TDY locality M&IE ^{3/} (unless the AO specifies the PMR based on deductible meals), plus the lodging ^{4/} cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling.	M&IE plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ^{11/} . M&IE may be at the meal rate prescribed for the TDY locality plus locality IE, or PMR plus locality IE if one or two deductible meals are provided ^{16/} . Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	The OCONUS TDY locality M&IE ^{3/} , plus lodging ^{4/} cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling. M&IE may be at the TDY locality meal rate or PMR plus locality IE or \$3.50 IE ^{3/} if one or two deductible meals are provided ^{6/} . ^{2/6/} . Par. C4554-B.	M&IE plus GOV'T QTRS cost ^{11/} . M&IE may be at (1) TDY locality meal rate, (2) Standard GMR ^{8/} , (3) PMR ^{6/9/10/} . Add the locality IE or \$3.50 IE ^{3/} . There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4554-C and C4900). Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	M&IE plus occupied lodging cost NTE the TDY locality maximum lodging ceiling. ^{47/} M&IE may be at (1) The TDY locality meal rate, (2) Standard GMR ^{8/} , (3) PMR ^{6/9/10/} . Add the locality IE or \$3.50 IE ^{3/} There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4554-C and C4900). Par. C4554-A for M&IE rate determination.	Per diem at the rate authorized under par. C4550-C. ^{4/5/7/}

(4) Day(s) of Return to PDS					
	A	B	C	D	E
	Arrived at the PDS on the same day as departed the TDY location.	Traveled overnight (no lodging required) & arrived at the PDS on the day after departing the TDY location.	On the departure day from the TDY location, overnight lodging was required at a stopover en route to the PDS.	On the day travel ended lodging was required en route to the PDS.	Arrived at the PDS on the same day as departed the TDY location at which reduced per diem was authorized.
Per Diem for the Return Day to the PDS^{5/}	75% of the last TDY locality M&IE rate. ^{1/}	For departure day from the TDY location, the last TDO locality M&IE. Arrival day at the PDS is 75% of the last TDY locality M&IE rate. ^{1/}	For departure day from the TDY location, M&IE, plus lodging ^{2/} , ^{5/} cost NTE the stopover locality maximum lodging ceiling. For the PDS arrival day, 75% of the stopover locality M&IE rate. ^{1/}	The lodging cost NTE the locality maximum lodging ceiling for the location at which lodging was obtained if authorized/ approved by the AO, plus 75% of that same locality M&IE rate. Par. C4553-D2c(4).	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate. The reduced rate does not apply on the return day to the PDS.

Footnotes

- 1/ A reduced per diem rate IAW par. C4550-C and the \$3.50 IE rate do not apply on departure day from, or return day to the PDS, or any day the employee is traveling. The PMR for deductible meals can apply on an interim travel day.
- 2/ Lodging tax is separately reimbursable expense in CONUS and non-foreign OCONUS areas because an amount is not included in the applicable maximum lodging amount for tax.
- 3/ The TDY locality IE rate. OCONUS, the AO can determine that an IE of \$3.50, in lieu of the prescribed TDY locality IE, is adequate for the anticipated incidental expenses. Regardless of at what location the traveler is lodged, the \$3.50 IE rate may be authorized and must be stated in the order for travel beginning on or after 1 July 2009.
- 4/ Lodging tax *is not* a separately reimbursable expense in a foreign OCONUS area because an amount is included in the applicable foreign maximum lodging amount for tax.
- 5/ Cost of laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothing when travel *within CONUS* is reimbursable under the conditions in par. C4553-C2. The laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothing cost *is not* separately reimbursable when travel is *OCONUS* because an amount is provided in the OCONUS per diem IE for laundry.
- 6/ On any day that 3 deductible meals are provided without cost to traveler, no reimbursement is allowed for meals.
- 7/ When a reduced per diem rate is authorized in the traveler's order IAW par. C4550-C, the per diem authorized in the order applies beginning on the day after arrival at the TDY location and ends on the day before departing the TDY location.
- 8/ The GMR applies if the AO specifies the GMR based on available GOV'T dining facility/mess during training or deployments (pars. C4554-A3 when schoolhouse training is involved and C4900 for deployments).
- 9/ The PMR applies if the AO specifies PMR based 1-2 GOV'T meals available during training or deployments (pars. C4554-A3 when schoolhouse training is involved and C4900 for deployments).
- 10/ The PMR applies if the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals (par. C4554-B).
- 11/ Reimbursement for GOV'T QTRS cost may not exceed the maximum locality lodging rate.

C4567 PER DIEM FOR AN EMPLOYEE AND/OR DEPENDENTS WHILE AT SAFE HAVEN INCIDENT TO AN EVACUATION FROM A PDS WITHIN CONUS OR NON-FOREIGN OCONUS LOCATION

A. Purpose. Per diem is provided to assist an employee in meeting the excess costs involved in temporarily maintaining dependents at a safe haven.

B. 'Lodgings-Plus' Per Diem Method Applicability to an Evacuated Employee/Dependent. An evacuated employee and/or dependent is/are authorized a safe haven allowance computed using the 'Lodgings-Plus' per diem computation method for each day in an evacuation status. ***Actual expense allowances described in Ch 4, Part C, do not apply to an evacuation.*** The 'Lodgings-Plus' per diem computation method consists of a lodging ceiling and an M&IE allowance. For an explanation of the items of expense the per diem is intended to cover, PER DIEM (APP A definition) and Ch 4, Part B. The maximum lodging reimbursement for an employee and dependent family is the actual total daily lodging cost incurred by the family, NTE the sum of the daily lodging portion of the locality per diem rate authorized for the employee and/or each dependent concerned. Because an evacuated employee and/or dependent may stay with a friend/relative while at a safe haven, the rule in par. C4555-B3 applies. ***That is, if an evacuated employee or dependent stays with a friend/relative while at a safe haven, no lodging cost is allowed, whether or not any lodging payment is made to the friend/relative.*** This restriction does not apply when the employee/dependent leases a house, apartment (i.e., lodgings) from a friend/relative with a bona fide, standard written lease, in those instances when the friend or relative concerned does not jointly occupy the leased house or apartment. Each evacuated employee/dependent is authorized the per diem M&IE portion even if not authorized the per diem lodging portion for any given day. Example in par. C4567-C. GOV'T dining facility/mess or open mess availability/use has no effect on per diem for an employee/dependent(s) even though such facilities may be or are used without charge to the employee/dependent. Per diem payable under par. C4567 may be paid in advance IAW Ch 6, Part D, §550-403 (d).

C. Per Diem Computations. The following example illustrates the method used for computing per diem incident to evacuation:

Example			
The <u>per diem rates</u> used in the following example are for illustrative purposes only and do not necessarily reflect current rates. Lodging tax paid while at a safe haven or traveling in CONUS or in a non-foreign OCONUS area is a reimbursable expense (APP G) in addition to per diem. Lodging tax paid while at a safe haven or traveling in a foreign OCONUS area is not a reimbursable expense. Tax is part of the lodging cost. The cost of a value added tax (VAT) relief certificate is a reimbursable expense (APP G) if the certificate is used to avoid paying the lodging tax. CONUS per diem rates do not include laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothing. OCONUS per diem rates include laundry/dry-cleaning/pressing of clothing.			
An employee, the employee's spouse, one child age 12 and one child under age 12 were evacuated from a CONUS duty station to a CONUS safe haven. The daily actual lodging cost incurred at the safe haven by the employee and three dependents, who shared one room, was \$95 plus \$7.60/day for lodging tax (8%). The maximum per diem applicable at that location was \$116 (\$70/\$46).			
(a) Unless a lower rate is authorized under Ch 6, Part D, §550-405(b)(3), the maximum daily amount that may be paid to the employee and three dependents for the first 30 consecutive days is determined as follows (Ch 6, Part D, §550.405(b)(1)):			
The employee and each dependent age 12 or older is authorized per diem NTE the full rate (\$116) (\$70/ \$46). Each dependent under age 12 is authorized per diem NTE 50% of the rate.			
	M&IE	Max Lodging	Total
Employee:	\$46	\$70	\$116
Employee's spouse	\$46	\$70	\$116
Child (age 12 or older)	\$46	\$70	\$116
Child (under age 12)	\$23 (\$46 x 50%)	\$35 (\$70 x 50%)	\$ 58
Max daily amt that may be paid for costs incurred by employee & 3 dependents	\$161	\$245	\$406
(b) Determine the actual total daily amount for the first 30 consecutive days, within the maximum amounts shown in (a) (\$161 for M&IE and NTE \$245 for lodging), as follows:			
M&IE:	\$161 (The M&IE in this daily amount is paid to cover cost meals and incidental expenses for the employee and three dependents. No itemization or receipts are required.)		
Lodging:	\$95 (The actual daily amount (no lodging tax) paid for lodging by the employee and three dependents and is less than the maximum (\$245) that may be reimbursed. A lodging receipt is required for this amount.)		
Daily amount:	\$256 (Daily amount that is payable to the employee and dependents (within the maximum \$406 established in (a) for costs incurred by the employee and three dependents for the first 30 consecutive days)).		
Lodging Tax:	\$7.60/day		
Total:	\$263.60 (Actual daily amount paid to employee and dependents for costs (including lodging tax) incurred by the employee and three dependents for first 30 consecutive days).		
(c) Beginning on the 31st day per diem is computed at 60% (for employee and dependents 12 or older) and 30% (for dependents under 12) of the applicable <u>per diem rate</u> , unless a lower rate is authorized under Ch 6, Part D, §550-405(b)(3). The maximum daily amount starting on the 31 st through the 180th consecutive days that may be paid for the employee and three dependents in this example as follows:			
	M&IE	Max Lodging	Total
Employee	\$27.60 (\$46 x 60%)	\$42 (\$70 x 60%)	\$69.60
Employee's spouse	\$27.60 (\$46 x 60%)	\$42 (\$70 x 60%)	\$69.60
Child (age 12 or older)	\$27.60 (\$46 x 60%)	\$42 (\$70 x 60%)	\$69.60
Child (under age 12)	\$13.80 (\$46 x 30%)	\$21 (\$70 x 30%)	\$34.80
Max daily amount that may be paid for costs incurred by the employee & 3 dependents	\$96.60	\$147	\$243.60
(d) Determine the actual total daily amount that is paid for 31st to 180th consecutive days, within the maximum amounts shown in (c) (\$95.60 for M&IE and NTE \$147 for lodging), as follows:			
M&IE:	\$95.60 (The M&IE in this daily amount is paid to cover cost of meals and incidental expenses for the employee and three dependents. No itemization or receipts are required.)		
Lodging:	\$95 (The actual daily amount (no lodging tax) paid for lodging by the employee and three dependents and is less than the maximum (\$147) that may be reimbursed. A lodging receipt is required for this amount.)		
Daily amount:	\$190.60 (Daily amount payable to the employee and dependents within the maximum \$242.60 established in (c) for costs incurred by the employee and three dependents for the 31st to 180th consecutive days).		
Lodging Tax:	\$7.60/day		
Total:	\$198.20 (Actual daily amount paid for costs (including lodging tax) incurred by the employee and three dependents for the 31st to the 180th consecutive days).		

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PART M: HHT (FTR §302-5)

C5600 GENERAL (FTR §302-5.1-2)

A HHT:

1. Is discretionary. *The AO, not the employee, determines if a HHT is necessary.*
2. May only be authorized on a case-by-case basis, when an employee has accepted a permanent transfer, and the circumstances indicate the need.
3. May not be authorized to assist an employee in deciding whether or not to accept a transfer.
4. May be authorized only for an employee and/or spouse. Employee/spouse may perform separate HHTs to the new PDS at GOV'T expense NTE the cost that would have been incurred on one round trip when the employee's travel authorization/order is issued IAW Agency/Service regulations. Par. C5606.
5. May be authorized for an attendant or escort within this Part when Ch 6, Part L or APP E, Part 1, par. A21 apply (59 Comp. Gen. 461 (1980)).

If the HHT is allowed, it should lower the GOV'T's relocation costs by reducing the time in temporary lodging.

C5602 ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE (FTR §302-5.3)

An employee may be authorized a HHT when:

1. A PCS is authorized;
2. Both the old and new PDSs are located within CONUS and/or a non-foreign OCONUS area (e.g., one PDS could be in Nebraska and the other in Guam);
3. GOV'T/other prearranged housing is not going to be assigned at the new PDS; and,
- *4. The old and new PDSs are 75 or more miles apart via a usually traveled surface route. The official source to determine the measured map distance between the old and new PDSs is DTOD (par. C1065).

C5604 INDIVIDUALS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A HHT (FTR §302-5.4)

A HHT may not be provided for a/an:

1. New appointee or the new appointee's spouse if par. C5080-B applies; or
2. Employee authorized dependent and/or HHG transportation to/from a training location to which transportation is authorized under par. C4630 instead of per diem/AEA while at the training location; or
3. Employee's children, GSBCA 16907-RELO, 14 August 2006, <http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/relo/s1690714.pdf>

C5606 SEPARATE TRIPS BY EMPLOYEE AND SPOUSE (FTR §302-5.9)

A. Separate HHT round trips by the employee and spouse are allowed; however, the GOV'T's overall cost is limited to the cost of one round trip for the employee and spouse traveling together. The GOV'T's overall cost for comparison and computation purposes includes per diem, transportation costs, and reimbursable expenses (APP G). The HHT trip duration including travel time is limited to 10 days. Separate spouse HHT does not increase the 10-day limitation regardless of the circumstances (par. C5618). AEA is not authorized for HHT (par. C5624-B).

1. For example, if the GOV'T's overall round trip cost of one HHT for the employee and spouse between the old/new PDSs is \$800; and the employee/spouse each performed a separate round trip HHT for a combined total of \$1,200 – the GOV'T overall reimbursement for both HHT trips is limited to \$800. The excess HHT trip cost of \$400 is borne by the employee.
2. HHT(fixed) cost comparison, computations or lodging receipts are not required for separately performed HHT trips by the employee and spouse (par. C5624-B). HHT(fixed) is irrevocable once the employee signs a service agreement.

C5608 WHEN A HHT MAY BEGIN (FTR §302-5.10)

When authorized, a HHT may begin after the:

1. Employee signs a service agreement; and
2. DoD component establishes, and informs the employee of, the reporting date to the new PDS.

NOTE: *The maximum time for beginning allowable travel and transportation is ordinarily 2 years from the date the employee reports for duty at the new PDS. Par. C1057 for extensions.*

C5610 WHEN A HHT MUST BE COMPLETED (FTR §302-5.12)

Round-trip house-hunting travel must be completed by the:

1. Employee on the day before the day the employee reports to the new PDS, and
2. Spouse:
 - a. On the day before the family begins relocation to the new PDS, or
 - b. The expiration of the maximum time for beginning allowable travel and transportation.

C5612 HHT AUTHORIZATION (FTR §302-5.5)

After considering par. C5614-A, an AO/AO designee may authorize a HHT. The AO/AO's designee must determine:

1. If a HHT is necessary;
2. Whether subsistence reimbursement is per diem under the Lodgings-plus method (par. C5624-B1) or a fixed amount (par. C5624-B2);
3. The appropriate HHT duration (NTE the maximum IAW par. C5618);
4. The authorized transportation mode(s) for:
 - a. The HHT to/from the new PDS location; and
 - b. Local travel while house-hunting at the new PDS location.

C5614 CONSIDERATIONS

A. General. *The HHT must be minimized/avoided when other satisfactory and more economical alternatives are available.* An AO/AO designee must consider pars. C5614-B through C5614-F before authorizing a HHT.

B. Arranging a Permanent Residence before a Move. If the employee has a large family and must promptly vacate the residence at the old PDS, it might be less costly to the GOV'T, as well as more convenient to the employee, to complete arrangements for a new residence before the move actually takes place.

C. Arranging a Permanent Residence while in Temporary Lodgings. If the employee has no family or a small family, it might be less costly to allow the employee (and family) to remain in temporary lodgings at the new PDS for a somewhat longer period than might otherwise be required, subject to limitations until the employee finds a permanent residence.

D. Avoiding an Advance Trip. If TQSE is authorized, a HHT possibly may be avoided. It might be more advantageous to the GOV'T and the employee for the employee's dependents to remain at the former residence while the employee occupies temporary lodging at the new PDS. During that time the employee can select a permanent residence after becoming familiar with the new PDS area.

E. TDY at the New PDS. When an employee is TDY at what is already known to become a new PDS - before the permanent transfer is effective - a HHT should not be necessary.

F. Housing Information Assistance. It might be possible for the DoD Component to avoid/shorten the HHT duration by providing assistance and information to an employee concerning housing conditions and markets at the new PDS location.

C5616 PROHIBITIONS

A HHT is not authorized when the:

1. Employee will be assigned to a GOV'T/other prearranged permanent residence at the new PDS location.
2. Employee has not formally agreed to transfer to the new PDS.
3. Old and/or new PDS, are located in a foreign OCONUS area. APP A.
4. Distance between the old and new PDSs is less than 75 miles (as measured by map distance) via a usually traveled surface route.

C5618 TRIP DURATION (FTR §302-5.11-12)

A HHT, when authorized, should be for a reasonable time period considering the distance between the old and new PDSs, transportation mode, and the housing situation at the new PDS. *A funded HHT, including travel time, is NTE 10 calendar days.*

C5620 TRANSPORTATION TO AND/OR FROM A NEW PDS LOCALITY (FTR §302-5.14)

1. When authorizing/approving a transportation mode, the objective is to minimize en route time and maximize new PDS time.
2. If POC use is authorized (i.e. POC transportation is to the GOV'T's advantage), the MALT rate in par. C2505 applies.
3. If the employee travels by other than the authorized transportation mode, reimbursement is for the lesser of the actual transportation expenses or the authorized transportation cost.
4. The employee is authorized transportation expenses (including transportation between carrier terminals).

C5622 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

A. General Expenses. Reasonable expenses for local transportation at the new PDS are allowed.

B. Local Transportation

1. Local transportation by common carrier, local transportation systems, DTMO-negotiated car rental agreement (par. C2102-B regarding mandatory CTO/TMC use), commercially rented automobile, or a POC at the MALT rate in par. C2505 may be authorized.
2. The local transportation mode must be consistent with the transportation mode authorized for travel to/from the PDS (e.g., a rental car should not be authorized if POC transportation to the new PDS is authorized).

C. Special Conveyance (Taxi/Cab) Use. Special conveyance reimbursement is limited to transportation between carrier terminals and the places of lodging.

C5624 SUBSISTENCE

A. General

1. HHT subsistence expenses are ordinarily reimbursed under the Lodgings-plus method as in par. C5624-B1.
2. A DoD component may, however, offer to pay a fixed amount for subsistence expenses. Par. C5624-B2. The following are factors in determining whether or not to offer fixed amount reimbursement:
 - a. Administration Ease. Per diem payment under par. C5624-B1 ('Lodgings-Plus' method) requires submission of a travel claim for lodging expense amount validity review, accuracy, and reasonableness. A fixed amount paid under par. C5624-B2 is easier to administer because an expense review is not required.
 - b. Cost Considerations. Evaluate the cost of each subsistence reimbursement option on a case-by-case basis. *A single 'generic' decision for all PCS moves is not authorized.*
 - c. Employee Treatment. Consider employee morale and productivity as well as direct costs.

B. Methods. Calculate an employee's subsistence allowance IAW par. C5624-B1 or C5624-B2.

1. 'Lodgings-Plus' Computation Method. The applicable per diem is authorized, as prescribed in pars. C4553 and C5125, for one round trip of the employee and/or spouse for up to 10 calendar days between the old and new PDS.

NOTE: AEA in Ch 4, Part C, may not be authorized/approved for a HHT.

2. Fixed Amount. The amount calculated using par. C5624-B2a or C5624-B2b, as applicable:
 - a. The employee and spouse both travel (together or separately), multiply the applicable locality per diem rate by 6.25, or
 - b. If only one person (the employee or the spouse) travels, multiply the applicable locality per diem rate by 5.
3. Fixed Amount Payment
 - a. The fixed amount determined in par. C5624-B2a or C5624-B2b applies for the entire trip without regard to the number of days authorized for the HHT.
 - b. Any balance from the determined fixed amount not used by the employee for expenses:
 - (1) Belongs to the employee,

- (2) Is not subject to collection, and
- (3) May be taxable (FTR §302-5.18).

C. Subsistence Calculation Examples

1. General. An employee and spouse are authorized a 10-day HHT to Arlington, VA. For the examples below the following information is applicable:

- a. Per diem for Arlington, VA, at the time of travel is \$201 (\$150/ \$51).
- b. The single occupancy lodging cost is \$130.
- c. The DoD component offers a HHT and the option of either the fixed amount option (par. C5624-B2) or the ‘Lodgings-Plus’ option (par. C5624-B1).
- d. When the employee elects per diem under the ‘Lodgings-Plus’ computation method for a HHT, and the spouse accompanies the employee, the employee’s computation for the lodging rate is computed at the *single room rate*.

2. Example 1. The traveler is authorized a 10-day HHT with per diem computed under the ‘Lodgings-Plus’ computation method. Par. C5624-B1. The traveler and spouse travel together. ***The traveler must provide lodging receipts.***

Employee’s Per Diem		
Travel day to Arlington:	75% x \$51 = \$38.25 + \$130 (single lodging cost) =	\$ 168.25
8 days in the Arlington Area:	\$130 (Lodging) + \$51 (M&IE) = \$181/day x 8 days =	\$1,448.00
Travel day back to the PDS:	75% x \$51 =	+ \$ 38.25
Total Per Diem for Employee		\$1,654.50
Spouse’s Per Diem		
Using par. C5125-C, the maximum amount allowable is 75% of the per diem rate to which the employee is authorized under par. C4553.		
Total Per Diem for Spouse	75% x \$1,654.50 (employee’s per diem) =	\$1,240.88
Total Per Diem Payment		
Employee’s per diem		\$1,654.50
Spouse’s per diem		+ \$1,240.88
Total Per Diem for Employee and Spouse		\$2,895.38

3. Example 2. The employee is authorized a fixed amount HHT. Par. C5624-B2a. ***No lodging receipts are required.***

Total Fixed Subsistence for the Employee and Spouse	\$201 (locality rate) x 6.25 (fixed rate for employee and spouse) =	\$1,256.25
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4. Example 3. The employee reports to the new PDS without performing a HHT. The spouse performs a HHT alone.

Situation A:		
The employee elects the 10-day HHT with per diem computed under the 'Lodgings-Plus' computation method (par. C5624-B1). Using par. C5125-C, the employee is authorized per diem for the spouse up to the maximum rate. The employee must provide lodging receipts. NOTE: If the spouse lodges with the employee at the new PDS location, there is no lodging reimbursement unless there is an additional charge for the spouse.		
Travel day to Arlington:	\$130 (lodging) + \$38.25 (75% x \$51) =	\$ 168.25
8 days in the Arlington area:	\$130 + \$51 = \$181/day x 8 days =	\$1,448.00
Travel day back to the PDS:	75% x \$51 =	+ \$ 38.25
Total Per Diem for Spouse		\$1,654.50
Situation B:		
The employee elects the fixed-amount HHT (par. C5624-B2b) for the spouse. No lodging receipts are required.		
Total Fixed Subsistence for the Spouse	\$201 x 5 (fixed rate for one person) =	\$1,005.00

5. Example 4. The employee is authorized a 10-day HHT with per diem computed under the 'Lodgings-Plus' computation method. Par. C5624-B1. The employee and the spouse perform separate HHTs. **The employee must provide lodging receipts.**

Employee's Per Diem		
Travel day to Arlington:	\$130 (single lodging cost) + 75% x \$51 = \$38.25 =	\$ 168.25
5 days in the Arlington Area:	\$130 (lodging) + \$51 (M&IE) = \$181/day x 5 days =	\$ 905.00
Travel day back to the PDS:	75% x \$51 =	+ \$ 38.25
Total Per Diem for Employee		\$1,111.50
Spouse's Per Diem		
Using par. C5125-C, the maximum amount allowable is 100% of the per diem rate to which the employee is authorized under par. C4553.		
Travel day to Arlington:	\$130 (single lodging cost) + 75% x \$51 = \$38.25 =	\$ 168.25
4 days in the Arlington Area:	\$130 (lodging) + \$51 (M&IE) = \$181/day x 4 days =	\$ 724.00
Travel day back to the PDS:	75% x \$51 =	+ \$ 38.25
Total Per Diem for Spouse		\$ 930.50
Total Per Diem Payment		
Employee's per diem		\$1,111.50
Spouse's per diem		+ \$ 930.50
Total Per Diem for Employee and Spouse		\$2,042.00

C5626 EXPENSE DOCUMENTATION

A. Transportation. To receive reimbursement for HHT transportation expenses, an employee must itemize the transportation expenses and have appropriate receipts. Par. C1310.

B. Subsistence Expenses

1. Lodgings-plus Method. An employee paid per diem under par. C5624-B1, using the Lodgings-plus method must itemize lodging expenses and have lodging receipts. Par. C1310.
2. Fixed Amount. An employee paid for a HHT using the fixed amount computation under par. C5624-B2, does not require itemization or receipts for payment.

C5628 STATUS WHILE ON HHT

An employee is in a travel status (APP A) while performing house-hunting travel during the authorized absence period.

C5630 NO RETURN TO OLD PDS

A HHT consists of travel to the new PDS vicinity to locate permanent housing and return to the old PDS before performing en route PCS travel to the new PDS. If a HHT is authorized under the 'Lodging-Plus' method, and the employee reports for duty at the new PDS instead of returning to the old PDS, TQSE, if authorized, are payable in lieu of house-hunting subsistence for the days spent seeking permanent housing up to the day before reporting for duty at the new PDS, NTE the number of days authorized for the HHT. The one-way transportation is PCS travel (GSBCA 16339-RELO, 18 February 2004). Under the circumstances in par. C5630 an employee is *not* in a duty status while house-hunting. DoD 1400.25-M, SC630.7.4.3 about granting an excused absence for PCS purposes.

C5632 HHT ADVANCE (FTR §302-5.16)

1. A HHT expenses advance may be paid if a HHT under the 'Lodgings-Plus' method is offered and elected.
2. The advance is NTE the sum of the anticipated transportation costs and the maximum per diem allowable under the 'Lodgings-Plus' method in par. C5624-B1 for the HHT location and duration.
3. If a HHT using the fixed amount under par. C5624-B2 is offered and elected, 'subsistence-related' expenses payment does not constitute an advance, whereas the transportation-related expenses may be paid in advance just as for the HHT under the 'Lodgings-Plus' method.
4. Also par. C1101-G for house-hunting travel and transportation advances.

C5634 HHT ICW TQSE

A. TQSE(AE). If an employee is paid/reimbursed for HHT days and authorized TQSE(AE) is subsequently claimed for more than 30 days, the actual number of HHT days (NTE 10) paid/reimbursed (on either a 'Lodgings-Plus' or fixed amount basis) are deducted from the first authorized 30-day TQSE(AE) period. Par. C5372. For a reimbursed:

1. 5-day HHT, deduct 5 days from the first authorized TQSE(AE) 30 day period,
2. 6-day HHT, deduct 6 days from the first authorized TQSE(AE) 30 day period, or
3. 10-day HHT, deduct 10 days (or the actual number of days used, whichever is less) from the first authorized TQSE(AE) 30 day period.

B. TQSE(F). *The number of days paid/reimbursed for a HHT are not deducted from TQSE(F) IAW par. C5392.*

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A. Policy. IAW the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 USC §701 et seq., and 5 USC §3102 as amended, these provisions accommodate an employee with a disability/special need by reimbursing necessary additional travel and transportation expenses incurred in the performance of official travel. ***NOTE: An employee with a special need is treated the same as is an employee with a disability.***

B. Applicability (FTR § 302-4.100 and §301-13.1). This Part applies to a/an:

- *1. Employee with a disability, as defined in par. C7455, incident to TDY or a PCS (59 Comp. Gen. 461 (1980)), and
- *2. Employee with a disability, as defined in par. C7455, on official travel within the PDS limits (CBCA 1795-TRAV, 12 March 2010, B-318229, 22 December 2009).
- *3. Eligible dependent with a disability traveling ICW a PCS per the Agency's determination.
- *4. Tuition-free DoDEA dependent student with a disability IAW par. C5123.

*C. General Rule. Payment is authorized for additional travel expenses in par. C7460 that are incurred by an employee or eligible dependent with a disability/special need to provide reasonable accommodations in the performance of official travel. Agencies are not authorized to reimburse employees/eligible dependents for lodging unless the employee/eligible dependent is traveling on official business away from the employee's PDS. Under the Rehabilitation Act, the employing agency is not required to provide the accommodation that the employee requests or prefers; the agency has the discretion to choose any accommodation that is effective (par. C7450-B2).

C7455 DEFINITIONS

The terms below are defined for this Part.

A. Employee with a Disability. An "employee with a disability" defined in pars. C7455-B and C7455-E otherwise is covered under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 USC §701 et seq. Par. C7455-H defines an "employee with a special need".

B. Disability. A "disability" means:

1. Having a physical/mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities;
2. Having a record of such an impairment; or
3. Regarded as having such an impairment but must not be applied to transitory or minor impairments. A transitory impairment is an impairment with an actual or expected duration of 6 months or less.

C. Physical/Mental Impairment. "Physical/mental impairment" means:

1. Any physiological disorder/condition, cosmetic disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems; neurological, musculo-skeletal special sense organs, respiratory (including speech organs), cardiovascular, reproductive, digestive, genitourinary, hemic and lymphatic, skin, and endocrine; or
2. Any mental/psychological disorder, such as mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional/mental illness, and specific learning disabilities.

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3. "Physical/mental impairment" also includes such diseases and conditions as cerebral palsy, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, mental retardation, emotional illness, orthopedic, visual, speech, and hearing impairments, and similar diseases and conditions.

D. Major Life Activities. In general, major life activities include, but are not limited to, caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating and working.

E. Substantially Limits. "Substantially limits" means that the employee is:

1. Unable to perform a major life activity that the average person in the general population can perform; or
2. Significantly restricted as to the condition, manner, or duration under which the employee can perform a particular major life activity as compared to the condition, manner, or duration under which the average person in the general population can perform that same major life activity.

F. Has a Record of Such an Impairment. "Has a record of such an impairment" means the employee has a history of, or has been classified as having, a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

G. Is Regarded as Having Such an Impairment. The employee:

1. Has a physical/mental impairment that does not substantially limit major life activities, but the impairment is treated by the agency as constituting such a limitation;
2. Has a physical/mental impairment that substantially limits major life activities only as a result of the attitudes of others toward such impairment; or
3. Has none of the impairments defined in par. C7455-C, but is treated by the employing agency as having a substantially limiting impairment.

H. Employee with a Special Need. An "employee with a special need" means having physical characteristics of an employee not necessarily defined under disability. Such physical characteristics could include the traveler's weight/height, or a similar characteristic.

C7460 ALLOWABLE EXPENSES

The following expenses are allowable additional travel and transportation expenses payable to an employee with a disability/special need when appropriate IAW Agency/Service regulations:

1. Transportation and per diem authorized under this Part incurred by an attendant accompanying the employee, whether the attendant is or is not a member of the employee's immediate family, when the employee requires the assistance of an attendant;
2. Specialized transportation for the employee to, from, and/or at the TDY location;
3. Specialized services provided by a commercial carrier necessary to accommodate the employee's disability/special need;
4. Costs incurred as a direct result of the employee's disability/special need for baggage handling ICW public transportation or at lodging facilities, APP G, Baggage Expenses and Handling Tips;
5. Renting and/or transporting specialized assistance equipment, such as a wheelchair, needed in transit or at the TDY location; and
6. Premium-class accommodations when necessary to accommodate a traveler with a medical disability/

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special need per the Agency's/Service's premium-class travel policy. Par. C2000-A2c and APP P2, Sec C, FAQ #2 for medical justification of premium-class accommodation use.

7. Service of an attendant, when necessary, to accommodate the employee's disability/special need. APP E1, par. A2I if the attendant traveler is not an employee or member.

C7465 EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONAL ASSISTANTS FOR EMPLOYEES WITH A DISABILITY/SPECIAL NEED

5 USC §3102, authorizes the hiring, with or without pay, of personal assistants, as well as readers and interpreters, for an employee who is disabled or who has a special need while the employee travels on official business, for all or a portion of the travel period involved. Travel expenses and per diem allowances for such personal assistants are the same as those for employees traveling incident to TDY. Further guidance is available at:

<http://www.opm.gov/hrd/lead/pubs/handbook/lrbsa6.asp> .

C7470 TRANSPORTING A SPECIALLY EQUIPPED AUTOMOBILE BETWEEN CONUS PDSs

Transporting a specially equipped automobile between CONUS PDSs is based on 64 Comp. Gen. 30 (1984)). This decision is available at: <http://141.116.74.201/regs/comp-gen-dec/B-215616.pdf>. Par. C5248-C concerning transportation by the DoD component concerned or reimbursement for the transportation cost of a specially equipped automobile by a "traveler with a disability/special need" between CONUS PDSs.

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*PART O: REST AND RECUPERATION (R&R) LEAVE TRAVEL

C7750 R&R LEAVE TRAVEL

A. Policy

1. DoDI 1327.06, subsec. 1.j.(9) (<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/132706p.pdf>) establishes the DoD policy for designating locations eligible for funded R&R transportation.
2. Under DoDI 1327.06, upon traveler request, the applicable Combatant Commander or the designated representative who must be at least a general officer, may authorize R&R travel to be taken ICW other authorized travel, providing the combination of travel is in the DoD's best interest.
3. All restrictions outlined in DoDI 1327.06 apply to the USCENTCOM R&R Leave program, unless otherwise directed in this regulation.

B. General

1. Per Diem. *Per diem, meal tickets, and reimbursement for meals and lodging are not authorized for R&R.*
2. Travel Order. The DD Form 1610 (Request and Authorization for TDY Travel of DoD Personnel) is used to authorize R&R transportation (APP I4, par. A). TDY travel and transportation accommodations regulations also apply to R&R travel.
3. Arranging Official Travel. Par. C2203.
4. Commercial Aircraft Use. Par. C2204.
5. Legal Authority for this Part. 10 USC §1599B; and 22 USC §4081(6) and (8).
6. Charge to Leave. DoD Civilian Personnel Manual (DoD 1400.25-M) Subchapter 630, Leave, and Subchapter 1260, Home Leave.

C. Eligibility

1. General. A traveler is eligible for R&R leave transportation if assigned to a designated location outside the U.S.
2. Authorized Leave Transportation. The number of R&R leave transportations authorized is:
 - a. Standard Tour. One per 12-month period.
 - b. Contingency Tour
 - (1) One per contingency tour, except as indicated below in item 5.
 - (2) A contingency tour is ICW and directly tied to a CONTINGENCY OPERATION (APP A1).
 - (3) R&R is for a traveler who is serving a tour length under a TDY order for duty of 180 or more consecutive days (to include extensions), and who has served at least 60 consecutive days in one or more of the locations in APP U.
 - c. Extended Tour. Two per 18-month period or more.
3. R&R Travel Combined with other Authorized Travel

a. Combination. The Combatant Commander may authorize R&R travel with other authorized travel if the combination of travel is in the GOV'T's best interest.

b. No Combination. R&R may *not* be combined with TDY travel away from the contingency tour area.

4. 60 Consecutive Day Requirement

a. R&R may be taken after 60 consecutive days in the APP U location are completed.

b. The Combatant Commander may waive the 60 consecutive day requirement. This authority may not be delegated below the General/flag officer level.

D. R & R Locations/Destinations. APP U lists authorized R&R locations/destinations.

1. R&R Location. A location must meet the requirements of DoDI 1327.06 and be designated by one of the authorities listed in par. C7750-D5. ***Do not send designation requests to PDTATAC.***

2. R&R Destination. The authorized R&R destination, determined IAW DoDI 1327.06, is listed in APP U.

3. Alternate Destination

a. A traveler may select a destination different from the authorized destination in APP U and be reimbursed NTE the cost of GOV'T-provided transportation to the authorized destination.

b. Travel to and from the alternate destination is official travel, so available contract city-pair airfares may be available for use.

c. If the traveler travels to a more expensive alternate destination, city-pair airfares are not authorized to the alternate destination.

4. Examples. The locations and transportation costs used in the following examples are for illustrative purposes only and may not reflect current costs.

a. Example 1

EXAMPLE 1	
The traveler's PDS is OCONUS Location A. The authorized destination is OCONUS Location B.	
There is no city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and OCONUS Location B. The round trip POLICY-CONSTRUCTED AIRFARE (APP A) between OCONUS Location A and OCONUS Location B (incorporating some city-pair airfare connections) is:	\$1,200
CONUS Location C is the authorized CONUS destination. The round trip city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and CONUS Location C is:	\$1,000
The traveler desires to utilize R&R to CONUS Location D. Round trip city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and CONUS Location D is:	\$1,400
Round trip POLICY-CONSTRUCTED AIRFARE between OCONUS Location A and CONUS Location D is:	\$1,600
Since transportation to CONUS Location D is more expensive than transportation to OCONUS Location B or CONUS Location C no city-pair airfare may be used to CONUS Location D.	
Since round trip transportation for OCONUS Location B is more expensive than round trip transportation for CONUS Location C, the round trip transportation for OCONUS Location B is used for cost comparison.	

The traveler's financial responsibility is \$1,600 of which \$1,200 is reimbursable.
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b. Example 2

EXAMPLE 2	
The traveler's PDS is OCONUS Location A. The authorized destination is OCONUS Location B.	
Round trip city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and OCONUS Location B is:	\$980
CONUS Location C, is the authorized CONUS destination. The round trip city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and CONUS Location C is:	\$1,400
The traveler desires to utilize R&R to CONUS Location D. The round trip city-pair airfare between OCONUS Location A and CONUS Location D is:	\$1,200
Since transportation to CONUS Location D is less expensive than transportation to CONUS Location C, the traveler is authorized the city-pair airfare to CONUS Location D (\$1,200) <i>NTE the \$1,400 cost to CONUS Location C.</i>	

5. Location Designation/Re-designation

a. Designating Authority. PDUSD (P&R) is the designating authority for R&R locations/destinations for DoD Services.

b. Designation/Re-designation Requests. DoD Services must send designation requests through Combatant Command channels to PDUSD (P&R) IAW DoDI 1327.06.

E. Transportation

1. Limitations. R&R transportation is only for civilian employees and uniformed members. JFTR, par. U7300 for uniformed member R&R transportation.

2. Restrictions

a. A traveler taking an R&R trip may use:

- (1) Military air transportation on a space required basis if reasonably available to the R&R/alternate destination, or
- (2) Commercial air transportation if space-required military air transportation is not reasonably available, and
- (3) May not use cruise or tour packages to and/or from the authorized destination.

b. Each Commander must determine "reasonable availability" after considering mission requirements, frequency and scheduling of flights, and other relevant circumstances (including those personal to the traveler) that affect scheduling.

3. Procurement. Commercial air transportation must be IAW par. C2203.

4. Reimbursement. Reimbursement must not exceed the GOV'T-procured transportation cost between a traveler's PDS and the authorized destination as determined in par. C7750-D2.

5. Time Limitation

- a. Standard Tour: Traveler must have served more than 90 days in the R&R location prior to taking 1st R&R leave.
- b. Contingency Tour: Traveler must have served at least 60 days in the R&R location prior to taking R&R leave. ***NOTE: Each Combatant Commander is also authorized to waive the 60 consecutive day requirement. This authority may not be delegated below the General/flag officer level.***
- c. Extended Tour: Traveler must have served 18 or more months in the R&R location prior to taking a 2nd R&R leave.

F. Official Duty in Iraq and Afghanistan. Transportation for a DoD civilian employee on official duty in Iraq or Afghanistan during fiscal years 2006-2008 is continued through fiscal year 2011.

1. Authorized Transportation. The employee:

- a. Is authorized round trip transportation to the designated locations provided in APP U,
- b. Must be in an approved leave status while traveling to/from Iraq or Afghanistan and during R&R breaks, IAW DoD 1400.25-M.

The provisions in Ch 7, Part O must be applied when requesting and authorizing R&R travel.

2. Authority

- a. OSD (P&R) memo dated 20 October 2008,
- b. P.L. 110-417,
- c. Continued benefits, allowances, and gratuities authorized based on OSD (P&R) memo of 4 May 2007,
- d. P.L. 109-234, and
- e. 22 USC §4081(6).

3. Assignment Options. An employee in Iraq or Afghanistan is authorized transportation expenses (but no per diem) associated with R&R as follows.

a. 6 or more Months but Fewer than 12 Months. An employee:

- (1) TDY, TCS, or PCS to Iraq or Afghanistan for 6 or more months, but fewer than 12 months, is eligible for one R&R trip, and
- (2) Must serve a minimum of 60 days in Iraq or Afghanistan to be eligible for the R&R trip.

b. 12 Consecutive Months. An employee:

- (1) TDY, TCS, or PCS to Iraq or Afghanistan for at least 12 consecutive months is eligible for three R&R trips within the 12-month service period.
- (2) Must serve a minimum of 60 days in Iraq or Afghanistan to be eligible for the first R&R trip, and
- (3) Should take R&R trips at reasonable intervals; (e.g., the first break after 60 days, and subsequent breaks every 50 to 60 days).

4. Limitations

a. Individual R&R trip duration should not exceed the maximum number of calendar days away from the official duty station in Iraq or Afghanistan (including travel time) established in the Civilian Personnel Manual (DoD 1400.25-M) and/or other personnel directives.

b. An employee is expected to return to Iraq or Afghanistan following the R&R leave period or be financially liable for the expense of the R&R trip.

5. Retroactive Benefits and Gratuities. Effective for the period 15 June 15 2006 through 30 September 2011; benefits and gratuities must be granted retroactively for an employee assigned to Iraq or Afghanistan from the effective period specified in the authority, when eligibility criteria are met. Components must review an employee's circumstances assigned to Iraq or Afghanistan within the effective period (in relation with the dates applicable to each appropriate employee) to determine retroactive eligibility.

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PART 1: INVITATION TO TRAVEL

A. To Whom and when Invitational Travel is Applicable

1. Invitational travel is the term applied to authorize travel by an individual when the person is acting in a capacity that is related directly to, or ICW, official DOD activities. The person must:

- a. Not be employed by the GOV'T,
- b. Be only Intermittently employed by the GOV'T as a consultant or expert (***NOTE: This does not include a contractor's employee traveling in the performance of the contract.***) and paid on a daily when-actually-employed basis under 5 USC §5703,
- c. Be serving without pay or at \$1 a year, or
- d. Be a volunteer covered by 10 USC §1588. Par. A2r.

Travel and transportation allowances authorized for these individuals are the same as those ordinarily authorized for a DOD employee on TDY, except as provided by par. A2m below for spouse/dependent invitational travel.

2. Invitational travel may be authorized by use of an ITA when:

- a. It is in the DOD Component's interest to invite a college or university official or a representative of industry to observe the work performed by, or the operations of, an activity;
- b. An individual is requested to lecture, instruct, or give a demonstration at an activity ICW a DOD operation or program;
- c. An individual or as part of a group, who confers on an official DOD matter with DOD officials and who performs a direct service such as providing advice or guidance to DOD. ***An ITA is not authorized for an individual merely to attend a meeting or conference, even if hosted by a DOD Component on a matter related to the Component's official business.*** (55 Comp. Gen. 750 (1976));
- d. An individual's attendance at an incentive award ceremony is related to an award presentation (32 Comp. Gen. 134 (1952)). ***Travel and transportation allowances to an award presentation for a dependent or relative of an award recipient is prohibited except as authorized under par. C5;***
- e. An individual is an attendant for an employee with special needs or Uniformed Service member who is to be given an OPM award, a major department or agency award, or a non-Federally sponsored honor award and who would be unable to attend the award ceremony unattended (55 Comp. Gen. 800 (1976));
- *f. An individual is a sponsor, or is in a similar official capacity, and/or participates in a ceremony that is related directly to a DoD Component's interest (***NOTE: Simple 'attendance' at a ceremony does not allow travel under an ITA except as provided in par. U5242.***);
- g. An individual is authorized pre-employment interview travel under JTR, par. C7150;
- h. The individual is serving without compensation on a Board of Visitors as provided for in DOD governing regulations consistent with statutory authority;
- i. A witness is called to testify in administrative proceedings directed against a GOV'T civilian employee or Uniformed Service member in an adverse action case. The testimony can be on behalf of the GOV'T, the civilian employee, or the Uniformed Service member. The presiding hearing officer must determine that the witness's testimony is substantial, material, and necessary for proper case disposition and that an affidavit from the desired witness cannot adequately accomplish the same objective;

j. An individual is called to testify as a witness at a pretrial investigation conducted under Article 32, Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 USC §832;

k. Attendance as a complainant at an administrative hearing when the complaint is related to the complainant's Federal employment, the hearing is provided for by applicable Federal employment regulations, and it would be unreasonable to require the complainant to appear at personal expense (B-180469, 28 February 1974);

l. An individual is an attendant for an employee: under (1) or (2), or is an escort for a Uniformed Service member's dependent(s) under (3) noted in JTR, Ch 7, Part K or par. C7100; or JFTR, par. U7551.

(1) An employee with a disability or a special need on official travel (56 Comp. Gen. 661 (1977)) ; (59 Comp. Gen. 461 (1980)).

(2) An employee who interrupts TDY because of an incapacitating illness or injury and is incapable of traveling alone. JTR, par. C7370-A. Transportation expenses, but not per diem, are allowed for an attendant or escort for an employee on TDY who becomes ill or is injured (JTR, par. C7370-B2).; or

(3) A Uniformed Service member's dependent(s) when competent authority determined dependent's travel is necessary because the dependent(s) is/are incapable of traveling alone due to age, mental or physical incapacity, or other extraordinary circumstances under JFTR, par. U5240-C, U5241-D, U5242, U5243-C, U6004, or U6053. Round-trip travel (per diem) and transportation allowances may be authorized/approved including travel advances IAW 10 USC §1036 which may be paid per the Service's policy.

m. Dependents' Invitational Travel is for a family member. All applicable conditions in items (1) through (5) below must be met before allowances are authorized/approved.

(1) The AO determines that a dependent may travel with the sponsor, at GOV'T expense, when the:

(a) Dependent participates, in an official capacity, at an unquestionably official function , or

(b) The travel is in the national interest because of a diplomatic/public relations benefit to the U.S. which requires the spouse's presence in a non-participatory role. Participation ordinarily is limited to spouses and is representational in nature.

(2) Travel is allowed on a mission noninterference basis only, and must be supported with an ITA that ordinarily authorizes reimbursement of only transportation costs.

(3) The AO may authorize/approve transportation, per diem and/or other actual expense allowances if the individual's travel is unquestionably mission essential and there is a benefit for DOD beyond fulfilling a representational role.

(4) On a case-by-case basis, Code 2 civilians, 4-star general/flag officers, and certain 3-star general/flag officers serving as OCONUS or combatant commanders (as specified in DOD 4515.13-R, "Air Transportation Eligibility"), may authorize/approve transportation, per diem, and/or other expense allowances for their spouses. Spousal travel when authorized/approved must adhere to the criteria in DODD 4500.56, DOD Policy on the Use of GOV'T Aircraft and Air Travel. ***This authority does not constitute blanket approval authority.***

(5) The AO for all other travel under this item is the:

(a) Office of the Secretary of Defense Executive Secretary for SAM and OSA support for requests from OSD, the Defense Agencies, and outside the DOD;

- (b) Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, or designee, for requests from the Joint Staff;
- (c) Combatant Command Commander or designees for a request from a member and a civilian employee within the command. Joint or dual-hatted personnel traveling on behalf of the joint command must obtain approval through the joint command approval authority and not through the individual's Service channels. This authority may be further delegated in writing, but may not be delegated below the Major Command Chief of Staff or equivalent level for travel requests from DOD senior officials. ***NOTE: Major Commands are those ordinarily commanded by 4-star flag officers.***;
- (d) Secretary of a Military Department, or designees, for requests from a staff member; and
- (e) Service Chief or designees for a request from a member and a civilian employee within the Service. This authority may be further delegated in writing, but may not be delegated below the Major Command Chief of Staff or equivalent level for travel requests from DOD senior officials.

Except when par. A2m(3) applies, an ITA issued under the authority of par. A2m authorizes GOV'T-funded transportation only (i.e., no per diem or actual expense allowances) for the dependent, must include the following statement: ***"This travel authorization authorizes the dependent to accompany the sponsor to attend an official function. It does not authorize per diem or other expense allowances for the dependent. If the dependent does not desire to bear the expenses ordinarily reimbursed through per diem or other expense allowances, this travel authorization is canceled"***;

- n. A determination is made using the Secretarial Process for personnel within that department, or by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or the Chairman's designated representative for personnel assigned to the Joint Staff and/or to Combatant commands that the spouse of a civilian employee or uniformed member may travel at GOV'T expense to attend a Service-endorsed training course or briefing and subsequent voluntary service incident to such training or briefing (71 Comp. Gen. 6 (1991));
- o. Travel is by an individual who serves as an organ donor for a Uniformed Services member, when the donation is authorized under Service regulations;
- p. An individual performing a direct service for the GOV'T, consistent with 10 USC §1588. (5 USC §§ 5701(2), 5703; JTR, APP A; 55 Comp. Gen. 750 (1976)); or
- q. A Service may authorize/approve per diem and one round-trip transportation between the residence to the medical facility for a limited number of family members of an ill or injured member (***not of a civilian employee***) per par. U5246.
- r. An auxiliary chaplain who is intermittently employed by the GOV'T to provide religious services or emergency ministrations. ***An ITA is not used to document attendance at, or payments related to, attendance by individual participating in an unofficial capacity for Chaplain-led programs. Par. U1008.***
- s. An attendant (JFTR, par. U7961) for a patient authorized travel for specialty care over 100 miles IAW JFTR, par. U7960.

B. Restrictions. Invitational travel must not be authorized for:

1. A non-appropriated fund official or employee traveling on non-appropriated fund business;
2. Transportation of dependents and/or HHG (including freight and parcel post mail) or other property of an individuals to whom an ITA is issued;
3. A Federal GOV'T employee or Uniformed Service member (A Federal employee or a Uniformed member on active duty is given a regular TDY travel authorization/order) unless the individual is:

- a. A retired Federal GOV'T employee or Uniformed Services member (may include retired military personnel from foreign countries), or
 - b. Authorized pre-employment interview travel under JTR, par. C7150 and the employee/member is in a leave status during such travel (B-219046, 29 September 1986); or
 - c. An employee/member, traveling as a non-medical attendant, included on an ITA issued to a patient; or
4. Contractors (APP E3).

C. Allowance Expenses

1. General. An ITA provides for travel and transportation of an individual from the business place or home to the place at which that individual's services are required, and return to the origin.

2. Transportation Mode. Authorization of a transportation mode, routing, and accommodations should be consistent with the provisions in JTR, Ch 2 and JFTR, Ch 3 (pars. A2p and q above) as appropriate to mission requirements.

3. Witness at a Military Court Martial. A person not in the GOV'T's employ, when called as a witness before a military court martial, is authorized travel and transportation allowances under Service administrative regulations, except to testify as a witness at a pretrial investigation conducted under Article 32, Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 USC §832 (par. A2j).

4. Participants in Annual National Matches Sponsored under 10 USC §4312. Title 10, USC §4312 authorizes TDY mileage allowance payment to a civilian competitor while traveling to and from the National Matches. The TDY mileage allowance for the return trip may be paid in advance. Provisions for transportation allowance payment are in Army Regulation (AR) 920-30. The ITA also may authorize a subsistence allowance for the competition duration. The allowance rate is set by the Director for Civilian Marksmanship and must be stated in the ITA issued to each competitor.

5. Attendance at an Award Ceremony

a. Reimbursement for travel and transportation expenses ordinarily may be allowed for one individual to attend a major award ceremony provided the (B-233607, 26 October 1989):

(1) Travel and transportation is authorized by the head of the DOD component concerned or designee; and,

(2) Individual is a person of the award recipient's choosing who is related by blood, marriage or whose close association with the award winner, as viewed by the DOD component, is the equivalent of a family relationship.

Examples of award ceremonies are: a Presidential award ceremony, an agency or major organizational component annual award ceremony, or a prestigious honorary award ceremony sponsored by a non-Federal organization.

b. Reimbursement for travel and transportation expenses is authorized in par. C when the award winner and guest are geographically distant from the ceremony site, rather than in instances in which the award winner's residence is in the same area as the ceremony.

Example: The award winner and spouse live in Denver, CO, and the ceremony is in Washington, DC. Travel and transportation allowances may be authorized for both the winner and spouse.

c. The DOD component concerned may allow attendance at GOV'T expense of more than one individual when the award winner requires assistance because of a disability condition.

Reimbursement for transportation is limited to direct travel to and from the ceremony location (including travel between common carrier terminals and hotel where applicable and the ceremony site). Per diem is allowed for direct travel to and from the award ceremony location and for the ceremony day.

6. Travel of a DOD Education Agency (DODEA) Student for Academic Competitions and Co-curricular Activities. JTR, par. C5120 and JFTR, par. U5243-D.

7. Travel and Transportation for Funeral Honors Detail. A person not employed by the GOV'T, who participates in funeral honors detail for a veteran (10 USC §1491), may be authorized transportation or transportation reimbursement and reimbursable expenses (APP G). The transportation mode used should be the least costly mode available that adequately meets the needs of the detail. ***Actual transportation expenses, (not a TDY mileage allowance), are payable when a POC is the authorized transportation mode.*** POC actual expense reimbursement is limited to: fuel; oil; parking; ferry fares; road, bridge and tunnel tolls. The actual cost of lodging and meals may be reimbursed up to the per diem rate prescribed for the area concerned. Reimbursement for reimbursable expenses in JFTR/JTR, APP G for employees or members under pars. A2p and A2q may be authorized/approved.

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APPENDIX S

AUTHORIZED FEML LOCATIONS/DESTINATIONS

A. Authorized Personnel. The FEML locations, when on permanent duty at the location, in the table below are authorized for a:

1. Member and each command-sponsored dependent; and
2. DoD civilian employee and each dependent.

B. Unauthorized Personnel. *JFTR/JTR contents do not apply to contractors or their employees at FEML locations.*

C. Authorization Period. A location shown is ‘authorized’ until removed from the list (regardless of the re-certification date shown next to the destination). JFTR, par. U7207-I2 (uniformed member) and JTR, par. C7700- I2 (DoD civilian employee).

D. Immediate Changes. Changes made to the list, but not in print, may be found at <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/perdiem/immediatechgs.html>.

E. Authorized FEML Locations/Destinations

Authorized FEML Location	Combatant Command	Authorized Destination	Re-certification Due Date
Albania, Tirana	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Algeria, Algiers	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2009</i>
Angola, Luanda	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Argentina, Buenos Aires	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Armenia, Yerevan	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Australia			
Alice Springs	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Learmouth (incl. Exmouth)	PACOM	Perth	31 Dec 2010
Azerbaijan, Baku	EUCOM	Washington, DC	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Bahrain, Manama	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Bangladesh, Dhaka	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Barbados, Bridgetown	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Belarus, Minsk	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Belize, Belmopan	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Bolivia, La Paz	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Bosnia, Sarajevo	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Botswana, Gaborone	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Brazil			
Brasilia	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Rio de Janeiro	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Sao Paulo	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Bulgaria, Sofia	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Burma (See Myanmar)			
Burundi, Bujumbura	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>30 Nov 2008</i>

Authorized FEML Location	Combatant Command	Authorized Destination	Re-certification Due Date
Cambodia, Phnom Penh	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Cameroon, Yaounde	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Chad, N'djamena	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Chile, Santiago	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
China, Beijing	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Colombia, Bogota	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Costa Rica, San Jose	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Cote D'Ivoire, (formerly Ivory Coast), Abidjan	EUCOM	Washington, DC	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Croatia, Zagreb	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Cuba			
Guantanamo Bay	SOUTHCOM	Jacksonville	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
*Havana (for USCG uniformed members only)	USCG	Miami	31 Jan 2012
Cyprus, Nicosia	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Democratic Republic of Congo, Kinshasa	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Djibouti	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Ecuador, Quito	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Egypt, Cairo	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
El Salvador, San Salvador	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Estonia, Tallinn	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Ethiopia, Addis Ababa	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Fiji, Suva	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Gabon, Libreville	EUCOM	Paris	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Georgia, Tbilisi	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Ghana, Accra	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Greece			
Athens	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Larissa	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Greenland, Thule 1/	EUCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Oct 2008</i>
Guatemala, Guatemala City	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Guinea, Conakry	EUCOM	Paris/Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Guyana, Georgetown	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Haiti, Port au Prince	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Honduras, Tegucigalpa	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Hong Kong	PACOM	Los Angeles	31 Dec 2010
Iceland	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>30 Sep 2007</i>
India, New Delhi	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Indonesia, Jakarta	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Israel, Tel Aviv	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Ivory Coast (See Cote D'Ivoire)			

Authorized FEML Location	Combatant Command	Authorized Destination	Re-certification Due Date
Jamaica, Kingston	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Jordan, Amman	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Kazakhstan, Astana	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Kenya, Nairobi	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Kuwait	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Kyrgyzstan, Bishkek	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Laos, Vientiane	Joint POW/MIA	Honolulu	<i>31 Oct 2006</i>
Latvia, Riga	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Lebanon, Beirut	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Liberia, Monrovia (eff 12 Sep 2008)	AFRICOM	Baltimore	12 Sep 2010
Libya, Tripoli	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Mar 2009</i>
Lithuania, Vilnius	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslavia Republic of, Skopje	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Madagascar, Antananarivo	PACOM	Frankfurt	31 Dec 2010
Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur	PACOM	Sydney	31 Dec 2010
Mali, Bamako	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Mauritania, Nouakchott (eff 28 Apr 2005)	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Mar 2009</i>
Mexico, Mexico City	NORTHCOM	San Antonio	<i>31 Aug 2008</i>
Moldova, Chisinau	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar	PACOM	San Francisco	31 Dec 2010
Montenegro, Podgorica	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Morocco, Rabat	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Mozambique, Maputo	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Myanmar, Rangoon	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Namibia, Windhoek	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Nepal, Katmandu	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Nicaragua, Managua	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Niger, Niamey	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Nigeria			
Abuja	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Lagos	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Oman, Muscat	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Pakistan, Islamabad	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Panama, Panama City	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Paraguay, Asuncion	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Peru, Lima	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Philippines, Manila	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Poland, Warsaw	EUCOM	Washington, DC	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Qatar, Doha	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Romania, Bucharest	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>

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Russia, Moscow	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Rwanda, Kigali	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Saudi Arabia			
Dhahran	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Jeddah	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Jubail	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Khamis	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
King Khalid Military City	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Riyadh	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Tabuk	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Taif	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Senegal, Dakar	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Serbia, Belgrade	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Singapore	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
South Africa, Pretoria	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Sri Lanka, Colombo	PACOM	Frankfurt	31 Dec 2010
Suriname, Paramaribo	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Syria, Damascus	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Taiwan, Taipei	PACOM	Sydney	31 Dec 2010
Tajikistan, Dushanbe	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam	EUCOM	Baltimore	<i>28 Feb 2010</i>
Thailand, JUSMAGTHAI (eff. 21 Jan 09)			
Bangkok	PACOM	Honolulu	21 Jan 2011
Chiang Mai	PACOM	Honolulu	21 Jan 2011
Trinidad and Tobago, Port of Spain	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Tunisia, Tunis	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Turkey, Ankara	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Turkmenistan, Ashgabat	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Uganda, Kampala	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Ukraine, Kiev	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Uruguay, Montevideo	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Uzbekistan, Tashkent	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Venezuela, Caracas	SOUTHCOM	Miami	<i>30 Apr 2009</i>
Vietnam, Hanoi	PACOM	Honolulu	31 Dec 2010
Yemen, Sanaa	CENTCOM	Baltimore	<i>31 Jul 2010</i>
Zambia, Lusaka	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>
Zimbabwe, Harare	EUCOM	Frankfurt	<i>31 Jul 2009</i>

1/ Exception to the 24-month tour requirement approved by ASD (FMP) memo dated 18 Mar 2002.

APPENDIX T

STANDARD DATA ELEMENTS FOR TRAVEL

Table I: Traveler Identification		
Group Name	Data Elements	Description
Travel Order	Order Number	Assigned by the appropriate office.
Employee Name	First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name	Agency guidelines may specify the order, e.g., last name first.
Employee Identification	Employee Number	Must use a number, e.g., SSN, vendor number, or other number that identifies the employee.
Travel Purpose Identifier	Mission (Operational)	
	Training	
	Conference — Other than Training	
	Relocation	Same as change of official station.
	Special Agency Mission Travel	
	Emergency Travel	
Travel Period	Start Date, End Date	Month, Day, Year according to agency guidelines.
Travel Type	CONUS/Domestic	Travel within continental United States.
	OCONUS/Domestic	Travel outside continental United States.
	Foreign	Travel to other countries.
Leave Indicator	Annual, Sick, Other	Identifies leave type as the reason for an interruption of per diem.
Official Duty Station	City, State, Zip	Either the corporate limits of city/town or the reservation, station, established area where stationed.
Residence	City, State, Zip	The geographical location where traveler resides, if different from official duty station.
Payment Method	EFT	Direct deposit via electronic funds transfer.
	Treasury Check	Payment made by Treasury check.
	Imprest Fund	Payment made by Imprest Fund.
Mailing Address	Street Address, City, State, Zip	The location designated by the traveler based on agency guidelines.

Table II: Commercial Transportation Information		
Group name	Data elements	Description
Transportation Payment		Method traveler used to purchase transportation tickets.
Method Indicator	GTR	U.S. Government Transportation Request.
	GTCC - Central Billing Account	A contractor GTCC centrally billed account.
	GTCC – Individually Billing Account	IAW and as provided by agency guidelines.
	Cash	
Transportation Payment Identification Number	Payment ID Number	A number that identifies the payment for the transportation tickets, according to agency guidelines, (e.g., GTR number, GTCC number).
Transportation Method Indicator	Air (Premium Class)	Common carrier used as transportation to TDY location.
	Air (Non-premium Class)	
	Non-contract Air, Train, Other	
*Transportation in Performance of TDY or While at the TDY Location	POC, Car rental, Taxi, Other	*Identifies transportation used while in the performance of TDY or while at the TDY location.

Table III: Travel Expense Information		
Group name	Data elements	Description
Per Diem	Total Number of Days	The number of days traveler claims to be on per diem status, for each official travel location.
	Total Amount Claimed	The amount of money traveler claims as per diem expense.
	Lodging, Meals & Incidentals	
Travel Advance	Advance Outstanding	The amount of travel advance outstanding, when the traveler files the travel claim.
	Remaining Balance	The amount of the travel advance that remains outstanding.
Subsistence	Actual Days	Total number of days the traveler charged actual subsistence expenses. The number of days must be expressed as a whole number.
	Total Actual Amount	Total amount of actual subsistence expenses claimed as authorized. Actual subsistence rate, per day, may not exceed the maximum subsistence expense rate established for official travel by the JFTR or JTR as appropriate.
Transportation Method Cost	Air (Premium Class)	The amount of money the transportation actually cost the traveler, entered according to method of transportation.
	Air (Non-premium class) Non-contract Air, Train	
	Other	Bus or other form of transportation.
*Transportation in Performance of TDY or While at the TDY Location	POC Distance	Total number of miles driven in POC.
	POC mileage expense	Total amount claimed as authorized based on mileage rate.
	Car rental, Taxis, Other	Different mileage rates apply based on type and use of the POC.
*Constructed Cost	Constructed cost	The difference between the amount authorized to spend and the amount claimed.
Reclaim	Reclaim amount	An amount of money previously denied as reimbursement for which additional justification is now provided.
Total Claim	Total claim	The sum of the amount of money claimed for per diem, actual subsistence, mileage, transportation method cost, and other expenses.

Table IV: Accounting & Certification		
Group name	Data elements	Description
Accounting Classification	Accounting Code	Agency accounting code.
Non-Federal Source Indicator	Per Diem, Subsistence, Transportation	Indicates the type of travel expense(s) paid, in part or totally, by a non-Federal source.
Non-Federal Source Payment Method.	Check, EFT, Payment “in-kind”	Total payment provided by non-Federal source according to method of payment.
Signature/Date Fields	Claimant Signature	Traveler’s signature, or digital representation. The signature signifies the traveler read the “fraudulent claim/responsibility” statement.
	Date	Date traveler signed “fraudulent claim/ responsibility” statement.
	Claimant Signature	Traveler’s signature, or digital representation. The signature signifies the traveler read the “Privacy Act” statement.
	Date	Date traveler signed “Privacy Act” statement.
	Approving Officer Signature	Approving Officer’s signature, or digital representation. The signature signifies the travel claim is approved for payment based on authorized travel.
	Date	Date Approving Officer approved and signed the travel claim.
	Certifying Officer Signature	Certifying Officer’s signature, or digital representation. The signature signifies the travel claim is certified correct and proper for payment.
	Date	Date Certifying Officer signed the travel claim.