

JOINT TRAVEL REGULATIONS, VOL. 2 (JTR)**CHANGE 572****1 JUNE 2013**

- 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 June 2013 unless otherwise indicated.
- C. Civilian Principals. The following are the current Civilian Principals:

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- D. Applicable CAP Items and Brief of Revisions. This change includes all material and revisions written in the following CAP Items:

CAP 137-12/MAP 166-12 -- BAH for Active Guard and Reserve (AGR). Requires the BAH rate for an AGR member continue at the PDS rate, even when the AGR member transitions from AGR duty to active duty provided there is no break in service. Also implements BAH rate protection for RC members on separate periods of active duty provided there's no break in active service. Affects APP A1 and APP A2.

CAP 35-13(I) thru 49-13(I), and 58-13(I) -- Chapter 4 Rewrite. Initiates a series of items that will lead to the merging of the JTR and JFTR into one volume. This phase of the merger is intended to align the two sets of regulations as a précis to simplifying and updating the JTR/JFTR allowing for easier access to information, and more accurate information where the allowances of DoD Civilian Employee and Uniformed Members are the same. In addition, differences will be easier to identify in the final version of the merged document.

CAP 50-13(E) -- Add Note Reminding Agencies of Requirement to Pay Travel Expenses. Adds note to JTR, par. C1000-D reminding agencies of their requirement to pay for travel expenses when a traveler is directed to perform travel.

CAP 53-13(I) -- Remove Information on Permissive Travel. Removes references to permissive travel and other travel when there is no reimbursement by/expense to the GOV'T. The JTR does not address travel involving no reimbursement by/expense to the GOV'T (e.g., permissive travel, travel under a travel authorization but not on public business, return from leave to duty abroad, and attendance at public ceremonies). For information on permissive travel, please refer to DoDI 1400.25, Vol. 630 and Component supplemental personnel and travel guidance for excused absence and permissive travel policies, respectively. Affects par. C1000-D, and APP I4-A, Item 2m.

MAP 59-13(I)/CAP 59-13(I) -- Update JFTR and JTR, Table of Contents. Updates the Tables of Contents for the JTR and the JFTR.

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A. Personnel Covered. The JTR applies to:

1. A DoD civilian employee, including 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.;
2. Dependent(s) of an employee/individual covered by JTR (unless eligible for separate Allowances;
3. 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;
4. A DoD personal services contract employee ([27 Comp. Gen. 695 \(1948\)](#));
5. Civilian marine personnel of Military Sealift Command to the extent provided in NAVSO P833, [Civilian Marine Personnel Instruction \(CMPI\) Instruction 4650](#);
6. A person who performs travel under a DoD ITA (including a non U.S. person indirect hire);
7. A National Guard technician employed pursuant to [32 USC §709](#);
8. A person employed intermittently as a consultant/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;
9. A new appointee to the SES, and
10. Certain Presidential appointees.

B. Personnel Not Covered. The JTR does *not* apply to:

1. A Uniformed Service member;
2. Dependent(s) of an individual /employee covered by the JFTR;
3. A NAF official and/or employee traveling on NAF business (JTR may be adopted and interpreted by NAF activities for NAF employees.);
4. A contractor's representative and/or contractor's employee under a contract with DoD;
5. A DoD employee appointed under [22 USC §2385\(d\)](#); or
6. 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 (except the 'Fly America' always applies to DoD personnel).

C. Statutory Regulations. JTR:

1. Implements the basic statutory regulation issued by GSA (FTR), governing a civilian employee's travel and transportation at GOV'T expense.

2. Has the force and effect of law and is issued primarily under the authority of OSD and PDTATAC.

D. Travel Not Paid for by the GOV'T

***NOTE:** *A traveler must not be directed to perform official travel at personal expense. Limited travel funds are not a basis for denying official travel reimbursement or reducing allowances.*

*1. General. The JTR:

- a. Addresses allowances paid/reimbursed by the GOV'T, and
- b. Does **not** address travel involving no reimbursement by/expense to the GOV'T (e.g., permissive travel, travel under a travel authorization but not on public business, return from leave to duty abroad, and attendance at public ceremonies). See DoDI 1400.25, Vol. 630 and Component supplemental personnel and travel guidance for excused absence and permissive travel policies, respectively.

*2. Policy. When travel at GOV'T expense is not authorized, an employee may agree to pay all expenses for attendance at a technical, professional, scientific, or other similar organization meeting. See par. C5025 for policy on travel at GOV'T expense.

*3. Employee Status

- a. An administrative determination must be made IAW civilian personnel policy to determine if the employee is in a duty or leave/other non-duty status. See DoDI 1400.25, Vol. 630.
- b. For a funded order to be issued, the employee must be in a duty status., An employee in a leave status when a funded order is issued, enters a duty status to execute the order.

E. FTR Authority Not Implemented. There may be circumstances when the FTR authorizes a discretionary travel and transportation allowance but the JTR remains silent. A discretionary FTR authority that is not addressed in the JTR is not implemented within DoD.

C1005 PROHIBITION NOT STATED

The FTR creates the authority for payment of certain allowances and is implemented in DoD by the JTR. There may be circumstances when travel and transportation allowances are prohibited and are so stated. ***However, just because a prohibition is not stated does not mean that an allowance exists or may be authorized (e.g., the philosophy of "It doesn't say I can't therefore I can." does not apply to JTR).***

C1015 IMPLEMENTATION

A. Regulatory Authority. Under [DoDD 5154.29](#) the provisions of and subsequent changes to the JTR are effective based on PDTATAC regulatory authority.

B. Allowance Implementation. ***The JTR requires no further allowances implementation.***

C. Administrative Procedures

1. The Services/Agencies (separately or jointly) may issue related administrative procedures provided they do not conflict with or unnecessarily duplicate JTR provisions.

2. The Services/Agencies (separately or jointly) should issue implementing administrative and/or procedural publications for certain allowances. The listing below cites allowances that do/should be implemented by Service/Agency issuances. The following list may not be all inclusive:

- a. Completion and submission of travel vouchers (Ch 2, Part K);
- b. Appropriate authority/approval level for business class air travel (par. C3500);
- c. Authorization/order endorsement related to foreign flag carrier use (par. C3525-F);
- d. Meal ticket issuance, use, and care, and for the payment for meals procured with the tickets;
- e. Procedures and conditions under which advance payments are authorized including those in:
 - (1) PDT (Ch 5);
 - (2) Evacuation Allowances (Ch 6);
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- m. Transportation of the remains of a deceased employee and/or a deceased dependent (Ch 5, Part R).

C1020 SERVICE/AGENCY IMPLEMENTATION ISSUANCE REVIEW PROCESS

A. Requirement. [DoDD 5154.29](#) requires that PDTATAC staff review all DoD written material that implements JTR provisions to ensure per diem, travel and transportation allowances, relocation allowances, and certain other allowances are uniformly applied.

B. Application. The review process applies to all DoD COMPONENTS.

C. Procedure. A WORD document of the written material should be forwarded, via the Service/Agency CAP representative found in the Introduction Feedback Reporting section to:

1. Email: pdtatac@dtmo.pentagon.mil; or

2. Mail:

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

3. Fax: (571) 372-1301 DSN (312) 372-1301

C1025 EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY

Nothing in JTR provides authority for expenditures for purposes not provided for in appropriations and/or in law.

C1030 DUPLICATE PAYMENT

1. A duplicate payment is a GOV'T payment claimed by a traveler for an expense paid to the traveler by another entity or two payments for the same expense.
2. *Expenses reimbursed, or to be reimbursed, by another entity must not be paid by the GOV'T.*
3. A nondeductible meal provided to a traveler in a per diem status is not a duplicate payment.
4. The traveler is financially responsible for returning duplicate payments received, including any allowances covered in the JTR.
5. The Improper Payments Information Act of 2002, [P. L. 107-300](#) may apply.

C1035 APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE REGULATIONS

A Service/Agency is expected to take appropriate disciplinary action when a traveler and/or AO fails to follow these Regulations. Disciplinary action should be for *willful* violations and may be in the form of counseling (oral/written), non-judicial action, or other appropriate personnel means. Action must *not* be through refusal to reimburse. See par. C2400-E for exceptions when reimbursement is *not* allowed.

C1040 REGULATION CHANGE EFFECTIVE DATE

A change to JTR is effective, unless otherwise noted, on the published change date in which it first appears. This date appears in the lower left corner of each page. When an effective date is different from the published change date, that effective date is indicated.

C1045 INTERPRETATION OF THESE REGULATIONS AND THEIR UNDERLYING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The application of basic laws, appropriation acts, JTR (and FTR), and departmental instructions to specific travel circumstances is subject to interpretation by the OSD GC and DOHA (for uniformed members), and CBCA (for a DoD civilian employee). OSD GC, DOHA, CBCA, GSBICA, and GAO decisions provide guidance for similar cases/situations involving the same circumstances and where applicable are referenced. *Other interpretations are strictly advisory in nature.*

C1050 TERMINOLOGY

The terminology used in the JTR may be unique to the JTR. See APP A, Part 1 for definitions of terms, and Part 2 for acronyms. Use the relevant Chapters and Parts, with APP A to determine the exact definition of a specific term. Definitions in the JTR are not necessarily applicable to other GOV'T regulations.

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CHAPTER 4: TDY

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A. Authorization/Approval. A TDY assignment may be authorized/approved only when necessary to conduct official GOV'T business.

B. Scheduling Travel. Travel must be planned and scheduled to accomplish multiple objectives with minimal disruptions and transportation delays.

C. Service Procedures. Service procedures (see par. C2020) must ensure that the:

1. TDY purpose is essential official business in the GOV'T's interest;
2. TDY objective cannot be accomplished less expensively by correspondence, teleconferencing, web based communications, or other appropriate means. *This must be certified in a statement on the order.*;
3. TDY duration is no longer than required to complete the official business;
4. Number of TDY travelers is held to the minimum;
5. Traveler's eligibility is based on official necessity and qualifications to best perform the mission;
6. TDY assignment is not for an unauthorized person to travel at GOV'T expense accompanying/joining an eligible traveler ICW the official travel; and
7. Employee is informed of the tax implications ICW ITRA (par. C4715).

C4005 TDY ASSIGNMENT SELECTION

Selection for a TDY assignment must be based on official necessity and qualifications of the individual to best perform the service required. TDY travel should not be authorized/approved for administrative personnel when such services are available at the TDY site, unless sending them is mission essential.

C4010 WHAT CONSTITUTES TDY TRAVEL

TDY travel includes the following:

1. An assignment away from the PDS that is not so frequent or lengthy that the location is, in fact, the traveler's PDS;
2. Participation in civil defense activities authorized under Service regulations;
3. Witness duty to testify/provide information on the GOV'T's behalf or on matters of official DoD concern;
4. Training course attendance conducted/sponsored by GOV'T agencies, or approved under department/agency regulations IAW [5 USC §§4101-4118](#);
5. Attendance at technical, scientific, professional, or similar meetings and conferences sponsored/arranged by non Federal organizations;
6. Assignment as an attendant to a traveler with a special need/disability when the AO determines that the traveler is incapable of traveling alone on official travel ([56 Comp. Gen. 661 \(1977\)](#));

7. Change of command ceremony or funeral attendance ([70 Comp. Gen. 200 \(1991\)](#)) when the DoD COMPONENT head/designee determines that circumstances justify designating the traveler as an official representative;
8. Employee's attendance as a complainant at an administrative hearing when the complaint is related to the complainant's Federal reemployment, the hearing is provided for by applicable Federal employment regulations, and it is held in a location that serves the GOV'T's interest; and
9. Interview travel required to fill a vacancy when the travel is authorized and justified (restricted to a GOV'T employee).

C4015 ADVANCE NOTICE, CLEARANCES, AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. Advance Notice

1. A TDY assignment should be cleared in advance with the activity involved.
2. Clearance must be obtained from each command when an assignment involves visits to:
 - a. Activities in more than one command, or
 - b. Commands in different departments, agencies or OCONUS commands.

B. Clearances

1. Clearances, restrictions, and other requirements specified in the foreign clearance regulations and of the separate departments/agencies must be followed ICW assignments to OCONUS areas.
2. Special instructions about foreign countries in a travel itinerary include:
 - a. Advance notification for submission of clearance requests before travel begins, and
 - b. Duty and travel restrictions for a traveler who possesses highly sensitive information.
3. Security Clearance
 - a. A TDY traveler must follow all departmental security regulations.
 - b. The AO must ensure each traveler is thoroughly briefed on security provisions when classified information disclosure is involved.
 - c. When required, notification of a traveler's access to classified material must be furnished to the commander of the destination activity.
 - d. When applicable, a traveler's current security clearance must be stated in the order.
 - e. The AO must ensure security clearance designation accuracy.

C. Requirements

1. DoD regulations require DoS notification when high level personnel visit in foreign areas (Foreign Service Act, Section 207, [P. L. 96-465](#); & [1 FAM 013.2b\(a\)\(2\) & \(b\)](#)).
2. The traveler is responsible for carrying out the assigned mission.
3. An employee who does not report to the TDY location, or who, upon arrival there, refuses to perform the mission or resigns, is financially liable to the GOV'T for the GOV'T paid TDY travel and transportation allowances.

C4020 EFFECT OF ABSENCE ON PER DIEM PAYMENT

A. Absence due to Illness or Injury. See par. C7370 for per diem authority when an employee is incapacitated during travel because of illness/injury.

B. Detained in Quarantine. An employee on TDY is authorized per diem while detained in quarantine.

C. Leave and Non Workday

1. General. An employee is:

- a. Authorized per diem for a day leave is taken for only part of the workday (other than as provided in Ch 7, Part H)
- b. Not authorized per diem for a day when leave is taken for the whole workday.

2. Non Workday. A non workday is a legal Federal GOV'T holiday, weekend, or other scheduled non workday.

3. Per Diem

a. Authorized. Per diem is authorized:

- (1) On a non workday except when the employee returns to the PDS/place of abode, or
- (2) For not more than two non workdays if leave is taken for all workdays between the non workdays.

b. Not Authorized. Per diem is not authorized for a non workday when leave is taken for the whole workday before and the whole workday following the non workday.

D. Return to PDS on Non Workday. An employee who voluntarily returns home from TDY on a non workday is reimbursed for the round trip travel as provided in par. C4440.

E. Travel on a Non Workday to a Location other than the PDS

1. Per Diem/AEA. An employee, on TDY, who travels, for personal reasons, on a non workday from a TDY site to a location other than the place of abode/PDS is authorized per diem/AEA for the non workday NTE the amount payable had the employee remained at the TDY site.

2. Transportation. Transportation cost reimbursement is not authorized ([B-171266, 24 February 1971](#)).

F. Delay in Returning to PDS

1. When, for personal reasons (including 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.
2. 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.
3. When return travel is by an authorized mode on which sleeping accommodations are *not* available, the constructed departure date is the morning of the day following TDY completion.
4. An employee is not expected to select a schedule that requires boarding/leaving a carrier between 2400 and 0600.
5. Travel time should be based on regular published carrier schedules and becomes approved when the voucher is properly approved.

G. TDY Assignment Abandoned or Not Completed

1. General. Except as in Ch 7, Part H, if an employee abandons travel for acceptable personal reasons (e.g., illness in the family or similar circumstances) before reporting to or completing a TDY assignment, only travel and transportation allowances to the abandonment point are allowable.
2. Return to the PDS. Costs relating to the employee's return to the PDS are the employee's financial responsibility unless the employee completed the TDY mission.

C4025 TDY PRIOR TO REPORTING TO THE FIRST PDS

If a new appointee is required to perform TDY before reporting to the first PDS, the appointee is authorized transportation expenses and per diem while performing the assigned duties.

CHAPTER 4: TDY

PART B: PER DIEM

SECTION 1: GENERAL

C4050 PER DIEM

A. General

1. Per diem is designed to offset lodging and M&IE costs incurred while performing travel, and/or TDY away from the PDS.
2. Per diem is payable for whole days, except for PDS departure/return days.
3. Per diem is not authorized for any day that is not a day in a travel status. See Ch 2, Part D.
4. [Per diem rates](#) are based on the TDY location, not the lodging facility location. If a traveler obtains lodging outside the area covered by the TDY location per diem rate for personal preference/convenience, per diem is limited to the maximum rate prescribed for the TDY location. See par. C4130-K if neither GOV'T QTRS nor commercial lodging is available at the TDY location.
5. Per diem is applicable for all TDY and PDT periods; except when an AEA is authorized/approved.
6. 'Lodging Plus' per diem is not authorized for any day that PCS 'MALT Plus' per diem is paid.
7. Per diem authorization begins on the day a traveler leaves the place of abode, office, or other authorized departure point and ends on the day the traveler returns to the place of abode, office, or other authorized point at the TDY assignment conclusion.
8. GSA, DoD, and DoS are responsible for travel [per diem rates](#). See par. C4120.
9. The [Standard CONUS per diem rate](#) applies for any CONUS city/county location not identified in the CONUS [per diem rates](#).
10. Unspecified OCONUS locations in the OCONUS [per diem rates](#) use the 'Other' rate for the applicable country.
11. Per diem rates include a maximum amount for lodging expenses. Reimbursement may not exceed actual lodging costs nor the applicable maximum amount unless an AEA is prescribed. Receipts for lodging are required (see par. C2710 and [DoDFMR 7000.14-R, Volume 9](#)).
12. Per diem rates include a fixed allowance for M&IE. The M&IE rate, is payable to a traveler without expense itemization or receipts. PMR/ GMR cannot be applied for the first and last travel days.
13. Ordinarily, per diem is based on the traveler's TDY location at 2400.
14. M&IE payment does not require expense itemization and/or receipts.
15. Box lunches, inflight meals and rations furnished by the GOV'T on military aircraft are not a GOV'T dining facility/mess for per diem computation purposes.
16. For TDY within a COCOM/JTF AOR, see par. C4605.
17. The meal rate cannot be reduced after travel is completed, except for a deductible meal (par. C4205).

18. A GOV'T meal paid for by the traveler and consumed in a GOV'T dining facility/mess is not a deductible meal.

19. An AO/schoolhouse commander may amend an order to direct immediate and/or future meal rate changes.

20. Travel of 12 or Fewer Hours (12 Hour Rule)

a. Per diem is not authorized when the official travel period is 12 or fewer hours. This means that the total time en route and duty period from the departure time until the return time to the PDS is 12 or fewer hours.

b. See Ch 3 for transportation allowances.

B. TDY Location

1. TDY Location Specified. The per diem rate for a TDY point is the locality rate specifically listed for a:

a. Reservation,

b. Station, or

c. Other established area. This includes established, large reservation subdivisions that:

(1) Fall within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the Pentagon; McGuire AFB; Ft. Dix; the districts of Honolulu and Ewa, Hawai'i); or

(2) Cross recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in Tennessee and Kentucky).

2. TDY Location Not Specified. When the location is not specifically listed in the per diem table, the per diem rate is based on the:

a. Front gate location for the reservation, station, or other established area, or

b. County per diem rate for the TDY location, or

c. Standard CONUS per diem rate, if neither the city/town nor the county is listed..

C. References

1. TDY Location Determination. See the [U.S. Census Bureau](#) website to determine in which county a destination is located.

2. Per Diem Location Claims Case. See [DOHA Claims Case No. 2009-CL-080602.2, 7 July 2010](#).

D. Meeting and Convention. When a meeting/conference is arranged and reduced cost lodging accommodations are prearranged at the meeting/ conference site, the Component sponsoring the meeting/conference must recommend a reasonable per diem rate to the participating agencies/components. See APP R regarding attendance at a meeting and registration fees.

E. 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 \(1952\)](#)).

F. Overseas Post Differential

1. The foreign/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.

2. Per diem payment is authorized concurrent with a differential payment when an employee is assigned away from the PDS on detail/TDY to an OCONUS PDS classified as a differential post and is eligible for differential payment while on the detail/TDY.

C4055 TDY MORE THAN 12 BUT LESS THAN/EQUAL TO 24 HOURS

A. M&IE Rate. When the entire trip is more than 12 hours but less than/equal to 24 hours, 75% of the [M&IE rate](#) for the TDY location is paid for each travel day.

B. More than One TDY Location. If more than one TDY location is involved and lodging is not required, 75% of the highest M&IE rate is paid on each day (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).

C. Lodging Required. If lodging must be obtained, the rules for travel of more than 24 hours apply.

D. Local Area Travel. Per diem is not authorized when travel is performed in the local area unless overnight lodging is required. If overnight lodging is required in the local area, these rules or rules for over 24 hours apply.

E. Meals Deduction. No meals deduction is made.

F. Tax Implications. Per diem payment for TDY of more than 12 hours but less than/equal to 24 hours may be taxable ([IRS Revenue Rule 68-663](#) & [26 CFR §1.162-2\(a\)](#)). The employee should verify possible state and local implications.

C4060 TDY MORE THAN 24 HOURS

A. Per Diem Rate Determination. 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.

B. Lodging Required En Route. When lodging is required, and the traveler is still en route, the applicable per diem rate is the:

1. TDY location per diem rate, or
2. Stopover point per diem rate at which lodging is obtained while en route to, from, or between TDY locations.

C. Per Diem Limitation. Only one per diem rate is applicable to a calendar day.

C4065 DEPARTURE DAY (FROM THE PDS, HOME, OR OTHER AUTHORIZED POINT)

A. M&IE Rate. 75% of the appropriate locality [M&IE rate](#) is paid:

1. Regardless of departure time, and
2. If travel begins and ends on the same day, and is longer than 12 hours.

B. Rates Not Applicable. The GMR, PMR, \$3.50 OCONUS IE, and reduced per diem rate *do not apply*.

C. Per Diem Rate Location. The per diem rate is based on the traveler's TDY/stopover location at 2400 on that day.

D. Lodging Required. If lodging is required, on the day travel begins, the per diem rate is the:

1. TDY location per diem rate, or
2. Actual lodging cost incurred by the traveler, NTE the stopover point/TDY location maximum lodging ceiling (as appropriate), plus the applicable M&IE rate prescribed for that location.

E. Lodging Not Required. If lodging is not procured for the night, the locality M&IE rate for the next destination (TDY/stopover point) is the applicable M&IE rate.

C4070 STOPOVER POINT

A. General. A stopover point is necessary when travel is for more than 1 day and lodging is required. *Lodging does not include sleeping in the transportation terminal.*

B. Per Diem. Per diem at a stopover point is based on the stopover point locality per diem rate.

C4075 FULL CALENDAR TRAVEL DAYS

A. 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, plus the applicable M&IE rate.

B. 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.

C4080 RETURN DAY (TO THE PDS, HOME, OR OTHER AUTHORIZED POINT)

A. General

1. 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.
2. The GMR, PMR, \$3.50 OCONUS IE, and reduced per diem rate *do not apply*.
3. The M&IE rate payable on the return day is the M&IE rate for the TDY location, unless the traveler is in a different TDY location at 2400 on that day, or unless lodging is required. On a ship, the embarkation/ debarkation port M&IE rate applies.

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

C. Lodging Not Required. For any full calendar travel day when lodging is not required while the traveler is en route overnight, the per diem is the M&IE rate applicable to the preceding calendar day.

C4085 EXAMPLE

<u>Example</u>	
01 Sep	Depart PDS
01 Sep	Arrive TDY A (\$50 M&IE)
10 Sep	Depart TDY A
10 Sep	Arrive TDY B (\$60 M&IE)
10 Sep	Depart TDY B
10 Sep	Arrive PDS
Pay 75% of \$50 (TDY A M&IE for preceding day) on 10 Sep	

C4090 SPECIAL/UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCE TRAVEL

A. Traveler Dies while in a TDY Status. Per diem terminates at the end of the calendar day the employee is determined to be dead.

B. Traveler in a Missing Status. Per diem is not authorized after 2400 of the day the traveler is officially determined to be in a missing status under the Missing Persons Act ([44 Comp. Gen. 657 \(1965\)](#)).

C. TDY ICW Leave

1. General

a. TDY Requirement is Known before Departure on Leave. If the TDY requirement is known before departure on leave, the traveler is reimbursed actual travel expenses NTE the constructed round trip cost between the PDS and TDY location.

b. City Pair Airfares. City pair airfares are not authorized for use to/from the leave location if the TDY requirement is known before leave begins. See APP P2.

2. Absent from PDS for Personal Reasons. Except as provided in par. C4090-C5, a traveler 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.

3. TDY at the Leave Point. A traveler on leave away from the PDS, who receives a TDY order to perform TDY at the leave point, is authorized per diem:

a. For the TDY performed in compliance with the order, and

b. And transportation expenses for the return trip that exceed what would otherwise been incurred if the traveler had not been required to perform the TDY ([31 Comp. Gen. 509 \(1952\)](#)).

4. Authorized to Resume Leave after Completion of TDY at Various Places, Including Return to PDS. A traveler, required to interrupt leave to perform TDY at various places, including return to the PDS, and then resume leave upon TDY completion, is allowed per diem and transportation expenses from the place at which leave was interrupted to the TDY place(s) (except no per diem while at PDS) and return to the place at which leave was interrupted. TDY allowances are payable at the TDY location. ([25 Comp. Gen. 347 \(1945\)](#); [28 id. 237 \(1948\)](#); [39 id. 611 \(1960\)](#)).

5. TDY at Various Places Not Involving Return to PDS. In a situation not involving temporary return to a PDS, but otherwise similar to par. C4090-C3, a traveler 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 traveler's PDS and the TDY location ([27 Comp. Gen. 648 \(1948\)](#)).

6. Authorized Leave of 5 or More Days Canceled within 24 Hours, and Leave Temporarily Interrupted due to Recall to PDS. When a traveler 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 traveler to duty at the PDS within 24 hours after departure, the return per diem and transportation expenses may be authorized. Also, if a traveler's authorized leave of absence away from the PDS is temporarily interrupted because the traveler is recalled to duty at the PDS, or is authorized to perform TDY at another place, and the traveler 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 traveler in traveling to the leave location made it unreasonable to require the traveler to assume the additional travel expense

to comply with the recall or TDY order ([39 Comp. Gen. 611 \(1960\)](#)).

7. Leave Interrupted for TDY, Traveler Not Allowed to Resume Leave Status. A traveler 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. TDY allowances are payable at the TDY location. ([11 Comp. Gen. 336 \(1932\)](#); [16 id. 481 \(1936\)](#); [30 id. 443 \(1951\)](#)).

8. TDY Directed at Leave Status Termination. A traveler 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 traveler is on leave, the TDY location is located in a routing direction through and beyond the traveler'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 \(1944\)](#)).

9. TDY Order Cancellation after Travel Commencement and while on Authorized Leave. When a traveler is on leave en route to a TDY station and the TDY order is canceled, the traveler 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.

10. Directed to Proceed to New PDS After TDY Completion. A traveler directed to proceed to a new PDS after TDY completion is authorized:

a. PCS travel and transportation allowances for travel performed from the:

- (1) Old PDS to the leave address, or to the place at which the order was received NTE the official distance from the old to the new PDS; and
- (2) Leave address, or place at which the order is received, to the TDY station; and
- (3) TDY station to the new PDS.

b. TDY allowances at the TDY location.

D. Order Canceled while Traveler Is en route to a TDY Station. If a TDY order is canceled while the traveler is en route to the TDY station, round trip travel and transportation allowances are authorized between the PDS or residence and the point at which the cancellation notification was received (includes a leave point) and the PDS, NTE the round trip distance from the PDS to the TDY station. ***Per diem is not authorized for any day on which the traveler was in a leave status.*** See [51 Comp. Gen. 548 \(1972\)](#) and [B-175427, April 14, 1972](#).

E. TDY Performed in Support of a Military Unit on Field Duty

1. General. Per diem is not authorized for a TDY employee who:

- a. Accompanies a military unit on field duty, or
- b. Provides noncombatant support to a military unit (APP A).

2. Per Diem Prohibition Period. Per diem prohibition applies when:

- a. GOV'T dining facility/mess (including field rations even though the employee is assessed a charge for that

meal(s)), *and*

b. GOV'T provided billeting (non transient barracks or tents)

are available.

3. Discount GMR. An employee on field duty is required to pay the discount GMR for a meal consumed in a GOV'T dining facility/mess (including field rations).

4. Procured Meals/Lodging. Reimbursement is authorized for charges incurred for necessary meals/lodging procured during the TDY assignment.

F. Personnel Traveling Together

1. Personnel traveling together is travel away from the PDS requiring travelers to remain together as a group while traveling, due to mission requirements.

2. 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.

3. Per diem is not authorized on travel days when the order directs limited or no reimbursement.

4. Per diem prohibition:

a. Applies to travel days between duty locations and does not include per diem for full days at the duty locations.

b. Begins when the traveler departs the PDS and ends at 2400 the day the traveler arrives at the TDY location.

c. Begins again at 0001 on the departure day from the TDY location and continues until arrival at the PDS.

5. A civilian traveler pays the food cost and operating expense (surcharge) and is authorized reimbursement for food costs.

6. Directing personnel to travel together with limited or no reimbursement must never be done to save travel funds.

C4095 REDUCED PER DIEM

A. General

1. The AO should seek authority to prescribe a reduced per diem when a per diem rate is more than what is needed for a particular duty assignment because of known lodging and/or meal cost reductions due to prearrangement, special discounts, or other reasons.

2. Reduced per diem rate authority must be requested and authorized prior to the travel.

3. The reduced per diem rate must be less than the locality per diem rate.

4. 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. C4095-I.

5. Include the name and telephone number for a PoC who may be contacted concerning the request.

6. If the request is approved, the appropriate office listed in par. C4095-I authorizes a lower per diem rate to the

requesting official.

B. Authority. A DoD COMPONENT head or The Secretary Concerned may authorize (in advance) [per diem rates](#) in lesser amounts (to zero) than those listed at <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/perdiem.cfm> when the travel/duty circumstances warrant it and are unusual to the DoD COMPONENT concerned. Except for pars. C4215 and C4110-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.

C. Authority Delegation. Reduced per diem authority may be delegated to the chief of a DoD COMPONENT headquarters bureau/staff agency, but may not be further delegated.

D. Reduced Per Diem Not Authorized. If reduced per diem authority is not:

1. Obtained before travel begins, or
2. Part of an order amendment/modification covering a prospective period after the original order was issued.

an order prescribing a different per diem rate is *not authorized* and the applicable locality [per diem rate](#) is used. See [CBCA 2291-RELO, 20 April 2011](#)

E. Documentation. The authorized reduced per diem rate must be stated on:

1. The order before travel begins, or
2. An order amendment/modification covering a prospective period after the original order was issued.

F. Travel Day. The reduced/zero per diem rate does not apply to any travel day.

G. Laundry/Dry Cleaning. Reduced per diem rate establishment should incorporate an amount for laundry/dry cleaning/pressing of clothes if the travel is OCONUS or for less than 7 4days in CONUS.

H. Reduced Per Diem Increase. An increase to the zero/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. C4300.

I. Offices Designated to Receive Reduced Per Diem Requests. AOs should send requests for zero or reduced per diem rates to:

1. Army: Army Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Department of the Army, Office of the Assistant G-1 for Civilian Personnel, ATTN: DAPE-CPP-BA, 6010 6th Street, Building 1465, Mail Stop 5595, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060.
2. Navy and Marine Corps: Office of Civilian Human Resources, Workforce Relations and Compensation Division (012), 614 Sicard Street SE, Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20374-5072.
3. Air Force: HQ USAF/A1PA, 1500 W. Perimeter Road, Suite 4790, Joint Base Andrews NAF Washington, MD 20762-6604.
4. OSD/WHS/Defense Agencies. DoD Civilian Personnel Advisory Service, Compensation Division, Attn: Civilian Advisory Panel Member, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 05G21, Alexandria, VA 22350.

C4100 TDY WITHIN THE PDS LOCAL AREA

A. Travel within the PDS Limits. Per diem is not authorized:

1. For travel/TDY performed within the PDS limits or at/within the vicinity of, the place of abode (residence) from which the traveler commutes daily to the official station ([CBCA 1795-TRAV, 12 March 2010](#), [B-318229, 22 December 2009](#)).
2. At the old/new PDS for TDY en route ICW PCS travel. This applies even if the traveler vacated the permanent residence at the old PDS and was in temporary lodging during the TDY.

Exception: A traveler who detaches (signs out 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: A traveler 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 completes PCS to Ft. Polk on 31 August. The traveler is authorized per diem at the Pentagon (old PDS) 5-15 August. If the traveler had detached on 15 June but performed TDY in Arlington, VA, first, no per diem is payable for the TDY in Arlington immediately after detachment.

This does not preclude per diem 'IE' payment IAW par. C1245 for a member hospitalized at the PDS.

NOTE: *Par. C4230 permits reimbursement for occasional meals and lodging procured within the PDS limits by a member escorting an arms control inspection team/a member while engaged in activities related to the implementation of an arms control treaty or agreement during the in country period referred to in the treaty or agreement ([37 USC §434](#)).*

B. TDY within the PDS Local Area but Outside the PDS Limits

1. Per diem is not authorized for TDY performed in the vicinity of, but outside the PDS limits (see par. C2800-B), unless overnight lodging is required.
2. If the travel period is more than 12 consecutive hours the AO may authorize per diem if overnight lodging is required.
3. Occasional meals may be paid under par. U4230 when the traveler is required to procure meals at personal expense outside the PDS limits. See par. C3040 for transportation allowances. This does not preclude per diem 'IE' payment IAW par. C1245 for a member hospitalized within the PDS local area.

C. TDY within the PDS Limits for Emergency Circumstances

1. Per diem ICW transportation delays at the PDS may be paid in certain weather related circumstances beyond the traveler's control after return to the PDS vicinity from the TDY location. See [CBCA 2371-TRAV, 18 May 2011](#).
2. Transportation Allowances. See Ch 3.

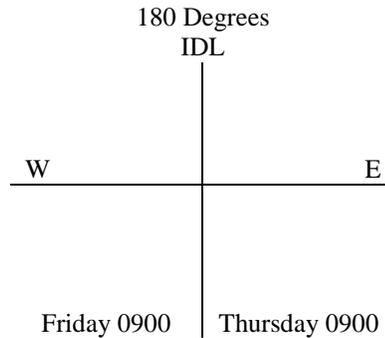
D. Brief Stay in the PDS Vicinity During TDY. Per diem at the PDS must be paid if:

1. 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**
2. The employee is in transit from one TDY site to another ([GSBCA 16144-TRAV, 14 November 2003](#)).

C4105 PER DIEM WHEN CROSSING THE INTERNATIONAL DATE LINE (IDL)

A. General. The IDL is an imaginary 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.

B. Computing Per Diem when Crossing the IDL



C. Computation Examples. The following are examples of computing per diem and making cost comparisons under this paragraph:

1. Example 1. TDY Travel Involving IDL with a “Lost” Day.

The 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 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 to 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		75 % x \$90 =	\$67.50
19 August Thursday		NO PER DIEM	
20 to 24 Aug (Friday-Tuesday)		\$135 + \$90 = \$225/day x 5 days =	\$1,125.00
25 Aug Wednesday		\$90 (M&IE) =	\$90.00
25 Aug Wednesday		75 % x \$90 =	\$67.50
Total			\$1,350.00

2. **Example 2.** TDY Travel Involving IDL without a “Lost” Day.

<p>TDY location lodging cost is \$140/night. The per diem rate is \$218 (\$146/ \$72).</p> <p>The traveler departs (heading west) on 8/18 and arrives at the TDY location on 8/19.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>A GOV'T dining facility/mess is not available at the TDY point. AEA is not authorized.</p>			
ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	At
18 Aug Wednesday	PDS/Residence		
19 to 24 Aug (Thursday-Tuesday)			TDY Station
25 Aug Wednesday	TDY Station		
25 Aug Wednesday		PDS/Residence	
REIMBURSEMENT (Actual and Constructed Cost Comparison)			
18 Aug Wednesday	75 % x \$72 =		\$54.00
19 to 24 Aug (Thursday-Tuesday)	\$140 + \$72 = \$212/day x 6 days =		\$1,272.00
25 Aug Wednesday	75 % x \$72 =		\$54.00
Total			\$1,380.00

C4110 SHIP TRAVEL

A. Per Diem. Per diem:

1. For the arrival day on board (embarkation day) and departure day from the ship (debarkation day) is based on the embarkation/debarkation port rates and computed under the ‘Lodging Plus’ method.
2. Is not authorized for the first/last travel day by GOV’T ship when it departs from the port that is the traveler’s PDS/returns to the port that is the PDS.

B. GOV’T Ship

1. Per diem is not authorized for TDY aboard a GOV’T ship when QTRS are provided without charge and meals are provided with/without charge.
2. Per diem prohibition 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.
3. When lodging must be retained at the same/prior TDY location, the actual daily lodging cost is paid, NTE the locality per diem lodging ceiling for the TDY location ashore.
4. ***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.***
5. When an employee is authorized to procure meals ashore at personal expense, reimbursement is authorized IAW pars. C4200-B and C4200-C, as applicable.
6. The total per diem may not exceed the applicable maximum per diem rate for the TDY locality concerned.

7. When an employee is required to pay for meals, the employee is reimbursed the meal cost. The current (standard) GMR is paid unless otherwise indicated.

8. When an employee is required to pay for meals, the employee is reimbursed the meal cost.

C. Commercial Ship (U.S./Foreign/U.S. GOV'T Leased) Travel for 24 or More Hours

1. General. Per diem payment, in this subpar., applies to TDY travelers using a commercial ship as a passenger. It does not apply to travelers aboard a commercial ship for TDY/training.

2. Oceangoing Ferry. For the purposes of this subpar., an oceangoing ferry is not considered a commercial ship.

3. Traveler Not Charged for Meals. A traveler is not authorized per diem for meals when they are:

- a. Furnished without charge, or
- b. Part of the accommodations cost,

except on embarkation/debarkation days, if otherwise authorized.

4. Traveler Charged for Meals

a. A traveler is authorized per diem for meals equal to the furnished meals cost, except on embarkation/debarkation days, if otherwise authorized.

b. The AO should:

- (1) Set the meals portion of per diem equal to the anticipated expenses, and
- (2) State, in the order, the circumstances warranting the rate.

D. Corps of Engineers Floating Plant

1. Meals Furnished at No Cost. 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.

2. 1 or 2 Meals Provided at No Cost. 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.

3. No Meals Furnished. If the employee is not furnished any meals (with or without charge) the [Standard CONUS M&IE rate](#) is paid. The order should state the circumstances and rate.

4. Lodging Cost. The actual lodging cost, if any, NTE the [Standard CONUS](#) lodging ceiling, is reimbursed.

C4115 CAR FERRY TRAVEL

A. General. When TDY travel by POC is partly by road and partly by car ferry (circuitously or otherwise), per diem is authorized while on the ferry. See Ch. 3, Part I for transportation reimbursement.

B. Lodging. Reimbursement for required accommodations is authorized, unless included in the ferry transportation cost.

C. M&IE when Travel Includes an Overnight on a Car Ferry Anywhere in the World

1. Embarkation and Travel Days. M&IE is computed 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.
2. Debarkation Day. M&IE for the departure day (debarkation) from the ferry is the rate applicable for the traveler's location at 2400 on that day.

D. M&IE when Travel Does Not Include an Overnight on a Car Ferry. If the ferry passage does not include an overnight, the M&IE while on the ferry is the applicable rate for the traveler's location at 2400 on the debarkation day.

E. Foreign Registered Ferry Use. See par. C3665 for required documentation if a U.S. registered ferry is not available.

C4120 PER DIEM RATE REVIEW

A. General. When a traveler, command, or AO believes 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 via the appropriate Service/AGENCY channels, and 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-CPP-BA, 6010 6th Street, Building 1465, Mail Stop 5595, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060.
2. Navy - Navy Civilian Advisory Panel Member, Office of Civilian Human Resources, Workforce Relations and Compensation 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, 1500 W. Perimeter Road, Suite 4790, Joint Base Andrews NAF Washington, MD 20762-6604.
5. OSD/WHS/Defense Agencies. DoD Civilian Personnel Advisory Service, Compensation Division, Attn: Civilian Advisory Panel Member, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 05G21, Alexandria, VA 22350.

B. Final Submission Process. The Service/AGENCY determines that the survey request is valid and then may submit the request to:

<u>CONUS Locations</u>	<u>Non Foreign OCONUS Locations</u>	<u>Foreign OCONUS Locations</u>
<p>General Services Administration Office of Governmentwide Policy Office of Travel, Transportation, and Asset Management ATTN: Jill Denning 1 Constitution Square, 6th floor (685C) 1275 First Street NE Washington, DC 20417-0001 jill.denning@gsa.gov</p>	<p>Defense Travel Management Office ATTN: SPP/Allowances Branch 4800 Mark Center Drive Suite 04J25-01 Alexandria, VA 22350-9000 FAX: (571) 372-1301</p>	<p>Department of State Director of Allowances State Annex 1, Room L314 Washington, DC 20522-0103</p>

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CHAPTER 4: TDY

PART B: PER DIEM

SECTION 2: LODGING

C4130 TDY LODGING

A. General

1. The lodging component of per diem establishes the maximum per diem amount the GOV'T will reimburse to the traveler for lodging. It does not limit, in any manner, what a lodging facility may charge to a traveler.
2. The amount allowed for lodging is the expense actually incurred or the maximum [TDY locality lodging](#) ceiling, whichever is less.
3. Lodging reimbursement may not exceed actual lodging costs, or the applicable maximum amount unless an AEA is authorized/approved.
4. A traveler must adhere to the prudent traveler rule for official travel funded by the GOV'T. See par. C2010.
5. A lodging availability situation may require a traveler to accept lodging that is more spacious than is needed but a traveler must not purposely accept more spacious lodging to provide lodging for other nonofficial travelers.
6. Ordinarily, lodging expense is based on the single room rate for the lodging used. See par. C4130-F for multiple occupancy.

B. 'Lodging Plus' Computation

1. Requirements

- a. Per diem computed under this Part is based on the 'Lodging Plus' computation method.
- b. Per diem for each travel day is the actual amount the traveler pays for lodging 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.
- c. The 75% rule must be applied to the M&IE rate on the first and last travel days when computing per diem using 'Lodging Plus' computation.

2. Exceptions. Per diem for all official TDY travel must be computed under the 'Lodging Plus' method except when:

- a. A reduced per diem rate is authorized for the TDY (par. C4095);
- b. A per diem for a TDY assignment in the vicinity of, but outside, the PDS area is authorized/approved under par. C4100-B;
- c. A per diem rate for travel by ship applies;
- d. Meals and lodging are furnished without cost to the traveler;
- e. An AEA is authorized for some/all of the TDY assignment;
- f. Per diem is not payable for TDY ICW or in support of a military unit while on field duty; or

g. Per diem applies for a consultant, expert, and private individual (including an ROTC member).

C. Receipts. See par. C2710 and the [DoDFMR 7000.14-R, Volume 9](#) concerning receipts.

D. Lodging Tax

1. General

a. Unless exempted by State/local jurisdiction, a traveler is required to pay lodging tax while traveling on GOV'T business.

b. Federal traveler tax exemptions and the form required to claim the exemption vary from location to location.

c. See the [GSA Travel Homepage](#) for a list of jurisdictions in which [lodging tax exemption](#) may be offered at the option of the lodging facility.

2. CONUS and Non Foreign OCONUS Area. Lodging tax in CONUS and in a non foreign OCONUS area is:

a. *Not* included in the [locality per diem lodging](#) ceiling, and

b. A reimbursable expense (APP G) when per diem/AEA is paid.

3. Foreign Area. Lodging tax in a foreign area is:

a. Included in the [locality per diem lodging](#) ceiling, and

b. *Not* a reimbursable expense (APP G) when per diem/AEA is paid.

E. GOV'T QTRS

1. A fee/service charge paid for GOV'T QTRS use is an allowable lodging expense.

2. Reimbursement for GOV'T QTRS use is NTE the maximum locality lodging ceiling.

F. Single and Multiple Occupancy of a Room

1. Occupancy. Each official traveler is authorized lodging up to the authorized lodging rate.

2. Official Travelers Share a Room

a. Each official traveler is responsible for their portion of the room rate. **Example:** Two official travelers share a room –each is responsible for 50% of the room cost; three official travelers share a room–each is responsible for 33% of the room cost).

b. Multiple occupancy of a single room **DOES NOT LIMIT** a traveler's lodging per diem ceiling eligibility. Official travelers who share lodging are each authorized lodging costs NTE the single room rate for the TDY locality. **Example:** Two official travelers who share a room in a \$100/night lodging area have \$200 total with which to pay for a room.

c. Examples of Room Charge Allocation:

- (1) Locality per diem lodging ceiling is \$100/night. Two official travelers share a \$250/night room. Each official traveler is responsible for \$125/night (but without an AEA, each only receives \$100 reimbursement since the locality maximum lodging ceiling is \$100/night).
- (2) Locality per diem lodging ceiling is \$100/night. Two official travelers share a \$170/night room. Each official traveler is responsible for, and receives, \$85/night – which is payable since it is below the locality lodging ceiling rate of \$100/night.

3. **Official Traveler Shares a Room with a Non GOV'T Traveler(s).** If an official traveler shares a room with a person(s) who is/are not a GOV'T traveler(s) on official travel, then the official traveler is authorized the locality single room rate.

G. Lodging with a Friend or Relative (FTR §301-11.12)

1. Lodging reimbursement is not ordinarily authorized for an employee who lodges with a friend/relative at the friend's/relative's residence. When an employee lodges with a friend/relative in the friend's/relative's residence, with or without charge, the employee may be reimbursed for additional lodging costs the host incurs in accommodating the employee if the employee can substantiate the costs and the AO determines the costs are reasonable.

2. An employee, who lodges at the friend/relative's residence, is authorized the TDY location M&IE rate if otherwise eligible.

3. An employee cannot be directed to lodge with a friend/relative.

4. Lodging with a friend/relative applies to lodging reimbursement for official travel to include an attendant/escort, evacuation, extended TDY, limited evacuation and other circumstances.

5. The official traveler is not reimbursed the cost of comparable conventional lodging in the area, or for a flat or 'token' amount paid to the friend/relative.

6. **Example:** 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. See JFTR, par. U4130-G.

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

8. GSCBA Decisions Related to an employee lodging at a friend's/relative's residence:

a. If the friend/relative is in the business of renting lodging on a regular basis, i.e., operating a hotel or apartment house, the "friends or relatives" provision does not apply ([GSBCA 14398-TRAV, 24 Feb 1998](#)).

b. If an employee is transferred to a new PDS, and sent TDY to the old PDS and the employee stays at the former residence which was not yet sold, then the employee is not authorized reimbursement for lodging at the former residence ([GSBCA 15600-TRAV, 7 March 2002](#)).

c. An employee 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 employee 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 employee began TDY travel to the Orlando area on the evening of Tuesday, 22 February. GSBCA ruled that the employee should be authorized travel expenses both to and from the TDY location and M&IE even though the employee lodged at the family residence in the TDY area. GSBCA also indicated that for the first and last TDY days, 22 and 25 February (unless the employee was authorized to return on the 26th) the employee is authorized 75% of the applicable M&IE rate for each day. M&IE for the days between the first and last days is authorized at the full rate. [GSBCA 16652-TRAV, 26 August 2005](#).

H. Multiple Lessees Involving Leased/Rented Lodging

1. Leased/rented lodging (e.g., apartment, house, condo, etc.) that is shared with another person(s) whose name is on the lease/rental agreement/contract is split equally among the lessees. ***This includes nonofficial travelers whose name(s) is/are on the lease/rental agreement/contract.*** Official travelers are not authorized reimbursement for more than their equal share of the lodging payment.
2. Long term (i.e., not daily) lodging cost is split equally among lessees indicated on a signed lease/rental agreement/contract before the daily reimbursement rate is computed, even though a daily lodging rate is computed for TDY reimbursement.
3. The prorated lodging reimbursement per person is limited to the applicable locality or the reduced per diem lodging rate prescribed by the Secretarial Process authority on the TDY travel order.
4. The applicable daily M&IE rate is not prorated.
5. AEA must be:
 - a. Authorized/approved by the AO and
 - b. In the GOV'T's interest. See par. C4305.

I. Dependents Accompanying Traveler on TDY. The fact that a traveler's dependent(s) the traveler on TDY, at personal expense, does not affect the traveler's prescribed per diem rate.

J. Lodging in other than Commercial Facilities. When no commercial lodging facility is available (i.e., in remote areas) or when there is a room shortage because of a special event (e.g., World Fair or International Sporting Event), the cost of lodging obtained in other than a commercial facility is allowed. Such facility may include college dormitories or similar facilities as well as rooms made available to the public by area residents in their homes. In these cases, the traveler must provide a written explanation that is acceptable to the AO.

K. Lodging Not Available at a TDY Location. If lodging is not available at a TDY location (i.e., where neither GOV'T QTRS nor commercial lodging is available) and must be obtained in an adjacent locality where the per diem rate is higher, the AO may, authorize/approve the higher per diem rate of the adjacent locality. If the higher rate is not authorized in advance, the traveler must furnish a written statement with the travel voucher explaining the circumstances to validate an AEA based on the TDY location rate.

L. Online Booking Tool

1. General. A traveler should:

- a. Follow DoD COMPONENT procedures for making lodging reservations, and
- b. Reserve a room directly with the hotel/chain, if authorized by the DoD COMPONENT. This includes using the hotel's online website.

2. Limitations. Reimbursement for lodging obtained through an online booking agent is authorized only when the traveler can provide a documented itemized receipt for room costs from the hotel/online booking agent showing the following charges ([CBCA 2431-TRAV, 13 September 2011](#)):

- a. Daily hotel room costs;
- b. Daily hotel taxes; and
- c. Daily miscellaneous fees, if applicable.

M. Advance Lodging Deposit. A traveler:

1. May be reimbursed an advance room deposit when it is required by the lodging facility to secure a room reservation prior to official TDY travel.
2. Is financially responsible for advance deposit repayment if the deposit is forfeited because TDY travel is not performed for reasons unacceptable to the DoD COMPONENT.

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

C4135 LODGING AND/OR MEALS OBTAINED UNDER CONTRACT

A. General. A contracting officer may contract for rooms and/or meals for a TDY traveler.

B. Per Diem Limitation. The total daily amount paid by the GOV'T for the traveler's lodging, and M&IE is NTE the applicable per diem rate authorized in Ch 4, Part B ([60 Comp. Gen. 181\(1981\)](#) and [62 Comp. Gen. 308 \(1983\)](#)), unless an AEA is authorized/approved under Ch 4, Part C.

C. Reimbursement Limitation. Reimbursement is not authorized for items rented for contract QTRS that are rented with an "option to buy". [GSBCA 15890-TRAV, 29 July 2003](#).

D. Training Course Exception (Civilian Employees Only). See par. C4925 for a training course.

C4140 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 site (i.e., the location the traveler stayed overnight).

C4145 DUAL LODGING ON A SINGLE DAY

A. General. Dual lodging:

1. Necessity must be verified by the AO and based on reasonable and prudent actions of the traveler;
2. Must not be authorized/approved for the traveler's convenience (e.g., traveler does not want to pack up items and store at the facility at no additional cost, or the traveler does not check to see if the GOV'T QTRS would be available upon return);
3. Covers lodging expenses due to unexpected circumstances beyond the traveler's control;
4. Must be approved after the fact by:
 - a. An amended order, or
 - b. The AO on the travel voucher.
5. Is limited to a maximum of 7 consecutive days.
6. Extensions (more than 7 consecutive days) must be approved (after travel) by the Secretarial Process.

B. Authorization/Approval. Dual lodging may only be authorized/approved when:

1. It is necessary for a traveler to retain lodging (for other than personal convenience) at one TDY location (Location A) and procure lodging at a second TDY location (Location B) on the same calendar day;
2. The traveler cannot occupy lodging at the first TDY location due to conditions beyond the traveler's control ([60 Comp. Gen. 630 \(1981\)](#)). **Example:** Traveler is TDY to another location, intending to return that night, but is forced to remain overnight due to mechanical problems.;
3. There is an economic impact based on (but not limited to):
 - a. Daily/weekly/monthly room rates,
 - b. Availability,
 - c. Storage charges, or
 - d. Shipment costs.

Example: Traveler is told if they check out of GOV'T QTRS for 2 nights, no room will be available upon return. [GSBCA 15321-TRAV 26 October 2000](#); [GSBCA 15482-TRAV 18 October 2001](#); or

4. The traveler is unable to occupy the original lodging due to conditions beyond their control ([B-257670, 10 January 1995](#)). **Example:** A traveler staying in a recreational vehicle (RV) is forced to move to motel due to extreme weather.

C. Lodging Cost

1. Per Diem. Per diem, for the day(s) dual lodging is authorized/approved, is based on the lodging cost incurred at the second TDY location (Location B) where the traveler remained overnight.
2. Reimbursable Expense. The lodging cost incurred at the first location (Location A) is a reimbursable expense (APP G) if approved by the AO ([60 Comp. Gen. 630 \(1981\)](#)).

D. Lodging Reimbursement. Actual lodging cost reimbursement at the first TDY location (Location A) is NTE the per diem/AEA plus lodging tax that would have been paid had the traveler remained overnight at Location A.

E. Lodging Receipts. *Lodging receipts are required for dual lodging claims.*

F. Long-term Dual Lodging Not Allowed

1. Long term dual lodging is not authorized.
2. An order may not authorize long term dual lodging.
3. Multiple long periods (or a single all-encompassing period) of dual lodging reimbursement for lodging retained at the TDY site on the order is not authorized and violates the intent of this authority.
4. Known TDY locations must be named in the order.

G. Computation Examples

NOTE: *Lodging tax is not a reimbursable expense in addition to per diem when TDY is in a foreign area.*

1. **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 Location A apartment while TDY in Location B and authorized/approved the \$45/day Location A apartment cost as a reimbursable expense (APP G). The Location B lodging cost (\$95/day) was used for computing the traveler's per diem while TDY in that location.

<u>Per Diem Rates</u>			
<u>Location</u>	<u>Max Lodging</u>	<u>M&IE</u>	<u>Total</u>
A	\$130	\$46	\$176
B	\$119	\$46	\$165
Reimbursement for the Location A Apartment for 5 days			
Lodging Cost	Number of Days		Total
\$45	5		\$225
Per Diem for the TDY Assignment in Location B			
<u>First Day</u>			
(Departure day from Location A and arrival day in Location B):			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$95	\$46		\$141 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
<u>Second thru Fifth Day</u>			
(Lodging cost + M&IE)/day x 4 days			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$95	\$46		\$141/day x 4 days = \$564 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
<u>Return day to Location A</u>			
(Lodging cost + M&IE)			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$45	\$46		\$91

2. **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 Location D lodging cost (\$110/day) was used to determine the traveler's per diem while TDY there.

Per Diem Rates			
Location	Max Lodging	M&IE	Total
C	\$109	\$38	\$147
D	\$130	\$46	\$176
Reimbursement for GOV'T QTRS for 3 Days			
Lodging	Number of Days		Total
\$25	3		\$75
Per Diem for the TDY Assignment in Location D			
First Day (Departure day from Location C and arrival day in Location D):			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$110	\$46		\$156 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Second and Third Day (Lodging Cost + M&IE)/day x 4 days			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$110	\$46		\$156/day x 2 days = \$312 plus lodging tax (NOTE)
Day of Return to Location C (Lodging Cost + M&IE)			
Lodging	M&IE		Total
\$25	\$38		\$63

C4150 LODGING OBTAINED AFTER MIDNIGHT

A. **Lodging Required.** When the traveler is en route to a TDY location and does not arrive at the lodging site until 2400 or later, lodging is claimed for the preceding calendar day and the maximum per diem for the preceding day is determined as if the traveler had been at the stopover point/TDY location at 2400 of the preceding day.

B. **Lodging Not Required.** If no lodging is required, the per diem rate is determined as if the traveler had been at the stopover point/TDY location at 2400 of the preceding day.

C4155 LONG TERM TDY LODGING

A. General. 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. Follow Service/Agency procedures for making lodging arrangements.

B. Computation

1. When a traveler rents/leases 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)).
2. 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 lodging at a daily rate.
3. This does not apply when a residence is purchased. See par. C4165.

C. Computation Example

<u>Leave Taken While TDY with Long Term Lodging</u>
1. A traveler is TDY at a location at which the per diem is \$136 (\$80/ \$56).
2. Lodging (apartment & utilities) are obtained on a long term basis for \$900/month.
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 rate during June is computed to be \$45/day (\$900/20). Since the \$45/day lodging cost does not exceed the authorized \$80/day locality lodging ceiling, the traveler is reimbursed \$45/day for 20 days of lodging in June.

C4160 APARTMENT, HOUSE, OR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE LEASED OR RENTED WHILE TDY

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

B. Expenses

1. General Maintenance. Expense items that do not accrue on a daily basis are averaged over the number of days the traveler is authorized per diem during the TDY. These expenses include (but are not limited to) fees for:
 - a. Utility use and connection/disconnection (e.g., electricity, natural gas, water, fuel oil, sewer);
 - b. Dumping;
 - c. Showers;
 - d. Cleaning/maids;
 - e. Cable TV;
 - f. Automobile head bolt heaters plug in (if ordinarily included in the price of a hotel/motel room in the area concerned); and

g. Monthly telephone use. Monthly telephone use *does not include*:

- (1) Installation charges;
- (2) Unofficial long distance calls; and/or
- (3) Personally owned mobile phone monthly fees when used in lieu of an installed phone. See APP G for official communications.

2. Lodging Expenses. Allowable lodging expenses include:

- a. Apartment, house, or recreational vehicle rent;
- b. Parking space for the recreational vehicle rent;
- c. Appropriate and necessary furniture rental (e.g., stove, refrigerator, chairs, tables, beds, sofa, television, vacuum cleaner); and
- d. Exchange fees (not the annual maintenance fee) to acquire use of timeshare lodging at the TDY point. [B-254626, 17 February 1994](#).

3. Furniture Expenses

a. Rental

- (1) General. Appropriate and necessary furniture rental (e.g., stove, refrigerator, chairs, tables, beds, sofa, television, vacuum cleaner) are reimbursable expenses.
- (2) “Option to Buy” Agreements. Some furniture rental agreements include an “option to buy” clause that results in the renter owning the furniture at the contract term end. A traveler may be reimbursed for the cost of an “option to buy” rental agreement *if there is no other alternative*. If the “option to buy” plan is used, the traveler must reimburse the GOV'T the amount credited toward the purchase, if paid as part of the travel claim settlement. See [B-259520, 7 December 1995](#).
- (3) Damage Waiver Fee. If a damage waiver fee is required as part of the rental cost, the traveler may be reimbursed for the fee as part of the furniture rental while on TDY, *if there is no other alternative*. [CBCA 1961-TRAV, 20 JULY 2010](#).

b. Shipment. A traveler who rents and occupies a residence at the TDY location *may not* be reimbursed for the cost of furniture shipment from a previous residence, even if the shipment is less expensive than furniture rental. [GSBCA 16699-TRAV, 17 August 2005](#).

c. Purchase. A traveler who rents and occupies a residence at the TDY location *may not* be reimbursed for the cost of purchasing furniture for the unfurnished TDY lodging, even if the furniture purchase is less expensive than furniture rental. [GSBCA 16699-TRAV, 17 August 2005](#).

4. Mortgage Interest and Property Taxes. When a dwelling of any kind (including a recreational vehicle) is purchased under some form of “rent to buy” option, all associated mortgage interest and property taxes, previously claimed, *must be repaid*. FTR §301-11.12(b).

C4165 RESIDENCE PURCHASED AND USED FOR TDY LODGING (FTR §301-11.12(b))

A. General. Effective 14 October 2011, an employee who purchases and occupies a residence at a TDY location may not be reimbursed for any cost associated with:

1. Mortgage interest,
2. Property tax, or,
2. The rental, purchase, or shipment of furniture.

B. Lodging. Effective 14 October 2011, an employee may not be reimbursed lodging expenses for a purchased/ personally owned residence.

C4170 LODGING COST UNDER THE BARTER SYSTEM

A. General. A TDY traveler, in a remote location at which there are no GOV'T QTRS or other suitable commercial lodging facilities, may be reimbursed the cost of barter goods used in exchange for lodging obtained in private dwellings.

B. Reimbursement. Reimbursement may not exceed 20% of the locality per diem lodging ceiling.

C. Receipts. As an exception to the \$75 or more receipt rule, the traveler should provide receipts for the barter goods and the traveler's certification that the barter goods were delivered to the householder for the lodging, if required by finance regulations.

C4175 LODGING PER DIEM COMPUTATION

A. General. Lodging reimbursement while on TDY or at a delay point, is NTE the [locality per diem lodging](#) ceiling for the TDY or delay location.

B. Total Day's Per Diem. The lodging cost/locality lodging ceiling, whichever is less, is added to the M&IE rate for that location to determine that day's per diem rate.

C. Maximum Reimbursement. Reimbursement is NTE the maximum per diem rate for the TDY/stopover locality unless an AEA is authorized/approved IAW Ch 4, Part C.

D. Lodging Not Available at the TDY Location. When lodging is not available at the TDY location, the per diem rate for lodging at another location may be authorized (par. C4130-K).

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SECTION 3: M&IE

C4200 M&IE RATE DETERMINATION

A. Day of Departure/Return. On the day of departure/return to the PDS, the GMR, PMR, \$3.50 IE and reduced per diem rate do not apply.

B. CONUS Full Days

1. Locality Rate. The applicable [per diem rate](#) for reimbursement of subsistence expenses incurred during official CONUS travel. Use the [M&IE rate](#) for the locality concerned.

2. Government Meal Rate (GMR). The standard [GMR](#), plus \$5 for IE on any day the [GMR](#) rate is prescribed IAW par. C4200, or

3. Proportional Meal Rate (PMR). The [PMR](#), plus \$5 for IE on any day the AO specifies the [PMR](#) rate.

C. OCONUS Full Days

1. Locality Rate. The applicable [per diem rate](#) for reimbursement of subsistence expenses incurred during official OCONUS travel plus:

a. The locality IE rate, or

b. \$3.50 if the AO determines \$3.50 to be adequate for anticipated expenses.

2. GMR. The Standard [GMR](#) for meals in a GOV'T dining facility/mess, plus the IE rate, on any day the [GMR](#) rate is prescribed IAW par. C4200, or;

3. PMR. The [PMR](#) plus the IE rate on any day the AO specifies the [PMR](#) rate.

4. \$3.50 IE Rate

a. Travel Order. Regardless of the location the employee 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.

b. Travel Day. The \$3.50 IE rate does not apply on any day the employee is traveling.

D. Combatant Command (COCOM), Joint Task Force (JTF) AOR, and Schoolhouse Training (Formal Courses of Instruction)

1. Authority. The schoolhouse/COCOM/JTF commander:

a. Determines the appropriate meal rate (GMR, PMR or locality meal rate based on GOV'T dining facility/mess availability) regardless of what the AO puts in the TDY order, to the contrary.

b. May only specify the GMR for a day when all 3 meals are available.

c. May only specify the PMR when at least one meal a day is available.

2. Meal Rate Information. Information about the course that provides the appropriate meal rate:
 - a. Should be documented in the order, including the source of the information, and
 - b. That is not available prior to order issuance must be provided to the traveler, by the commander/designee, upon arrival and submitted with the travel voucher.
3. GOV'T Dining Facility/Mess. A GOV'T dining facility/mess is:
 - a. 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.
 - b. *Not available* on an interim travel day, except when traveling within the AOR IAW par. C4605-B1c.
4. GOV'T QTRS. GOV'T QTRS use may not be directed for a civilian employee (par. C1055-A).

C4205 DEDUCTIBLE MEALS

A. PMR Application

1. The PMR in pars. C4200-B3 and C4200-C3 applies on any day (except travel days to and from the PDS) when one or two deductible meals are provided.
2. The GOV'T should not pay for the same meal twice (e.g., originally by registration fee, etc., and then again through per diem).
3. A meal provided to the traveler for which the GOV'T pays nothing does not affect per diem payment.
4. See APP R2, par. J for PMR computation examples.

B. Deductible Meal. A deductible meal is a meal:

1. Made available pursuant to an agreement between the GOV'T and any organization, if the order indicates the facility providing the meal(s) is available;
2. Included in a GOV'T paid registration fee;
3. 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;
4. Furnished by the GOV'T at no cost to a traveler;
5. 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
6. Provided by a lodging establishment when meal(s) 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/meeting and the cost of one or more meals is included in the lodging cost).

C. Negotiated Lodging Rate. A negotiated lodging rate:

1. Should fall within the locality lodging rate, or if declared (APP R), within the conference lodging rate.
2. That exceeds the locality/conference lodging rate, should be covered by an AEA lodging rate that includes meal(s).

D. Light Refreshments. 'Light refreshments' (including a continental breakfast):

1. Constitute a deductible meal if otherwise qualified above and served at a meal time (e.g., breakfast 0600-0800).
2. Served during a break (not at a meal time) do not constitute a deductible meal.

E. Meals Provided/Consumed. If all three meals are provided/consumed at no cost to the traveler, only the IE for that day is payable (CONUS: \$5; or OCONUS: the locality [IE rate](#), or \$3.50).

F. AO Authority. The AO may authorize/approve the locality meal rate or PMR, as applicable, if the traveler:

1. 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
2. Attempted, but is unable, to make, alternative meal arrangements for a substitute meal, and
3. Must purchase a meal that satisfies the medical requirements or religious beliefs, or
4. Is unable to eat the deductible meal due to mission.

C4210 NON DEDUCTIBLE MEALS

A. Non Deductible Meal. The following is not a deductible meal:

1. Box/'bagged' meal from a GOV'T dining facility/mess, (e.g., C Rations, K Rations, MREs) except when the GOV'T dining facility/mess box/'bagged' meal is the *only method* of providing an adequate meal to a member. **NOTE: See par. C4605 for a traveler on TDY within a COCOM or JTF AOR.**,
2. In flight meal,
3. Rations furnished by the GOV'T on military aircraft,
4. GOV'T meal paid for by the traveler and consumed in a GOV'T dining facility/mess,
5. Meal furnished on a commercial aircraft,
6. Meal provided by a private individual, or
7. A no cost complimentary meal provided by a lodging establishment (i.e., the lodging cost is \$75 with *or* without breakfast).

B. Meals Provided/Consumed. If all three meals are provided/consumed at no cost to the traveler, only the IE amount for that day is payable (\$5 in CONUS, or the applicable locality [IE rate](#), or \$3.50 OCONUS).

C. Limitations

1. An organization may not provide a GOV'T meal in a GOV'T dining facility/mess at no charge to a TDY employee and order it used as a deductible meal for per diem.
2. A GOV'T dining facility/mess is available only when GOV'T QTRS on the U.S. INSTALLATION where the employee is TDY are available and the command controlling the GOV'T dining facility/mess on that U.S. INSTALLATION has made the GOV'T dining facility/mess available to the traveler. See par. C4200.
3. DoDFMR Vol. 12, Ch 19 prohibits Federal civilian employees from eating in appropriated fund dining facilities without charge.

C4215 MEALS PROVIDED BY A COMMON CARRIER OR COMPLIMENTARY MEALS PROVIDED BY A LODGING ESTABLISHMENT

Meals provided by a common carrier do not affect per diem. Complimentary meals provided by a lodging establishment do not affect per diem as long as the room charge is the same with or without meals. See pars. C4205-B5 and C4205-B6 when a charge for meals is added to the lodging cost. See [CBCA-1900-TRAV, 3 MAY 2010](#).

C4220 LODGING AND MEALS PROVIDED WITHOUT COST

A. General. On a day that all meals and lodging are provided without cost to a traveler ICW a TDY or training assignment, the per diem is:

1. CONUS: \$5 IE; or
2. OCONUS:
 - a. The OCONUS locality [IE, or](#)
 - b. \$3.50 IE, if the AO determines it to be adequate for anticipated expenses. *The OCONUS IE of \$3.50 must be stated in the order.*

B. Maximum Per Diem. Whatever is spent for meals and lodging furnished without expense to the traveler, when combined with the applicable IE, must not exceed the applicable maximum [per diem rate](#). See par. C4090-E for per diem when TDY is performed in support of a field training exercise with a military unit.

C4230 OCCASIONAL MEALS AND/OR LODGING

A. General. An employee may incur expenses for occasional meals and/or lodgings when lodging and/or meals are furnished without cost (or at a nominal cost) for a particular TDY assignment of more than 12 hours.

B. Authorization/Approval. The AO may authorize/approve:

1. The actual amount paid up to the [PMR](#) (no IE) in par. C4200-B3 and C4200-C3 for meals, and/or
2. [Lodging](#) up to the maximum lodging per diem rate,

when the traveler is required to purchase these items and per diem is not authorized.

C. AEA. See Ch 4, Part C if the lodging/meal costs exceed the [maximum rates](#).

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SECTION 4: COMPUTATION EXAMPLES

C4280 PER DIEM COMPUTATION EXAMPLES

A. Lodging Tax

1. CONUS/Non Foreign OCONUS Locations. Lodging tax in CONUS and non foreign OCONUS locations is *not included* in per diem and is a *reimbursable expense*.

1. OCONUS Foreign Locations. Lodging tax in OCONUS foreign locations is *included* in per diem and is *not a reimbursable expense*.

B. TDY Mileage Rates. The TDY mileage rates used in the examples below are for illustrative purposes and may not reflect current rates. Par. C2600 prescribes current TDY mileage rates and par. C2605 prescribes the current MALT.

C. Per Diem Rates. The per diem rates used in the examples below are for illustrative purposes and may not reflect current rates. See per diem rates on the DTMO website for current rates.

D. Examples. There is no requirement for any cost comparison if the command has determined that POC (automobile or motorcycle only) use on TDY is to the GOV'T's advantage for TDY to locations within 800 miles (roundtrip) of the PDS as determined from DTOD (for DoD) and from appropriate distance sources for the non DoD Services.

1. 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. Lodging was 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/night for 6 nights of lodging in a hotel, \$4 for 2 nights spent in GOV'T QTRS, but no cost for the lodging night at a friend's home at the TDY location. Per diem is computed as follows:		
Day 1 (departure day)	$\$40 \text{ (lodging)} + 75\% \times \$46 \text{ (M\&IE)} =$	\$ 74.50
Days 2 to 6	$(\$40 \text{ (lodging)} + \$46 \text{ (M\&IE)})/\text{day} \times 5 \text{ days} =$	\$430.00
Days 7 & 8	$(\$4 \text{ (lodging)} + \$46 \text{ (M\&IE)})/\text{day} \times 2 \text{ days} =$	\$100.00
Day 9	$\$0 \text{ (lodging)} + \$46 \text{ (M\&IE)} =$	\$ 46.00
Day 10 (return day)	$75\% \times \$46 \text{ (preceding calendar day M\&IE rate)} =$	\$ 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 \$123 (\$77/ \$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 to 6</u> the applicable per diem is lodging cost (\$40) plus the M&IE rate (\$46) x 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) x 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

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 [per diem rate](#) for Goteborg, Sweden at the time the employee traveled was \$256 maximum (\$143/ \$113).

PER DIEM COMPUTATION			
Day 1	Travel day with no lodging expense	\$113 x 75% (M&IE for Goteborg) =	\$ 84.75
Day 2	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
Day 3 to 7	TDY at Goteborg \$23 (incidental rate for Goteborg)	\$4 (GOV'T QTRS charge) + \$23 (3 deductible meals furnished each day without charge (par. C4205) = \$27/day x 5 days =	135.00
Day 8	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% =	\$ 84.75
AMOUNT DUE			\$421.50

3. **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 to 24 Aug (Fri to Tues)			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 to 24 Aug (Fri to Tues)	\$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

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 to 24 Aug (Thurs to 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 to 24 Aug (Thurs to 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

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 to 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 to 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
PER DIEM REIMBURSEMENT				\$317.75

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PART B: PER DIEM

SECTION 5: QUICK REFERENCE TABLES

C4290 QUICK REFERENCE TABLES: PER DIEM FOR TDY TRAVEL OF MORE THAN 12 HOURS

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

A. Departure Day from PDS⁵

<u>The traveler:</u>	<u>Per Diem is Authorized at:</u>
Arrives at the TDY location (<i>not</i> on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the same day as departure from the PDS.	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ , plus lodging cost NTE the maximum TDY locality lodging ceiling ^{2,4} .
Arrives at the TDY location (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the same day as departure from the PDS. The traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ , plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ¹¹ .
Arrives at the TDY location (on a U.S. INSTALLATION where GOV'T QTRS are available) on the same day as departure from the PDS. The employee elects to not occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ , plus the cost of lodging NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling ⁸ .
Travels overnight and no lodging is required.	75% of the next destination locality M&IE rate ¹ (TDY/stopover point) for the departure day.
Stops for the night en route to the TDY location. Overnight lodging is required at a stopover location.	75% of the en route stopover locality M&IE rate, plus lodging cost NTE the stopover locality lodging ceiling ^{2,4} .
Arrives at the TDY location on the same day as departure from the PDS. A reduced per diem rate is authorized under par. C4095-A.	75 % of the TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ plus lodging cost NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling ^{2,4} . A reduced per diem rate does not apply on the travel day to that location.

B. Whole Travel Days – CONUS⁵

<u>The traveler:</u>	<u>Per Diem is Authorized for:</u>
Travels overnight and arrives at a CONUS TDY location (<i>not</i> on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS.	The TDY locality M&IE (unless the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals), plus the lodging cost, NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling ^{2,6} .
Travels overnight and arrives at a CONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS. The traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	M&IE, plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ¹¹ . M&IE may be at the TDY locality rate, or PMR plus \$5 IE if the AO specifies the PMR ¹ for deductible meals ⁶ . See par. C4205 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at a CONUS TDY locality (<i>not</i> on a U.S. INSTALLATION).	The TDY locality M&IE, plus the lodging cost, NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling ² , unless the AO specifies the PMR plus \$5 IE when 1 or 2 deductible meals are provided ^{2,6} . See par. C4205.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at a CONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) The traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	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 IE, (3) PMR ^{6,9,10} plus \$5 IE. There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4090-E and C4605). See par. C4200 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at a CONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION). The employee elects not to occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	M&IE, plus the lodging cost NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling ^{2,7} . M&IE may be at the: (1) the TDY locality rate, (2) Standard GMR ⁸ plus \$5 IE, (3) PMR ^{6,9,10} plus \$5. IE. There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4090-E and C4605). See par. C4200 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at a CONUS TDY locality at which a reduced per diem rate is authorized under par. C4095-A.	The rate in par. C4095-A ^{2,5,7} .

C. Whole Travel Days – OCONUS⁵

<u>The traveler:</u>	<u>Per Diem is Authorized for:</u>
Travels overnight and arrives at an OCONUS TDY location (<i>not</i> on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS.	The TDY locality M&IE ³ (unless the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals), plus the lodging cost ⁴ , NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling.
Travels overnight and arrives at an OCONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) on the day after departing the PDS. The traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	M&IE, plus the GOV'T QTRS cost ¹¹ . M&IE may be at the TDY locality rate, or PMR plus \$5 IE if the AO specifies the PMR and on 1 or 2 deductible meals are provided. ^{1,6} See par. C4200 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day at an OCONUS TDY locality (<i>not</i> on a U.S. INSTALLATION).	The OCONUS TDY locality M&IE ³ , plus lodging ⁴ , NTE the TDY locality 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 meal(s) are provided. ^{2,6} See par. C4205.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at an OCONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION) The traveler occupies GOV'T QTRS.	M&IE, plus the GOV'T QTRS ¹¹ cost. M&IE may be at (1) the TDY locality 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. C4090-E and C4605). See par. C4200 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at an OCONUS TDY locality (on a U.S. INSTALLATION). The employee elects not to occupy available GOV'T QTRS.	M&IE plus lodging cost NTE the TDY locality lodging ceiling. ^{4,7} M&IE may be at (1) the TDY locality meal rate, (2) Standard GMR ⁸ (3) PMR. ^{6,9,10} Add the locality or \$3.50 IE. ³ There is no per diem for field duty (pars. C4090-E and C4605). See par. C4200 for M&IE rate determination.
Is lodged for a whole day(s) at an OCONUS TDY locality at which a reduced per diem rate is authorized under par. C4095-A.	Per diem at the rate authorized under par. C4095-A. ^{4,5,7}

D. Day of Return to PDS⁵

<u>The traveler:</u>	<u>Per Diem is Authorized for:</u>
Arrives at the PDS on the same day as departure from the TDY location.	75% of the last TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ .
Travels overnight (no lodging required) and arrives at the PDS on the day after departing the TDY location.	The departure day from the TDY location, at the last TDY locality M&IE. For the arrival day at the PDS the M&IE rate is 75% of the last TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ .
Requires overnight lodging at a stopover, en route to the PDS, on the departure day from the TDY location.	The departure day from the TDY location, M&IE, plus lodging ^{2,4,5} NTE the stopover locality lodging ceiling. For the PDS arrival day, the M&IE rate is 75% of the stopover locality M&IE rate ¹ .
Requires lodging en route to the PDS, on the day travel ended.	75% of the M&IE rate, plus the lodging cost NTE the locality rate at which lodging was obtained if authorized/approved by the AO. See par. C4140.
Arrives at the PDS on the same day as departure from the TDY location at which reduced per diem was authorized.	75% of the TDY locality M&IE rate ¹ . The reduced rate does not apply on the return day to the PDS.

Footnotes

- ¹ A reduced per diem rate IAW par. C4095-A and the \$3.50 IE rate do not apply on the departure day from, or return day to, the PDS, or any travel day. The PMR for deductible meals can apply on an interim travel day.
- ² Lodging tax is a separate reimbursable expense (APP G) in CONUS and non foreign OCONUS areas.
- ³ For OCONUS travel the AO can determine that an IE of \$3.50, in lieu of the TDY locality IE , is adequate for anticipated incidental expenses. Regardless of the lodging location, the \$3.50 rate may be authorized, and must be stated in the order for travel beginning on/after 1 July 2009.
- ⁴ Lodging tax *is not* a separate reimbursable expense in a FOREIGN AREA.
- ⁵ See APP G for reimbursement of personal laundry/dry cleaning and pressing of clothing, etc.
- 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. C4095-A, 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 *schoolhouse or COCOM/JTF commander (not an AO)* specifies the GMR based on available GOV'T dining facility/mess during training/deployments. See pars. C4200-D when schoolhouse training is involved. See par. C4600 for deployments.
- ⁹ The PMR applies if the AO specifies PMR based 1-2 GOV'T meals available during training/deployments. See par. C4200-D when schoolhouse training is involved. See par.C4600 for deployments/
- ¹⁰ The PMR applies if the AO specifies the PMR for deductible meals. See par. C4205.
- ¹¹ Reimbursement for GOV'T QTRS cost is NTE the locality lodging ceiling rate.

CHAPTER 4: TDY

PART C: AEA

C4300 GENERAL

An AEA allows a traveler to be reimbursed, in unusual circumstances, for actual and necessary expenses that exceed the maximum locality per diem rate. When authorized/approved, AEA is in lieu of per diem, or the [per diem rates](#). *An AEA is not authorized for an expert or consultant appointed under Section 710, Defense Production Act of 1950.*

C4305 JUSTIFICATION

A. Authorization/Approval. An AEA may be authorized/approved for travel when the [per diem rate](#) is insufficient for part, or all, of a travel assignment.

B. Reasons for Authorizing/Approving AEA

1. Actual and necessary expenses (especially lodging) exceed the maximum per diem,
2. Special duties, or
3. Costs for items normally covered by per diem have escalated temporarily due to special/unforeseen events.

C4310 AUTHORITY/APPROVAL

A. General. The AO may authorize AEA up to 300% of the locality per diem rate (rounded to the next higher dollar).

B. AEA:

1. May be authorized before travel begins, or approved after travel is performed;
2. Should be stated in the travel order when authorized in advance of travel;
3. May be authorized/approved for the entire trip (including travel time) or may be authorized/approved for trip portions (with per diem automatically covering the other trip portions);
4. Should be uniform (if possible) among travelers traveling at GOV'T expense when they travel together and/or to the same place at which an AEA is warranted.

C4315 LIMITATIONS

A. Conditions

1. Blanket authority, prescribing an AEA for all travel to an area, is prohibited. ***Exception: In the event of a Presidentially Declared Disaster only, the DoD COMPONENT, using Secretarial Process, has the authority to issue a blanket authorization for AEA for the period of the Presidentially Declared Disaster for all travelers within that area.***
2. AEA is prescribed only on an individual trip basis, and only after consideration of the facts existing in each case. AEA ***must not*** be authorized as part of a 'blanket' travel order.
3. If it is necessary to exercise this authority repetitively or on a continuing basis in a particular area, the Service/DoD COMPONENT concerned should submit a request for a per diem rate review IAW par. C4120.

4. The definitions and rules applicable to the per diem authorization under Ch 4, Part B apply to travel on an actual expense basis unless otherwise stated in this Part.

B. Personal Preference/Convenience. A traveler is financially responsible for excess costs and additional expenses incurred for personal preference/convenience.

C4320 AEA DETERMINATION

A. Factors. TDY assignments that may warrant AEA authorization/approval include travel:

1. With a dignitary that requires use of the same hotel as the dignitary;
2. To an area where the costs have escalated for a short time period during a special function/event such as a:
 - a. Missile launch,
 - b. Summit Meeting,
 - c. Sports event,
 - d. World's fair,
 - e. Convention,
 - f. Natural or manmade disaster (including the disaster aftermath),
 - g. Presidentially Declared Disaster or
 - h. Similar event.
3. To a location at which:
 - a. Affordable lodging is not available within reasonable commuting distance of the TDY point, and
 - b. Transportation cost to commute to and from the less expensive lodging facility would be more expensive than using less expensive lodging;
4. Requiring the traveler (and accompanying official travelers) to incur unusually high expenses (e.g., the traveler must procure superior/extraordinary accommodations including a suite or other lodgings for which the charge is well above what ordinarily would have been paid for accommodations); and
5. In similar situations.

B. Travel with Certain Dignitaries. Without further demonstration of unusual/extraordinary requirements, AEA at and below 300% of per diem is authorized for a traveler who is directed to travel with any of the dignitaries listed below.

1. The U.S. President/Vice President, or members of their families;
2. U.S. Congress members;
3. U.S. Cabinet members;
4. Department Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries, Under Secretaries, or Assistant Secretaries;
5. Supreme Court Justices;

6. Chairman/Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;
7. The Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; the Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force; the Chief of Naval Operations; the Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps; the Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; the Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; the Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service; and the Chief, National Guard Bureau;
8. U.S. Ambassadors, Ministers, and Consuls to foreign countries;
9. U.S. Delegates to international conferences/meetings;
10. Very Important Persons (VIPs) as specified by the President/Vice President of the U.S.;
11. Candidates for the office of President and Vice President of the U.S. and their family members, including the persons elected to those offices; and
12. Other U.S./foreign dignitaries equivalent in rank to any of those mentioned above.

C4325 EXPENSES

A. Expenses Allowed. An AEA includes expenses ordinarily covered by per diem (see APP A).

B. Expenses Not Allowed. The following expenses are not allowed:

1. Meals and/or lodging procured at personal expense in lieu of meals and/or lodging provided for in a GOV'T paid registration fee;
2. Meals procured at the traveler's PDS, residence, or at, or en route to/from, a nearby carrier terminal at which travel begins/ends ([B-189622, 24 March 1978](#)); or
3. Meals purchased after leaving the carrier when meals are included in the carrier ticket price and are provided during the trip and there is no justifiable reason why the traveler did not eat the meal(s) served during the trip, or why an extra meal(s) was required. A meal furnished on the carrier that is not the quality and quantity that the traveler is accustomed to is a personal preference and is not a "justifiable reason". [B-193504, 9 August 1979](#) and [B-192246, 8 January 1979](#).

C4330 PER DIEM AND AEA ON A SINGLE TRIP

A traveler performing TDY at more than one location on a per diem and actual expense basis for a single trip is authorized the allowances in par. C4345-F.

C4335 OVER 300% MAXIMUM AEA

An AEA in excess of 300% cannot be authorized for a traveler covered by the JTR.

C4340 REIMBURSEMENT

A. Limitations

1. The daily reimbursement limit is the lesser of the actual expenses incurred or the AEA maximum amount.
2. Expenses incurred and claimed must be reviewed and allowed only when necessary and reasonable.
3. Reimbursement for M&IE must not exceed the percentage of AEA authorized of the M&IE rate for the TDY location. For example, if AEA for 200% is authorized, AEA NTE 200% of the M&IE rate for the TDY location may be paid.

B. Incidental Expenses (IE). The maximum reimbursement for IE is:

1. CONUS. \$5 in CONUS, and
2. OCONUS
 - a. The locality IE, or
 - b. \$3.50 OCONUS for all full TDY days (except interim travel days) when the AO determines the \$3.50 rate is adequate to meet anticipated expenses, (effective for travel beginning on or after 1 July 2009).

C. M&IE Paid on a Per Diem Basis

1. M&IE may be reimbursed under the 'Lodgings Plus' method,
2. Lodging is reimbursed on an actual expense basis.
3. The amount allowed for M&IE and the lodging cost is NTE the daily maximum authorized in the AEA for the locality.

4. Example

- a. A traveler is authorized/approved an AEA NTE 150% for lodging.
- b. The traveler is paid M&IE on a per diem basis. M&IE itemization is not required.
- c. The locality per diem rate is \$90 (lodging) + \$51 (M&IE) = \$141 (Total).
- d. The AEA must not exceed 150% of the **total** (\$141) locality per diem rate.
- e. The AEA for the maximum amount allowed for **lodging** is computed as follows:

(1) $\$141 \text{ (Total Per Diem)} \times 150\% = \$211.50 = \$212$

(2) $\$212 - \$51 \text{ (M\&IE)} = \$161 \text{ maximum allowed for lodging}$

NOTE: 'Unused' AEA lodging funds cannot be used to increase the AEA for M&IE above 150% or 300% (depending on which level is authorized/approved).

D. Lodging and/or Meals Obtained under Contract. When a contracting officer contracts for rooms (does not include federal lodging program rooms ICW par.C2005-A and/or meals), and AEA reimbursement is authorized/approved, the total daily amount paid by the GOV'T to the vendor(s) and/or reimbursed to the traveler for lodging, and M&IE is NTE the daily maximum authorized under pars. C4310 and C4340 ([60 Comp. Gen. 181 \(1981\)](#) and [62 Comp. Gen. 308 \(1983\)](#)).

E. Itemization. A detailed statement showing itemized expenses for each calendar day, excluding items claimed separately (e.g., taxicab fares and registration fees), must be submitted for AEA reimbursement. M&IE reimbursement on a per diem basis (AEA for lodging only), does not require M&IE itemization.

C4345 AEA COMPUTATION

A. General. The daily amount is not prorated for fractions of a day; however, expenses incurred and claimed for a fraction of a day must be reviewed and approved by the AO. In no case may the amount reimbursed be more than the amount authorized/approved in an AEA authorization for the area concerned.

B. Meals Available under Special Arrangements. When TDY is a special mission, (e.g., deployment to foreign military bases, forest fire details, rescue and aircraft recovery missions, or TDY to remote areas) and nondeductible meals are available under special arrangements, actual expense reimbursement for such meals is limited to the charge for each meal, NTE the arranged charges for three meals per day.

C. Averaging Expenses. When an AEA includes M&IE, the daily amount of IE items that do not accrue on a daily basis may be averaged over the days for which AEA at the location is authorized/approved. These expenses include clothing laundry/dry cleaning/pressing incurred at OCONUS locations, hotel maid tips, and similar expenses IAW the IE portion of the per diem (APP A). Averaging IE does not apply if an AEA is authorized for lodging only and M&IE is paid on a per diem basis.

D. Laundry/Dry Cleaning Services. See APP G.

E. Lodging Tax. See APP G.

F. Mixed Travel Reimbursement (Per Diem and Actual Expense)

1. General

a. Mixed travel involves:

(1) More than one daily maximum reimbursement rate during a single trip, and/or

(2) Reimbursement on both a per diem and an actual expense basis on a single trip.

b. The applicable rate and/or reimbursement method for each calendar day (beginning at 0001) is determined by the traveler's status and TDY location at 2400 of that calendar day.

c. Only one rate and reimbursement method is authorized for each day except when reimbursement is authorized for occasional meals or lodging in par. C4230.

2. Reimbursement

a. Departure Day. The reimbursement method and daily maximum for the departure day from the PDS is the same as for the first location where lodging is required.

b. Return Day. On the return day to the PDS, the same method and daily maximum applicable to the previous calendar day applies. Par. C4080 applies for reimbursement when return travel to the home/PDS requires 2 or more days.

C4350 COMPUTATION EXAMPLES

The following are computation examples when travel is authorized on an actual expense basis; and on an actual expense and per diem basis on the same trip:

A. **Example 1: AEA Single TDY Location.** AEA authorized for lodging and M&IE paid on a per diem basis.

<u>TDY Location Per Diem w/o AEA</u> Maximum Per Diem - \$150 Lodging - \$99 M&IE - \$51		<u>TDY Location Per Diem w/AEA</u> AEA authorized NTE \$450 (\$150 x 300%) Lodging NTE \$399 (\$450 - \$51) M&IE - \$51	
ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	Lodging
10 Aug	Residence	TDY	\$330.00
11 & 12 Aug		At TDY Station Lodging - \$330/day x 2 days =	\$660.00
13 Aug	TDY	Residence	
REIMBURSEMENT (Denotes AEA computation)			
Date	Computation		Amount
10 Aug	$\$330 + [\$51 \times 75\%] = \$330 + \$38.25 =$		\$368.25
11 & 12 Aug	$\$330 + \$51 = \$381/\text{day} \times 2 \text{ days} =$		\$762.00
13 Aug	$\$51 \times 75\% = \38.25		\$38.25
Total Reimbursement			\$1,168.50

B. Example 2: AEA to multiple TDY locations A, B, and C

Location A – AEA authorized for lodging, M&IE paid on a per diem basis, \$332 ($\$331.50 = \$332 = \$261 / \71). Location B – Lodging and M&IE paid on a per diem basis, \$131 ($\$85 / \46). Location C – Lodging and M&IE paid on a per diem basis, \$136 ($\$85 / \51).			
<u>TDY Location 'A' Per Diem w/o AEA</u>		<u>TDY Location 'A' Per Diem Rate w/AEA</u>	
Maximum Per Diem - \$221		AEA authorized NTE \$332.00 ($\$221 \times 150\% = \$331.50 = \332)	
Lodging - \$150, M&IE - \$71		Lodging NTE \$261 ($\$332 - \71)M&IE - \$71	
ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	Lodging
7 Sep	Residence	TDY, Location A	\$170.00
8 Sep		TDY, Location A	\$170.00
9 Sep	TDY, Location A	TDY, Location B	\$ 70.00
10 Sep		TDY, Location B	\$ 70.00
11 Sep	TDY, Location B	TDY, Location C	\$ 75.00
12 Sep	TDY, Location C	Residence	
REIMBURSEMENT (Denotes AEA Computation)			
Date	Computation		Amount
7 Sep	$\$170$ (AEA lodging) + $[\$71 \times 75\%] = \$170 + \$53.25$, TDY Location A =		\$223.25
8 Sep	$\$170$ (AEA lodging) + $\$71 =$		\$241.00
9 & 10 Sep	$\$70 + \$46 = \$116/\text{day} \times 2$ days, TDY Location B =		\$232.00
11 Sep	$\$75 + \$51 =$ TDY Location C =		\$126.00
12 Sep	$\$51 \times 75\% =$		\$ 38.25
Total Reimbursement			\$860.50

C. Example 3: AEA Single TDY Location. AEA authorized for lodging and M&IE.

When AEA for lodging and M&IE exceeds the maximum AEA locality per diem rate, decrease the AEA M&IE rate to the descending dollar and add the extra cents to the AEA lodging amount. The adjusted per diem AEA is \$225 (\$149/ \$76). This applies when the individual AEA amounts exceed the maximum daily AEA rate IAW par.C1410-A3.

<u>CONUS TDY Location Per Diem w/o AEA</u>		<u>CONUS TDY Location Per Diem w/AEA</u>		
Maximum Per Diem - \$150		AEA authorized NTE \$225 (\$150/day x 150% = \$225/day)		
Lodging - \$99, M&IE - \$51		Lodging NTE \$149 (\$99/day x 150% = \$148.50 = \$149, add \$.50)		
		M&IE - \$76 (\$51/day x 150% = \$76.50 = \$76, subtract \$.50)		
ITINERARY				
Date	Depart	Arrive	M&IE	Lodging
10 Aug	Residence	En route/TDY	Dinner - \$25	\$130.00
11 Aug		At TDY Station	Breakfast - \$6, Lunch - \$10, Dinner - \$24,	\$130.00
11 Aug		At TDY Station	Incidental Expense - IE - \$5.50	
12 Aug		At TDY Station	Breakfast - \$15, Lunch - \$20, Dinner - \$40	\$130.00
12 Aug		At TDY Station	Incidental Expense - IE - \$4.50	
13 Aug	TDY	Residence	Breakfast - \$5, Lunch \$12	
Date	REIMBURSEMENT (using AEA computation)			Amount
10 Aug	\$130 + \$25 =			\$155.00
11 Aug	\$130 + \$40 + \$5.50 =			\$175.50
12 Aug	\$130 + \$75+ \$4.50 (M&IE is reduced to \$76) = (Total M&IE is limited by maximum daily \$76 AEA M&IE)			\$206.00
13 Aug	\$17			\$17.00
Total Reimbursement				\$553.50

CHAPTER 4: TDY

PART D: TRAVEL

C4400 GENERAL

A. Mandatory Policy. It is MANDATORY policy to use an available DTMO contracted CTO, or GSA contracted TMC (when a DTMO contracted CTO is not available) for all official transportation. If a DTMO contracted CTO/GSA contracted TMC is not available the traveler must contact the responsible Agency/Service designated official.

B. Transportation

1. When an order directs travel by a specific transportation mode and the directed transportation mode is available but not used, per diem/AEA is payable for actual travel performed NTE the per diem/AEA that would have been paid if the directed transportation mode had been used.
2. When the directed transportation mode is not available, or the order does not specify any transportation mode, per diem/AEA is computed as though the transportation mode actually used was directed.

C. Constructed Travel Computation. Transportation allowances for constructed travel are based on the carrier's:

1. Required check in time, plus travel time from home/office/place travel actually began, and
2. Scheduled arrival time at the terminal plus travel time to home/office/place travel actually ended.

D. Reimbursement Limits. The total per diem/AEA paid must not exceed constructed travel over a usually traveled route by air/surface common carrier, and is more economical to the GOV'T.

C4405 ACTUAL TRAVEL TIME

When the actual travel time is less than the time allowable under this Part, the actual travel time is used for computation.

C4410 STARTING AND ENDING TRAVEL

A. General

1. The order establishes when travel status starts and ends.
2. Ordinarily, a traveler on official travel is not required to travel during unreasonable hours (2400-0600).
3. When travel is between 2400-0600, the only acceptable sleeping accommodations are:
 - a. Ship staterooms, and
 - b. Train sleeping cars.
4. Reclining seats on planes, trains, or buses are not acceptable sleeping accommodations.
5. If a traveler is required to travel overnight (2400-0600) without acceptable sleeping accommodations, arrival should be scheduled to provide an en route rest stop or an appropriate rest period (NTE 24 hours) at the TDY point before the traveler is required to perform official duties (pars. C4415-C and C4415-D).

6. A traveler should not be required to use a carrier that requires beginning travel (i.e., leaving home or TDY lodgings and/or arriving at destination) between 2400-0600, if there is a more reasonable schedule that meets mission requirements.
7. The AO should confirm lodgings are obtainable for the traveler to retire at a reasonable hour and be ready to perform official business as required (33 Comp. Gen. 221 (1953); 61 id. 448 (1982)).
8. Transportation should be arranged for the traveler to arrive the day before the TDY actually begins.
9. A traveler should be scheduled for departure in time for an en route rest stop or an overnight rest period at the destination, under the circumstances in pars. C4415-B and C4415-C.
10. A traveler should identify travel requirements in sufficient time (if known) to arrange coach class accommodations.
11. The AO must carefully review requests for first and business class accommodations to determine if mission needs allow for a change in travel dates to support a lower class accommodation.

B. Travel between 0600-2400. Travel should be scheduled between 0600-2400. To prevent travel between 2400-0600, it is reasonable for a traveler to depart the:

1. PDS/home early enough to prevent travel between 2400-0600, or
2. TDY station on the earliest available transportation accommodations the day after completing a TDY assignment, provided the traveler is not required to be at the PDS the morning after TDY completion.

C. Additional Per Diem for Travel between 0600-2400. Additional per diem may be authorized/approved at a TDY location only if the resulting delay in departing the TDY location permits travel between 0600-2400 the day after completing the TDY assignment (56 Comp. Gen. 847 (1977)).

1. Example 1. A traveler completes official TDY duty on Friday afternoon. The traveler could leave on Friday when official duty ends (and arrive at the PDS early on Saturday) and receive 75% M&IE for that Saturday travel day. To prevent the traveler from traveling between 2400 and 0600, the AO may authorize or approve departure the next day (in this case, Saturday). The traveler receives per diem (including lodging) for Friday. Saturday is the travel day (assuming arrival at PDS on Saturday) and the traveler receives 75% M&IE for Saturday. Any additional delayed days are the traveler's financial responsibility.
2. Example 2. A traveler is required to attend a conference that starts at 0800 on Monday morning. If the traveler is authorized to depart the PDS on Friday to travel during regular duty hours, payment of per diem is limited to one travel day as though the traveler had departed for the TDY destination on Sunday (75% M&IE plus lodging) (56 Comp. Gen. 847 (1977)). Expenses for any additional early days are the traveler's financial responsibility.

C4415 TRAVEL DURING REST HOURS, A REST PERIOD AT A TDY POINT AFTER ARRIVAL, OR AN EN ROUTE REST STOP

A. General. When scheduling flights of 14 or more hours (par. C3520-C11):

1. First choice is to use economy/coach class and arrive the day before the TDY begins, to allow for appropriate rest.
2. Second choice is to use economy/coach class and arrange an en route rest stop (preferably at a no cost point allowed by the airline) with arrival on the day TDY starts.
3. The last and most expensive option is to use business accommodations arriving on the day the TDY starts. *This option should be avoided whenever possible.*

B. En Route Rest Stop/ TDY Point Rest Period

1. Authorizing/approving an en route rest stop or TDY point rest period must be used only when the circumstances warrant, and must not be automatic.
2. The AO must consider each request for an en route rest stop/TDY point rest period individually, and carefully balance good stewardship of scarce resources with the immediacy of mission requirements.
3. See par. C3030 for scheduled travel.
4. See par. C4415-A for rest periods.
5. An en route rest stop/TDY point rest period:
 - a. Must not be provided for official travel for PCS, RAT, emergency leave, R&R, FEML, and personnel evacuations.
 - b. May only be authorized when travel is to the TDY site.
 - c. Must not be authorized for the return flight if the traveler can rest before reporting back to work.

C. En Route Rest Stop

1. Travel during Normal Rest Hours. The AO may authorize/approve an en route rest stop when travel must be scheduled:
 - a. To start at, near, or after the end of the traveler's regularly scheduled duty hours; or
 - b. During usual rest hours and the transportation mode does not provide adequate sleeping accommodations. See par. C4410-A regarding adequate sleeping accommodations.
2. OCONUS Travel Is Involved. The AO may authorize/approve a rest stop en route when:
 - a. The origin or destination is OCONUS; and
 - b. Travel is by a usually traveled route; and
 - c. Travel is by less than first/business class accommodations; and
 - d. The scheduled flight time, including stopovers and plane changes, exceeds 14 hours by a usually traveled route. Scheduled flight time is the time between the scheduled aircraft departure from the airport serving the PDS/TDY point and the scheduled aircraft arrival at the airport serving the TDY point/PDS (the flight(s) between two duty points), *including scheduled non overnight time spent at airports during plane changes*.
3. Flight Length
 - a. The flight length (14, 20, 30, 40 hours)" is not sufficient justification to authorize/approve an en route rest stop.
 - b. Flight length justification must include that the TDY mission was so unexpected that the traveler was unable to schedule a flight arriving the day prior to allow rest before starting work.
 - c. The 14 hour flight time criterion is restricted to TDY travel and may not be used to justify a rest stop for PCS, RAT, Emergency Leave, R&R, FEML, personnel evacuation, or any other transportation.

d. When using flight length to justify a rest stop, the order must clearly state when the TDY travel was identified and when travel reservations were made.

4. En Route Rest Stop Prohibited. An en route rest stop at GOV'T expense is prohibited when:

- a. Travel is authorized by first/business class service.
- b. For personal convenience, a traveler chooses to travel by a circuitous route, , causing excess travel time.
- c. A traveler takes leave at a stopover.

5. En Route Rest Stop Location. An en route rest stop:

- a. May be authorized/approved at any intermediate point; and
- b. Should be as near to midway in the journey as authorized carrier scheduling permits; or
- c. Scheduled at a point en route at which the carrier permits free stopovers (if possible).

6. En Route Rest Stop Duration. An en route rest stop is for a reasonable rest period, NTE 24 hours, plus necessary time to obtain the earliest transportation to the authorized destination.

7. Per Diem. The rest stop locality per diem rate applies.

D. Rest Period at the TDY Point before Reporting for Duty. A reasonable rest period at the TDY point (NTE 24 hours) should be provided before the traveler reports for duty when:

1. The scheduled flight time (including stopovers and plane changes) exceeds 14 hours by a usually traveled route. Scheduled flight time is the time between the scheduled aircraft departure from the airport serving the PDS/TDY point and the scheduled aircraft arrival at the airport serving the TDY point/PDS the flight(s) between two duty points, including scheduled non overnight time spent at airports during plane changes.
2. An en route rest stop is not authorized/approved;
3. The traveler is not authorized first/business accommodations; or
4. The traveler is required to travel overnight (2400-0600) (in which case arrival should be scheduled to provide an appropriate rest period (NTE 24 hours) at the TDY point before the traveler is required to perform official duties). See par. C4410-A regarding scheduling an early arrival for a rest period at the TDY point if overnight travel (2400-0600) is involved.

E. Delaying Return Travel to Use Reduced Travel Fares. When, to qualify for reduced transportation fares, a traveler elects to stay at a TDY station longer than required by the assignment and the AO authorizes/approves the action, per diem/AEA for the additional time may be paid if the:

1. Transportation savings offset the additional per diem/AEA cost, yielding an overall savings to the GOV'T; and
2. Delay does not extend the TDY time beyond the time when the traveler is required to be at work at the PDS (B-192364, 15 February 1979; B-169024, 5 May 1970).

C4420 SPECIAL CONVEYANCE TRAVEL

When special conveyance use is authorized/approved, allowable travel time is the actual time needed to perform the travel. If travel is by vehicle, authorized travel time is computed under par. C3025-C.

C4425 MIXED MODES TRAVEL

Per diem/AEA for travel performed between any two points of a separate leg of a journey (par. C3010), partly by POC and partly by common carrier, is computed IAW par. C3025-E or C4765.

C4720 BEGINNING AND ENDING TRAVEL AT RESIDENCE OR POC GARAGE/STORAGE LOCATION

A. General

1. Round trip POC TDY travel may be authorized/approved between the residence and TDY location without requiring the traveler to first report to headquarters/the regular duty place.
2. In authorizing/approving this travel, the AO must consider mission requirements, relative expense, and practicability.

B. Beginning and Ending Travel. *If to the GOV'T's advantage*, POC use may be authorized/approved to begin or end at the:

1. Traveler's residence (from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS), or
2. Location at which the traveler maintains the family residence if it is not the residence from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS, or
3. Place near the residence where the POC is garaged/stored.

C4430 TDY DEPARTURE FROM/RETURN TO TRAVELER'S RESIDENCE, FAMILY RESIDENCE, OR POC GARAGE/STORAGE LOCATION

A. Authorization/Approval

1. TDY travel may be authorized/approved to begin/end at one of the places listed in this par. without requiring the traveler to first report to headquarters/the regular duty place.
2. In authorizing/approving this travel, the AO must consider mission requirements, relative expense, and practicability.

B. Starting/Ending Travel. If to the GOV'T's advantage, POC use may be authorized/approved to begin/end at the:

1. Traveler's residence (from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS),
2. Location at which the traveler maintains the family residence if it is not the residence from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS, or
3. Place near the traveler's residence where the POC is garaged/stored.

C. Cost. *Relative cost should be a consideration.*

D. Example. Traveler's PDS is Alexandria, VA. The traveler resides in Alexandria during the workweek and commutes daily to the PDS. The traveler maintains the family residence in Norfolk, VA. The traveler may be permitted to begin and/or end official travel on TDY at Norfolk, VA.

C4435 RETURN TO PDS DURING EXTENDED TDY

A. General

1. For this par. "extended TDY" means directed continuous travel of 3 or more weeks.
2. A traveler on extended TDY (other than deployment) may be authorized to periodically return, in an official travel status, to the PDS/place from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS, on weekends or other non workdays.
3. Reimbursement for transportation and per diem is on the same basis as TDY travel, but is not limited to the expenses otherwise payable had the traveler remained at the TDY location.

B. Authorized Return

1. Transportation expense reimbursement is not authorized for travel to a location (other than the PDS/place from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS) for personal reasons, (and return to the TDY location). The traveler is authorized per diem related expenses (based on the TDY location per diem rate) and any reimbursable expenses (APP G) that would have been allowable had the traveler remained at the TDY location (B-200856, 3 August 1981; and B-214886, 3 July 1984).
2. Return travel must be authorized/approved and included in the travel order/voucher. ***This travel is an exception to the policy of scheduling travel during regular duty hours.*** Authorized return travel should be performed outside the traveler's regular duty hours or during authorized leave.
3. A traveler who is not authorized/approved to return to the PDS is paid for personal returns IAW par. C4440.
4. An employee, not exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act overtime provisions, should be given consideration to schedule required travel to minimize overtime payment, including scheduling travel during regular duty hours when necessary (55 Comp. Gen. 1291 (1976)).

5. Computation Examples

a. Example 1

An employee is TDY from Location A to Location B (with a per diem rate of \$173 (\$122/ \$51)) drives to Location C on Friday night and returns to Location B Sunday night.

The employee checks out of the Location B hotel (which cost \$120/night plus a separate reimbursable amount for the 12% tax (\$14.40) on Friday and stays in a Location C hotel Friday and Saturday nights.

The employee pays \$145 plus a 13% tax (\$18.85) per night for Location C lodging on Friday and Saturday.

Even though the per diem rate in Location C is \$196 (\$149/ \$47), the employee is limited to \$122/night for lodging (and lodging tax on \$122 - 12% of \$122 (\$14.64)) and to \$51/day for M&IE on Friday and Saturday.

This is because the Location B rate is \$173 (\$122/ \$51) and the employee is being paid per diem that would have been paid (max \$122/ \$51) had the employee remained in Location B.

The employee's lodging tax in Location C each night is limited to \$14.64 per night (12% of \$122).

The employee is reimbursed up to \$29.28 for lodging tax while in Location C.

The employee is not authorized any TDY mileage for driving between Locations B and C.

b. Example 2

An employee TDY from Location X to Base Y (with a per diem rate of \$161 (\$110/ \$51)) at which the employee is staying on the Base at a cost of \$20/night with no charge for room tax and is paid the \$32 PMR based on the use of 1 or 2 GOV'T meals daily.

The employee drives to Location Z on Friday night and returns to Base Y Sunday night.

The employee checks out of the Base Y QTRS on Friday and stays in a Location Z hotel Friday and Saturday nights.

The employee paid \$75 and 12% lodging tax (\$9) for Location Z lodging each night on Friday and Saturday.

Even though the Location Z per diem rate is \$128 (\$79/ \$49) the employee is paid \$75/night for lodging and reimbursement of Location Z lodging taxes (\$18 for both nights) and is paid \$51/day for M&IE on Friday and Saturday. This is because the employee is being paid per diem (NTE \$110 for lodging plus \$51 for M&IE) that would have been paid had the employee remained in Base Y.

The fact that the employee was using GOV'T QTRS and 1 or 2 GOV'T meals per day has no effect on the employee's M&IE on days when not using those meals.

The employee is not authorized any TDY mileage for driving between Locations Y and Z.

c. Example 3

An employee TDY from Location D to Location E (with a per diem rate of \$161 (\$110/ \$51)), at which the employee is staying with a friend and incurring no lodging costs.

The employee drives to Location F on Friday night and returns to Location E Sunday night.

The employee stays in a Location F hotel Friday and Saturday nights and pays \$75 and 12% lodging tax (\$9) for Location F lodging each night.

Even though the Location F per diem rate is \$113 (\$70/ \$43), the employee is paid \$75/night for lodging, and reimbursement of Location F lodging tax (\$18 for both nights), and is paid \$51/day for M&IE on Friday and Saturday. This is because the employee is being paid per diem (up to \$110 for lodging plus \$51 for M&IE) that would have been paid had the employee remained in Location E.

The fact that the employee was staying with a friend has no effect on the employee's per diem on days when not staying with the friend.

The employee is not authorized any TDY mileage for driving between Locations E and F.

C. Lodging Retained at TDY Location during Authorized Return

1. Authorization/Approval. The AO may authorize/approve reimbursement for the cost of lodging retained at the TDY site as mission essential considering:

a. The reasons for retaining the lodging are reasonable and necessary and not strictly for the traveler's convenience;

b. The traveler's efforts to obtain lodging on a weekly/monthly basis or other long term rental agreement; and

c. When the retained lodging is charged on a daily basis, such factors as the TDY duration, the amount of personal belongings, the establishment's capability to store those belongings, and the traveler's ability to secure a room upon return.

2. Reimbursement

- a. If authorized/approved, the cost of lodging retained at the TDY site is paid as a reimbursable expense, NTE the locality per diem lodging ceiling.
- b. See APP G for reimbursable expenses.

C4440 VOLUNTARY RETURN TO PDS OR FOR PERSONAL REASONS

A. General. A TDY traveler may voluntarily return to the PDS/residence from which the traveler commutes daily to the PDS during non duty hours or authorized leave periods.

B. Authorized Allowances. The maximum reimbursement allowable for round trip transportation (by any mode) and per diem/AEA en route is the per diem/AEA and travel expenses allowed had the traveler remained at the TDY location. There is no per diem or AEA while at the PDS.

C. Allowances Not Authorized

1. No per diem is credited for any day the traveler is in a leave status.
2. Lodging tax is not included in the constructed cost for a CONUS/non foreign OCONUS location as it is a reimbursable expense (APP G). FOREIGN AREA lodging tax is not a reimbursable expense.

D. Lodging Retained at TDY Location. All costs for lodging retained at the TDY location during a voluntary return is the traveler's financial responsibility.

E. Computation. Following are examples of computing per diem and making cost comparisons under this paragraph. There is no requirement for any cost comparison if the command has determined that POC (automobile or motorcycle only) use on TDY is to the GOV'T's advantage for TDY to locations within 800 miles (roundtrip) of the PDS as determined from DTOD (for DoD) and from appropriate distance sources for the non DoD Services per pars. C3210-D).

NOTE: The per diem, TDY mileage, and GMR used in these examples are for illustrative purposes and may not reflect current rates. See par. C2600 for the current TDY mileage rate; par. C2605 for the current MALT rate; and APP A for the GMR.

1. Example 1. Per Diem and POC TDY Mileage Computation

A traveler performs TDY (not at a U.S. INSTALLATION) and returns to the PDS during the TDY period on the weekend for personal reasons.

The TDY location lodging cost is \$65/night. The maximum per diem rate is \$131 (\$85/ \$46).

AEA is not authorized.

Per diem is not payable for 28 June (actual cost computation) because the traveler is at the PDS.

POC use between residence and TDY station is to the GOV'T's advantage and authorized on the order for one round trip.

The traveler is due \$1,500.25 (constructed cost since it is less than the actual cost for this example).

AEA is not used for this example, but may apply for the actual lodging expense exceeding the maximum per diem lodging rate when authorized/approved by the AO (Ch 4, Part C).

Date	Depart	Arrive	POC Distance
23 June	PDS	TDY Station	325 miles
24 to 26 June		At TDY Station	
27 June	TDY Station	PDS (personal reasons)	325 miles
28 June		PDS	
29 June	PDS	TDY Station	325 miles
30 June to 2 July		At TDY Station	
3 July	TDY Station	PDS	325 miles
REIMBURSEMENT (Actual and Constructed Cost Comparison)			
23 June	$\$65 + (\$46 \times 75\%) =$		\$ 99.50
24 to 26 June	$\$65 + \$46 = \$111/\text{day} \times 3 \text{ days} =$		\$333.00
27 June	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
28 June	Per diem is not payable at the PDS		\$ 0.00
29 June	$\$65 + (\$46 \times 75\%) =$		\$ 99.50
30 June to 2 July	$\$65 + \$46 = \$111/\text{day} \times 3 \text{ days} =$		\$333.00
3 July	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
2 round trips of 650 miles (official distance) = 1,300 miles x \$.565/mile =			\$ 734.50
Actual Cost Total			\$1,668.50
CONSTRUCTED COST			
23 June	$\$65 + [\$46 \times 75\%] = \$65 + \$34.50 =$		\$ 99.50
24 June to 2 July	$\$65 + \$46 = \$111/\text{day} \times 9 \text{ days} =$		\$999.00
3 July	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
1 round trip of 650 miles (official distance) x \$.565/mile =			<u>\$ 367.25</u>
Constructed Cost Total			\$1,500.25

2. Example 2. Per Diem, Discount GMR and POC TDY Mileage Computation

A traveler is TDY at a U.S. INSTALLATION at which a GOV'T dining facility/mess is available for all meals and the lodging cost is \$6/night. GOV'T dining facility/mess use is directed and per diem is not paid on 12 July (actual cost computation) while the member is at the PDS. The member returned by POC to the PDS while TDY on the weekend for personal reasons.

The maximum per diem rate is \$131 (\$85/ \$46). The discount GMR (par. C4200-B2) is \$10 plus \$5 IE for this example.

POC use between residence and TDY station is to the GOV'T's advantage and authorized on the order for one round trip.

The member is due \$410.05 (constructed cost since it is less than the actual cost for this example).

NOTE: GOV'T dining facility/mess deductions are not made for arrival and departure days (par. C4065 and c4080). The GMR rate used in the example is for illustrative purposes only – see APP A for the current GMR.

ITINERARY			
Date	Depart	Arrive	POC Distance
9 July	PDS	TDY Station	185 miles
10 July		At TDY Station	
11 July	TDY Station	PDS	185 miles
12 July		PDS (personal reasons)	
13 July	PDS	TDY Station	185 miles
14 & 15 July		At TDY Station	
16 July	TDY Station	PDS	185 miles
REIMBURSEMENT (Actual and Constructed Cost Comparison)			
9 July	$\$6 + [\$46 \times 75\%] = \$6 + \$34.50 =$		\$ 40.50
10 July	$\$6 + \$10 + \$5 \text{ (IE)} =$		\$ 21.00
11 July	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
12 July	Per diem is not payable at the PDS		\$ 0.00
13 July	$\$6 + [\$46 \times 75\%] = \$6 + \$34.50 =$		\$ 40.50
14 & 15 July	$\$6 + \$10 + \$5 \text{ (IE)} = \$21/\text{day} \times 2 \text{ days} =$		\$ 42.00
16 July	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
$2 \text{ round trips of } 370 \text{ miles (official distance)} \times 2 = 740 \text{ miles} \times \$.565/\text{mile} =$			<u>\$418.10</u>
Actual Cost Total			\$631.10
CONSTRUCTED COST			
9 July	$\$6 + [\$46 \times 75\%] = \$6 + \$34.50 =$		\$ 40.50
10 to 15 July	$\$6 + \$10 + \$5 \text{ (IE)} = \$21/\text{days} \times 6 \text{ days} =$		\$126.00
16 July	$\$46 \times 75\% =$		\$ 34.50
$1 \text{ round trip of } 370 \text{ miles (official distance)} \times \$.565/\text{mile} =$			<u>\$209.05</u>
Constructed Cost Total			\$410.05

3. Example 3. ‘Lodging Plus’ Per Diem Computation

ITINERARY	
5 Mar (Mon)	Depart PDS
5 Mar (Mon)	Arrive TDY
9 Mar (Fri)	Depart TDY
9 Mar (Fri)	Arrive PDS
11 Mar (Sun)	Depart PDS
11 Mar (Sun)	Arrive TDY
16 Mar (Fri)	Depart TDY
16 Mar (Fri)	Arrive PDS
<p>The traveler's daily TDY lodging cost was \$55, which, when added to the applicable M&IE rate of \$46 equals \$101 which does not exceed the TDY location \$135 (\$89/ \$46) maximum per diem rate.</p>	
CONSTRUCTED COST	
<p>Applying the \$101 per diem rate, which would have been allowable had the traveler remained at the TDY location, the traveler would be authorized a total per diem of \$303 for Friday, Saturday and Sunday (\$101/day x 3 days = \$303).</p>	
ACTUAL COST	
Per diem for the return day to the PDS on Friday 75% x \$46 =	\$ 34.50
Cost of round trip transportation =	\$180.00
Per diem for the travel day to the TDY location (75% x \$46) + \$55 =	<u>\$ 89.50</u>
Total	\$304.00
<p>The actual cost of per diem and transportation (\$304) for round trip travel to the PDS exceeds the constructed cost of per diem (\$303) the traveler would have been authorized if the traveler remained at the TDY location. The traveler is reimbursed \$303.</p>	
<p>Using the same example, in a situation in which an official traveler accompanies another official traveler who is driving a POC, and assuming the same conditions apply, the official traveler driving the POC may be paid the round trip mileage and per diem in the amount of \$304. This payment is based on the additional per diem that ordinarily could have been claimed by the accompanying official traveler if the official traveler remained at the TDY location.</p>	
<p>TDY mileage is not paid to the passenger.</p>	
<p>If each traveler's per diem is taken into account, the maximum per diem payable would be \$606 (\$101/day/traveler x 3 days = \$303/traveler x 2 travelers).</p>	
<p>If the round trip transportation cost for the two travelers is \$180, the complete travel cost is payable (i.e., per diem and round trip mileage for the driver traveler and per diem for the passenger traveler equal to \$428). \$34.50 per diem for Friday + \$89.50 per diem for Sunday = \$124</p>	
<p>\$124/person (per diem for Friday and Sunday) x 2 people = \$248 per diem</p>	
<p>\$248 (per diem) + \$180 (transportation for 2 travelers) = \$428</p>	
<p>The driver receives \$304. The passenger receives \$124.</p>	
<p>There is a \$178 savings to the GOV'T (\$606 - \$428).</p>	

4. Example 4. TDY Per Diem & POC TDY Mileage Computation

A traveler is assigned to a TDY location. The travel order does not require the traveler's daily return to headquarters. The traveler elects POC travel (for personal convenience) from the residence and return to the TDY location each workday, incurring no lodging costs at the TDY location. Time spent on the daily TDY is greater than 12 hours.

NTE the maximum TDY location per diem rate \$144 (\$83/ \$61) may be reimbursed for the round trip between the TDY and PDS locations. The traveler's lodging cost is \$60/day if the traveler remained at the TDY location.

The traveler is due \$522 (actual cost) which is less than the constructed cost.

Day	Date	Depart PDS	Return PDS	POC Distance
Mon	10/15	0600	1830	75 miles one way
Tue	10/16	0600	1830	75 miles one way
Wed	10/17	0600	1830	75 miles one way
Thu	10/18	0600	1830	75 miles one way
REIMBURSEMENT				
PER DIEM AND TDY MILEAGE FOR ACTUAL TRAVEL PERFORMED				
Mon	10/15	75% x \$61 =		\$ 45.75
Tue	10/16	75% x \$61 =		\$ 45.75
Wed	10/17	75% x \$61 =		\$ 45.75
Thurs	10/18	75% x \$61 =		\$ 45.75
Four round trips of 150 miles each = 600 miles x \$.565/mile =				<u>\$ 339.00</u>
Per Diem & POC TDY Mileage for Actual Travel Total =				\$522.00
GOV'T'S CONSTRUCTED COST				
Mon	10/15	\$83 + (75% x \$61) =		\$128.75
Tue to Wed	10/16 to 10/17	\$83 + \$61 = \$144/day x 2 days =		\$288.00
Thurs	10/18	75% x \$61 =		\$ 45.75
One round trip of 150 miles x \$.565/mile =				\$ 84.75

5. Example 5. AEA Comparison

ITINERARY		
Sun	10/07	Arrive TDY location (AEA Authorized NTE \$90)
Fri	10/12	Depart TDY location (voluntary return to PDS)
Fri	10/12	Arrive PDS
Sun	10/14	Depart PDS
Sun	10/14	Arrive TDY location (same TDY location)
Fri	10/19	Depart TDY location (TDY completed)
Fri	10/19	Arrive PDS
<p>The maximum AEA payable at the traveler's TDY location is \$90/day. This is used in comparing the actual expenses for the round trip travel and what would have been payable if the traveler remained at the TDY location.</p> <p>If transportation costs plus AEA (both en route to and from the PDS and while at the TDY location on Friday prior to departure (breakfast, lunch, incidental expenses) and on Sunday after return (lodging)) exceed the official TDY location rate, reimbursement is limited to \$270, i.e., what the traveler would have been paid for remaining at the TDY location.</p> <p>If the expenses incurred with voluntary return travel are less than the maximum payable, reimbursement is the lesser amount.</p>		

C4445 TRAVEL TO AN ALTERNATE LOCATION ON NON DUTY DAYS

A. General. A TDY traveler who travels to a location, other than the PDS/home, for personal reasons on non duty days (and returns to the TDY location) is:

1. Not authorized transportation expense reimbursement.
2. Authorized only per diem related expenses based on the TDY location per diem rate and any reimbursable expenses (APP G) that would have been allowable had the traveler remained at the TDY location.
3. Reimbursed NTE what would have been paid had the traveler remained at the TDY location (B-200856, 3 August, 1981; and B-214886, 3 July, 1984).

B. Examples

1. General Circumstances. Traveler is TDY from Location A to Location B. Location B per diem = \$173 (\$122/ \$51). Traveler drives from Location B to Location C on Friday night. Traveler returns to Location B Sunday night. Traveler checks out of Location B hotel on Friday and stays in Location C hotel Friday and Saturday nights. Location B hotel (actual cost) = \$120 lodging + \$14.40 lodging tax (12%). Traveler pays \$145 lodging + \$18.85 (13% lodging tax) per night in Location C, for Friday and Saturday. Location C per diem = \$203 (\$149/\$54). Traveler is paid NTE the Location B per diem rate of \$173/night (\$122 lodging + \$51 M&IE). Traveler is reimbursed for 2 nights lodging tax at Location C NTE \$29.28 (based on Location B lodging tax rate of \$14.64/ night (12% of \$122)). **Traveler is not authorized TDY mileage for driving between Locations B and C.**
2. Lodging with Friends/Family. Traveler is TDY from Location D to Location E. Location E per diem rate = \$161 (\$110/ \$51), Traveler is staying with friends and incurring no lodging cost. Traveler drives to Location F on Friday night and returns to Location E Sunday night. Traveler stays in a Location F hotel Friday and Saturday nights and pays \$75 lodging and \$9 lodging tax (12%) each night. Even though the Location F per diem rate is \$114 (\$70/ \$44), the traveler is paid \$75/night for lodging, and reimbursement of Location F lodging tax (\$18 for both nights), and is paid \$51/day for M&IE on Friday and Saturday. Traveler is paid \$110 for lodging + \$51 for M&IE based on the maximum per diem for Location E. The fact that the traveler was staying with friends has no effect on the traveler's per diem on days when not staying with friends. **Traveler is not authorized any TDY mileage for driving between Locations E and F.**

C4450 RETURN TO PDS DIRECTED DURING NON WORKDAYS

A. General. When the TDY assignment does not require a traveler to remain at the TDY location on non workdays (including holidays), the AO may require a traveler to return to the PDS for non workdays provided the conditions below are met.

B. Conditions. The following conditions must be met for an AO to require a traveler to return to the PDS for non workdays:

1. The expense for round trip transportation and per diem allowance/AEA en route is less than the per diem allowance/AEA that would have been paid if the traveler remained at the TDY location,
2. The last workday at the TDY location, before returning to the PDS, is not adversely affected,
3. The first workday at the TDY location, after returning from the PDS, is not adversely affected, and
4. The travel order states the traveler must return to the PDS for non workdays.

C. Travel Order

1. Authorized Return. The AO must state in the travel order if the employee is:
 - a. Required to return to the PDS on non workdays at GOV'T expense, or
 - b. Authorized to return to the PDS at GOV'T expense during extended TDY.
2. Voluntary Return. Specific authority is not required in the travel order to allow the employee to voluntarily return to the PDS on non workdays or workdays after the close of business subject to a limitation on the per diem payment.

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PART E: HOUSEHOLD GOODS

C4500 UB ICW EXTENDED TDY ASSIGNMENTS

A. Authorization/Approval. UB may be authorized/approved ICW a 30 or more day TDY assignment, when justified.

B. Weight Limit

1. The UB weight limit is 350 lbs.
2. UB must be limited to:
 - a. Additional clothing,
 - b. Personal effects, and
 - c. Equipment directly related to the mission, locality, or unusual conditions of the TDY assignment.

C. Excess Accompanied Baggage. Excess accompanied baggage must not be authorized ICW/in addition to a shipment performed under this par.

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PART F: REIMBURSEMENT OPTIONS FOR A TRAVELER ON TDY WITHIN A COMBATANT COMMAND (COCOM) OR JOINT TASK FORCE (JTF) AOR

C4600 DEFINITIONS

A. COCOM AOR. A specified location to which various forces are moved to complete operational actions in low or high intensity operations/exercises. AOR organizations are composed of direct units, coalition forces, CJCS, JTFs and other operating forces supporting COCOM operations.

B. JTF. Assigned/attached elements of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force, or two or more of these Services, which is constituted and designated by the SECDEF or by the COCOM Commander or an existing JTF (as defined by [Joint Publication 1-02](#), DoD Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms).

C. Operational Deployment. SECDEF directed operations in support of a UN/COCOM mission. These include UN/JTF peacekeeping, nation building, humanitarian missions,; operations against an actual/potential enemy, and similar missions. The term CONTINGENCY OPERATION is defined in APP A.

D. Exercises. COCOM/CJCS training military maneuvers or simulated wartime operations whose purpose is to enhance unit readiness and mission capability. For example, war games, field exercises, or maneuvers, that may or may not involve more than one Service. The traveler/unit is placed in field duty.

C4605 TDY OPTIONS

A. General

1. The COCOM Commander/JTF Commander:

a. Provides equity for travel and transportation allowances payment in the AOR and actions within the AOR;

b. Determines the appropriate TDY option for all assigned personnel within the AOR that establishes the per diem meal rate and lodging conditions, after consultation with Service component commanders;

c. May delegate authority to a subordinate commander who directs the travel in individual travel cases or specific circumstances to prescribe a different per diem rate, which includes lodging, M&IE and/or lodging rate; and

d. Must communicate these decisions (including the appropriate meal rate and/or lodging rate) to the appropriate Services for inclusion in travel orders. ***NOTE: A JTF exercise must be field duty.***

2. These decisions apply to every traveler temporarily assigned for operational deployment to a COCOM and/or JTF performing duty under similar conditions within the same AOR.

3. The Secretarial Process for each Service may direct a TDY option different than the one used for a COCOM and/or JTF traveler who is:

a. Not located in the COCOM's/JTF's AOR but who is operating in a support capacity, or

b. Located in the COCOM/JTF AOR but is not part of the COCOM/JTF.

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B. Regular TDY**1. General.** For regular TDY, a traveler:

a. Ordinarily travels to one or more locations away from the PDS for less than 180 days at any one location. See par. C2230 for guidance on exceptions and waiver authority to the 180 day limit.

b. Is reimbursed for lodging and M&IE IAW Ch 4, Part B or par. C4605-B2; and

c. ***Receiving the GMR while TDY to a COCOM/JTF AOR, who travels within that AOR, is not traveling for M&IE purposes (e.g., if a traveler goes from one AOR location to another location in the same AOR, and the GMR rate applies to both locations, then the GMR applies for that day unless GOV'T meals are not available). GMR and the \$3.50 IE rate do not apply on days the traveler is traveling into/out of an AOR.***

2. COCOM/JTF Temporary Dining Facilities

a. If a traveler consumes meals at the COCOM/JTF temporary dining facility and is charged the discount GMR for the meals, reimbursement is for the discount GMR plus one of the following IE amounts:

(1) CONUS: \$5 CONUS, or

(2) OCONUS:

(a) The applicable [locality IE rate](#), or

(b) \$3.50 when the COCOM Commander/JTF Commander determines \$3.50 to be adequate.

b. A COCOM/JTF traveler outside the AOR or en route to the AOR:

(1) Pays the meal rate IAW the [DoDFMR](#), and

(2) Is reimbursed IAW Ch 4, Part B.

3. **Operational Deployment.** A traveler on an operational deployment is on “regular” TDY. Exceptions for exercises are in par. C4605-D.

C. **Essential Unit Messing (EUM).** The employee is paid the incidental portion of the daily M&IE rate and reimbursed the discount GMR.

D. **Field Duty.** During FIELD DUTY (see APP A1), the traveler is:

1. Subsisted in a GOV'T dining facility/mess or with an organization that is receiving field rations, and is serving with troops on maneuvers, war games, field exercises, or similar operations.

2. Furnished GOV'T QTRS or lodged in accommodations ordinarily associated with field exercises.

3. Not paid per diem when both:

a. GOV'T dining facility/mess, (including field rations, even though the employee is assessed a charge for meal(s)) and

b. GOV'T provided billeting (non transient barracks or tents)

are available. Reimbursement is authorized only for the discounted GMR.

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4. A COCOM/JTF official may place the traveler in a field duty status if subsistence is furnished by contract.

E. Joint Task Force Operations TDY Options

<u>Subsist Ashore</u>			
<u>TDY OPTION</u>	<u>SUBSISTENCE</u>	<u>PER DIEM</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Regular TDY	Commercial Lodging and Commercial Meals	Lodging and M&IE	Traveler Pays for Lodging and Meals
	GOV'T QTRS and GOV'T Meals - Permanent U.S. INSTALLATION	Lodging and M&IE	Traveler Pays for Lodging and GOV'T Meals at the Full GMR <u>1</u>
	GOV'T QTRS and GOV'T Meals – Temporary U.S. INSTALLATION or Temporary Dining Facility/Mess Established for JTF Operation	Lodging and M&IE	Traveler Pays for Lodging and for GOV'T Meals at the Discount GMR <u>2</u>
	GOV'T QTRS and Commercial Meals	Lodging and M&IE	Traveler Pays for Lodging and Meals
	Commercial Lodging and GOV'T Meals (in the AOR only)	Lodging and M&IE	Traveler Pays for Lodging and GOV'T Meals at the Full GMR
EUM	GOV'T QTRS and GOV'T Meals Use is Essential for Training and Readiness Purposes	IE	Employee Pays for GOV'T Meals at the Discount GMR
Field Duty	GOV'T QTRS and M&IE Provided	None	Employee Pays for GOV'T Meals at the Discount GMR
<u>Subsist Aboard Gov't Vessel <u>3</u></u>			
TDY	GOV'T QTRS and GOV'T Meals	None	Employee Pays for Meals
<u>FOOTNOTES:</u>			
<u>1</u> Full GMR = Food costs plus operating expenses.			
<u>2</u> Discount GMR = Food costs only.			
<u>3</u> Deployed traveler who is ordered to subsist ashore (see "Subsist Ashore" (above table) for order type and payment guidelines.)			

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PART G: POC TRAVEL

C4700 AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL

POC use for TDY travel should be authorized/approved if it is:

1. Acceptable to the traveler, and
2. To the GOV'T's advantage.

C4705 GENERAL

1. *POC travel may not be directed*; but is permitted:
 - a. In the GOV'T's interest, or
 - b. For the traveler's convenience.
2. POC use is encouraged when it is to the GOV'T's advantage.
3. POC use is authorized in the travel order with the appropriate TDY mileage rate (par. C2600).
4. POC use not authorized in advance of travel may be approved, by the AO in a travel order amendment, after travel. See APP I2 for travel order policy and procedures.
5. Reimbursement is authorized for parking fees, ferry fares, road, bridge, and tunnel tolls over the most direct route between the official stations involved (see APP G).
6. TDY mileage is based on the DTOD distance between authorized points (DoD Services) or from appropriate distance sources (non DoD Services).
7. Leave is IAW personnel regulations for duty hours missed as a result of POC travel.
8. This Part does not apply to POC use instead of a GOV (B-183480, 4 September 1975).
9. The per diem rate authorized in the travel order is used for computing per diem.

C4710 TRAVELER ELECTS TO USE A POC

A. General. A traveler may not be prohibited from using a POC on official travel (FTR §301-70.105).

B. POC Use Is to the GOV'T's Advantage

1. Per diem/AEA is authorized for allowable travel time (par. C3025-C).
2. Reimbursement for the official distance is computed at the authorized TDY mileage rate (par. C2600).

C. POC Use Is *Not* to the GOV'T's Advantage. If a traveler elects to use a POC instead of the authorized transportation mode (other than GOV), reimbursement must be limited to the authorized transportation mode constructed cost, which is the sum of per diem and transportation expenses the traveler would have incurred if traveling by the authorized transportation mode. Taxi fares and excess baggage costs that would have been allowed are included.

C4715 800 MILES ROUND TRIP POLICY

- A. General. PDTATAC has determined that POC use on TDY is to the GOV'T's advantage for TDY to locations within 800 miles of the PDS (round trip) as determined from the DTOD (for DoD) or from appropriate distance sources (non DoD Services).
- B. Authorization. POC use for TDY travel of 800 miles or less round trip (400 miles one way) may be authorized at the Command's discretion.
- C. Cost Comparison. There is no requirement for any cost comparison.
- D. Limitation. This policy is only for the use of an automobile or a motorcycle.

C4725 PERSONNEL TRAVELING TOGETHER

- A. General. A TDY traveler is not required to travel as a passenger in another TDY traveler's POC ([53 Comp. Gen. 67 \(1973\)](#)). Transportation of other TDY travelers is strictly voluntary on the part of the POC owner/operator and potential passenger(s). ([FTR §301-10.307](#)).
- B. Traveler Responsible for Paying POC Operating Expenses. The traveler responsible for POC operating expenses (ordinarily the POC operator/owner) is authorized TDY mileage for the official distance (par. C2600).
- C. Traveler Not Responsible for Paying POC Operating Expenses. A traveler not responsible for POC operating expenses (ordinarily a passenger), is *not* authorized TDY mileage.
- D. Extra Mileage to Transport Official Traveler(s)
1. When two or more official travelers travel in the same POC to the TDY location, the official traveler responsible for POC operating expenses is authorized reimbursement for any additional distance involved for picking up/dropping off other travelers at home.
 2. The extra distance is based on odometer readings (or other acceptable evidence) of the actual necessary extra distance traveled.
- E. Passenger (GOV'T or Non GOV'T Official Traveler) Contributes to Operating Expenses. A deduction cannot be made from TDY mileage payable to the official traveler authorized reimbursement because another passenger (GOV'T or non GOV'T traveler) contributes to paying operating expenses.

C4730 PER DIEM

- A. POC Use Is to the GOV'T's Advantage. Per diem/AEA is authorized for the allowable official travel time computed IAW par. C3025-C.
- B. POC Use Is *Not* to the GOV'T's Advantage. Per diem is computed by comparing the total per diem payable for the:
1. Travel performed, and
 2. Appropriate common carrier constructed travel.

The lesser amount is reimbursed.

C4735 CONSTRUCTED TRANSPORTATION COST AND PER DIEM COMPUTATION

A. General. The GOV'T's constructed transportation cost is computed on fares/charges for the POLICY CONSTRUCTED AIRFARE (APP A) between authorized points.

B. Constructed Cost Comparison by Airplane

1. Coach accommodations (par. C3500) on a commercial air carrier are used as the basis for constructed cost.
2. The GOV'T's constructed transportation cost is computed on fares or charges for the POLICY CONSTRUCTED AIRFARE (APP A) (often contract city pair airfare, par. C3045-D3).
3. Economy/coach accommodations (including city pair airfares) are presumed available from a carrier when economy/coach is available on flights serving origin and destination points, regardless of whether space would actually have been available had the traveler used air transportation for the official travel.
4. Air transportation constructed cost includes taxes or fees the GOV'T would have paid if GOV'T procured transportation was used.

C. Constructed Cost Comparison by Train

1. When air accommodations are not provided between origin and destination points, mileage reimbursement is limited by the constructed cost of coach train accommodations for the travel performed.
2. The constructed cost comparison also may be made with rail transportation, even though commercial air accommodations are provided between the city/airport pair, when an administrative determination is made that such comparison, including related per diem, is more economical.
3. The constructed cost comparison may be limited by the cost of extra fare service (pars. C2415 and C2420) only when extra fare service has been authorized as being to the GOV'T's advantage.

D. Constructed Cost Comparison by Bus. When neither air nor rail transportation is provided, mileage reimbursement is limited to the bus transportation constructed cost.

E. POC Transportation. The constructed POC transportation cost includes transportation expenses for:

1. The traveler claiming mileage, and
2. A traveler(s) performing official travel as a passenger in the same conveyance.

F. Reimbursement. TDY mileage and per diem are compared with the total constructed travel cost including per diem by common carrier. Reimbursement is made for the lesser amount.

C4740 ACTUAL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

A. Authorization/Approval. *When it is to the GOV'T's advantage*, the AO may authorize/approve actual travel cost (mileage for the official distance, plus per diem, plus transportation when:

1. Requested by the traveler,
2. Justified and documented in unusual circumstances, and
3. POC mileage reimbursement would be a financial hardship for the traveler ([Comp. Gen. B-185733, 1 September 1976](#)).

B. Limitations. Actual expense reimbursement must be limited to:

1. Automobile/Motorcycle. Fuel; oil; parking; ferry fares; road, bridge, and tunnel tolls; winter plug ins; and 'trip insurance' for travel in foreign countries. See APP G.
2. Aircraft. Fuel, oil, parking fees, tie down fees and hangar fees.
3. Boat. Fuel, oil, and docking fees.

C. Non Reimbursable Expenses. Expenses incurred for operator hire/subsistence, or periodic maintenance, must not be reimbursed.

C4745 POC REPAIR

Charges for repairs, depreciation, replacements, grease, oil, antifreeze, towage and similar expenses are not reimbursable expenses ICW POC travel. A traveler may submit a claim for these expenses using Service procedures and the Personnel Claims Act ([31 USC §3721](#)).

C4750 PRIVATELY OWNED AIRCRAFT OTHER THAN AN AIRPLANE (E.G., HELICOPTER)

A. General. When a privately owned aircraft, other than an airplane (e.g., helicopter), is used the actual operation cost, rather than TDY mileage, is paid.

B. Expense Reimbursement

1. Reimbursable Expenses: Fuel, oil, aircraft parking, landing, and tie down fees.
2. Non Reimbursable Expenses: Charges for repairs, depreciation, replacements, grease, oil change, antifreeze, towage and similar expenses.

C4755 PRIVATELY OWNED BOAT

When a privately owned boat is used, the actual operation cost, rather than TDY mileage, is paid. Reimbursable expenses include fuel, oil and docking fees.

C4760 TRAVEL TIME

A. POC Use Is to the GOV'T's Advantage. Necessary travel time is allowed.

B. POC Use Is *Not* to the GOV'T's Advantage. Constructed common carrier scheduled travel time is used in computing per diem.

C4765 MIXED MODE TRANSPORTATION

A. General. A traveler who travels partly by POC and partly by common carrier is authorized:

1. TDY mileage for the distance traveled by POC, and
2. The cost of transportation, and
3. Per diem for actual travel.

B. Reimbursement

1. POC Use Is to the GOV'T's Advantage. Reimbursement is NTE TDY mileage for the official distance, plus per diem.
2. POC Use Is *Not* to the GOV'T's Advantage. Reimbursement is NTE the cost of constructed transportation and per diem.

C4770 COMPUTATION EXAMPLES

A. General

1. Disclaimer. The [per diem/TDY mileage rates](#) used in the following example(s) are for illustrative purposes only and may not reflect current rates.
2. TDY Mileage Rate. See par. C2600.
3. MALT Rate. See par. C2605.

B. TDY Per Diem and POC TDY Mileage Computation

1. Example 1

An official traveler is authorized TDY in Location B, from a PDS in Location A for two days (overnight TDY stay). The order directs the traveler to travel by common carrier; however, the traveler elects to travel by POC which is not to the GOV'T's advantage. The traveler arrives at the TDY location on 3 Jun, completing TDY assignment on the same day.

Reimbursement is limited to the common carrier constructed cost.

The maximum per diem rate for the TDY location is \$123 (\$77/ \$46) and the actual lodging cost is \$40. The 12 hour rule does not apply because the TDY is over 12 hours. AEA is not authorized for this example.

The round trip official POC distance is 1,500 miles (750 miles one way). Parking fees are not authorized for this example.

The traveler is paid \$478.27 (common carrier constructed cost) since the actual POC travel cost exceeds the constructed GOV'T cost. The traveler is charged leave for the excess travel time, if appropriate, IAW appropriate personnel policy.

ITINERARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Per Diem Rate</u>	<u>Lodging Cost</u>	<u>POC Distance</u>
1 Jun	Residence	1st Stopover	\$137 (\$91/ \$46)	\$90	400
2 Jun	En Route	2nd Stopover	\$139 (\$93/ \$46)	\$75	300
3 Jun	En Route	TDY Station	\$123 (\$77/ \$46)	\$40	50
4 Jun	TDY Station	3rd Stopover	\$137 (\$91/ \$46)	\$80	400
5 Jun	En Route	4th Stopover	\$127 (\$81/ \$46)	\$85	300
6 Jun	En Route	Residence	Use 4th stopover M&IE		50

REIMBURSEMENT

ACTUAL POC TRAVEL COST (including per diem on travel day to and from Location B)

Day 1	\$90 (highest stopover lodging cost) + (75% x \$46) =	\$ 124.50
Day 2	\$40 + \$46 (Arrive TDY location) =	\$ 86.00
Per Diem for Travel from Location A (residence) to Location B (TDY) - \$210.50		
Day 3	\$46 x 75% (use TDY MI&E rate) =	\$ 34.50
Per Diem for Travel from Location B (TDY) to Location A (residence) - \$34.50		
Transportation Costs	*Round trip TDY mileage – 1,500 miles x \$.565/mile =	*\$847.50
	Round trip tolls	\$ 12.00
Actual POC Travel Cost Total		*\$1,104.50
COMMON CARRIER CONSTRUCTED COST (including per diem on travel days to and from Location B)		
Day 1	\$40 (lodging cost) + (75% x \$46) =	\$ 74.50
Day 2	\$40 + \$46 (TDY location) =	\$ 86.00
Day 3	75% x \$46	\$ 34.50
Transportation Costs	1 round trip air coach ticket (including GOV'T paid tax)	\$163.27
	Shuttle costs between airport and hotel (\$20 each way)	\$ 40.00
	Taxicab costs between residence and airport (\$40 each way)	\$ 80.00
Constructed Common Carrier Travel Cost Total		\$478.27

2. **Example 2:** TDY Per Diem and POC TDY Mileage Computation.

An official traveler is authorized TDY in Location B, from a PDS in Location A for two days (overnight TDY stay). A determination is made that POC use is to the GOV'T's advantage. The traveler is authorized to travel using POC in the GOV'T's interest and arrives at the TDY location on day 3, completing the TDY assignment on the same day.

Reimbursement is **not** limited to the common carrier constructed cost.

The round trip official POC distance is 1,700 miles (850 miles one way) requiring three travel days each way between the residence and TDY location. Parking fees are not authorized for this example.

*The traveler is paid \$1,510.50 (actual travel cost by POC) since POC was authorized as being to the GOV'T's advantage.

ITINERARY					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Per Diem Rate</u>	<u>Lodging Cost</u>	<u>POC Distance</u>
1 Aug	Residence	1 st Stopover	\$134 (\$88/ \$46)	\$60	400
2 Aug	En Route	2 nd Stopover	\$123 (\$77/ \$46)	\$50	400
3 Aug	En Route	TDY Station	\$134 (\$88/ \$46)	\$65	50
4 Aug	TDY Station	3 rd Stopover	\$123 (\$77/ \$46)	\$50	400
5 Aug	En Route	4 th Stopover	\$134 (\$88/ \$46)	\$60	400
6 Aug	En Route	Residence	Use 4 th stopover MI&E		50
REIMBURSEMENT					
ACTUAL POC TRAVEL COST (including per diem on travel days to and from Location B)					
Day 1	\$60 + (75% x \$46) (1 st stopover MI&E rate and lodging cost) =				\$ 94.50
Day 2	\$50 + \$46 (2 nd stopover lodging cost and MI&E rate) =				\$ 96.00
Day 3	\$65 + \$46 (Arrive TDY location) =				\$111.00
Per Diem for Travel from Location A (residence) to Location B (TDY) = \$301.50					
Day 4	\$50 + \$46 (Depart TDY location 3rd stopover lodging cost) =				\$ 96.00
Day 5	\$60 + \$46 (4th stopover M&IE rate and lodging cost) =				\$106.00
Day 6	75% x \$46 (Use 4th stopover MI&E rate) =				\$ 34.50
Per Diem for Travel from Location B (TDY) to Location A (residence) = \$236.50					
Transportation Cost	*Round trip TDY mileage – 1,700 miles x \$.565/mile =				*\$960.50
	Round trip tolls =				\$ 12.00
Actual Travel Cost by POC Total					*\$1,510.50

C4775 GOV'T ADVANTAGE DETERMINATION

A. General. POC use:

1. Is authorized when to the GOV'T's advantage.
2. Is to the GOV'T's advantage when the AO determines that common carrier, GOV'T contract rental automobile, or GOV'T furnished transportation is not available or its use is not to the GOV'T's advantage.
3. Authorization (see APP A) is ordinarily made in advance of travel.

B. Considerations. GOV'T advantage determination is based on the following:

1. Mission requirements including transportation of baggage, tools, or equipment;
2. Availability of other transportation and the effect on productive time;
3. Duty locality in relation to traffic conditions, routing, and weather;
4. TDY location in relation to the lodging and meal facilities location(s) and transportation availability, other than POC, between these points;
5. Overall cost advantage when there are accompanying passengers under official travel orders in the same POC;
6. The productive time lost for the additional travel time;
7. POC use more efficient, economical, or results in a more expeditiously accomplished mission;
8. No practicable commercial transportation; and/or
9. Common carrier use would be so time consuming that it would delay the mission.

C. Example. The purpose of a TDY is to pack up and move material/files/etc., from the TDY location to the PDS. To accomplish this, the traveler must drive to move the material. It does not matter if the plane ticket is less expensive than driving since the purpose of the trip is to move the material. To accomplish the mission the traveler must drive and POC is therefore advantageous.

C4780 POC USE TO AND FROM TRANSPORTATION TERMINAL OR PDS

A. Round Trip Expenses Incurred for Drop Off and/or Pick Up at a Transportation Terminal

1. When a POC is driven round trip to drop off and/or pick up a traveler at a transportation terminal, the traveler paying POC operating expenses is:
 - a. Paid TDY mileage for the round trip(s) distance, and
 - b. Reimbursed parking fees, ferry fares, road, bridge and/or tunnel tolls,for the most direct route.
2. If a member of the traveler's family drives the traveler to and/or from the transportation terminal, it is presumed that the traveler incurs the expense.

B. Expenses Incurred for Two One Way Trips to and from a Transportation Terminal. When a POC is used for one way travel from the:

1. Residence/PDS to a transportation terminal to begin a TDY trip, and then
2. Transportation terminal to the residence/PDS when the TDY is completed,

the traveler responsible for incurring the POC operating expenses is paid TDY mileage, and reimbursed for parking fees, ferry fares, road, bridge and tunnel tolls, for the most direct route.

C. Transportation Terminal Parking Fees. Transportation terminal parking fees, while TDY, may be reimbursed NTE the cost of two one way taxicab fares, including allowable tips. In extenuating circumstances, the AO may waive this cost limitation (e.g., when a short TDY is unexpectedly extended after departure).

D. TDY Departure from/Return to the PDS. On a TDY trip requiring at least one night's lodging, when a traveler drives a POC from the:

1. Residence to the PDS on the departure day, and/or
2. PDS to the residence on the return day,

the traveler who incurs the POC operating expenses is paid TDY mileage, and reimbursed for parking fees, ferry fares, road, bridge, and tunnel tolls for the most direct route to and/or from the residence.

E. Another Official Traveler Transported in the Same POC

1. When a TDY traveler transports another official TDY traveler to and/or from the same transportation terminal, TDY mileage is authorized for the additional distance involved.
2. Only one TDY traveler (usually the driver) who incurs the expense is paid the TDY mileage for the trip.
3. *Terminal parking fees while TDY may be reimbursed to the official traveler who incurs the fees NTE the cost of two one way taxicab fares, including allowable tips.*

C4785 POC USE BETWEEN RESIDENCE AND TDY STATION

Round trip POC travel may be authorized/approved, as being to the GOV'T's advantage, between the residence and TDY location without requiring the traveler to first report to the regular duty place. When POC travel from the residence is authorized/approved, the traveler is reimbursed for the distance traveled between the residence and the TDY station.

C4790 POC USE IN AND AROUND PDS OR TDY STATION

For allowances when a POC is used within or around a TDY station, see Ch 2, Part L.

C4795 GOV AVAILABLE AND USE IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE GOV'T

A. General. When a GOV is available and its use is advantageous to the GOV'T, but the traveler uses a POC, the traveler is reimbursed at the "Other Mileage Rate" in par. C2600.

B. Exception. If the AO determines that GOV use would be more expensive, due to unusual circumstances, the traveler may be authorized reimbursement NTE the mileage rate for POC use (airplane, automobile, or motorcycle as appropriate) in par. C2600. FTR [§301-10.310](#).

C. GOV Makes the Trip. When a traveler is directed to use a GOV as a passenger or as a driver, with one or more other travelers, but instead uses a POC, mileage reimbursement is not authorized if the GOV made the trip without the traveler.

D. Reimbursable Expenses. See POC Use on TDY, in APP G for reimbursable expenses when a POC is used on official travel.

C4797 POC MILEAGE EXPENSES

A. Reimbursable Expenses. See APP G.

B. Non Reimbursable Expenses. A traveler who is paid TDY mileage may not be reimbursed for fuel, oil, winter plug ins, and trip insurance for travel in foreign countries.

C. POC Repairs

1. *Charges for repairs, depreciation, replacements, grease, oil, antifreeze, towage and similar speculative expenses are not ordinarily reimbursable expenses ICW using a POC on official travel.*

2. A traveler may be eligible to submit a claim for repairs to a POC used for official travel, using Service procedures, under the Personnel Claims Act ([31 USC §3721](#)).

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PART H: TDY STATION BECOMES PDS

C4800 TDY STATION BECOMES PDS

A. Notification of Change from TDY Station to PDS

1. Coordinate the employee's TDY assignment with the change in PDS notice.
2. Allow the employee time to return to the old PDS to arrange for a residence sale, dependent(s) and/or HHG transportation, and to perform PCS travel to the new PDS to report for duty on the PCS effective date.

B. Per Diem Allowance

1. Payment of per diem stops on (i.e., is not paid on or after) the date the employee receives notice that the TDY station becomes the PDS.
2. Per diem is paid if the employee performs a TDY at the new PDS before the transfer effective date, and the TDY is terminated by a return to the old PDS, at which the employee performs substantial duty. For example, notice is received on 1 September 2008, TDY is 4-6 September 2008, and the transfer effective date is 30 September 2008 ([B-214966, 27 December 1984](#)).

C. PCS Allowance. The employee is authorized PCS allowances provided the transfer is in the GOV'T's interest. See par. C5070 for mandatory and discretionary allowances that may be authorized.

D. Old PDS

1. Return travel to Old PDS. Return travel to the old PDS from the TDY (new PDS) location when an employee is transferred in the GOV'T's interest, may be authorized/approved at GOV'T expense ([B-169392, 28 October 1976](#)). See pars. C4800-D1a and C4800-D1b.

a. Before the PCS effective Date

- (1) Return transportation to the old PDS under the TDY order, or reimbursement on a TDY mileage basis for POC use at the rate in par. C2600, if POC travel is determined to be to the GOV'T's advantage, plus per diem for the return trip payable ICW return from TDY; and
- (2) Transportation to the new PDS under the PCS order, or MALT reimbursement for POC use at the applicable rate (par. C2605), for travel to the new PDS plus per diem payable ICW PCS travel.

b. After the PCS Effective Date

- (1) Transportation under the PCS order to the old PDS, or MALT reimbursement for POC use at the rate in par. C2605 ([69 Comp. Gen. 424 \(1990\)](#)) plus per diem for the return trip payable ICW PCS travel; and
- (2) Transportation to the new PDS under the PCS order, or MALT reimbursement for POC use at the applicable rate in par. C2605 for travel to the new PDS plus per diem payable ICW PCS travel.

2. Per Diem at the Old PDS

- a. Before the PCS Effective Date. Return to the old PDS, before the date that the employee's TDY location becomes the employee's PDS, is treated in the same manner as return from any TDY assignment and no per diem is payable at the old PDS.

b. After the PCS Effective Date. Return transportation to the old PDS, after the date on which the TDY location becomes the employee's PDS, is authorized as PCS travel and per diem at the old PDS is not authorized ICW such travel.

E. GAO and GSBGA Decisions Applicable to Cases in which an Employee Is Transferred to the Location at which the Employee is TDY

1. B-214966, 27 December 1984. Several different cases, dealing with transfers to TDY locations and cessation of per diem payments in those cases, are discussed as well as the exception to these situations when an employee performs a TDY period or periods at the new official station between the time the employee receives the transfer order and the order stated effective date if such TDY period or periods are terminated by a return to the old station on official business.

2. GSBCA 13686-RELO, 28 February 1997. An employee was authorized a TDY assignment at the old PDS to act as a contracting officer's representative to make arrangements and supervise the packing and shipping of the employee's HHG.

3. GSBCA 15640-RELO, 13 June 2002. An employee was authorized reimbursement for second trip to the old PDS to supervise the shipment of HHG because, due to circumstances beyond the employee's control, the employee was unable to ship the HHG at the time of transfer.

4. B-169392, 28 October 1976. An employee was authorized reimbursement for expenses (transportation and per diem) for a round trip between the new and old PDSs several months after the TDY location became the employee's new PDS.

5. B-188093, 18 October 1977.

a. One instance that notice of transfer to the location at which an employee is on TDY does not preclude payment of per diem while at that location is the case in which an employee returns to the old PDS to perform substantial duty before the scheduled PCS date. An employee who was notified of a transfer to the TDY location could continue to be paid per diem until the end of the TDY assignment because the employee was expected to return to the old PDS for two or three weeks before the date on which the employee was to report to the new PDS.

b. Return to the old PDS for a weekend primarily to make moving arrangements is not considered to be performance of substantial duty at the old PDS as that term is used in par. C4800-E5a.

c. Notification of a transfer to the TDY location is not necessarily based on the date the employee receives a formal or written notice of the PCS, it may be based on the date that the employee actually knew officially that the TDY location was to become his PDS. The notice to the employee not only must be communicated to the employee by proper authority but should also be definite as to the action being taken so that the employee has no doubt concerning the PCS.

d. To eliminate any misunderstanding, the employee should be advised at the time the employee is notified of the PCS to the TDY location that the notification also terminates per diem at the TDY location. At the same time, or soon after, a PCS order should be issued. Round trip travel expenses should be authorized as soon as possible for the employee's return trip to the old PDS so that the employee can begin making necessary arrangements in preparation for the PCS.

6. B-190107, 8 February 1978. An employee performed intermittent TDY in Boston during June 1977. By PCS order dated 16 June 1977 the employee was transferred to Boston, effective 3 July 1977. While the general rule is that an employee, transferred to the place where the employee is performing TDY, may not be paid per diem after notice of such transfer, the rule is not applicable where TDY is intermittent and it is expected that the employee will return to headquarters for official duty prior to effective date of transfer.

7. [B-205440, 25 May 1982](#). An employee stationed in Washington, DC, who performed intermittent TDY in Hines, IL, after being notified of transfer to Hines effective 9 September 1978, nonetheless may be paid per diem when at Hines through December 30, 1978, since the employee was issued a TDY order to Hines during this period and until reporting to Hines on that date spent much time on assignment in Washington, DC.
8. [B-213742, 5 August 1985](#). Since employee was notified, while at a TDY station (Washington, DC), that Washington, DC, had been changed to the employee's PDS, the employee may be reimbursed for round trip travel and transportation expenses incurred between Washington, DC, and Fort Collins to arrange for the movement of the employee's family and HHG and assisting in other matters incident to the relocation.
9. [64 COMP. GEN. 205 \(1985\)](#). An employee received travel and per diem during an alleged 6 month detail in Washington, DC, and then was permanently assigned to Washington. Whether a particular location should be considered a TDY station or PDS is a question of fact to be determined from the order directing the assignment, the duration of the assignment, and the nature of the duties to be performed. Under the facts and circumstances of this case, it was concluded that the employee's 6 month detail in Washington constituted a legitimate TDY assignment. Therefore, the employee was authorized TDY allowances in Washington until the day the employee received definite notice of transfer there.
10. [69 Comp. Gen. 424 \(1990\)](#). An employee, permanently transferred to the place at which the employee was on a TDY assignment, returned to the old duty station by POC to retrieve stored HHG. The employee is authorized en route per diem and MALT for the round trip since relocation travel by POV is deemed to be to the GOV'T's advantage.
11. [B-253033, 16 November 1993](#). An employee's official duty station was Salt Lake City, UT. The employee was on a TDY assignment in San Bernardino, CA, where the employee was selected for a permanent position. However, the employee's final TDY period in San Bernardino was terminated by a return to Salt Lake City for substantial official business. The transfer effective date for per diem purposes is the date on which the employee returned to San Bernardino to stay at the new position, after completion of official business in Salt Lake City.

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PART K: TRAINING COURSE ATTENDANCE

C4900 ALLOWANCES

A. General. An employee attending a TDY training course ([5 USC §4104-4109](#)) away from the PDS may be authorized one of the following:

1. Per diem/AEA (pars. C4300 and C4930), or
2. Dependent and HHG transportation to and from the training location (pars. C4905 and C4910).

B. In the PDS Area

1. Authorized Reimbursement. An employee attending a TDY training course in the PDS area may be authorized the following:

- a. TDY mileage, and reimbursement of ferry fares; bridge, road, and tunnel tolls; and parking fees; and
- b. Common carrier transportation costs reimbursement.

2. Unauthorized Reimbursement. Per diem/AEA is not payable when an employee is authorized:

- a. Transportation reimbursement to and from the training location in par. C4900-B1a; or
- b. Common carrier transportation in par. C4900-B1b,

except as provided in par. C4920-C.

C. Conference/Training at the PDS as Training Expenses

1. Payment of registration fees, meals, lodging, travel, and/or other expenses required for conferences/training at the PDS ***may not be paid as travel and transportation allowances.***

2. Training cost:

a. Payment authority at the PDS is in:

- (1) [10 USC §2013](#); [5 USC §4109](#); [42 USC §218a](#); and
- (2) [14 USC §469](#); and

b. Must be an integral to the training ([39 Comp. Gen. 119 \(1959\)](#); and [B-244473, 13 January 1992](#)).

3. When training events require subsistence costs at the PDS, payment authority is made through training and/or comptroller personnel using the above legal authority.

4. ***This payment is not a travel and transportation allowance and these regulations are not the authority for the payment.***

C4905 DEPENDENT AND HHG TRANSPORTATION

A. General

1. Dependent and HHG transportation allowances are authorized in Ch 5 and Ch 7.
2. Per diem is not authorized for dependents:
 - a. At the employee's TDY location, or
 - b. While traveling to/from the TDY location.

B. Allowances Authorized

1. If the estimated round trip transportation total cost for dependents (*excluding per diem*) and HHG between the PDS and the training location is less than total per diem/AEA payments the employee could receive, the AO may authorize round trip dependent and HHG transportation instead of per diem/AEA payments.
2. When round trip dependent and HHG transportation is authorized and the employee and/or dependents travel by POA, MALT reimbursement is authorized as in par. C5050-A.
3. Dependent and HHG round trip transportation may be changed to authorize per diem/AEA payment any time before transportation begins. *After transportation begins, the employee's allowances and GOV'T obligation are fixed and may not be changed (39 Comp. Gen. 140 (1959)).*

C. Allowances Not Authorized. Dependent and HHG transportation authorized to a training location instead of per diem/AEA is not a PCS to the training location and the following allowances are **not** authorized:

1. Per diem payment for dependent travel,
2. A HHT,
3. TQSE payment (see par. C5356-B),
4. MEA, and
5. Reimbursement for real estate transactions and/or unexpired leases.

D. Activity or Command Responsibility

1. Transportation expenses are the financial responsibility of the activity/command that funds the training assignment.
2. The activity/command having jurisdiction over the employee is responsible for travel order issuance.

C4910 NO RETURN TO OLD PDS

A. Dependent and HHG Transportation

1. Dependent and HHG transportation allowances are authorized in Ch 5 and Ch 7.
2. An employee who attends a training program away from the PDS and is transferred to a new PDS after completing the program (without returning to the old PDS), or en route to a new PDS, may be authorized (instead of per diem/AEA reimbursement while at the training location) reimbursement for:
 - a. Dependent and HHG transportation from the PDS to the training location NTE the total per diem/AEA payments that would have been received at the training location; and
 - b. Per diem from the training location to the new PDS NTE the dependent and HHG transportation and per diem cost from the old to the new PDS.

NOTE: Per diem for dependents is not authorized.

3. When the employee is authorized per diem/AEA at the training location and dependents and HHG are moved to the training location and then to a new PDS, transportation at GOV'T expense is NTE the travel and transportation cost for the dependents (including en route per diem) and HHG from the old to the new PDS ([52 Comp. Gen. 834 \(1973\)](#)).

B. MALT Reimbursement. For MALT reimbursement when an employee and/or dependents travel by POA, see par. C5050-A.

C. Real Estate Transactions

1. If an employee is notified of selection for a training program and subsequent transfer to a new PDS (without returning to the old PDS), the employee has been officially notified of a transfer to a new PDS for Ch 5, Part P purposes.
2. Before the training begins, a selected employee should be issued a PCS travel order assigning the employee to the training program and stating that the employee is being transferred to a new PDS after training is completed. This travel order establishes the employee's authority for the real estate transaction allowance reimbursement in Ch 5, Part P.
3. Payment of the real estate transaction allowances in Ch 5, Part P (as well as other PCS allowances authorized for an employee's transfer) may be authorized only after the employee has:
 - a. Successfully completed the training program,
 - b. Signed the service agreement required in par. C5564, and
 - c. Been assigned to a PDS other than the PDS at the time of selection and entry to the training assignment. See [B-161795, 29 June 1967](#).

C4915 INTERN AND/OR TRAINEE

A. Determining Move Type

1. When moving an intern/trainee, the DoD COMPONENT must determine if the move is primarily for training or primarily for work performance. A facility designation as a "school" or "training center" may be helpful in making this determination. However, there are assignments that are primarily for training that do not involve a school facility and assignments to school facilities that do not involve training.
2. Assignment of an employee to learn from the performance of a particular job at a particular facility does not necessarily require the conclusion that the assignment is primarily for training.
3. Because of varying circumstances, it is necessary to evaluate each individual move.

B. Applicability. *If an assignment is primarily for training, this Part applies. If the assignment is primarily for work performance, see par. C5075.*

C4920 TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM/AEA

A. Travel ICW Beginning/Ending of Training. Transportation and per diem/AEA while traveling to a training location at the beginning of the assignment and return to the residence following training completion are computed the same as for travel to and from a TDY assignment.

B. Employee Elects to Commute between the Training Location and PDS Residence. If an employee is authorized per diem/AEA but elects to commute between the training location and PDS residence, en route per diem/AEA reimbursement and daily round trip transportation is NTE the per diem/AEA allowed if the employee had remained at the training location. See par. C4440.

C. Employee Authorized to Remain Overnight at the Training Location. The employee is authorized *round trip* TDY mileage or the cost of *round trip* public conveyance transportation (from the residence to the training location) and per diem/AEA (par. C4300 and C4930) when authorized to remain overnight at the training location to comply with training assignment requirements.

C4925 LODGING AND/OR MEALS OBTAINED UNDER CONTRACT

A. General. A contracting officer may contract for rooms and/or meals for an employee traveling on TDY.

B. Per Diem. Daily reimbursement for lodging and M&IE is NTE the applicable locality per diem rate authorized in Ch 4, Part B.

C. Training Cost Includes Lodging and Meals

1. If the school/other institution that is sponsoring the training includes lodging and meals as part of the training cost, the employee is only authorized the appropriate IE amount under Ch 4, Part B.
2. If lodging and meal costs are not included, per diem for an employee may not exceed the applicable amount authorized in Ch 4, Part B ([60 Comp. Gen. 181 \(1981\)](#)).

D. AEA. For AEA information, see Ch 4, Part C.

E. Reimbursement Limitation. Reimbursement is not authorized for any items rented for contract QTRS that are rented with an "option to buy" ([GSBCA 15890-TRAV, 29 July 2003](#)).

C4930 PER DIEM FOR TRAINING ASSIGNMENT

- A. General. Per diem rates for all courses of instruction are the same as for any other TDY (see Ch 4, Part B) except as in par. C4930-D.
- B. Per Diem Rate Change. See par. C4095 for procedures to request a rate change.
- C. Arrival/Departure. Per diem for the arrival day at, and departure day from, the training location are determined using the 'Lodging Plus' method in par. C4130-B.
- D. Rates for Specific Training Courses
1. General. The per diem rates prescribed for specific training courses apply from the day following the arrival day at the training location through the day prior to the departure day. ***The per diem rate is not subject to further reduction.***
 2. Survival Training School, Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington. A \$12.50 per diem rate applies during a DoD employee's attendance at the Survival Training School, Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington, under a TDY assignment except during field and compound training periods. ***No per diem is payable for field and compound training periods.*** When an employee pays for GOV'T QTRS use, the \$12.50 is increased by the QTRS' charge, without rounding the total to the nearest dollar.
 3. The Secretary Concerned may authorize EUM for students in particular courses when readiness requires GOV'T dining facility/mess use. When EUM applies, an employee receives the IE amount and the discount GMR. The AO may authorize the actual amount paid up to the PMR for commercial meals the employee is required to purchase.

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CHAPTER 4: TDY**PART L: INCOME TAX REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE (ITRA) FOR EXTENDED TDY ASSIGNMENTS****C4950 ITRA FOR EXTENDED TDY ASSIGNMENTS DURING TAX YEARS 1993 AND THEREAFTER (FTR Part 301-11, Subparts E and F)****A. Purpose**

1. ITRA reimburses an employee for additional Federal, State and/or local *income taxes* incurred by the employee (and spouse, if filing jointly) because of reimbursement/payment of certain travel and transportation expenses incident to an extended TDY assignment in one location.
2. ITRA does not reimburse the employee for the exact amount of the employee's tax liability.

B. Reimbursement

1. An employee who was TDY for an extended period at one location, and who incurred Federal, State, and/or local income taxes on amounts received as reimbursement for official travel expenses is eligible for reimbursement under the ITRA IAW [FTR, §301-11.501](#).
2. See [FTR, §301-11.535](#) or [§301-11.635](#) for ITRA reimbursement calculation examples.

C. Reimbursement Limitations

1. ITRA is limited to income taxes and does not include reimbursement for *employment* type taxes (e.g., FICA and Medicare deductions). See GSBCA 15375-TRAV (4 December 2000) at <http://www.gsbca.gsa.gov/travel/t1537504.txt>.
2. Tax rules may differ by state and locality.

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C4550-B1	DELETED
C4550-B2	DELETED
C4550-B3	DELETED
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C4550-E2	C4095-I2
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C4551-A1	C4120-A1
C4551-A2	C4120-A2
C4551-A3	C4120-A3
C4551-A4	C4120-A4
C4551-A5	C4120-A5
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C4553-A2	C4130-B2b
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C4553-A4	C4130-B2d
C4553-A5	C4130-B2f

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C4553-D2a(2)	C4065-E
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C4553-D2b(2)	C4075-B
C4553-D2c	C4080
C4553-D2c(1)	C4080-B
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C4554-A	C4200
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C4554-A1a(1)	C4200-B1
C4554-A1a(2)	C4200-B2
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C4554-A1b(2)	C4200-C2
C4554-A1b(3)	C4200-C3
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C4554-B2	C4205-B
C4554-B2a	C4205-B1
C4554-B2b	C4205-B2
C4554-B2c	C4205-B3
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C4554-B2e	C4205-B5
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C4554-B3	C4210-A
C4554-B3a	C4210-A1
C4554-B3b	C4210-A2
C4554-B3c	C4210-A3
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C4554-B3e	C4210-A5
C4554-B3f	C4210-A6
C4554-B3g	C4210-A7
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C4554-B4	C4205-F
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C4554-B4b	C4205-F2
C4554-B4c	C4205-F3
C4554-B4c, wording after 4c	C4205-F4
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C4555-A	C4130-K
C4555-B	C4130-A2,C4130-A3,C4130-A4, C4130-A5, C4130-A6
C4555-B1	C4130-A6
C4555-B2	C4130-E
C4555-B2a	C4130-E1
C4555-B2b	C4130-E2
C4555-B3	C4130-G
C4555-B3a	C4130-G1
C4555-B3b	C4130-G2
C4555-B3c	C4130-G3
C4555-B3d	C4130-G4
C4555-B3e	C4130-G5
C4555-B3f	C4130-G6
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C4555-B5a(1)	C4130-L1a
C4555-B5a(2)	C4130-L1b
C4555-B5b	C4130-L2
C4555-B5b(1)	C4130-L2a
C4555-B5b(2)	C4130-L2b
C4555-B5b(3)	C4130-L2c
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C4555-D8	C4160-B1g
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C4555-F2, NOTE	C4145-A2
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C4555-F5	C4145-F
C4555-F6	DELETED
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C4555-I2b	C4130-F2b
C4555-I2c	C4130-F2c
C4555-I2c(1)	C4130-F2c(1)
C4555-I2c(2)	C4130-F2c(2)
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C4555-J1a	C4130-D1a
C4555-J1b	C4130-D1b
C4555-J1c	C4130-D1c
C4555-J2	C4130-D2
C4555-J2a	C4130-D2a
C4555-J2b	C4130-D2b
C4555-J3	C4130-D3
C4555-J3a	C4130-D3a
C4555-J3b	C4130-D3b

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OLD PAR.	NEW PAR.
C4555-K	C4130-H
C4555-K1	C4130-H1
C4555-K2	C4130-H2
C4555-K3	C4130-H3
C4555-K4	C4130-H4
C4555-K5	C4130-H5
C4555-K5a	C4130-H5a
C4555-K5b	C4130-H5b
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C4555-L2	C4130-M2
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C4556-2	C4220-A2
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C4558-A	C4110-A1, C4110-A2
C4558-B	C4110-B
C4558-B1	C4110-B
C4558-B2	DELETED
C4558-B3	C4110-D
C4558-C	C4110-C
C4558-C1	C4110-C3
C4558-C2	C4110-C4
C4558-D	C4115-A
C4558-D1	C4115-B
C4558-D2	C4115-C
C4558-D3	C4115-D
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C4560	C4155-A
C4563	C4020
C4563-A	C4020-A
C4563-B	C4020-B
C4563-C	C4020-C
C4563-C1	C4020-C1
C4563-C2	C4020-C2
C4563-C2a	C4020-C3b
C4563-C2b	C4020-C3a(2)
C4563-D	C4020-D
C4563-E	C4020-E
C4563-F	C4020-F
C4564-A	C4090-C2
C4564-B	C4090-C3
C4564-C	C4090-C4
C4564-D	C4090-C5
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C4564-G	C4090-C8
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C4565	C4280
C4565-A1	C4280-A1
C4565-A2	C4280-A1
C4565-A3	C4280-A2
C4565-A4	C4280-A2
C4565-B	C4280-B
C4565-C	C4280-C
C4565-D	C4280-D
C4565-D1	C4280-D1
C4565-D2	C4280-D2
C4565-D3	C4280-D3
C4565-D4	C4280-D4
C4565-D5	C4280-D5
C4566	C4290
C4566-A	C4290-A
C4566-B	C4290-B
C4566-C	C4290-C
C4566-D	C4290-D
C4600	C4300
C4602	C4305
C4602-A	C4305-A
C4602-B	C4305-B
C4602-B1	C4305-B1
C4602-B2	C4305-B2
C4602-B3	C4305-B3
C4604	C4310
C4604-A	C4310-A
C4604-B	C4310-B
C4604-B1	C4310-B1
C4604-B2	C4310-B2
C4604-B3	C4310-B3
C4604-B4	C4310-B4
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C4606-A1	C4315-A1
C4606-A2	C4315-A2
C4606-A3	C4315-A3
C4606-A4	C4315-A4
C4606-B	C4315-B
C4608	C4320
C4608-A	C4320-A
C4608-A1	C4320-A1
C4608-A2	C4320-A2
C4608-A2a	C4320-A2a
C4608-A2b	C4320-A2b
C4608-A2c	C4320-A2c
C4608-A2d	C4320-A2d
C4608-A2e	C4320-A2e
C4608-A2f	C4320-A2f, C4320-A2g
C4608-A2g	C4320-A2h

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C4608-A3	C4320-A3
C4608-A4	C4320-A4
C4608-A5	C4320-A4
C4608-A6	C4320-A5
C4608-B	C4320-B
C4608-B1	C4320-B1
C4608-B2	C4320-B2
C4608-B3	C4320-B3
C4608-B4	C4320-B4
C4608-B5	C4320-B5
C4608-B6	C4320-B6
C4608-B7	C4320-B7
C4608-B8	C4320-B8
C4608-B9	C4320-B9
C4608-B10	C4320-B10
C4608-B11	C4320-B11
C4608-B12	C4320-B12
C4610	C4325
C4610-A	C4325-A
C4610-B	C4325-B
C4610-B1	C4325-B1
C4610-B2	C4325-B2
C4610-B3	C4325-B3
C4620	C4335
C4622	C4340
C4622-A	C4340-A
C4622-A1	C4340-A1
C4622-2	C4340-A2
C4622-A3	C4340-A3
C4622-B	C4340-B
C4622-B1	C4340-B1
C4622-B2	C4340-B2
C4622-B2a	C4340-B2a
C4622-B2b	C4340-B2b
C4622-C	C4340-C
C4622-C1	C4340-C1, C4340-C2
C4622-C2	C4340-C3
C4622-C3	C4340-C4
C4622-C3a	C4340-C4a
C4622-C3b	C4340-C4b
C4622-C3c	C4340-C4c
C4622-C3d	C4340-C4d
C4622-C3e	C4340-C4e
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C4622-C3e(2)	C4340-C4e(2)
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C4622-D	C4340-D
C4622-E	C4340-E
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C4624-A	C4345-A

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C4624-B	C4345-B
C4624-C	C4345-C
C4624-C1	C4345-C
C4624-C2	C4345-D
C4624-C2a	C4345-D
C4624-C2b	C4345-D
C4624-D	C4345-F
C4624-D1	C4345-F1
C4624-D2	C4345-F2a
C4624-D3	C4345-F2b
C4626	C4350
C4626, NOTE	DELETED
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C4626-Example 2	C4350-B
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C4630-A	C4900-A
C4630-A1	C4900-A1
C4630-A2	C4900-A2
C4630-B	C4900-B
C4630-B1	C4900-B1a
C4630-B2	C4900-B1b
C4630-B, NOTE	C4900-B2a, C4900-B2b
C4630-C	C4900-C
C4635	C4905
C4635, NOTE 1	C4905-A1
C4635, NOTE 2	C4905-A2
C4635-A	C4905-B
C4635-A1	C4905-B1
C4635-A2	C4905-B2
C4635-A3	C4905-B3
C4635-B	C4905-C
C4635-B1	C4905-C1
C4635-B2	C4905-C2
C4635-B3	C4905-C3
C4635-B4	C4905-C4
C4635-B5	C4905-C5
C4635-C	C4905-D
C4635-C1	C4905-D1
C4635-C2	C4905-D2
C4640	C4910
C4640-A	C4910-A
C4640-A, NOTE	C4910-A1
C4640-A1	C4910-A2
C4640-A1a	C4910-A2
C4640-A1b	C4910-A2
C4640-A1b, wording after A1b	C4910-A2
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C4640-A2	C4910-A3

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C4640-B	C4910-B
C4640-C	C4910-C
C4640-C1	C4910-C1
C4640-C2	C4910-C2
C4640-C3	C4910-C3
C4640-C3a	C4910-C3a
C4640-C3b	C4910-C3b
C4640-C3c	C4910-C3c
C4645	C4915
C4645-A	C4915-A
C4645-A1	C4915-A1
C4645-A2	C4915-A2
C4645-A3	C4915-A3
C4645-B	C4915-B
C4650	C4920
C4650-1	C4920-A
C4650-2	C4920-B
C4650-3	C4920-C
C4655	C4925-A, C4925-B, C4925-C, C4925-D, C4925-E
C4660	C4930
C4660-A	C4930-A, C4930-B, C4930-C
C4660-B	C4930-D
C4660-B1	C4930-D1
C4660-B2	C4930-D2
C4660-B3	C4930-D3
C4675	C4450-C
C4675-A	C4450-C1
C4675-A1	C4450-C1a
C4675-A2	C4450-C1b
C4675-B	C4450-C2
C4676	C4450
C4676-A	C4450-A
C4676-B	C4450-B
C4676-B1	C4450-B1
C4676-B2	C4450-B2, C4450-B3
C4676-B3	C4450-B4
C4677	C4440
C4677-A1	C4440-A
C4677-A2	C4440-B
C4677-A3	C4440-A
C4677-B	C4440-E
C4678	C4435
C4678-A	C4435-A
C4678-A1	C4435-A1
C4678-A2	C4435-A2
C4678-A3	C4435-A3
C4678-B	C4435-B
C4678-B1	C4435-B1
C4678-B2	C4435-B2
C4678-B3	C4435-B4

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OLD PAR.	NEW PAR.
C4678-B4	C4435-B3
C4678-B5	C4435-B5
C4679-A	C4440-D
C4679-B	C4435-C1
C4679-B1	C4435-C1
C4679-B1a	C4435-C1a
C4679-B1b	C4435-C1b
C4679-B1c	C4435-C1c
C4679-B2	C4435-C2
C4710	C4230-A, C4230-B, C4230-C
C4715	C4950
C4715-A	C4950-A
C4715-B	C4950-B
C4715-C	C4950-C1
C4715-C, NOTE	C4950-C2
C4720-1	C4700
C4720-2	C4705-1
C4720-3	C4725-A
C4720-4	C4705-2
C4720-5	C4705-3
C4720-6	C4705-4
C4720-7	C4430-A1
C4720-8	C4710-A
C4720-8a	C4710-C
C4720-8b	C4700-7
C4725-NOTE	C4715-A, C4715-B, C4715-C, C4715-D
C4725-A	C4775
C4725-A1	C4775-A1
C4725-A2	C4775-A2
C4725-A3	C4775-A3
C4725-B	C4775-B
C4725-B1	C4775-B1
C4725-B2	C4775-B2
C4725-B3	C4775-B3
C4725-B4	C4775-B4
C4725-B5	C4775-B5
C4725-B6	C4775-B6
C4725-B, Example	C4775-C
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C4730-A1	C4705-4
C4730-A2	C4710-D1
C4730-A3	C4710-D2
C4730-A4	C4710-D3
C4730-A4a	C4710-D3a
C4730-A4b	C4710-D3b
C4730-A5	C4710-D4
C4730-A6	DELETED
C4730-A7	C4710-D5
C4730-A7a	C4710-D5a
C4730-A7b	C4710-D5b

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OLD PAR.	NEW PAR.
C4730-A7c	C4710-D5c
C4730-B	C4735
C4730-B1	C4735-B1
C4730-B2	C4735-B2
C4730-B3	C4735-B3
C4730-C	C4735-C
C4730-C1	C4735-C1
C4730-C2	C4735-C2
C4730-C3	C4735-C3
C4730-D	C4735-D
C4740	C4797
C4740-A	C4797-A
C4740-B	C4797-B
C4740-C	C4797-C
C4740-C1	C4797-C1
C4740-C2	C4797-C2
C4745	DELETED
C4745-A	DELETED
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APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS & ACRONYMS (JFTR/JTR)

PART 1: DEFINITIONS (JFTR/JTR)

As used in JFTR & JTR, and unless otherwise specifically provided in JFTR or JTR, the following definitions apply.

ACADEMY, SERVICE (*Uniformed Member Only*). The United States Military Academy (Army), United States Naval Academy, United States Air Force Academy, or United States Coast Guard Academy ([37 USC §410\(a\)](#)).

ACCOMMODATIONS

A. Approved. Any place of public lodging that is listed on the national master list of approved accommodations. This list of all approved accommodations is compiled, periodically updated, and published in the Federal Register by FEMA. Additionally, the approved accommodation list is available on the U.S. Fire Administration's Internet site.

B. Common Carrier

1. Other Than Economy/Coach

a. First class. Generally, the highest accommodations class offered by commercial airlines, passenger rail carriers, and passenger ships for cost and amenities and termed "first class" by the airlines/train/ships and in reservations systems. Includes suites offered by commercial ships, and includes bedrooms, roomettes, club service, parlor car, or any other accommodations other than least expensive unrestricted economy/coach offered by passenger rail carriers. For first class transportation authority, see JFTR, par. U3510-A/JTR, par. C3510-A.

b. Business Class. Other than least expensive unrestricted economy/coach accommodations offered by commercial airlines, passenger rail carriers, and passenger ships that is higher than economy/coach and lower than first class for cost and amenities (e.g., business class). This accommodation class is generally referred to as "business, business elite, business first, world business, connoisseur, or envoy" depending on the airline, passenger rail carrier, and ship. It is also a service class offered on Amtrak Acela/Metroliner extra fare train service. See JFTR, par. U3510/JTR, par. C3510 for business class transportation authority (restricted to the two star flag level and civilian equivalents).

2. Economy/Coach. The basic least expensive unrestricted accommodations class offered by commercial airlines, passenger rail carriers, passenger ships, that includes a service level available to all passengers regardless of the fare paid. The term applies when an airline, passenger rail carrier, or passenger ship offers only one accommodations class and that class is sold as economy/coach (i.e., some airlines, passenger rail carrier, or passenger ships only offer true business class/true first class and are not to be mistaken for this one accommodations class). The term also includes tourist class on commercial airlines and reserved coach and/or slumber coach accommodations on overnight rail travel.

3. Slumber Coach. Slumber coach accommodations on trains offering such accommodations, or the least expensive sleeping accommodations available on a train.

4. Extra Fare Train. A train that operates at an increased fare due to the train's extra performance (i.e., faster speed or fewer stops).

5. Single Class. This term applies when an airline offers only one class of accommodations to all travelers ([41 CFR §301-10.121](#)).

C. **Public.** Any inn, hotel, or other establishment within the U.S. that provides lodging to transient guests, excluding an establishment:

1. Owned by the GOV'T; or
2. Treated as an apartment building by State or local law or regulation; or
3. Containing not more than 5 rooms for rent or hire that also is occupied as a residence by the proprietor of that establishment.

D. **TYPES.** Seat space, berths, roomettes, bedrooms, and staterooms on transportation facilities. Types include:

1. **Air Economy/Coach/Air Tourist.** A type available on commercial aircraft at rates lower than other than economy/coach accommodations.
2. **Coach or Chair Car (Rail).** A type not affording sleeping facilities, at a lesser rate than first class (parlor car seat).
3. **Security (Enclosed).** Any private room that can be locked for security purposes.

ACTIVE DUTY (Uniformed Member Only). Full time duty in the active service ([37 USC §101\(18\)](#)) of a Uniformed Service, including full time training duty, annual training duty, full time National Guard duty, and attendance, while in the active service, at a school designated as a Service school by law or by the Secretary Concerned. **NOTE: A member is on active duty while in a travel status or while on authorized leave.**

ACTIVE DUTY FOR TRAINING (ADT) (Uniformed Member Only). Full time training duty in the active military service for the purpose of training a Ready Reserve member to acquire or maintain required military skills. It includes initial basic training, advanced individual training, annual training (AT), and full time attendance at a school designated as a Service school by law or by the Secretary Concerned.

***ACTIVE GUARD AND RESERVE (AGR).** Active duty performed by a member of an RC of the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps, or full-time National Guard duty performed by a member of the National Guard pursuant to an order to full-time National Guard duty, for a period of 180 consecutive or more days for the purpose of organizing, administering, recruiting, instructing, or training the RCs (10 USC 101(d)6).

ACTUAL EXPENSE. Payment of authorized actual expenses incurred, up to the limit prescribed within JFTR and/or JTR, as appropriate. Reimbursement is contingent on eligibility for per diem, and is subject to the same definitions and rules governing per diem.

ACTUAL RESIDENCE (Civilian Employee Only). The fixed or permanent domicile of a person that can be reasonably justified as a bona fide residence. Also referred to as the "home of record." For a separating employee concluding an OCONUS assignment, the "actual residence" is the residence occupied at the time the employee received the OCONUS assignment. This is the residence listed in the service or transportation agreement signed by the employee prior to departure to an OCONUS PDS, pursuant to which the employee is assured that the expenses of return travel and transportation will be paid by the GOV'T ([GSBCA 16265-RELO, 19 December 2003](#)).

ADVANCED TRAVEL OF DEPENDENTS (Uniformed Member Only). The movement of dependents based on a PCS order, but before member travel.

AGENCY

A. Includes:

1. An Executive agency, as defined in [5 USC §105](#);
2. A Military department;
3. An Office, agency or other establishment in the legislative branch;
4. The Government of the District of Columbia.

B. Does NOT include a/an:

1. GOV'T controlled corporation;
2. Member of Congress;
3. Office or committee of either House of Congress or of the two Houses;
4. Office, agency or other establishment in the judicial branch.

AGREEMENT (*Civilian Employee Only*). A written statement required by any of several statutes, signed by a person selected for appointment or by an employee, prescribing a required period of service and other conditions related to transportation allowances ICW permanent duty travel. *Also called a Service Agreement.*

ALTERNATE PLACE (*Uniformed Member Only*). A CONUS or non foreign OCONUS place authorized/ approved by the Secretarial Process to which a dependent is authorized to move at GOV'T expense in conjunction with an ITDY.

ANNUAL TRAINING (AT) (*Uniformed Member Only*)

1. Active duty required of the Ready Reserve to satisfy the member's annual reserve assignment training requirements.
2. Providing readiness training is the primary purpose of annual training, but annual training also may support active component missions and requirements (i.e., operational support).
3. Annual training is a part of active duty for training.
4. For DoD, see [DoDI 1215.06](#). For non DoD Services, see Service issuances.

APPROVE(D). The ratification or confirmation of an act already done.

APPROVING OFFICIAL (*Civilian Employee Only*). See **TRAVEL APPROVING/DIRECTING OFFICIAL**.

ARMED FORCES. The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard ([37 USC §101\(4\)](#)).

ATTENDANT. An attendant:

1. Is a Uniformed member, employee, or other person who, IAW a order/ITA, accompanies a member/employee authorized to travel to/from a medical facility for required medical attention that is not available locally; and
2. Takes care of and waits upon the member/employee patient in response to the patient's needs; and
3. May travel with the patient and attend to the patient's needs at the destination medical facility; and
4. Is appointed by competent medical authority.

AUTHENTICATING OFFICIAL (*Civilian Employee Only*). See **AUTHORIZING/ORDER ISSUING OFFICIAL (AO)**.

AUTHORIZE(D)

1. Permission given before an act.
2. The giving, through these regulations, of an allowance to an eligible individual requiring no other action.

(Example: When the regulation states that an allowance is authorized, – the regulation means that an eligible individual has that allowance without further action by any other activity.)

AUTHORIZING/ORDER ISSUING OFFICIAL (AO). The official who directs travel and has responsibility for the funding.

AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE (ATM) SERVICES. Contractor provided services that allow cash withdrawals from participating ATMs to be charged to a GTCC.

BAGGAGE

- A. Personal effects of a traveler needed ICW official travel and immediately upon arrival at the assignment point.
- B. GOV'T material may be included.

C. *Baggage may accompany a traveler (accompanied baggage) or be transported separately from the traveler (UB).*

1. Accompanied Baggage. Baggage that is not part of the HHG weight allowance and consists of coats, brief cases, suitcases, and similar luggage that accompanies a traveler without cost on a transportation ticket.
2. Excess Accompanied Baggage. Accompanied baggage in excess of the weight, size, or number of pieces carried free by a transportation carrier or when charged a fee by the airline to transport accompanied baggage.
3. Unaccompanied Baggage (UB). That part of a member's/employee's prescribed HHG weight allowance that:
 - a. Is not carried free on a ticket used for personal travel,
 - b. Ordinarily is transported separately from the major bulk of HHG, and
 - c. Usually is transported by an expedited mode because it's needed immediately or soon after arrival at destination for interim housekeeping pending arrival of the major portion of HHG.
 - d. *ICW PDT (including TCS for civilian employees), PCS, RAT, COT/IPCOT travel consists of personal*

clothing and equipment, essential pots, pans, and light housekeeping items; collapsible items such as cribs, playpens, and baby carriages; and other articles required for the care of dependents. Items such as refrigerators, washing machines, and other major appliances/furniture must not be included in UB.

e. ICW an extended TDY assignment, is limited to the necessary personal clothing and effects for the individual and equipment directly related to the assignment.

BLANKET ORDER. See **ORDER**.

BREAK IN SERVICE (*Civilian Employee Only*). A break in service is defined as a period of four or more calendar days during which an individual is no longer on the rolls of an executive agency ([5 CFR §300.703 \(2004\)](#)).

BUSINESS CLASS. See **ACCOMMODATIONS**.

CALENDAR DAY

1. The 24 hour period from one midnight to the next midnight.
2. The calendar day technically begins one second after midnight and ends at midnight.

CAPACITY CONTROLLED CITY PAIR AIRFARE. See **CITY PAIR AIRFARE**.

CENTRALLY BILLED ACCOUNT (CBA). See **GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CHARGE CARD (GTCC)**.

CERTIFICATED AIR CARRIER. See **U.S. CERTIFICATED CARRIER**.

CIRCUITOUS TRAVEL. Travel by a route other than the one that ordinarily would be prescribed by a transportation officer between the places involved. Also referred to as Indirect Travel.

CITY PAIR AIRFARE. An airfare on a U.S. certificated air carrier under contract for a Federal employee for planning official travel ([Airfares \(City Pair Program\) <http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/27228>](#)). Airfares are priced on one way routes permitting multiple destination travel. No minimum/maximum length of stay is required. Tickets are fully refundable, with no cancellation fees. Prices are negotiated each fiscal year. There are two types of city pair airfares:

A. Standard City Pair Airfare (YCA):

1. No advance purchase required
2. Last seat availability
3. Used for cost construction purposes.

B. Dual (Capacity Controlled) City Pair Airfare ('Dash'CA):

1. Lower prices than the standard city pair rates
2. Limited number of seats on each flight
3. Not used for cost construction purposes.

COMMANDANT'S PAROLE (*Uniformed Member Only*). The conditional release (parole) from confinement of a prisoner from a disciplinary barracks whose parole the Secretary Concerned has authorized and whose court martial sentence has not been ordered executed because appellate review of the case has not been completed. The prisoner must remain under the supervision of the Commandant of a U.S. disciplinary barracks.

COMMAND, COMBATANT. An organization with a broad continuing mission under a single commander established and so designated by the President, through the SECDEF with the advice and assistance of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. Combatant commands typically have geographic or functional responsibilities. Refer to the [Defense Almanac](#) and/or the [DoD](#) website for Unified Combatant Commands.

COMMAND SPONSORED DEPENDENT (*Uniformed Member Only*). See **DEPENDENT, COMMAND SPONSORED**.

COMMERCIAL POV STORAGE FACILITY (*Uniformed Member Only*). Any commercial fee for service facility open to the public for daily/long term storage of motor vehicles.

COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTER. A transporter operating under the Interstate Commerce Commission Termination Act of 1995 ([P. L. 104-88](#)) in interstate commerce or under appropriate State statutes in intrastate commerce.

COMMON CARRIER. Private sector supplier of air, rail, bus, or ship transportation.

COMMUTED RATE (*Civilian Employee Only*). A price rate used for HHG transportation and SIT. It includes costs of line haul transportation, packing, crating, unpacking, drayage incident to transportation and other accessorial charges, and costs of SIT within the applicable weight limit for storage including in and out charges and necessary drayage. Rate table information and commuted rate schedule for transportation, storage, packing, unpacking, crating, drayage and other accessorial charges incident to transportation can be found at <http://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/105054>, <http://www.moving.org/> (AMSA) or the appropriate office designated in your Service/DoD COMPONENT. See JTR, par. C5160-D4.

CONFERENCE. A meeting, retreat, seminar, symposium or event that involves attendee travel. Also applies to training activities that are conferences under [5 CFR §410.404](#). Does not include regularly scheduled courses of instruction conducted at a GOV'T/commercial training facility.

CONSECUTIVE OVERSEAS TOUR (COT) (*Uniformed Member Only*). The PCS reassignment of a member from one OCONUS PDS to another OCONUS PDS. See **IN PLACE CONSECUTIVE OVERSEAS TOUR**.

CONSUMABLE GOODS (*SEE HOUSEHOLD GOODS*). Consumable goods refer to expendable personal property because they are used up, as opposed to wearing out. Refer to APP F for the designated locations to which consumable goods shipments are authorized. There are three categories of consumable goods:

1. **Foodstuff:** Edible foodstuffs, e.g., canned tuna or foodstuffs that are edible as part of prepared items, such as flour, sugar, salt, and shortening which are used to make cake. Edible consumable goods directly satisfy the need for food and nourishment.
2. **Personal Maintenance:** Non edible consumable goods include items that are used for personal maintenance such as toiletries, deodorant, toothpaste and personal hygiene products.
3. **Household Maintenance:** Non edible consumable goods used for the maintenance of the household such as paper products and liquid household cleaners that cannot be shipped as HHG due to normal shipping restrictions.

Consumable goods do not include items to maintain an automobile or other machinery. Items such as car batteries and tires are not consumable goods and are prohibited in consumable goods shipments.

CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES (CONUS). The 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia. This definition specifically excludes the states of AK and HI as they are not part of the contiguous states and are included in the definition of Non-Foreign, OCONUS locations.

CONTINGENCY OPERATION. A military operation that:

1. Is designated by the SECDEF as an operation in which armed forces members are or may become involved in military actions, operations, or hostilities against an enemy of the U.S. or against an opposing military force; or
2. Results in the call or order to, or retention on, active duty of Uniformed Services member under [10 USC §688](#), [§12301\(a\)](#), [§12302](#), [§12304](#), [§12304a](#), [§12305](#), or [§12406](#); [Ch 15 of title 10](#), or any other provision of law during a war or during a national emergency declared by the President or Congress.

CONTRACT CARRIER. U.S. certificated air carrier that is under contract with the GOV'T to furnish Federal employees, uniformed members, and other persons authorized to travel at GOV'T expense with passenger transportation service. This also includes GSA's contracted scheduled airline passenger service between selected U.S. cities/airports and between selected U.S. and international cities/airports at reduced fares.

(CONTRACTED) COMMERCIAL TRAVEL OFFICE (CTO). A commercial activity providing a full range of commercial travel and ticketing services for official travel under a contract and/or memorandum of understanding with the GOV'T. Also called a Travel Management Center (TMC) under GSA's program.

CONUS LOCALITY PER DIEM RATES. For current per diem rates, see the [Defense Travel Management Office website](#).

DEFENSE TABLE OF OFFICIAL DISTANCES (DTOD). The DoD standard source for worldwide distance information based on zip code to zip code replacing all other sources used for computing distance (except airplanes). For more information refer to the [DTOD website](#).

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD) COMPONENTS. (Also, refer to the [Defense Almanac](#) and/or [the DoD website](#).)

DOD BRANCH OF SERVICE	DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES	DEFENSE AGENCIES		JOINT SERVICE SCHOOLS
The Office of the Secretary of Defense (including the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS))	Defense Media Agency (DMA)	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)	Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA)	National Intelligence University (NIU)
	Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Personnel Office (DPMO)	Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA)	Defense Security Service (DSS)	
Department of the Army	Defense Technology Security Administration (DTSA)	Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA)	Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA)	Defense Acquisition University (DAU)
Department of the Air Force		Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA)	Missile Defense Agency (MDA)	National Defense University (NDU)
Department of the Navy (including the Marine Corps)	DoD Education Activity (DoDEA)	Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS)	National Geospatial Intelligence Agency (NGA)	
DoD Inspector General (DoD IG)	DoD Human Resources Activity (DHRA)	Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)		Joint Professional Military Education Colleges
	Office of Economic Adjustments (OEA)	Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)	National Security Agency (NSA)/Central Security Service	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces	TRICARE Management Activity Washington	Defense Legal Services Agency		Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
		Defense Logistics	Pentagon Force	

	Headquarters Services (WHS)	Agency (DLA)	Protection Agency (PFFA)	(USU)
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DEPENDENT (**Uniformed Member Only**). Defined by [37 USC §401](#).

NOTE: Exception. For authorization purposes under JFTR:

1. A member's spouse, who also is a member on active duty, is treated as a dependent for travel and transportation ONLY for purposes of travel between the port of overhaul, inactivation or construction, and the home port as authorized in JFTR, par. U7115-A, or for transportation for survivors of a deceased member authorized in JFTR, par. U5242-A1;
2. A child is treated as a dependent of either the mother or the father who are members on active duty (i.e., only 1 member may receive allowances on the child's behalf);
3. A member ([IAW 37 USC §421](#)) may not be paid allowances on behalf of a dependent for any period during which that dependent is entitled to basic pay [IAW 37 USC §204](#).

Except for transportation to obtain OCONUS medical care (JFTR, par. U5240-C1), any of the following individuals: (**Exception NOTES above.**)

1. A member's spouse;
2. A member's unmarried child under age 21 (including an infant born after a PCS order effective date when the mother's travel to the new PDS before the child's birth was precluded by Service regulations because of the advanced state of the mother's pregnancy or other medical reason(s) as certified by a medical doctor, or for other official reason(s) such as awaiting completion of the school year by other children in the family ([50 Comp. Gen. 220 \(1970\)](#); [66 id. 497 \(1987\)](#));
3. A member's unmarried stepchild under age 21 (including the member's spouse's illegitimate child, [B-177061/B-177129, 13 December 1974](#)) **NOTE: A stepchild is excluded as a dependent after the member's divorce from the stepchild's parent by blood.**;
4. A member's unmarried adopted child under age 21 (including a child placed in the member's home by a placement agency for the purpose of adoption);
5. A member's unmarried illegitimate child under age 21 if the member's parentage of the child is established IAW criteria prescribed in Service regulations;
6. A member's unmarried child who is under 23 including step, adopted, and illegitimate children, enrolled in a full time course of study in an institution of higher education approved by the Secretary Concerned, and is in fact dependent on the member for more than one half of his/her support;
7. A member's unmarried child of any age who is incapable of self- support because of mental or physical incapacity and is, dependent on the member for over one half of his/her support; **NOTE: A child under this item include a member's child by blood, a stepchild, an adopted child, a child placed in the member's home by a placement agency for the purpose of adoption, and an illegitimate child if the member's parentage of the child is established IAW criteria prescribed in Service regulations.**;
8. For transportation authorized in JFTR, par. U5215-B,
 - a. A member's unmarried child who traveled at GOV'T expense to an OCONUS PDS incident to the member's assignment there and by reason of age or graduation from, or cessation of enrollment in, an institution of higher education, otherwise would cease to be the member's dependent, while the member is serving at an OCONUS PDS;

- b. A parent, stepparent, or person in loco parentis, who traveled at GOV'T expense to an OCONUS PDS incident to the member's assignment there and ceases to be the member's dependent while the member is serving at an OCONUS PDS;
9. A member's and/or spouse's parent, stepparent, parent by adoption, or any other person (including a former stepparent) who has stood in loco parentis to the member at any time for a continuous period of at least 5 years before the member became age 21 who:
- a. Is, in fact, dependent on the member for more than one half of his/her support and has been so dependent for a period prescribed by the Secretary Concerned; or
 - b. Became so dependent due to a change of circumstances arising after the member entered on active duty and the parent's dependency on the member is determined on the basis of an affidavit submitted by the parent and any other evidence required under regulations prescribed by the Secretary Concerned;
10. For return transportation to CONUS, the former spouse and/or dependents or former dependent children of a member when such dependents or former dependents are located OCONUS, even though the marital relationship with the member was terminated by divorce or annulment before the member was eligible for return transportation. See JFTR, par. U5900-E.;
11. For a dependency determination made on or after 1 July 1994, an unmarried person who:
- a. Is placed in the member's legal custody as a result of an order of a court of competent jurisdiction in a CONUS or a non foreign OCONUS area for a period of at least 12 months; and
 - (1) Has not attained age 21, or
 - (2) Has not attained the age 23 and is enrolled in a full time course of study at an institution of higher learning approved by the Secretary Concerned, or
 - (3) Is incapable of self support because of a mental or physical incapacity that occurred while the person was a dependent of the member or former member under (1) or (2), and
 - b. Is dependent on the member for over one half of his/her support, as prescribed in regulations of the Secretary Concerned; and
 - c. Resides with the member unless separated by the necessity of military service or to receive institutional care as a result of disability, incapacitation, or such other circumstances as the Secretary Concerned may by regulation prescribe; and
 - d. Is not a dependent of a member under any other paragraph.
12. Whether or not an individual is considered to be a member's spouse for the purpose of allowances authorized in these regulations when a "common law marriage" is involved is addressed in several GSBICA and Comptroller General decisions. Some quotes from those decisions are as follows:
- GSBICA quotes "Issues of marital status are determined by state law and the relationship of spouse exists if common law marriage is recognized by the law of the state in which the parties entered into such a marriage"; and,
- "Issues of marital status are determined by state law, James H. Perdue, [GSBICA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998](#). Some states recognize common law marriage -- "[a] marriage that takes legal effect, without license or ceremony, when a couple live together as husband and wife, intend to be married, and hold themselves out to others as a married couple." Black's Law Dictionary 986 (7th ed. 1999)"; and,

As we recognized in James H. Perdue, [GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998](#) the burden of proof is on the claimant to establish the common law marriage. State law determines issues of marital status, and the relationship of spouse exists if common law marriage is recognized under the law of the state in which the parties entered into such a marriage. The following Comptroller General decisions address specific circumstances: [B-260688, 23 October 1995](#); [B-247541, 19 June 1992](#); [B-212900, 15 November 1983](#); [B-191316, 27 September 1978](#); [B-191316, 6 April 1978](#); [B-186179, 30 June 1976](#).

The validity of a common law marriage is determined by the law of the place in which it was contracted, and if valid there, it will be valid elsewhere, in the absence of contravention of positive law, or consideration of policy to the contrary. [B-186179, 30 June 1976](#); [B-191316, 27 September 1978](#).

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Common Law Marriage is defined as a marriage not solemnized by religious or civil ceremony as defined in pertinent state law. Some states recognize common law marriage – “[a] marriage that takes legal effect, without license or ceremony, when a couple live together as husband and wife, intend to be married, and hold themselves out to others as a married couple.” ([DoDFMR, Vol. 7B, Glossary](#))

For dependency determinations, Service PoCs are listed in JFTR, par. U10104-G3.

Pertinent GSBCA decisions

[GSBCA 15947-RELO, 31 March 2003](#)
[GSBCA 15382-RELO, 20 December 2000](#)
[GSBCA 15207-RELO, 19 May 2000](#)
[GSBCA 14673-RELO, 9 December 1998](#)
[GSBCA 14122-RELO, 16 March 1998](#)

DEPENDENT/IMMEDIATE FAMILY (Civilian Employee Only). Any of the following named members of an employee's household at the time the employee reports for duty at a new PDS or performs authorized/approved OCONUS tour RAT or separation travel:

1. Employee's spouse;
2. Employee's domestic partner;
3. Children of the employee, of the employee's spouse, or of the employee's domestic partner who are unmarried and under age 21 years or who, regardless of age, are physically or mentally incapable of self support. **NOTE:** “Children” includes natural offspring; stepchildren; adopted children; grandchildren, legal minor wards or other dependent children who are under legal guardianship of the employee or employee's spouse; also, a child born and moved after the employee's effective date of transfer because of advance stage of pregnancy, or other reasons acceptable to the DoD component concerned, e.g., awaiting school year completion by other children. [50 Comp. Gen. 220 \(1970\)](#); [66 id. 497 \(1987\)](#));

NOTE 1: An employee and spouse at an OCONUS PDS assumed temporary custody of two grandchildren. The grandchildren's parent was a uniformed member on active duty with a DoD Service in Iraq. The uniformed member (the parent) executed a special military power of attorney granting guardianship of the children to the children's grandparent. GSBCA held that the power of attorney did not create a “legal guardianship” as that term is used in par. B above to define dependent/immediate family members for the purpose of determining eligibility for relocation allowances. Since the term “legal guardianship” is not defined in the JTR, GSBCA turned to AZ state law (the state in which the power of attorney was executed and in which the uniformed member resided) for guidance. Under AZ law legal guardianship can be established only by judicial determination and the powers of attorney provided by the uniformed member were not sufficient to create guardianship. Since legal guardianship did not exist, the grandchildren could not be the employee's immediate family members and the employee was not authorized travel and transportation costs and overseas allowances

(TQSA) on their behalf ([GSBCA 16337-RELO, 19 April 2004](#)).

4. Dependent parents (including step and legally adoptive parents) of the employee, of the employee's spouse, or of the employee's domestic partner; and
5. Dependent brothers and sisters (including step and legally adoptive brothers and sisters) of the employee, of the employee's spouse, or of the employee's domestic partner who are unmarried and under 21 years of age or who, regardless of age, are physically or mentally incapable of self-support.

NOTE 2: *Generally, the individuals named in items 4 and 5 are the employee's dependents if they receive at least 51% of their support from the employee or employee's spouse; however, this percentage of support criterion must not be the decisive factor in all cases. These individuals also may be dependents for the purpose of this definition if they are members of the employee's household and, in addition to their own income, receive support (less than 51 percent) from the employee or employee's spouse without which they would be unable to maintain a reasonable standard of living.*

NOTE 3: *ICW the Missing Persons Act, "dependent" is defined in JTR, par. C7090-A for the purpose of transportation eligibility under that Act.*

NOTE 4: *With respect to emergency leave travel, JTR, par. C7365-D.*

NOTE 5: *Whether or not an individual is considered to be an employee's spouse for the purpose of allowances authorized in these regulations when a "common law marriage" is involved is addressed in several GSBCA and Comptroller General decisions. Some quotes from those decisions are as follows:*

GSBCA quotes "Issues of marital status are determined by state law and the relationship of spouse exists if common law marriage is recognized by the law of the state in which the parties entered into such a marriage"; and,

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Once the employee has submitted evidence in support of the common law marriage, it should be submitted to the appropriate agency legal counsel for assistance in determining whether or not the putative spouse qualifies as a spouse under the specific state and/or Federal law ([1 USC §7](#)). PDTATAC does not adjudicate these cases.

Pertinent GSBCA decisions

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DEPENDENT, ACQUIRED (*Uniformed Member Only*). A dependent acquired through marriage, adoption, or other action during the current tour of assigned duty. Does not include persons dependent, or children born of a marriage that existed, before the beginning of a current tour.

DEPENDENT, COMMAND SPONSORED (*Uniformed Member Only*)

1. A dependent residing with a member at an OCONUS location at which an accompanied by dependents tour is authorized, the member is authorized to serve that tour, and who is authorized by the appropriate authority to be at the member's PDS.
2. The member is authorized to receive station allowances (COLA and TLA) at the 'with dependent' rate on behalf of a command sponsored dependent as a result of the dependent's residence at/in the member's PDS vicinity.
3. Command sponsorship is not required to receive OHA at the 'with dependent' rate.
4. See **DEPENDENT**.

DEPENDENT RESTRICTED TOUR (*Uniformed Member Only*)

1. A tour at any overseas PDS with an established tour that does not permit command sponsored dependents.
2. Also referred to as an unaccompanied hardship overseas tour, or remote tour.
3. Also describes a tour at a PDS at which command sponsored dependents may be authorized, but at which the member is not eligible to serve the accompanied tour. See [DoDI 1315.18, par. E2.1.13](#).

DESIGNATED PLACE

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. Except as used in Ch 6 (Evacuation Allowances):
 - a. A place in a CONUS/non-foreign OCONUS area;
 - b. The foreign OCONUS place to which dependents are specifically authorized to travel under JFTR, par. U5222-D1, when a member is ordered to an unaccompanied/dependent restricted tour. This is limited to the native country of a foreign born spouse for DoD Services and Coast Guard.;
 - c. The OCONUS place at which a member is scheduled to serve an accompanied tour after completing an unaccompanied or dependent-restricted tour, as applicable, and to which dependents specifically are authorized to travel under JFTR, par. U5222-C4, U5222-D1 or U5222-F3;
 - d. The OCONUS place in the old PDS vicinity at which dependents remain under the JFTR, par. U5222-F3, while a member serves a dependent restricted/unaccompanied tour;
 - e. The foreign OCONUS place to which dependents are specifically authorized to travel under JFTR, par. U5900, when early return of dependents is authorized. This is limited to the native country of a foreign born spouse for DoD Services and Coast Guard.
2. To receive allowances associated with a designated place move, the member must certify that the designated

place is the place at which the dependents intend to establish a bona fide residence until further dependent transportation is authorized at GOV'T expense.

3. For the definition of "designated place" as used in Ch 6 (Evacuation Allowances), see pars. U6002-A and U6051-A.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**. A place designated by the:

1. Commander concerned,
2. Commander's designated representative, or
3. Employee,

for the movement of dependents or HHG when not accompanying the employee.

DESTINATION RATE (**Civilian Employee Only**). The per diem rate applicable to the next location at which an employee is to perform TDY or at which an employee makes an en route stopover to obtain overnight lodging.

DETACHMENT (**Uniformed Member Only**). A part of a unit separated from its main organization for duty elsewhere, or a temporary military or naval unit formed from other units or parts of units.

DIFFERENT (OR SEPARATE) DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES (**Civilian Employee Only**)

1. The several departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the GOV'T.
2. Within the Department of Defense, the terms "Different Departments" or "Different Military Departments" means the DoD components separately. **NOTE: This distinction is necessary with regard to funding for travel and transportation from one department to another.**

DOMESTIC PARTNER (**Civilian Employee Only**). An adult in a domestic partnership with an employee of the same sex.

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DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP (**Civilian Employee Only**). A committed relationship between two adults of the same sex, in which they:

1. Are each other's sole domestic partner and intend to remain so indefinitely;
2. Maintain a common residence, and intend to continue to do so (or would maintain a common residence but for an assignment abroad or other employment-related, financial, or similar obstacle);
3. Are at least 18 years of age and mentally competent to consent to contract;
4. Share responsibility for a significant measure of each other's financial obligations;
5. Are not married or joined in a civil union to anyone else;
6. Are not a domestic partner of anyone else;
7. Are not related in a way that, if they were of opposite sex, would prohibit legal marriage in the U.S. jurisdiction in which the domestic partnership was formed;
8. Are willing to certify, if required by the agency, that they understand that willful falsification of any documentation required to establish that an individual is in a domestic partnership may lead to disciplinary action and the recovery of the cost of benefits received related to such falsification, as well as constitute a

criminal violation under [18 USC §1001](#), and that the method for securing such certification, if required, must be determined by the agency; and

9. Are willing promptly to disclose, if required by the agency, any dissolution or material change in the status of the domestic partnership.

NOTE: The definition of 'Domestic partnership' requires that the partners 'share responsibility for a significant measure of each other's financial obligations.' This criterion requires only that there be financial interdependence between the partners and should not be interpreted to exclude partnerships in which one partner stays at home while the other is the primary breadwinner.

DUTY STATION

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**. For the purpose of transportation and storage of HHG and mobile homes:

1. The home of a member at the time of:

- a. Appointment to regular Service from civilian life or an RC;
- b. Being called to active duty or active duty for training for 20 or more weeks;
- c. Being recalled from the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, or recalled from retirement (including temporary disability);
- d. Enlistment or induction into the Service (regular or during emergency);

2. The place at which a member actually is assigned for duty, including a place from which the member commutes daily to an assigned station or, for a member on sea duty, the home port of the ship or mobile unit to which the member is assigned;

3. The place at which a ship is being built or being fitted out is a shore duty station until the commissioning date, at which time the home port assigned to such ship is the new station;

4. The home of a member upon:

- a. Retirement;
- b. Transfer to an RC, the Fleet Reserve, or the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve;
- c. Release from active duty;
- d. Discharge, resignation, or separation, all under honorable conditions; or
- e. Temporary disability retirement.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**. For the purpose of HHG; and mobile home transportation and storage -- the place at which an employee actually is assigned for duty, including a place from which the employee commutes daily to an assigned station.

DISCOUNT GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE (GMR). The daily rate charged for meals in a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS minus the operating cost. See **GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE** for current rates.

DISTANCE. As applicable for the Defense Table of Official Distance:

1. Shortest. Routes a driver takes to minimize total distance traveled while still following a truck-navigable route. Used in most cases to calculate HHG distances.

2. Practical. Routes a driver ordinarily would take to minimize time and cost. Practical routes model the trade-off between taking the most direct path versus staying on major, high-quality highways. Interstate highways are given a higher priority than secondary highways. Practical routes consider distance, road quality, terrain, urban/rural classifications, and designated principal and secondary through routes. Used to calculate travel distance.

EARLY RETURN OF DEPENDENT (*Uniformed Member Only*). Authorized dependent movement from an OCONUS location, requested by the member or directed by the member's command, prior to the issuance of a PCS order.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PCS ORDER

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. For a member being separated/retired, the last day of active duty. See below for an RC member being separated.
2. For all others, including an RC member being separated and a recalled retired member who continues in an active duty status during the time allowed for return travel home, the date the member is required to begin travel from the old PDS, the member's home, PLEAD, last TDY station, safe haven location or designated place, whichever applies, to arrive at the new PDS, home, or PLEAD, on the date authorized by the transportation mode authorized and/or used.
3. An IPCOT order effective date is the first day of duty on the new tour. See IPCOT definition.
4. The following are examples of computing an order's effective date:

EXAMPLE 1	
A member ordered to make a PCS is required to report to the new PDS on 10 June. The member travels by POC and is authorized 7 days travel time.	
10 June	Authorized and actual reporting date
3 June	Less 7 days travel time actually used
4 June	Add 1 day
4 June	PCS order effective date
EXAMPLE 2	
A member ordered to make a PCS is required to report to the new PDS on 10 June. The member anticipates that the official distance of 2,100 miles will be traveled by POC. The member changes plans and travels by air. The member reports in on 9 June.	
10 June	Authorized reporting date
9 June	Actual reporting date
8 June	Less 1 day travel time
9 June	Add 1 day
9 June	PCS order effective date
EXAMPLE 3	
A member ordered to make a PCS is required to report to the new PDS on 10 June. The member travels by POC and is authorized 7 days travel time. However, the member runs into inclement weather and is authorized an additional 2 days travel time by the gaining commander.	
10 June	Authorized reporting date
1 June	Less 9 days travel time
2 June	Add 1 day
2 June	PCS order effective date

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE.** The date an employee is required to commence travel to comply with a PCS travel order. In determining the effective date, authorized leave/TDY en route required by the travel order is excluded.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF SEPARATION (*Civilian Employee Only*). The date an employee is separated from Federal service.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRANSFER OR APPOINTMENT (*Civilian Employee Only*). The date an employee or new appointee reports for duty at a new or first PDS.

EMERGENCY TRAVEL (*Civilian Employee Only*). See **TRAVEL, EMERGENCY**.

EMPLOYEE. A civilian individual:

1. Employed by an agency (as defined in APP A), regardless of status or grade;
2. Employed intermittently as an expert or consultant and paid on a daily WAE basis; or
3. Serving without pay or at \$1 a year ([5 USC §5701\(2\)](#)) (also referred to as "invitational traveler" for TDY travel purposes only).

ESCORT. An escort:

1. Is a member, employee, or other person who, IAW a order/ITA, accompanies the member/employee between authorized locations, when the member/employee:
 - a. Travel is authorized by competent authority, and
 - b. Is incapable of traveling alone, and
2. May be appointed by the member's/employee's commanding officer/AO.

EXPEDITED TRANSPORTATION MODE. A common carrier operated transportation service for the accelerated or protected movement of HHG between specified points.

EXTENDED STORAGE. See **NON-TEMPORARY STORAGE**.

FAMILY. See **DEPENDENT**.

FEDERAL TRAVEL REGULATION. Regulation contained in [Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\), Chapters 300 through 304](#), that implements statutory requirements and Executive branch policies for Federal civilian employee travel and others authorized to travel in the manner of civilian employees at GOV'T expense.

FIELD DUTY. All duty serving with troops participating in maneuvers, war games, field exercises, or similar types of operations, during which:

1. The individual is provided meals in a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS or with an organization drawing field rations, and is provided GOV'T QTRS or is quartered in accommodations normally associated with field exercises. Everything ordinarily covered by per diem is furnished without charge, except that a member is required to pay for rations at the discounted meal rate (basic meal rate)., or
2. Students are participating in survival training, forage for subsistence, and improvise shelter.

An individual furnished subsistence obtained by contract is performing field duty when so declared by a competent official.

FIRST CLASS. See ACCOMMODATIONS.

FOREIGN AIR CARRIER. An air carrier that does not hold a certificate issued by the U.S. under [49 USC §41102](#).

FOREIGN AREA AND FOREIGN COUNTRY. Any area or country outside the 50 States, District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and U.S. territories and possessions.

FOREIGN-BORN DEPENDENT (*Uniformed Member Only*). A dependent born in a foreign country, including a foreign national and a dependent who becomes a naturalized U.S. citizen; also, children of a foreign born dependent spouse.

FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES (*Civilian Employee Only*). The Foreign Service as constituted under the Foreign Service Act of 1980 ([Public Law 96-465](#)).

FORMER CANAL ZONE AREA. Areas and INSTALLATIONS in the Republic of Panama made available to the U.S. under the [Panama Canal Treaty of 1977](#) and related agreements as described in section 3(a) of the [Panama Canal Act of 1979](#).

FUND-APPROVING OFFICIAL (*Civilian Employee Only*). One who provides the accounting data for authorized/approved travel orders or order amendments.

FUNDING ACTIVITY (*Civilian Employee Only*). The command or organization whose funds pay for the travel.

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCALITY

1. The contiguous political area of a single country or a related island group in the same region.
2. Widely dispersed noncontiguous subdivisions of the same country are separate geographical localities. For example: the United Kingdom (including England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland) is a geographical locality and Ireland (Republic of) is a separate geographical locality; France and Germany are separate geographical localities; Portugal and the Azores are separate geographical localities; the Philippine Islands are the same geographical locality. Japan, including its separate island components, with the exception of the Ryukyu Islands, is a single geographical locality. The Ryukyu Islands (including Okinawa) are a separate geographical locality. With regard to the U.S., CONUS is a single geographical locality, but the states of HI and AK and each U.S. territory or possession, are separate geographical localities.
3. When the term "overseas area" or "OCONUS area" is used, it relates to more than one geographical locality and may include a continent, or the area comprising command jurisdiction, or the entire OCONUS area.

GOVERNMENT (GOV'T). The GOV'T of the U.S. and the Government of the District of Columbia.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE RATE SUPPLEMENT (GARS). A reimbursable expense charged by rental car companies for costs incurred unique to doing business with the GOV'T.

GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT. Any aircraft owned, leased, chartered or rented and operated by an executive agency.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT RENTAL AUTOMOBILE. An automobile obtained for short term use from a commercial firm under the provisions of an appropriate GSA Federal Supply Schedule contract.

GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED QUARTERS. QTRS (other than GOV'T QTRS or privatized housing) under the jurisdiction of a uniformed service (e.g., Ministry of Defense (MOD) leased QTRS for which the GOV'T controls occupancy).

GOVERNMENT CONVEYANCE

A. Includes:

1. Equipment owned, leased, or chartered, for transportation on land, water, or in the air, expressly for GOV'T use.
2. Aircraft on loan to or owned by an Aero Club and AMC categories B and M air travel.

B. Does not Include:

1. A GOV'T owned ship totally leased for commercial operation, or
2. A rental vehicle, for personally procured moves, (JFTR, par. U5320-D). See [52 Comp. Gen. 936 \(1973\)](#))

GOVERNMENT DINING FACILITY/MESS. A generic term used in lieu of GOV'T dining facility, GOV'T mess, general mess, dining hall, dining activity, mess hall, galley, field kitchen, flight kitchen, or similar terms used to describe dining facilities funded by appropriated funds. (Excludes activities operated by non-appropriated fund instrumentalities such as an officer's mess, club, organized mess and all similar terms.) If used ("GOV'T dining facility/mess available" APP O, par. T4040-a8b) by/made available to the member, or used by the employee, includes:

1. A general or Service organizational mess, including messing facilities of a state owned National Guard Camp. A dining facility/mess established and operated primarily for enlisted members is not included unless the mess is used by/made available to officers, or used by employees;
2. Marine Corps officers' field ration dining facility, an officers' wardroom mess, or warrant officers' and chief petty officers' mess afloat; or
3. Box lunches, in flight meals, or rations furnished by the GOV'T on military aircraft.

NOTE: In-flight snack meals purchased at the member's/employee's option before boarding a military aircraft and meals furnished by commercial air carriers (including AMC charter flights) are not meals furnished by a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS.

GOVERNMENT FURNISHED AUTOMOBILE. An automobile (or "light truck," as defined in [41 CFR 101-38](#) including vans and pickup trucks) that is:

1. Owned by an agency;
2. Assigned or dispatched to an agency on a rental basis from a GSA interagency motor pool; or
3. Leased by the GOV'T for 60 or more days from a commercial firm.

GOVERNMENT FURNISHED VEHICLE. A GOV'T furnished automobile or a GOV'T aircraft.

GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE (GMR)

A. Discount GMR. The discount GMR is:

1. The daily rate provided in lieu of meals in a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS minus the operating cost.
2. \$10/day.

B. Standard GMR. The standard GMR is:

1. The daily rate provided in lieu of meals in a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS including the operating cost.
2. \$11.70/day.

C. Effective Date(s). The discount and standard GOV'T meal rates above are effective from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013.

GOVERNMENT MESS. See **GOVERNMENT DINING FACILITY/MESS**.

GOVERNMENT PROCURED TRANSPORTATION. Transportation obtained directly from a commercial carrier with a document issued by an appropriate GOV'T official.

GOVERNMENT QUARTERS (GOV'T QTRS)

***NOTE:** Privatized housing, of any style or type and in any location, is not GOV'T QTRS. See par. U10010-C for an exception as part of a Navy test.*

A. GOV'T QTRS. The following are GOV'T QTRS:

1. Sleeping accommodations (including aboard a ship) owned, operated, or leased by the GOV'T;
2. Lodging or other QTRS obtained by GOV'T contract;
3. QTRS in a state owned National Guard camp;
4. Sleeping facilities in a National Guard armory when these facilities actually are used or competent authority directs their use for annual or year-round annual training even though not used;
5. Temporary lodging facilities as defined in APP A;
6. Lodging facilities (other than privatized housing) on a **U.S. INSTALLATION** if the lodging facilities are owned and operated by a private sector entity and the use of these lodging facilities is directed by Service regulations;
7. Family type housing owned or leased by the GOV'T whether occupied as a guest or as a principal; and
8. Guesthouses, officers clubs, bachelor QTRS, visiting officers' QTRS, or similar QTRS facilities located at a military activity, QTRS aboard a Corps of Engineers floating plant or a Navy Mine Defense Laboratory offshore platform.

B. Adequacy Standards

1. DoD Services. Adequacy standards for DoD Services are prescribed by the Office, SECDEF in [DoD 4165.63-M, DoD Housing Management \(http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/416563m.pdf\)](http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/416563m.pdf), and implemented by appropriate Service regulations.
2. Non-DoD Services. Service regulations.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED CONTRACTOR ISSUED TRAVEL CHARGE CARD. See **GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CHARGE CARD (GTCC)**.

GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION. Transportation facilities owned, leased, or chartered, and operated by the GOV'T for transportation on land, water, or in the air. See **GOVERNMENT CONVEYANCE**.

GOVERNMENT (TRANSPORTATION) CONSTRUCTED COST (GCC). The ‘Best Value’ cost the GOV’T would have paid for GOV’T procured HHG transportation.

GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION REQUEST (GTR)

1. A GTR is a Standard Form 1169.
2. A GTR is an accountable GOV’T document used to procure common carrier transportation services.
3. A GTR obligates the GOV’T to pay for transportation services provided.
4. A GTR may be issued and used only for official travel. A GTR must not be issued or used for personal travel regardless of the reason, even on a reimbursable basis.
5. See **TRANSPORTATION REQUEST**.

GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CHARGE CARD (GTCC). A charge card used by authorized individuals to pay for official travel and transportation related expenses for which the card contractor bills the GOV’T (CBA) or individual (IBA).

A. Centrally Billed Account (CBA). One of two types of GTCC accounts. CBAs are issued to the GOV’T and the GOV’T retains liability for CBAs.

B. Individually Billed Account (IBA). One of two types of GTCC accounts. Individual travelers are issued IBA cards, and the traveler has liability for the use and payment of the account. ***This term does not apply to personal (non-GOV’T) credit card not issued under the GTCC program.***

GROUP MOVEMENT

1. A movement of 2 or more official travelers traveling as a group, under the same order (either PCS or TDY) for which transportation is GOV’T owned/procured from the same origin to the same destination. Movement could include locations en route as specified on the order.
2. Members, traveling together under an order directing no/limited reimbursement, may travel between any points en route, provided that the order specifically indicates the points between which the status applies.

HELPING VERB FORMS. The following usages apply:

HELPING VERB	DEGREE OF RESTRICTION
Must, shall	Action is mandatory
Should	Action is required, unless justifiable reason exists for not taking action
May, can	Action is optional
Will	Is not restrictive; applies only to a statement of future condition or an expression of time

HIGHEST CONUS M&IE RATE. Effective for travel by car ferry on/after 1 October 2009: \$71.

HOME OF RECORD (HOR) (*Uniformed Member Only*)

A. General. The place recorded as the individual’s home when commissioned, appointed, enlisted, inducted, or ordered into a tour of active duty.

B. Break in Service. The place recorded as the individual’s home when reinstated, reappointed, or reenlisted remains the same as that recorded when commissioned, appointed, enlisted or inducted or ordered into the tour of active duty unless there is a break in service of more than one full day. Only if a break in service exceeds one full

day may the member change the HOR.

C. Bona Fide Error. Travel and transportation allowances are based on the officially corrected recording in those instances when, through a bona fide error, the place originally named at time of current entry into the Service was not in fact the actual home. Any such correction must be fully justified and the home, as corrected, must be the member's actual home upon entering the Service, and not a different place selected for the member's convenience.

D. Erroneous Designation of a Duty Station. An officer, who received a commission/warrant from an enlisted grade or was called to active duty as an officer while serving as an enlisted member and erroneously designated the place at which then serving as the HOR, may be paid allowances to the HOR in the enlistment papers upon subsequent separation from the Service or release from active duty. The member must certify erroneous designation of a duty station or a nearby place as the HOR at time of commission whereas the HOR was in fact the place shown in the enlistment papers.

HOME OF SELECTION (HOS) (*Uniformed Member Only*). The place selected by a member as the member's home upon retirement (including transfer to the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve), under the conditions of JFTR, par. U5130-A1.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS (HHG)

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. General. Items associated with the home and all personal effects belonging to a member and dependents on the member's order effective date that legally may be accepted and transported by an authorized commercial transporter.

2. Weight Additive. See JFTR, par. U5310-E for an article involving a weight additive.

3. HHG Acquired after the Order Effective Date. HHG acquired after the order effective date but before entering an IPCOT may be shipped when JFTR, par. U5370-11b or U5370-12 applies.

4. HHG also include:

a. PBP&E needed and not needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination. PBP&E that are needed are not calculated in the member's weight allowance and therefore must be weighed separately and identified on the origin inventory as PBP&E.;

b. Spare POV parts, (e.g., car engine/transmission) NTE the member's administrative HHG weight allowance and a pickup tailgate when removed;

c. Integral or attached vehicle parts that must be removed due to their high vulnerability to pilferage or damage (e.g., seats, tops, winch, spare tires, portable auxiliary gasoline can(s), CD players, GPS systems, and miscellaneous associated hardware);

d. Consumable goods for a member ordered to locations listed in APP F;

e. A vehicle other than a POV (such as a motorcycle, moped, hang glider, golf cart or snowmobile (and/or the associated trailer));

f. A boat or personal watercraft (e.g., a jet ski) 14 or more feet (and/or the associated trailer);

g. Ultralight vehicles (defined in [14 CFR §103](#) as being single occupant; for recreation or sport purposes; weighing less than 155 pounds if un-powered or less than 254 pounds if powered; having a fuel capacity NTE 5 gallons; airspeed NTE 55 knots; and power-off stall speed NTE 24 knots).;

h. A utility trailer, with or without a tilt bed, with a single axle, and an overall length of no more than 12

feet (from rear to trailer hitch), and no wider than 8 feet (outside tire to outside tire). Side rails/body no higher than 28 inches (unless detachable) and ramp/gate for the utility trailer no higher than 4 feet (unless detachable); and

i. GOV'T or military owned accountable Organizational Clothing and Individual Clothing (OC&IE) property issued to the employee or member by the Agency/Service for official use.

5. HHG *do not* include:

a. Personal baggage when carried free on commercial transportation;

b. Automobiles, trucks, vans and similar motor vehicles; airplanes; mobile homes; camper trailers; horse trailers; and farming vehicles (JFTR, Ch 5, Part E for POV shipment);

c. Live animals including birds, fish and reptiles;

d. Articles that otherwise would qualify as HHG but are acquired after the PCS order effective date, except:

(1) Bona fide replacements for articles that have become inadequate, worn out, broken, or unserviceable on/after the PCS order effective date, but before the date the bulk of the HHG are released to the transportation officer or carrier for transportation when purchased in the U.S. for transportation, to an OCONUS PDS with authorization/approval through the Secretarial Process ([43 Comp. Gen. 514 \(1964\)](#)); or

(2) Replacement HHG items, in cases in which the original HHG shipment is destroyed or lost, through no fault of the member, during transportation incident to a change of TDY station or PDS ([68 Comp. Gen. 143 \(1988\)](#));

e. Cordwood and building materials ([B-133751, 1 November 1957](#) and [B-180439, 13 September 1974](#));

f. HHG for resale, disposal or commercial use;

g. Privately owned live ammunition ([B-130583, 8 May 1957](#));

h. Hazardous articles including explosives, flammable and corrosive materials, poisons; propane gas tanks. See [DTR 4500.9-R, Part IV](#), for examples of hazardous materials.

6. Law or carrier regulations may prohibit commercial transportation of certain articles not included in 2. These articles frequently include articles:

a. Liable to impregnate or otherwise damage equipment or other property (e.g., home canned items; liquid articles that are highly susceptible to breakage or leakage);

b. That cannot be taken from the premises without damage to the article or the premises (e.g., bookcases built into walls); and

c. That are perishable (including frozen foods), or that require refrigeration, or that are perishable plants unless,

(1) Transportation is not more than 150 miles and/or delivery is accomplished within 24 hours from the time of loading,

(2) No storage is required, and

(3) No preliminary or en route services (e.g., watering or other preservative method) is required of the

carrier.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE** ([FTR, §300-3.1](#))

1. General. Items (except those listed in 4 and 5) associated with the home and all personal effects belonging to an employee and dependents on the employee's effective date of transfer/appointment that legally may be accepted and transported by a commercial HHG carrier.
2. Weight Additive. See JTR, par. C5154-E for an article involving a weight additive.
3. HHG also include:
 - a. PBP&E needed and not needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination. PBP&E that are needed but may cause the HHG total weight to exceed 18,000 pounds optionally may be shipped administratively (JTR, par. C5154-C1) and therefore must be weighed separately and identified on the origin inventory as PBP&E.;
 - b. Spare parts for a POV, including automobile engine/transmission ([GSBCA 14680-RELO, 17 September 1998](#)), and a pickup tailgate when removed;
 - c. Integral or attached vehicle parts that must be removed due to high vulnerability to pilferage or damage (e.g., seats, tops, winch, spare tires, portable auxiliary gasoline can(s), CD players, GPS systems, and miscellaneous associated hardware);
 - d. Consumable goods for employees with PCS travel order to locations listed in APP F;
 - e. A vehicle other than POVs (such as a motorcycle, moped, hang glider, golf cart, jet ski and snowmobile (and/or the associated trailer) of reasonable size, that can fit into a moving van);
 - f. A boat (and/or their associated trailer) of reasonable size that can fit into a moving van (e.g., canoe, skiff, dinghy, scull, kayak, rowboat, sailboat, outboard/inboard motorboat);
 - g. Ultralight vehicles (defined in [14 CFR Sec 103](#) as being single occupant; for recreation or sport purposes; weighing less than 155 pounds if unpowered or less than 254 pounds if powered; having a fuel capacity NTE 5 gallons; airspeed NTE 55 knots; and power-off stall speed NTE 24 knots).;
 - h. A utility trailer, with or without a tilt bed, with a single axle, and an overall length of no more than 12 feet (from rear to trailer hitch), and no wider than 8 feet (outside tire to outside tire). Side rails/body no higher than 28 inches (unless detachable) and ramp/gate for the utility trailer no higher than 4 feet (unless detachable).; and
 - i. GOV'T or military owned accountable Organizational Clothing and Individual Clothing (OC&IE) property issued to the employee or member by the Agency/Service for official use.
4. HHG *do not* include:
 - a. Personal baggage when carried free on commercial transportation;
 - b. Automobiles, trucks, vans and similar motor vehicles; airplanes; mobile homes; camper trailers; horse trailers; and farming vehicles (See JTR, Ch 5, Part E for POV shipment);
 - c. Live animals including birds, fish and reptiles;
 - d. Cordwood and building materials ([B-133751, 1 November 1957](#) and [B-180439, 13 September 1974](#));
 - e. HHG for resale, disposal or commercial use;

- f. Privately owned live ammunition ([B-130583, 8 May 1957](#)); and
 - g. Boats (other than those in 3f above); and
 - h. Hazardous articles including explosives, flammable and corrosive materials, poisons, propane gas tanks. [DTR 4500.9-R, Part IV](#), for examples of hazardous materials.
5. Law or carrier regulations may prohibit commercial shipment of certain articles not included in B. These articles frequently include articles:
- a. Liable to impregnate or otherwise damage equipment or other property (e.g., home canned items; liquid articles that are highly susceptible to breakage or leakage);
 - b. That cannot be taken from the premises without damage to the article or the premises (e.g., bookcases built into walls);
 - c. That are perishable (including frozen foods), or that require refrigeration, or that are perishable plants unless;
 - (1) Transportation is not more than 150 miles and/or delivery is accomplished within 24 hours from the time of loading,
 - (2) No storage is required, and
 - (3) No preliminary or en route services (e.g., watering or other preservative method) is required of the carrier.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS TRANSPORTATION. See **TRANSPORTATION, HHG.**

HOUSEHOLD GOODS WEIGHT ADDITIVE

- 1. A weight added to the HHG shipment net weight to compensate for the excessive van space used by the item.
- 2. The item must be stated in the HHG tariff as qualifying for a weight additive before a charge can be assessed.
- 3. Weight additives do not apply if an article is capable of being conveniently hand-carried by one person and/or transported in a standard moving carton.

HOUSE-HUNTING TRIP (HHT) (*Civilian Employee Only*). Round trip travel between the old and new PDSs to seek a permanent residence.

NOTE: *A domestic partner is not a spouse and cannot be authorized a HHT (1 USC §7).*

IMMEDIATE FAMILY (*Civilian Employee Only*). See **DEPENDENT/IMMEDIATE FAMILY.**

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES. See **PER DIEM.**

INTERVIEWEE (*Civilian Employee Only*). An individual who is being considered for employment by an agency. The individual may currently be a GOV'T employee.

INACTIVE DUTY TRAINING (*Uniformed Member Only*)

1. Inactive duty that is:
 - a. Duty prescribed for an RC member by the Secretary Concerned, or
 - b. Special additional duty authorized for an RC member by an authority designated by the Secretary Concerned and performed by them on a voluntary basis ICW prescribed training or maintenance activities of the units to which they are assigned.
2. The duties in 1a above, when performed by a National Guard member, including:
 - a. Unit training assemblies;
 - b. Training or other duty the member is required to perform, with or without the member's consent. This includes appropriate duty or equivalent training and additional flying training periods, and similar duty and/or training.

NOTE 1: This term does not include work or study for a correspondence course of a uniformed service.

NOTE 2: For pay purposes, inactive duty training must be performed under an order, cover a specific assignment, and have a prescribed time limit.

INDIVIDUALLY BILLED ACCOUNT (IBA). See **GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CHARGE CARD**

INVITATIONAL TRAVEL. See **TRAVEL, INVITATIONAL.**

ITINERARY, VARIATION IN. A change in routing of travel or points of TDY ICW official business, justified by the mission nature and requirements.

INITIAL ACTIVE DUTY TRAINING (*Uniformed Member Only*). The initial active duty training of a non-prior service enlistee that is performed during a period of not less than 12 weeks and produces a trained member in a military specialty.

IN PLACE CONSECUTIVE OVERSEAS TOUR (IPCOT) (*Uniformed Member Only*)

1. A prescribed tour following the completion of an initial OCONUS tour (including voluntary extensions) that a member agrees to serve at the same PDS.
2. An IPCOT order effective date is the first day of duty on the new tour.
3. No PCS movement is involved for a service member.
4. Dependents and HHG can be transported at GOV'T expense to the member's current PDS if the member's new tour is the accompanied tour length.
5. Curtailment of the initial overseas tour is not authorized ([DoDI 1315.18](#)).
6. For USCG, See Service issuances.

KEY BILLET (*Uniformed Member Only*) ([DoDI 1315.18, paras. E2.1.30 and E3.2](#))

1. An OCONUS position (officers/warrant officers only) of extremely unusual responsibility for which it has been determined the incumbent's continued presence is absolutely essential to the activity/unit mission or to the U.S. presence in that area.

2. Approval authority for key billet designation is:
 - a. Joint Chiefs of Staff, PDUSD(P&R), or
 - b. The Secretary Concerned.
3. Designation of a key billet requires the incumbent to serve a 24-month tour whether accompanied or unaccompanied.

LAST DUTY STATION (*Uniformed Member Only*). For the purpose of computing a member's own travel allowances on separation, the last duty station (permanent or temporary) at which the member was, in fact, on duty, or a hospital, if the member was undergoing treatment there.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS. Assorted food and drink for morning, afternoon, or evening breaks excluding alcoholic beverages and including: coffee, tea, milk, juice, soft drinks, donuts, bagels, fruit, pretzels, cookies, chips, muffins, and similar items.

LOCALITY PER DIEM RATES. Maximum per diem rates prescribed for specific localities. For current per diem rates, see the [Defense Travel Management Office website](#).

LODGING IN KIND (*Uniformed Member Only*). Lodging provided by the GOV'T without cost to the member.

'LODGING PLUS' COMPUTATION METHOD. The per diem allowances computation method for official travel. The per diem allowance for each travel day is established on the basis of the actual amount paid for lodging, NTE a ceiling number, plus an allowance for meals and incidental expenses (M&IE), NTE the applicable maximum per diem rate for the TDY location concerned.

MEMBER, UNIFORMED SERVICES

1. A commissioned officer, commissioned warrant officer, warrant officer, and enlisted person, including a Uniformed Services retiree.
2. "Retiree" includes members of the Fleet Reserve and Fleet Marine Corps Reserve who are in receipt of retainer pay.

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE

A. Local and TDY Travel

1. A rate per mile in lieu of reimbursement of actual POC operating expenses.
2. For current rates, see JFTR, par. U2600 and JTR, par. C2600.

B. PCS Travel, First Duty Station Travel, HHT, and Separation Travel (See **MONETARY ALLOWANCE IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION (MALT))**

1. A rate per mile for authorized POC use during official PCS travel.
2. The total amount depends on the official distance for which the rate per mile may be paid under the circumstances.
3. See JFTR, par. U2605 and JTR, par. C2505 for the current rate.

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGE ORDER (MCO)

A coupon used as a general purpose voucher for services ICW official travel. An MCO may be used only when authorized by the AO in advance of travel.

MISSING STATUS. The absence status of a member/an employee who officially is carried or determined to be:

1. Missing;
2. Missing in action;
3. Interned in a foreign country;
4. Captured, beleaguered, or besieged by a hostile force; or
5. Involuntarily detained in a foreign country.

MIXED MODES. Travel using a POC (including on a PCS, a rental vehicle procured at personal expense) and one or more of the following modes:

1. Personally-procured commercial transportation (JFTR, par. U3045 and JTR, par. C3045),
2. GOV'T-procured commercial transportation,
3. GOV'T transportation.

MOBILE HOME

1. A mobile home is a mobile dwelling constructed or converted and intended for use as a permanent residence and designed to be moved, either self-propelled or towed.
2. Examples of mobile homes are a:
 - a. house trailer,
 - b. privately owned railcar converted for use as a residence (51 Comp. Gen. 806 (1972)),
 - c. boat a member uses as the place of principal residence (62 Comp. Gen. 292 (1983)).
3. HHG and PBP&E contained in the mobile home and owned/intended for use by the member/employee **or** the member's/employee's dependents are part of the mobile home.

MONETARY ALLOWANCE IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION (MALT)

1. A rate per mile for the authorized POC use during official PCS travel.
2. The total amount depends on the official distance for which the rate per mile may be paid under the circumstances (as determined IAW this regulation).
3. See JFTR, par. U2605 and JTR, par. C2605 for the current rate.

MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY DWELLING. A duplex, triplex or other type of dwelling that is designed to provide separate living QTRS for more than one household. The units within the dwellings ordinarily have separate addresses and separate entrances.

NON-COMMAND SPONSORED DEPENDENT (*Uniformed Member Only*). Dependents not authorized/approved to reside with a member at an OCONUS location.

NON-FOREIGN OCONUS AREA. The states of AK and HI, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and U.S. territories and possessions (excluding the former Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands, which are foreign areas for JFTR/JTR purposes).

NON-TEMPORARY STORAGE (NTS). Long-term HHG storage in lieu of transportation. Also referred to as Extended Storage. See JFTR, par. U5380, and JTR, par. C5195.

OCONUS

A. Locations outside the continental U.S. (CONUS).

B. **Civilian Employee Only**. For permanent duty travel purposes with respect to AK, HI, Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the U.S. territories and possessions, or foreign countries and similar geographical localities, an OCONUS place of employment outside the geographical locality in which the residence is located.

OCONUS LOCALITY PER DIEM RATES. For current per diem rates, see the [Defense Travel Management Office website](#).

OFFICIAL STATION. See **PERMANENT DUTY STATION**.

OFFICER (*Uniformed Member Only*). A commissioned officer, commissioned warrant officer, and warrant officer, either permanent or temporary (including temporary officers whose permanent status is enlisted) of a Uniformed Service.

OPEN MESS. A non-appropriated fund activity providing essential messing, billeting, and recreation for military personnel and their dependents.

ORDER

A. General. An order:

1. Is a written instrument issued/approved by person(s) to whom authority has been delegated directing, authorizing, approving a traveler, or group of travelers, to travel,
2. Provides the traveler information regarding what expenses will be paid,
3. Provides the CTO documentation for use of travel contracts and similar arrangements with transportation and lodging providers, and
4. Supplies financial information necessary for budgetary planning and, identifies purpose(s) of travel.

B. Types of Order

1. Blanket Order. An order issued to a traveler who regularly and frequently makes trips away from the PDS within specific geographical limits for a specific time period within a fiscal year in performance of regularly assigned duties. A blanket order is unavailable in DTS, and its use is restricted to economy/coach travel and/or the established locality per diem rate requiring an amendment for each trip involving the use of other than economy/coach transportation and/or an AEA. *The Coast Guard allows AEA on a blanket order.*

- a. Unlimited Open. Allows the traveler to travel anywhere on official business without further authority for a specified period of time within a fiscal year.

b. Limited Open. Allows the traveler to travel on official business without further authority under certain specific conditions, i.e., travel to specific geographic area(s) for specific purpose(s), subject to trip cost ceilings, or for specific periods of time within a fiscal year.

c. Repeat. Allows the traveler to travel on official business without further authority to a specific destination for a specified period of time within a fiscal year.

2. Trip-by-trip. Allows the traveler or group of travelers to take one or more specific official business trips, which must include specific purpose, itinerary, and estimated costs. The following types of travel *must* be authorized on a trip-by-trip basis:

- a. Other than economy/coach transportation;
- b. AEA travel (except the Coast Guard);
- c. Conference travel;
- d. Foreign travel;
- e. Travel funded from a non-federal source (donated travel);
- f. Training-related travel; and,
- g. Travel by volunteers (invitational travel).

ORDER-ISSUING/AUTHENTICATING OFFICIAL. See **AO**.

ORGANIZATIONAL CLOTHING AND INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT (OC&IE). OC&IE is accountable or issue-in-kind property owned or purchased by the GOV'T/uniformed service which must be returned IAW Service/Agency regulations to the Service/Agency upon mission completion or (in the case of a member) release from active duty (discharge, separation, or retirement). OC&IE per Agency/Service regulations is PBP&E when shipped as HHG.

OVERSEAS. See **OCONUS**.

PER DIEM ALLOWANCE

A. General. The per diem allowance (subsistence allowance):

1. Is a daily payment instead of actual expense reimbursement for lodging, meals and related incidental expenses;
2. Is separate from transportation expenses and other reimbursable expenses (APP G); and
3. Does not include transportation and other miscellaneous travel expenses.

B. Expenses. The per diem allowance covers all charges, including tax (except lodging tax in the U.S., and non-foreign OCONUS locations).

C. Lodging

1. Expenses Authorized. Overnight sleeping facilities, (including GOV'T QTRS), baths, personal use of the room during daytime, telephone access fees, service charges for fans, air conditioners, heaters, and fireplaces furnished in rooms when not included in the room rate; and lodging tax in a foreign OCONUS area.

2. Expenses Not Authorized. Lodging does not include expenses for accommodations on airplanes, trains, buses, or ships. An accommodation furnished aboard a common carrier is a transportation cost and is not covered by per diem.

D. Lodging Tax

1. CONUS/Non-Foreign OCONUS Areas. Lodging tax in CONUS/Non-Foreign OCONUS areas:

- a. Is *not* covered in the locality per diem lodging ceiling, but
- b. Is a reimbursable expense (APP G), except when 'MALT-Plus' per diem for POC travel is paid.

2. Foreign OCONUS Areas. Lodging tax in foreign OCONUS areas is included in the locality per diem lodging ceiling and is not a reimbursable expense.

E. Meals. The per diem allowance:

1. Covers expenses for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and related taxes and tips; but
2. *Does not cover expenses incurred for alcoholic beverages, entertainment, or other persons.*

F. Incidental Expenses. Incidental expenses include:

1. Fees and tips to porters, baggage carriers, bellhops, hotel maids, stewards/stewardesses, and others on ships, and hotel servants in foreign countries.
 - a. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**. See APP G for reimbursement of fees and tips incurred at transportation terminals.);
 - b. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**. See JTR, par. C7460-item 4, regarding baggage-handling costs incurred as a direct result of an employee's disability.;
2. Transportation (i.e., bus, subway) between places of lodging or duty/business and places at which meals are taken, if suitable meals cannot be obtained at the TDY site. If the AO determines that suitable meals cannot be obtained at the TDY location and reimbursement in the IE for travel to obtain suitable meals is inadequate, reimbursement may be authorized/approved under JFTR, par. U2810-C and JTR, par. C2810-C.;
3. Laundry/dry cleaning, and/or pressing of clothing when travel is to an OCONUS location;
4. Potable water and ice ([28 Comp. Gen. 627 \(1949\)](#));
5. Tax and service charges (other than vendor surcharges for using a credit card) for any of the expenses listed in item F.; and
6. Any other necessary expenses related to lodging that are listed in the room account.

NOTE: Incidental expenses do not include any products or services purchased/used for personal hygiene (e.g., barbers, hairdressers, toothpaste, haircuts, razors, blow dryers, manicurists, masseurs or other similar items or services) that would ordinarily be purchased on a recurring basis at the PDS.

G. Laundry

1. CONUS Locations. The cost of laundry/dry cleaning and/or pressing of clothing (during and not before or after travel) is a reimbursable expense (APP G), in addition to per diem/AEA, when travel requires at least:
 - a. 7 consecutive nights for a **UNIFORMED MEMBER**, and up to an average of \$2/day; or

b. 4 consecutive nights for a **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**.

2. OCONUS Locations. The cost incurred during TDY travel for laundry/dry cleaning and/or pressing of clothing is *not a reimbursable expense* for OCONUS travel and is part of the IE included in the OCONUS per diem/AEA.

PER DIEM, REDUCED. See **REDUCED PER DIEM**.

PER DIEM, TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE COMMITTEE (PDTATAC)

A. General. PDTATAC is chartered by the Uniformed Services and operates under DoD policy guidance. Its members are a Deputy Assistant Secretary from each of the military departments, the Director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps (NOAA Corps), the Director of Personnel Management of the Coast Guard (USCG), and the Assistant Secretary for Health of the Public Health Service (USPHS). The Committee Chairman is the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Military Personnel Policy (MPP)). PDTATAC publishes these regulations.

B. Purpose. PDTATAC's purpose is to ensure that uniform travel and transportation regulations are issued pursuant to [Title 37, USC](#), other applicable laws, Executive Orders and decisions of the Comptroller General of the U.S. and the Department of Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (DOHA), for members of the seven Uniformed Services, ICW DoD civilian employees, the Committee's primary purpose is to issue uniform regulations implementing the [Federal Travel Regulation \(FTR\)](#), statutory requirements, Executive orders, and decisions of the [Comptroller General of the U.S.](#) and of the [General Services Administration Board of Contract Appeals \(GSBCA\)](#) or [Civilian Board of Contract Appeals \(CBCA\)](#). PDC Charter 20 April 1988; LAW 37 USC §§ 411 and 1001; DoDD 5154.29, 9 March 1993.

PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS)

A. General (**UNIFORMED MEMBER AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**). The assignment, detail, or transfer of an employee, member, or unit to a different PDS under a competent travel order that does not specify the duty as temporary, provide for further assignment to a new PDS, or direct return to the old PDS.

B. **UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY**. For a Uniformed member this includes:

1. (for DLA payment), Relocation of a household due to military necessity or GOV'T convenience within the corporate limits of the same city or town ICW a transfer between activities;
2. A change in the home port of a ship or mobile unit or of the permanent duty station of a shore based unit;
3. Change from home or from the PLEAD to the first PDS upon:
 - a. Appointment or reappointment (including reinstatement) to the regular Service from civilian life or from an RC;
 - b. Call to active duty for 20 or more weeks or call to active duty for training (JFTR, par. U2240 for exceptions) for 20 or more weeks;
 - c. Being recalled to active duty from the Fleet Reserve or the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, or from retirement (including TDRL);
 - d. Enlistment or induction into the Service (regular or during emergency); and
 - e. Change from the last PDS to home upon:
 - (1) Discharge, resignation, or separation from the Service under honorable conditions;

- (2) Release from active duty that called for 20 or more weeks or from active duty for training that called for 20 or more weeks;
- (3) Transfer to the Fleet Reserve or to the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve;
- (4) Retirement; and
- (5) Temporary disability retirement.

PERMANENT DUTY STATION (PDS). Also called **OFFICIAL STATION.**

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. General. The post of duty/official station of a member or invitational traveler, including a ship (for the purpose of personal travel and transportation of the member's UB located on board the ship). The home port of a ship or of a ship-based staff to which a member is assigned or attached for duty other than TDY is the PDS for dependents' transportation, and transportation of HHG, mobile homes, and/or POVs, CONUS COLA, and geography-based station allowances and OHA.

2. Geographic Limits. The PDS geographic limits are:

a. For a member. The limits of the post of duty or official station are the ship (for the specified purposes), or the corporate limits of the city or town in which the member is stationed. If the member is not stationed in a ship or in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area, including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft Dix) having definite boundaries, within which the designated post of duty is located. *When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, HI) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in TN and KY), it is not in either one for PDS purposes. The PDS limits are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision.*

b. For an invitational traveler:

(1) The corporate limits of the city or town in which the home or principal place of business is located; or

(2) If not in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft Dix) having definite boundaries in which the home or principal place of business is located. *When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, HI) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in TN and KY), it is not in either one. The PDS limits are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision.*

3. Arlington County, VA, is a PDS. The Pentagon and other GOV'T activities are located in Arlington, VA – even though they have Washington, DC, mailing addresses ([52 Comp. Gen. 751 \(1973\)](#)). There are seven Districts on the Island of Oahu, HI. Each of those seven Districts is a separate and unique PDS ([19 Comp. Gen. 602 \(1939\)](#) and [42 Comp. Gen. 460 \(1963\)](#)).

4. When a member is ordered to attend a course (or courses) of instruction at a school or facility the scheduled duration of which is 140 or more days (20 or more weeks), the school or facility location is the PDS regardless of the order's terms, except when the course is authorized as TDY under JFTR, par. U2240. See JFTR, par. U2240 for examples of scheduled duration and extensions.

5. The following are PDSs for transportation and storage of HHG and mobile homes:
 - a. The home of a member at the time of:
 - (1) Appointment to regular Service from civilian life or from an RC;
 - (2) Being called to active duty (including for training) for 20 or more weeks;
 - (3) Being recalled from the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve, or recalled from retirement (including temporary disability);
 - (4) Enlistment or induction into the Service (regular or during emergency); or
 - (5) Temporary disability retirement.
 - b. The place to which a member actually is assigned for duty, including a place from which the member commutes daily to the assigned station. For a member assigned to a ship or ship-based staff, it is the home port of the ship or ship-based staff to which the member is assigned (except as noted in the basic definition);
 - c. The place at which a ship is being built or being fitted out is a shore duty station until the commissioning date, at which time the home port assigned to the ship is the new station;
 - d. The member's home upon:
 - (1) Retirement;
 - (2) Transfer to an RC, the Fleet Reserve, or the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve;
 - (3) Release from active duty;
 - (4) Discharge, resignation, or separation, all under honorable conditions; or
 - (5) Temporary disability retirement.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**. The employee/invitational traveler's permanent work assignment location. For the purpose of determining PCS travel allowances, a PDS is the building or other place (base, military post, or activity) where an employee regularly reports for duty. With respect to authority under JTR relating to the residence and the HHG and an employee's personal effects, PDS also means the residence or other QTRS from (to) which the employee regularly commutes to (and from) work, except where the PDS is in a remote area where adequate family housing is not available within reasonable daily commuting distance. In the latter situation, residence includes the dwelling where the employee's dependents reside or are to reside, but only if such residence reasonably relates to the PDS as determined by the appropriate travel-approving/directing official. For purposes other than PCS travel allowances, a PDS is defined as:

1. For an employee:
 - a. The corporate limits of the city or town in which stationed, or;
 - b. If not stationed in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (*e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft Dix*)) having definite boundaries in which the employee is stationed. *When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, HI) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft. Campbell is in TN and KY), it is not in either one. The PDS limits are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large*

reservation subdivision.

2. For an invitational traveler:

- a. The corporate limits of the city or town in which the home or principal place of business is located, or
- b. If not in an incorporated city or town, the official station limits are the reservation, station, or other established area (including established large reservation subdivisions (*e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix*)) having definite boundaries in which the home or principal place of business is located. *When a reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision (e.g., McGuire AFB and Ft. Dix) falls within two or more corporate city limits (e.g., the districts of Honolulu and any other such as Ewa, HI) or crosses recognized borders (e.g., Ft Campbell is in TN and KY), it is not in either one. The limits of the PDS are then solely the limits of the reservation, station, other established area or established large reservation subdivision.*

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PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL (PDT)

- A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER.** PCS and COT/IPCOT travel.
- B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE.** First duty station travel for a newly recruited employee/appointee, RAT, PCS travel, and separation travel. See JTR, Ch 5, Part A.

PLACE FROM WHICH CALLED/ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY (PLEAD)

1. The place of acceptance in current enlistment, commission, or appointment of an active Service member, or of an RC member when enlisted, commissioned, or appointed for immediate active duty. For an inductee, it's the location of the local Selective Service Board to which the individual first reported for delivery to the induction station.
2. In the case of an RC member who is not enlisted, commissioned, or appointed for immediate active duty, the place to which an order to active duty is addressed.
3. Effective 1 January 1983: In the case of a non-prior service midshipman or cadet at a Service academy or a civilian college or university, the place **at which** the member attains a military status or **at which** the member enters the Service. ***NOTE: Generally this is the academic institution and not the member's HOR (60 Comp. Gen. 142 (1980)).***

NOTE: The PLEAD changes only if there is a break in service exceeding one full day, in which case it is the place of entry into the new period of service.

PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION. See **ACCOMMODATIONS, PUBLIC.**

PLACE OF STORAGE. Residence or authorized storage location.

POLICY-CONSTRUCTED AIRFARE. The least expensive, unrestricted economy/coach airfare. If the policy-constructed airfare turns out to be or include a city-pair airfare and if there are both a 'YCA' and a '-CA' airfare, the 'YCA' airfare is used. A capacity-controlled city-pair airfare (-CA airfare) is not included when creating a policy-constructed airfare for comparison purposes.

PORT CALL. Official notification or instructions that require a traveler to report for transoceanic transportation. It designates the port of embarkation, identifies the carrier with flight number or sailing assignment, specifies the reporting time and date, and provides instructions relevant to the transportation arrangements.

PORT OF DEBARKATION (POD)

1. Air Travel: the destination airport at which the traveler leaves an international/transoceanic flight.
2. Ship Travel: the place at which the traveler leaves a ship after the journey of 24 or more hours.

PORT OF EMBARKATION (POE)

1. Air Travel: the airport at which the traveler boards an international/transoceanic flight.
2. Ship Travel: the place at which the traveler boards a ship for a journey of 24 or more hours.

POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES. See **TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.**

POST OF DUTY. *PDS* An OCONUS PDS.

POV, SPARE PARTS. Extra tires, wheels, tire chains, tools, battery chargers, accessories, car transmission/engine (*GSBCA 14680-RELO, 17 September 1998*), and those small and usually-possessed parts or replacements used for repair and replacement of identical parts subject to normal use and wear (e.g., extra spark plugs, radiator hoses, fan belts, filters, gaskets, tune-up and repair kits). Also included are items that serve a seasonal, emergency, or convenience purpose (e.g., special seats and beds for children, bottle warmers and similar conveniences, snow and ice removal equipment, auxiliary heaters, and storage boxes).

UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY:

1. POV spare parts must not exceed the member's administrative HHG weight allowance.
2. Storage of a car engine/transmission is the member's responsibility (both in terms of facilities and cost) except when JFTR, par. U5380-G applies if engine/transmission storage is required after HHG delivery to the OCONUS residence, when no GOV'T storage facility is available or an available GOV'T storage facility cannot accommodate car engine/transmission (e.g. does not fit or does not meet environmental requirements).

PREMIUM CLASS (OTHER THAN ECONOMY/COACH). See **ACCOMMODATIONS.**

PRIMARY RESIDENCE/HOME OF RESERVE COMPONENT (RC) MEMBER

1. An RC member ordered to active duty, and the active duty order is not a PCS, the primary residence/home is the dwelling (i.e., house, townhouse, apartment, condominium, mobile home, houseboat, vessel, etc.) at which the RC member resides and from which the RC member commuted to work before being ordered to active duty.
2. An RC member can have only one primary residence/home at any given time.
3. If the RC member relocates the primary residence/home during the active duty order period, and upon termination of the order is issued a new active duty order, the allowances under the new order are based on the new primary residence/home on the first active duty day.
4. The primary residence/home can only change if there is a break of active duty/service exceeding one full day.

NOTE: *The primary Residence/Home can only change if there is a break of active duty/service exceeding one full day.*

PRIVATELY OWNED AIRCRAFT. An aircraft that is owned or leased for personal use. It is not owned, leased, chartered, or rented by a GOV'T agency, nor is it rented or leased for use in carrying out official GOV'T business.

PRIVATELY OWNED AUTOMOBILE (POA). A car or light truck (including vans and pickup trucks) that is owned or leased for personal use by an individual.

PRIVATELY OWNED CONVEYANCE (POC)

1. Unless otherwise qualified, any transportation mode actually used for the movement of persons from place to place, other than a GOV'T conveyance or common carrier.
2. Included is a conveyance loaned for a charge to, or rented at personal expense by, the member/employee for transportation on PCS or TDY when such rental conveyance has not been authorized/approved as a Special Conveyance IAW JFTR & JTR, pars. U3325-F/C3325-F.
3. A common carrier, or a conveyance owned by the GOV'T, is not a POC.
4. See **TRANSPORTATION**.

PRIVATELY OWNED (MOTOR) VEHICLE (POV)

A. General. Any motor vehicle owned by, or on a long-term lease (12 or more months) to, a member/employee, or the member/employee's dependent for the primary purpose of providing personal transportation that:

1. Is self-propelled;
2. Is licensed to travel on the public highways;
3. Is designed to carry passengers or HHG; and
4. Has four or more wheels.

B. Motorcycle or Moped

1. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**. At the member's option, a motorcycle or moped may be considered a POV if the member does not ship a vehicle with four or more wheels on the same order.
2. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**
 - a. CONUS. The employee may designate a motorcycle or moped as a POV (rather than as HHG) if the employer determines it is more advantageous and cost effective to the GOV'T to transport POV(s) than to drive to the new PDS.
 - b. OCONUS. A motorcycle or moped may be shipped as the POV (rather than as HHG) on the same order.

C. Leased Vehicle. The member/employee must provide written authority from the leasing company to have the vehicle transported to the new PDS, designated place, or other authorized destination. All requirements stated in the lease, as well as requirements for POV entry into any location, are the employee's responsibility.

PRIVATIZED HOUSING

1. Housing units on or near a military facility in the U.S. and/or its territories and possessions that are acquired/constructed by private persons, under the authority of [10 USC §§2871-2885](#).
2. Privatized housing *is not*:
 - a. GOV'T QTRS,
 - b. GOV'T-controlled QTRS, nor
 - c. Private sector housing.

PROCEED TIME (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). A form of “administrative absence” (DoDI 1327.06, Leave and Liberty, 16 June 2009, incorporating change 1, 30 September 2011, Encl 2, par. 6, subpar. (a-e), which is authorized for members in certain PCS circumstances, as outlined in the referenced DoDI.

PROFESSIONAL BOOKS, PAPERS, AND EQUIPMENT (PBP&E)

A. General. PBP&E is also referred to as PRO or PRO-Gear.

B. Exclusions. Excluded from PBP&E are:

1. Commercial products for sale/resale used in conducting business,
2. Sports equipment; and
3. Office furniture,
4. Household furniture,
5. Shop fixtures,
6. Furniture of any kind even though used ICW the PBP&E (e.g., bookcases, study/computer desks, file cabinets, and racks).

C. MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE

1. General. PBP&E includes HHG in a member's/employee's possession needed for the performance of official duties at the next or a later destination ([B-171877.03, 15 December 1976](#), [B-196994, 9 May 1980](#), and [B-251563, 14 June 1993](#)).
2. The following items are PBP&E:
 - a. Reference material;
 - b. Instruments, tools, and equipment peculiar to technicians, mechanics, and members of the professions;
 - c. Specialized clothing such as diving suits, astronauts' suits, flying suits and helmets, band uniforms, chaplains' vestments, and other specialized apparel not normal or usual uniform or clothing;
 - d. Communication equipment used by a DoD civilian employee or DoD member in association with the MARS (DoDI 4650.02), <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/465002p.pdf> ;
 - e. Individually owned or specially issued field clothing and equipment;

- f. An official award given to a member by a Service (or a component thereof) for service performed by the member in the member's capacity or by a professional society/organization/U.S. or foreign Government for significant contributions ICW official duties;
- g. Personal computers and accompanying equipment used for official GOV'T business (i.e., CPU, monitor, keyboard, mouse, 1 printer, 1 set of small computer speakers); and
- h. GOV'T or uniformed service owned accountable Organizational Clothing and Individual Clothing (OC&IE) property issued to the employee or member by the Agency/Service for official use.

D. MEMBER'S DEPENDENT SPOUSE

1. General

- a. This is *not* applicable to an *employee's* dependent spouse.
- b. PBP&E includes HHG in a spouse's possession needed for the spouse's employment or community support activities at the next or a later destination.

2. The following items are PBP&E:

- a. Reference material,
- b. Instruments, tools, and equipment peculiar to technicians, mechanics, and members of the professions;
- c. Specialized clothing such as diving suit, flying suits and helmets, band uniforms, nurse uniforms, chaplains' vestments, and other specialized apparel not normal or usual uniform or clothing; and
- d. Personal computers and accompanying equipment used for business or community support activities (i.e., CPU, monitor, keyboard, mouse, 1 printer, 1 set of small computer speakers).

PROPORTIONAL MEAL RATE (PMR). The average of the standard [GOV'T meal rate](#) and the meals portion of the applicable [M&IE rate](#), rounded up to the nearest dollar.

PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEM. A form of commercial transportation (e.g., air, rail, bus, ship, etc.) used between authorized locations in the performance of official travel.

REDUCED PER DIEM. A per diem rate, lower than locality per diem, that is authorized by an agency when there are known reductions in lodging and meal costs that can be determined in advance.

RELOCATION SERVICE COMPANY (RSC). A third-party supplier under contract with an agency to assist a transferred employee in relocating to the new PDS. Services may include: Home sale programs, home inspection, home marketing assistance, home finding assistance, property management services, HHG shipment and storage, voucher review and payment, relocation counseling, and similar subjects.

RENEWAL AGREEMENT TRAVEL (RAT) (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY)

- 1. Travel and transportation allowance for the employee/dependents to return home on leave, between overseas tours of duty.
- 2. See JTR, Ch 5, Part K, for eligibility and limitations.
- 3. See **PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL**.

REPEAT ORDER (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). See **ORDER**.

RESERVE COMPONENT (RC). The:

1. Army National Guard of the U.S.;
2. Army Reserve;
3. Naval Reserve;
4. Marine Corps Reserve;
5. Air National Guard of the U.S.;
6. Air Force Reserve;
7. Coast Guard Reserve; and
8. Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service.

RESIDENCE-TYPE QUARTERS. Lodging that are not hotel or hotel-like accommodations.

SECRETARIAL PROCESS

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER.** Action by the PDTATAC Principal member or a subordinate level specified by the Principal. The Secretarial Process is (or the Processes are) in administrative and/or procedural issuances issued under JFTR, par. U1015-C.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**

1. Action by the PDTATAC Principal member, the Principal member's designated representative, or:
 - a. Secretary of a Military Department,
 - b. Director of a Defense Component,
 - c. Director, Administration & Management for:
 - (1) Office of the Secretary of Defense,
 - (2) Washington Headquarters Services,
 - (3) Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff,
 - (4) Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences,
 - (5) U.S. Court of Military Appeals, and
 - d. Designated representative for any of the above.
2. The Secretarial Process(es) is/are in administrative and/or procedural issuances issued under JTR, par. C1015.

SECRETARY CONCERNED

A. As defined in [37 USC §101\(5\)](#), the Secretary of:

1. The Army, with respect to matters concerning the Army;
2. The Navy, with respect to matters concerning the Navy, the Marine Corps, and the Coast Guard when it is operating as a Service in the Navy;
3. The Air Force, with respect to matters concerning the Air Force;
4. Homeland Security, with respect to matters concerning the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy;
5. Commerce, with respect to matters concerning the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and
6. Health and Human Services, with respect to matters concerning the Public Health Service.

B. When this term is used in the JFTR/JTR, the Secretary Concerned may authorize action by the PDTATAC Principal, without further delegation.

SEPARATE DEPARTMENT (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). See Different/Separate Departments and Agencies.

SEPARATED FROM THE SERVICE (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). Unless otherwise qualified, all separations except relief from active duty, placement on the TDRL, retirement, or transfer to the Fleet Reserve or Fleet Marine Corps Reserve.

SEPARATION TRAVEL (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). See **PERMANENT DUTY TRAVEL**.

SERVICE CHARGE FOR USE OF GOVERNMENT QUARTERS (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). Cost of maid service and fee for electricity.

SERVICES. See **UNIFORMED SERVICES**.

SHORT DISTANCE MOVE

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. A move:
 - a. Involving HHG drayage or shipment for a short distance between residences;
 - b. To or from a NTS facility in the member's PDS area;
 - c. In the member's last PDS area when the member is authorized a final move during a separation or retirement;
 - d. Incident to reassignment or PCS to a new PDS near the old PDS;
 - e. Between residences within a metropolitan area; or
 - f. Not during a PCS, a move between residences within the daily commuting distance of the PDS.
2. A short distance HHG move includes necessary packing, crating, hauling, unpacking and uncrating.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**. A PCS between PDSs within the same city/area when the old and new PDS are at least 50 miles apart. See JTR, par. C5080-F for authorization/approval and exceptions to the 50-mile rule.

SPARE PARTS FOR A POV. See **POV, SPARE PARTS**.

SPECIAL CONVEYANCE. Commercially rented or hired vehicles other than a POC and other than those owned or under contract to an agency.

SPECIAL NEEDS. Physical characteristics of a traveler not necessarily defined under disability. Such physical characteristics could include, but are not limited to, the traveler's weight or height.

STANDARD CONUS PER DIEM RATE. The per diem rate for:

1. Any CONUS location not included in a defined locality (county/area) in the CONUS per [diem rates](http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/perdiemCalc.cfm) (<http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/perdiemCalc.cfm>), and
2. All CONUS locations when PDT is involved.

STANDARD GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE (GMR)

1. The daily rate paid for meals in a GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS including the operating cost.
2. See **GOVERNMENT MEAL RATE** for current rates.

STORAGE IN TRANSIT (SIT)

1. Short-term storage that is part of HHG transportation.
2. May be at any combination of the origin, in transit, or destination.
3. Usually for 90 or fewer days, but may be extended.
4. See JFTR, par. U5375 and JTR, par. C5190.
5. Also referred to as temporary storage.

SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES. The same items as those included under **PER DIEM ALLOWANCE**.

SUBSISTING OUT (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). The non-leave status of an inpatient no longer assigned a bed. An inpatient authorized to subsist out is not medically able to return to duty but continuing treatment does not require a bed assignment (DoD 6015.1-M, January 1999, P19.1.19).

TEACHER (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). A civilian who is a U.S. citizen and whose services are required on a school year basis in a teaching position subject to [20 USC §901-907](#) in the DoD Education Activity System.

TEMPORARY CHANGE OF STATION (TCS) (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). The relocation of an employee to a new PDS for a temporary period to perform a long-term temporary assignment, and subsequent return of the employee to the previous PDS after assignment completion.

TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY)

A. **UNIFORMED MEMBER**

1. Duty at one or more locations, away from the PDS, under an order providing for further assignment, or pending further assignment, to return to the old PDS or to proceed to a new PDS.

2. That period spent at a location while processing for separation from the Service, release from active duty, placement on the TDRL, or retirement, when the last PDS is different from the location at which processing is accomplished.
3. There are four types of TDY travel:
 - a. Business Travel. Conducting business at a location other than the PDS. It incorporates any type of travel not included in schoolhouse training, deployment and unit training or special circumstances travel. It also includes certain local travel, but not leave or evacuation.
 - b. Schoolhouse Training Travel. Travel ICW TDY attendance at formal course(s) of instruction by a uniformed member (other than a uniformed member who has not yet reached the first PDS).
 - c. Deployment, Personnel Traveling Together under an Order Directing No/Limited Reimbursement, and Unit Travel. Includes a unit traveling in support of a combat mission, peacekeeping, and disaster relief. It also includes field/maneuver training and sea duty when troops involved are not permanently assigned to a ship. The GOV'T provides all transportation, lodging, and eating facilities when personnel traveling together are under an order directing no/limited reimbursement.
 - d. Special Circumstances Travel. See JFTR, Ch 7.

B. **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE**

1. Duty at one or more locations, away from the PDS, under a order providing for further assignment or, pending further assignment, to return to the old PDS or to proceed to a new PDS.
2. There are four types of TDY travel:
 - a. Business Travel. Conducting business at a location other than the PDS. It incorporates any type of travel not included in schoolhouse training, deployment and unit training or special circumstances travel. It also includes certain local travel, but not leave or evacuation.
 - b. Schoolhouse Training Travel. Travel ICW TDY attendance at formal course(s) of instruction by a civilian employee.
 - c. Deployment, Personnel Traveling Together Under an Order Directing No/Limited Reimbursement, and Unit Travel. Includes a unit traveling in support of a combat mission, peacekeeping, and disaster relief. It also includes field or maneuver training and sea duty when troops involved are not permanently assigned to a ship. The GOV'T provides all transportation, lodging, and eating facilities when personnel traveling together are under an order directing no/limited reimbursement.
 - d. Special Circumstances Travel. See JTR, Ch 7.

TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) STATION. A place, away from the PDS, to which the traveler is authorized to travel.

TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) TRAVEL. Travel to one or more places away from a PDS to perform duties for a period of time and, upon completion of assignment, return or proceed to a PDS.

TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES

1. Specifically identified Service-operated interim housing facilities that provide short-term housing accommodations for which a charge is levied, without direct charge against the occupant's QTRS allowance.
2. Includes guesthouses, except transient visiting officer QTRS occupied by official visitors to the **INSTALLATION**.

3. *Does not* include:
 - a. Facilities used primarily for rest and recuperation purposes, or
 - b. Unaccompanied officer and enlisted QTRS.

TEMPORARY STORAGE. See **STORAGE IN TRANSIT.**

TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES. As released by the Office of the Geographer and Global Issues, 1 July 1997. The territories and possessions of the U.S. include:

1. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, i.e., Saipan, Saipan Lagoon, Tinian, Aquijan, Rota, Farallon De Pajaros (Uracas), Maug, Asuncion, Agrihan, Pagan, Alamagan, Zealandia Banks, Guguan, Sarigan, Anathath, Farallon De Medinilla, Esmeralda Banks, and Northern Islands Sanctuary. (Island names from website: www.saipan.com).
2. Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
3. American Samoa
4. Baker Island
5. Guam
6. Howland Island
7. Jarvis Island
8. Johnston Atoll
9. Kingman Reef
10. Midway Islands
11. Navassa Island
12. Palmyra Atoll
13. Virgin Islands
14. Wake Island

TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES

A. General. A U.S. territory is:

1. An incorporated/unincorporated territory over which the U.S. exercises sovereignty,
2. An area referred to as a dependent area or possession, and
3. Other areas subject to U.S. jurisdiction.

B. Incorporated vs. Unincorporated

1. "Incorporated" refers to territories that Congress has "incorporated" into the U.S. by making the Constitution applicable to those areas.

2. "Unincorporated" refers to any territories to which the Constitution has not been expressly and fully extended.

See **TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES**.

TRANSOCEANIC TRAVEL. Travel that requires oceangoing ships if performed by surface means of commercial transportation over a usually traveled route.

TRANSPORTATION. The means of moving people or things (particularly HHG) from one place to another.

TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES. The costs related to transportation (JFTR, par. U3040/JTR. par. C3040 and JFTR/JTR APP G.

TRANSPORTATION, HHG. The shipping, packing, crating, drayage, storage in transit, uncrating, and unpacking of HHG at GOV'T expense. Ch 5, Part D for specific regulations governing PCS HHG transportation and Ch 4, (JFTR, Part H and JTR, Part D) for TDY HHG transportation.

TRANSPORTATION-IN-KIND. Transportation provided by the GOV'T without cost to the traveler. It includes transportation by GOV'T aircraft, ship, or vehicle, and GOV'T-procured transportation via commercial carriers.

TRANSPORTATION, POV

1. Transportation by ship, including port-handling charges, to, from, and between OCONUS ports.
2. The term does not include land transportation to or from such ports, except when POV transportation is IAW Service regulations and authorized by [37 USC §554](#), or [5 USC §5564](#).
3. Customs and other fees and charges required to effect entry of a POV into a country are not part of transportation. They are the traveler's financial responsibility.

TRANSPORTATION REQUEST. A written GOV'T request (including a GTR) to procure transportation, accommodations, or other services chargeable to the GOV'T, from a commercial provider ICW official travel.

TRANSPORTATION TERMINAL. A transportation terminal is a common carrier or GOV'T transportation (air, rail, bus, or ship) terminal, station, airport, or wharf. It includes a rental car pick-up or drop-off point if rental car is the transportation mode to and from the TDY location.

TRANSPORTATION, USUAL MODE OF (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). A transportation mode that is authorized, required, or furnished for usual travel by direct route, including common carrier facilities within CONUS or commercial and GOV'T transportation facilities overseas that would be used for travel by the most direct usually traveled route between points of official travel.

TRAVEL. The term "travel" relates to movement of persons from place to place and includes authority for the use of QTRS facilities, allowances, and certain transportation and reimbursable expenses incidental to travel, subject to conditions and limitations in JFTR and JTR. When used ICW 'travel allowances', the term refers to per diem or AEA.

TRAVEL ADVANCE. Prepayment of estimated travel expense in the form of a loan.

TRAVEL-APPROVING/DIRECTING OFFICIAL. Individuals who direct and approve/disapprove travel requests and vouchers prior to claim settlement. They ensure the necessity and justification for travel orders.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION/ORDER. See **ORDER**.

TRAVEL CLAIM (VOUCHER). A written request, supported by applicable documentation and receipts, for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the performance of any official travel.

TRAVEL, EMERGENCY (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). Travel that results from:

1. The traveler becoming incapacitated by illness or injury not due to personal misconduct;
2. The death or serious illness of a member of the traveler's family; or
3. A catastrophic occurrence or impending disaster, such as fire, flood, or an act of God, that directly affects the traveler's home.

TRAVEL, INVITATIONAL

1. Authorized travel by individuals either not employed by the GOV'T or employed (under [5 USC §5703](#)) intermittently in the GOV'T's service as consultants or experts and paid on a daily when-actually-employed basis.
2. Used for an individual serving without pay or at \$1 a year when the individual is acting in a capacity directly related to, or ICW, official GOV'T activities.
3. Travel and transportation allowances authorized (APP E) for such a person are the same as those ordinarily authorized for a civilian employee ICW TDY, except as in APP E2-A2m for spouse invitational travel.

TRAVEL MANAGEMENT CENTER (TMC)

1. See **(CONTRACTED) COMMERCIAL TRAVEL OFFICE (CTO)**.
2. See **TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS)**.

TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS). ([FTR §§301-73.100-103](#)) A system to arrange travel services for Federal travelers on official travel, including reservation of accommodations and ticketing. A TMS includes a CTO, and an electronic system or other commercial method of arranging travel.

TRAVEL, OFFICIAL

1. Authorized travel and assignment solely ICW business of the DoD or the GOV'T.
2. Official travel may be performed:
 - a. Within/in the vicinity of a PDS;
 - b. To/from the actual residence to, from, or between PDSs; and
 - c. To, from, at, and between TDY assignment locations.
3. The below are not official travel. Travel:
 - a. And delays for personal reasons/convenience,
 - b. By a circuitous route,
 - c. By transportation modes other than authorized/approved,
 - d. For additional distances, or
 - e. To places ICW personal business.
4. Non-official travel status affects allowances, reimbursements, and pay status.

TRAVEL ORDER. See **ORDER**.

TRAVEL REQUEST (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). A written statement (for a travel order) that includes information regarding personnel, mission, pertinent dates or assignment period, transportation modes, allowances, limitations, special approval or instructions, justifications if necessary, and fund and accounting citation.

TRAVEL-REQUESTING OFFICIAL (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY)

1. The individual who initiates the request for a travel order and who has full knowledge of the purpose of, and requirements for, the travel mission.
2. DoD Components may permit travelers to be travel-requesting officials for their own travel orders.
3. When travelers are permitted to be travel-requesting officials for their own travel orders, under no circumstances may the travel-requesting official also be the travel-approving/directing and/or AO for the travel.
4. A travel request is subject to approval/disapproval by a travel-approving/directing official.

TRAVEL STATUS. The member's/employee's status for the elapsed period of time from the beginning to the end of official travel in compliance with the authority in an order, including time en route awaiting transportation connections and delays en route beyond the traveler's control (JFTR, par. U2250 and JTR, par. C2250). Travel status does not include travel taken for personal convenience, leave, civilian administrative leave or administrative absence ((Instruction only applicable to DoD Uniformed members) [DoDI 1327.06, Leave and Liberty, 16 June 2009, incorporating change 1, 30 September 2011, Encl 2, par. 6, subpar. \(a-e\)](#)) while performing travel away from the PDS on public business under competent travel orders.

TRIP RECORD. Under DTS, this document, in either electronic or paper form, provides the vehicle on which is recorded each official order, initial options, modifications, and payment decisions. Prepared by the traveler, it is the single trip document that includes the order and fund cite, the should-cost estimate, the itinerary, updates to the itinerary made during the trip, and serves as the expense report when the traveler returns.

UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE (UB). See **BAGGAGE, UNACCOMPANIED**.

UNACCOMPANIED MEMBER (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). A member whose dependents have not accompanied the member or have accompanied the member at personal expense and are not command sponsored.

UNACCOMPANIED TOUR (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY)

1. The authorized tour length at a specific overseas PDS for a Service member who is not accompanied by command-sponsored dependents.
2. A tour at a location with only an unaccompanied tour authorized is a dependent-restricted tour (see APP A definition).
3. For JFTR allowances, an unaccompanied tour also includes a dependent-restricted tour ([DoDI 1315.18, par. E2.1.50](#)).

UNIFORMED SERVICES. The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps, and Public Health Service.

UNIT. A military element whose structure is prescribed by competent authority, such as in a table of organization and equipment.

UNITED STATES (U.S.). The 50 states and the District of Columbia.

UNUSUALLY ARDUOUS SEA DUTY (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). Duty aboard or with designated units. These units must be designated in writing and meet the criteria in 57 Comp. Gen. 266 (1978).

UPON SEPARATION FROM FEDERAL SERVICE (CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE ONLY). All dates following the date an employee is separated from Federal Service.

U.S.-CERTIFICATED AIR CARRIER. A U.S. certificated air carrier that holds a certificate under 49 USC §41102 and that is authorized either by the carrier's certificate or by exemption or regulation. U.S. certificated air carrier service also includes service provided under a code share agreement with a foreign (non .U.S. certificated) air carrier IAW Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) when the ticket, or documentation for an electronic ticket, identifies the U.S. certificated air carrier's designator code and flight number.

U.S. FLAG AIR CARRIER. See **U.S.-CERTIFICATED AIR CARRIER**.

U.S. INSTALLATION

1. A base, post, yard, camp or station:
 - a. Under the local command of a uniformed service,
 - b. With permanent or semi-permanent-type troop shelters and a **GOV'T DINING FACILITY/MESS**, and
 - c. At which there are U.S. GOV'T operations.
2. This term includes only that area actually occupied by those operations (plus the minimum surrounding area necessary for close-in security) and excludes contracted hotels not contained on and operated by the **INSTALLATION**.

WARD. A person, especially an infant, placed by authority of law under the care of a guardian.

WEIGHT ADDITIVE. See **HOUSEHOLD GOODS-WEIGHT ADDITIVE**.

YEARS OF SERVICE (UNIFORMED MEMBER ONLY). Any service authorized to be credited in computation of basic pay under 37 USC §205.

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APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS & ACRONYMS (JFTR/JTR)

PART 2: ACRONYMS (JFTR/JTR)

(C) means applicable only to JTR (U) means applicable only to JFTR

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
ADT	Active Duty for Training (U)
AEA	Actual Expense Allowance
*AGR	*Active Guard and Reserve (U)
AMC	Air Mobility Command
AO	Authorizing/Order-Issuing Official or Approving Official
AOR	Area of Responsibility
APP	Appendix
AT	Annual Training (U)
ATM	Automated Teller Machine
AWOL	Absent Without Leave (U)
BAH	Basic Allowance for Housing (U)
BAH-DIFF	Basic Allowance for Housing – Differential (U)
BAH-RC	Basic Allowance for Housing - Reserve Component (U)
BAH-T	Basic Allowance for Housing – Transit (U)
BAS	Basic Allowance for Subsistence (U)
BRAC	Base Realignment and Closure
_CA	Unrestricted capacity-controlled airfare (fare basis code). The unrestricted capacity controlled airfare, or “-CA”, differs from the unrestricted airfare (YCA) only in that the airline can limit the number of seats offered at the unrestricted capacity controlled airfare. See APP P, Part 1, par. A2.
CAP	Civilian Advisory Panel
CBA	Centrally Billed Government Travel Charge Card Account
CBCA	Civilian Board of Contract Appeals
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COCOM	Combatant Command
COLA	Cost of Living Allowance
CONUS	Contiguous United States
CONUS COLA	Contiguous United States Cost of Living Allowance (U)
COSTEP	Commissioned Officer Student and Extern Program
COT	Consecutive Overseas Tour (U)
CSRS	Civil Service Retirement System (C)
CTD	Civilian Travel Determination (C)
CTO	(Contracted) Commercial Travel Office
CWT	Hundred weight
DAS	Defense Attaché System
DDESS	Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary School
DFAS	Defense Finance and Accounting Services

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
DIA	Defense Intelligence Agency
DLA	Dislocation Allowance (<i>U</i>)
DoD	Department of Defense
DoDD	Department of Defense Directive
DoDDS	Department of Defense Dependents Schools (<i>C</i>)
DoDEA	Department of Defense Education Activity
DoDFMR	Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation
DoDI	Department of Defense Instruction
DOHA	Department of Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (<i>U</i>)
DoJ	Department of Justice
DoN	Department of the Navy (includes USN and USMC)
DoS	Department of State
DPM	Direct Procurement Method
DSSR	Department of State Standardized Regulations
DTMO	Defense Travel Management Office
DTOD	Defense Table of Official Distances
DTR	Defense Transportation Regulation
DTS	Defense Travel System
EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer
EUM	Essential Unit Messing
EVT	Emergency Visitation Travel (<i>C</i>)
FAM	Foreign Affairs Manual (<i>C</i>)
FAST	Federal Automated System for Travel
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FEML	Funded Environmental and Morale Leave
FERS	Federal Employees Retirement System (<i>C</i>)
FHA	Federal Housing Administration (<i>C</i>)
FSH	Family Separation Housing (<i>U</i>)
FSH-B	Family Separation Housing – BAH Based Location (<i>U</i>)
FSH-O	Family Separation Housing – OHA Based Location (<i>U</i>)
FTA	Foreign Transfer Allowance (<i>C</i>)
FTR	Federal Travel Regulation
FUTA	Federal Unemployment Tax Allowance (<i>C</i>)
FVT	Family Visitation Travel (<i>C</i>)
FWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (<i>C</i>)
GAO	Government Accountability Office (formerly General Accounting Office)
GARS	Government Administrative Rate Supplement
GCC	Government (Transportation) Constructed Cost
GMR	Government Meal Rate
GOV	Government owned vehicle
GOV'T	(U.S.) Government
GSA	General Services Administration

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
GSBCA	General Services Administration Board of Contract Appeals
GTCC	Government Travel Charge Card
GTR	Government Transportation Request (SF 1169)
HHG	Household Goods
HHS	Health and Human Services (<i>U</i>)
HHT	House Hunting Trip (<i>C</i>)
HOR	Home of Record
HOS	Home of Selection (<i>U</i>)
HP	Home Port (<i>U</i>)
HSTA	Home Service Transfer Allowance (<i>C</i>)
IADT	Initial Active Duty for Training (<i>U</i>)
IAW	In Accordance With
IBA	Individually Billed Government Travel Charge Card Account. <i>NOTE: Does not apply to any other form of personal credit card.</i>
ICW	In Connection With
IDT	Inactive Duty Training (<i>U</i>)
IE	Incidental Expenses
IPCOT	In Place Consecutive Overseas Tour (<i>U</i>)
IRC	Internal Revenue Code (<i>C</i>)
IRS	Internal Revenue Service (<i>C</i>)
ITA	Invitational Travel Authorization
ITDY	Indeterminate TDY (<i>U</i>)
ITO	Installation Transportation Officer
ITRA	Income Tax Reimbursement Allowance (<i>C</i>)
JFTR	Joint Federal Travel Regulations
JTF	Joint Task Force
JTR	Joint Travel Regulations
LPDCI	Living Pattern Data Collection Instrument (<i>U</i>)
LPQ	Living Pattern Questionnaire (<i>U</i>)
LPS	Living Pattern Survey (<i>U</i>)
LWOP	Leave Without Pay (<i>C</i>)
M&IE	Meals and Incidental Expenses
MALT	Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation
MALT PLUS	Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation Plus Flat Per Diem
MAP	Military Advisory Panel
MARS	Military Auxiliary Radio System
MCO	Miscellaneous Charge Order
MEA	Miscellaneous Expense Allowance (<i>C</i>)
MHA	Military Housing Area (<i>U</i>)
MIA	Missing in Action
MIHA	Move in Housing Allowance (<i>U</i>)
MILAIR	Military Aircraft

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
MSC	Military Sealift Command (<i>C</i>)
MTF	Military Treatment Facility
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology (<i>C</i>)
NMA	Non Medical Attendant
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (<i>same as USNOAA</i>)
NTE	Not to exceed
NTS	Non-temporary Storage (<i>also referred to as Extended Storage</i>)
OC&IE	Organizational Clothing & Individual Equipment
OCONUS	Outside the Contiguous United States
OHA	Overseas Housing Allowance (<i>U</i>)
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OPM	Office of Personnel Management
OSD	Office of the Secretary of Defense
PBP&E	Professional Books, Papers and Equipment (<i>also referred to as PRO-Gear</i>)
PCS	Permanent Change of Station
PDS	Permanent Duty Station
PDT	Permanent Duty Travel
PDTATAC	Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee
PDUSD (P&R)	Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel & Readiness)
PEB	Physical Evaluation Board (<i>U</i>)
PHS	Public Health Service (<i>same as USPHS</i>)
PLEAD	Place from Which Entered (or Called) to Active Duty (<i>U</i>)
PMR	Proportional Meal Rate
POA	Privately Owned Automobile
POC	Privately Owned Conveyance
PoC	Point of Contact
POD	Port of Debarkation
POE	Port of Embarkation
POV	Privately Owned Vehicle
POW	Prisoner of War
PRO-Gear	Professional Gear (<i>also referred to as PBP&E</i>)
QTRS	Quarters
R&R	Rest and Recuperative Leave
RAT	Renewal Agreement Travel (<i>C</i>)
RC	Reserve Component
RDD	Required Delivery Date (<i>U</i>)
RIT	Relocation Income Tax (<i>C</i>)
RPDCI	Retail Price Data Collection Instrument (<i>U</i>)
RSC	Relocation Service Company (<i>C</i>)
SDDC	(Military) Surface Deployment and Distribution Command
SEA	Subsistence Expense Allowance (<i>C</i>)
SECDEF	Secretary of Defense

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
SES	Senior Executive Service (<i>C</i>)
SIT	Storage in Transit
SMA	Separate Maintenance Allowance (<i>C</i>)
SR&R	Special Rest and Recuperative Absence (<i>U</i>)
SROTC	Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
SSN	Social Security Number
TAD	Temporary Assigned Duty (<i>same as TDY</i>)
TCS	Temporary Change of Station (<i>C</i>)
TDRL	Temporary Disability Retired List (<i>U</i>)
TDY	Temporary Duty
TEMDU	Temporary Duty (<i>same as TDY</i>)
TEMDUINS	Temporary Duty Under Instruction (<i>same as TDY</i>)
TLA	Temporary Lodging Allowance – OCONUS (<i>U</i>)
TLE	Temporary Lodging Expense – CONUS (<i>U</i>)
TMC	Travel Management Center (<i>same as CTO</i>)
TMS	Travel Management System
TQSA	Temporary Quarters Subsistence Allowance (<i>C</i>)
TQSE	Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses (<i>C</i>)
TQSE(AE)	Actual Expense Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses (<i>C</i>)
TQSE(LS)	Lump Sum Reimbursement for Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses (<i>C</i>)
UB	Unaccompanied Baggage
UN	United Nations
U.S.	United States
USC	United States Code
USNOAA	United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (<i>same as NOAA</i>)
USPHS	United States Public Health Service (<i>same as PHS</i>)
USSM	Under Secretary of State for Management (<i>C</i>)
UTD	Uniformed Travel Determination (<i>U</i>)
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs (<i>C</i>)
VAMC	Veterans Affairs Medical Center (<i>U</i>)
VPC	Vehicle Processing Center
WAE	When Actually Employed (<i>C</i>)
YCA	Unrestricted airfare (fare basis code). The unrestricted airfare, or "YCA", has a last economy/coach seat on the aircraft availability to the traveler. See APP P, Part 1, par. A2.

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APPENDIX I: ORDERS

PART 4: ORDER PREPARATION

A. TDY Travel

1. General. The REQUEST AND AUTHORIZATION FOR TDY TRAVEL OF DoD PERSONNEL (DD Form 1610) is used for all official TDY travel, FEML travel, R&R travel, dependent evacuation, and for group or blanket TDY travel with additional names, authorizations (authentications), and necessary information on continuation sheet(s). Information from the order such as the official travel days may be provided to a commercial vendor (i.e., lodging, transportation reservation, vehicle rental agency) to justify the use of GOV'T-discounted rates. DD Form 1610 is available at the following website, <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/eforms/dd1610.pdf>

NOTE: DD Form 1610 must not be used for invitational travel or a contractor's travel.

2. DD Form 1610 Preparation. DD Form 1610 ordinarily is self-explanatory. Special explanatory material for completing certain items on DD Form 1610 follows:

NOTE: See APP I3, par. B for specific information required on each order.

Item 4. POSITION TITLE AND GRADE/RATING--This information is not required if the travel approving/directing official determines that inclusion of this information may endanger the employee.

Item 6. ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT--Enter division, branch, or unit to which traveler is assigned.

Item 8. AUTHORIZATION TYPE--Indicate as appropriate, e.g., TDY, EVT, confirmatory, amendment, extension, blanket, group.

Item 9. TDY PURPOSE (APP H)--Insert one of the applicable standardized purpose categories listed in APP H. *This is required.*

Item 10.

a. APPROX. NO OF TDY DAYS (*Including Travel Time*)--Self-explanatory. ***NOTE:*** *The assignment, including travel time, may be exceeded by 100 percent or seven days, whichever is less, without requiring an order amendment.*

b. DEPARTURE DATE (yyyy/mm/dd)--Indicate the date that the official travel is expected to begin. ***NOTE:*** *Official travel may begin as many as seven days before or seven days after the indicated departure date.*

Item 11. ITINERARY--Indicate all locations from/to which travel is authorized and the "return to" location. If the traveler may need to alter the prescribed itinerary to accomplish the mission assignment, indicate by marking an "X" in the block preceding "Variation Authorized". See par. C2215. ***NOTE:*** *This box should not be marked unless the traveler has a high probability of needing to change the itinerary while traveling.*

Item 12. TRANSPORTATION MODE--Indicate in the applicable block(s) the commercial, GOV'T, and/or local transportation mode(s) authorized. If the transportation officer determines the mode, indicate accordingly in the block provided. If POC travel is authorized whether or not to the GOV'T's advantage, indicate the appropriate TDY mileage rate in the space provided. Also indicate if the POC travel is to the GOV'T's advantage or if reimbursement is limited. ***NOTE:*** *Do not simply check all or most transportation modes as that creates confusion as to what transportation modes are intended by the AO to be used.*

Item 13. Per Diem--When per diem using the 'Lodging Plus' computation method in par. C4553 is authorized, check block 13a, "PER DIEM AUTHORIZED IAW JTR" and make no further entries. When a different per diem rate is prescribed/authorized, check block 13b, "OTHER RATE OF PER DIEM (*Specify*)" and enter the appropriate rate information. For example:

- a. If there is a reduced per diem rate - check block 13b "OTHER RATE OF PER DIEM (*Specify*).” If anticipated expenses justify a lower per diem rate and a reduced rate of \$60 is authorized under par. C4550-C, the entry should be “reduced rate \$60.”

Indicate the authority (e.g., memo, letter, etc.) in block 16 from the designated office (based on pars. C4550- B, C, and D) for the rate shown.

- b. If there is a conference lodging allowance rate - check block 13b "OTHER RATE OF PER DIEM (*Specify*) \$200 Total (Conference Lodging Rate \$150; M&IE \$50)" and indicate authority (e.g., conference website, flyer, etc.) from the official sponsoring agency (APP R, Part 1, par. M).

NOTE: For FEML & R&R, boxes 13a and 13b should be left blank since per diem is not authorized.

If additional space is needed, use the "REMARKS" section of block 16 or a continuation sheet.

Item 15. ADVANCE AUTHORIZED--Requester leaves blank. This item is for travel or transportation advances from the GOV'T to the traveler via EFT, check, or cash. The advance travel funds amount is computed by the appropriate finance/disbursing activity IAW Service finance policy. Authority for ATM advances against the GTCC (i.e., the amount) should be addressed in item 16, REMARKS.

Item 16. REMARKS--This space is for special authorities, pertinent information or requirements such as leave, excess accompanied baggage, accommodations, registration fees, etc. The following statement may or must be use as appropriate to the official travel.

- a. Commercial transportation tickets -- ***"If the trip itinerary is canceled or changed after tickets or transportation requests are issued to the traveler, the traveler is liable for their value until all ticket coupons have been used for official travel and/or all unused tickets or coupons are properly accounted for ICW the travel reimbursement voucher."*** The preceding statement must be incorporated in the order or attached to the order or to the ticket or transportation request issued to the traveler if it is not practicable to include this statement in the Remarks section.
- b. Excess Accompanied Baggage -- "_____ pieces or _____ pounds of excess accompanied baggage are authorized" and include whether or not the excess accompanied baggage service must be paid by the traveler subject to reimbursement or is authorized per par. C3105.
- c. Delay in en route -- Indicate the number of annual leave days authorized if delay en route for personal reasons is authorized.
- d. 'Other Than Economy/Coach' Accommodation Authority -- Indicate the applicable statement when 'other than economy/coach' accommodation is authorized/approved.
 - (1) First class air accommodation -- "The use of first-class accommodations is authorized by (insert the official's appropriate title, Name, Rank, and Office Symbol in (cite the memo/letter/message reference and date (APP H2, Sec B.)). Travel has been justified and approved based on JTR, par. (insert JTR par. number). The cost difference between the first class airfare and the economy/coach airfare is (\$XXX.XX)." Ch 2, Part E and APP H2, Sec B; or
 - (2) Business class air accommodations -- "The use of business class accommodations is authorized by (insert the official's appropriate title, Name, Rank, and Office Symbol in (cite the memo/letter/message reference and date (APP H3, Sec A)). Travel has been justified and approved based on JTR, par. (insert

JTR par. number). The cost difference between the business class airfare and the economy/coach airfare is (\$XXX.XX).” Ch 2, Part E, and APP H2, Sec A.

NOTE: Only an official, designated IAW par. C3510-A, has authorization/approval authority for first class accommodations and par. C3510-A for business class accommodations.

- e. Special Requirements -- Include instructions if the TDY assignment involves special clothing, or other conditions apply. ***NOTE: These instructions are for the traveler and do not carry any reimbursement authority.***
- f. Accompanied Traveler -- Indicate if the traveler accompanies or is accompanied by another person in an official travel status in a POC. Provide the accompanying person’s name and status (e.g., military, civilian employee).
- (1) Cite par. C7100 or C7105 when traveling as an attendant or escort for a Service member’s dependents.
- (2) Cite par. C7800 when traveling as a civilian family member of a seriously ill or injured Uniformed Service member.
- g. GTCC -- DoDFMR, Vol. 9 (<http://www.dtic.mil/comptroller/fmr/>) when a GTCC is not accepted or cannot be used, and par. C2500.
- h. Registration Fee -- Indicate whether or not meals (and if so, the number and dates) and/or lodgings are included in the registration fee (APP R2, par. M) if a registration fee is authorized.
- i. POC Restrictions -- Include any administrative restriction precluding or limiting other allowable POC costs or the constructed common carrier cost when the employee’s POC travel is not to the GOV’T’s advantage (Ch 2, Part D).
- k. ATM Advance -- Indicate the amount authorized for ATM advance against the GTCC (par. C2305).
- l. Transportation Mode -- Indicate the reason for nonuse of a particular transportation mode that may otherwise appear to be to the GOV’T’s advantage when the AO has determined that an employee should not travel via a particular transportation mode (ex. travel by air (ocean ferry or Chunnel) is precluded for medical reasons). This is done to justify travel reimbursement based on the transportation mode authorized on the order, and actually used, instead of the constructed cost of the transportation mode otherwise apparently to the GOV’T’s advantage (par. C3210-C). (Ex: Air travel is apparently to the GOV’T’s advantage but air travel is medically precluded. The order should contain a statement similar to “Air transportation is medically precluded and must not be used for this traveler. Rail transportation authorized.”)
- *m. RESERVED
- n. Conference Lodging Allowance -- Indicate “***Conference lodging allowance NTE 125% (or other lesser amount) of the applicable per diem lodging rate for (location) is authorized by (insert the authority making the determination)*** if a conference lodging allowance (a predetermined allowance up to 125% of applicable locality lodging per diem rate (APP R1, par. H)) is authorized. Insert the actual pre-determined allowance in lieu of 125% if a lesser amount is authorized.
- o. Communication Services -- Include the dollar amount/call for authorized calls home (APP G).

p. Costs for Expenses not Fully Covered by Non-Federal Source - Indicate if the traveler is being reimbursed for the difference between the full GOV'T allowances and the payment from the non-Federal source if it is determined in advance of travel that payment from a non-Federal source (Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, at http://www.defenselink.mil/dodgc/defense_ethics/ethics_regulation/index.html) covers some but not all of the allowable travel and subsistence expenses. Ch 4, Part B to determine the applicable maximum allowances.

q. Pet Transportation -- Include the following statement on an order for travel to foreign locations and back to the U.S.

NOTICE (par. C5400): A traveler transporting exotic pets is required by U.S. law to have a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) certification before transporting the pets to foreign locations or back to the U.S. A traveler returning to the U.S. with an exotic pet prior to transporting the pet, or requiring more information, should contact the FWS at, 1-800-358-2104 or (703) 358-2104. Obtain a FWS pet bird fact sheet at <http://international.fws.gov/pdf/pe.pdf>; and an application for the one-time import, export, or re-export of pets into/from the U.S. at <http://forms.fws.gov/3-200-46.pdf> (Ch 5, Part I).

r. 'Fly America' Act -- Include the endorsement required by par. C3525-F when use of commercial non-U.S.-certificated/registered ship(s) or air carrier(s) is authorized. The endorsement on the order, made IAW Service regulations, should include the name of traveler, non-U.S.-certificated/registered ship(s) or air carrier(s) used, flight identification no(s), origin, destination and en route points, date(s), justification, and authorizing official's title, organization and signature.

s. Emergency Visitation Travel -- Indicate "EVT transportation authorized for dependent under Ch 7, Part M and include the dependent's name(s) if EVT transportation is authorized for dependent traveling with the employee. ***An ITA is used to authorize EVT transportation for a dependent traveling without the employee.***

t. If EVT transportation is authorized for a dependent traveling with an employee, include the statement "EVT transportation authorized for the dependent under Ch 7, Part M.", and include the dependent's name. (***An ITA is used to authorize EVT transportation for a dependent traveling without the employee.***)

u. Include notice that if the order conflicts with the JTR, the JTR prevails ([CBCA 2143-RELO, 11 January 2011](#)).

v. A statement must be included justifying that alternate means, such as (Secure Video Teleconference (SVTC)) or other web-based communication are not sufficient to accomplish travel objectives.

Item 17. TRAVEL-REQUESTING OFFICIAL (***Title and signature***) other than the official signing in block 20. The travel-requesting official must be other than either of the officials signing in blocks 18 and 20 when a traveler is permitted to be a travel requesting official for a personal order.

Item 18. TRAVEL-APPROVING/DIRECTING OFFICIAL (***Title and signature***) other than the official signing in block 17.

Item 19. ACCOUNTING CITATION--Show the fiscal data IAW Service regulations and include the travel computation unit (location/address) to which travel vouchers must be forwarded (faxed/mailed). The FUND-APPROVING OFFICIAL (APP A) certifying to funds availability signs in the lower right corner of this block.

Item 20. AO (***Title and signature***). Other than the official signing in block 17, show the order-issuing organization and address in addition to the AO's title and signature.

NOTE: Actual signatures (items 17, 18, and 19) are not required when the signatures are available on another official document. The AO (item 20) must keep that 'other' document on file for audit purposes.

While actual signatures are not required in items 17, 18 and 19, the responsible officials' names and titles must be legibly indicated in the appropriate blocks. The AO's signature (item 20) may be transmitted electronically by fax after signature. An electronic signature that meets the security and requirements established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for electronic data interchange may be used. This signature can include a digital signature discussed by the Comptroller General in [B-261647, 26 June 1995](#), which must be (1) unique to the signer, (2) under the signer's sole control, (3) capable of being verified, and (4) linked to the data in such a manner that if the data is changed, the signature is invalidated.

Item 22. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION NUMBER -- Show the identifying number and/or symbol assigned by the issuing office.

3. Distribution. APP I2. par. H.

B. Permanent Duty Travel

1. General. The REQUEST/AUTHORIZATION FOR DoD CIVILIAN PERMANENT DUTY OR TEMPORARY CHANGE OF STATION (TCS) TRAVEL (DD FORM 1614) is used as a request and order for all official PCS/TCS travel by an employee and family. APP I3, par. F2. DD Form 1614 is available at the following website: <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/eforms/dd1614.pdf>.

NOTE 1: DD Form 1614 must not be used for contractor's travel.

NOTE 2: *An employee's per diem generally stops on the date the employee receives notice of a PCS to a location at which the employee is on TDY. A DoD COMPONENT must carefully review the circumstances of the employee's TDY assignment before issuing PCS notification to avoid imposing per diem costs on the employee that should be borne by the GOV'T. See par. C5083. An employee should be permitted to complete a TDY assignment, return to the PDS from the TDY assignment to arrange for residence sale, dependent and/or HHG transportation, and then perform PCS travel to the new PDS to report for duty on the PCS effective date.*

2. DD Form 1614 Preparation. DD Form 1614 is ordinarily self-explanatory. Special explanatory material for completing certain items on DD Form 1614 follows:

NOTE: APP I3, par. B for specific information required on each order.

Item 6. Retirement Code--Insert the employee's applicable retirement code from Block 30 of employee's most current SF-50. If unsure of the correct retirement code, the employee should contact the servicing personnel office. OPM website <http://www.opm.gov/retire/> for more information on retirement.

Item 7. Releasing Official Station and Location, or Actual Residence--Enter the name and location of the releasing PDS, if a transfer, or the address shown on the service agreement as the actual residence, if first duty station travel.

Item 8. New Official Station and Location, Actual Residence or Alternate Destination—Enter the name and location of ONLY the new PDS, or the address shown on the service agreement as the actual residence for a separation. Use Block 28 to explain HHG transported to an alternate destination that an employee may have requested indicating the employee pays all expenses above the constructed cost of transporting the HHG to the new PDS or actual residence indicated in the employee's service agreement. The employee is financially responsible for all excess cost.

Item 10. Travel Purpose--Other. When this block is checked, please explain in Item 28, Remarks or Other Authorizations.

Item 13a. House hunting Trip--Round Trip Travel for House hunting--Indicate if round trip travel to seek a permanent residence is, or is not, authorized. If authorized, insert in Item 13b the number of calendar days for which travel is authorized (within the maximum).

Item 16. Other Authorized Expenses--This block is for travel and/or transportation advances from the GOV'T to the traveler. The amount of any PCS advance is computed by the appropriate finance/disbursing activity IAW Service/Agency finance policy. Authority for ATM advances against the GTCC (i.e., the amount) should be addressed in item 20, Remarks.

Item 17. Dependent Travel - The blocks on the form are connected with OCONUS travel options. Dependents' travel (after issuance of the DD Form 1614) before/after the employee doesn't need any statement on the DD Form 1614 or boxes checked. Add pertinent information if necessary in item 28, Remarks. For example, if dependent(s)' travel is delayed to an OCONUS location because of a housing shortage at the new PDS or dependent early return from OCONUS is per Ch 5, Part J.

Item 22. Accounting Citation--Show fiscal data IAW regulations of the DoD COMPONENT concerned. *Please ensure that funds are obligated against the order.* For Transportation Account Codes (TACs) for DoD personnel [DTR 4500.9-R, Part II](#), APP V. TAC codes: Army go to website https://www.daas.dla.mil/tac_inq/tac_menu.html, Air Force F750/FCHP, and Navy and Marine Corps website http://192.67.251.41/tac_inq/tac_menu.html.

Item 23. (TRAVEL-)APPROVING (/DIRECTING) OFFICIAL APP A. Show the name of the individual who directs, approves/disapproves travel requests, and vouchers before claim settlement in addition to that and signature.

Item 24. AO APP A. Indicate the order-issuing organization, address, signature of the AO.

Item 27. Claimant – Forward Completed Claim to the Following Address--The losing/gaining activity, as appropriate, should provide the address to which the employee should submit the claim for final disbursement in this block.

Item 28. Remarks or Other Authorizations—In addition to the type of information suggested within the box, this item may be used to show any other pertinent information. Statements may be included to clarify any special instructions such as:

a. House hunting Trip--Indicate the authorized transportation mode when round trip travel is authorized for seeking a permanent residence.

b. TDY--Indicate the purpose, TDY assignment duration, location, and any pertinent conditions if TDY is authorized en route.

c. 'Other Than Economy/Coach' Accommodations--Indicate the applicable statement when 'other than economy/coach' accommodation is authorized/approved.

(1) First-class air accommodations--“The use of first-class accommodations is authorized/approved by (insert the official's appropriate title, Name, Rank, and Office Symbol in (cite the memo/letter/message reference and date (APP H2, Sec B.)). First-class accommodations have been justified and approved based on JTR, par. (insert JTR par. number). The cost difference between the first-class airfare and the coach-class airfare is (\$XXX.XX).” Ch 2, Part E and APP H2, Sec B, or

(2) Business-class air accommodations-- “The use of business-class transportation is authorized/ approved by (insert the official's appropriate title, Name, Rank, and Office Symbol in (cite the memo/ letter/message reference and date (APP H3, Sec A.)). Business-class accommodations have been justified and approved based on JTR, par. (insert JTR par. number). The cost difference between the business-class airfare and the coach-class airfare is (\$XXX.XX).” Ch 2, Part E and APP H2, Sec A.

NOTE: Only an official, designated IAW par. C3510-A, has authority for first-class accommodations authorization/approval and par. C3510-A for business accommodations authorization/approval.

l. Transportation Mode -- Indicate the reason for nonuse of a particular transportation mode that may otherwise appear to be to the GOV'T's advantage when the AO has determined that an employee should not travel via a particular transportation mode (ex. travel by air (ocean ferry or Chunnel) is precluded for medical reasons). This is done to justify travel reimbursement based on the transportation mode authorized on the order, and actually used, instead of the constructed cost of the transportation mode otherwise apparently to the GOV'T's advantage (par. C3210-C). (Ex: Air travel is apparently to the GOV'T's advantage but air travel is medically precluded. The order should contain a statement similar to "Air transportation is medically precluded and must not be used for this traveler. Rail transportation authorized.")

e. ATM Advance -- Indicate the amount authorized for ATM advance against the GTCC (par. C2305).

f. Indicate the issuing CPO's name, address, PoC with phone number and DSN (including area code for each).

g. Indicate the paper tickets cost when authorized if electronic tickets are available to the traveler.

h. POC Use Is Not to the GOV'T's Advantage--Indicate when POC travel is not to the GOV'T's advantage. When travel is by POC (specifically by privately owned boat) and not to the GOV'T's advantage, a statement must be placed on the order that GOV'T procured air transoceanic travel is authorized and travel time and reimbursement for travel at personal expense (including per diem) does not exceed what would have been authorized for the available GOV'T procured air transportation (plus appropriate per diem) (par. C5915).

i. Include the following endorsements/statements on an order for travel to foreign locations and back to the U.S.

(1) 'Fly America' Act--Include the endorsement required by par. C3525-F when commercial non U.S. certificated/registered ship(s) or air carrier(s) use is authorized. The endorsement on the order, made IAW Service regulations, should include the name of traveler, the non-U.S.-certificated/registered ship(s) or air carrier(s) used, flight identification no(s), origin, destination and en route points, date(s), justification, and authorizing official's title, organization and signature.

(2) Pet Transportation--Include the following statement on an order for an employee who indicates a pet is to be transported: "A traveler transporting an exotic pet is required by U.S. law to have a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) certification before transporting the pet to a foreign location or back to the U.S. A traveler returning to the U.S. who owns an exotic pet and who returns prior to transporting the pet, or requiring more information, should contact the FWS at, 1-800-358-2104 or (703) 358-2104. Obtain a FWS pet bird fact sheet at <http://international.fws.gov/pdf/pe.pdf>; and an application for the one-time import, export, or re-export of pets into/from the U.S. at <http://forms.fws.gov/3-200-46.pdf> (Ch 5, Part I).

j. Include notice that if an order conflicts with the JTR, the JTR prevails ([CBCA 2143-RELO, 11 January 2011](#)).

3. Distribution. APP I2, par. H.

4. Privacy Act Statement. Par. B implements the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC §552a) by adding a Privacy Act Statement for "Request/Authorization for DoD Civilian Permanent Duty or Temporary Change of Station (TCS) Travel" (DD Form 1614). The form may be reproduced locally and made available to the individual supplying data shown on DD Form 1614. The form also is available for printing and/or downloading from the Internet through the Washington Headquarters Service DoD Forms Program at the following website: <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/eforms/dd1614.pdf>.

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PART 1: DoD MEMBERS

NOTE: For NOAA, see APP Q, Part II.

- A. Tour Length Establishment. A tour length is established IAW [DoDI 1315.18](#), par. E.3.1.
- B. Tour Length Change. Submit a tour length change proposal IAW [DoDI 1315.18](#), par. E.3.1. **Do not submit a tour length change proposal to PDTATAC.**
- C. Tour Length Exception. The tour length for a DoD member stationed OCONUS is 36 months accompanied and 24 months unaccompanied (except for HI and AK which are 36/36) unless the Military Departments provide conclusive evidence that a specific tour must be shorter. See [DoDI 1315.18](#), par. E.3.1.1 (12 January 05).
- D. Tour Lengths. The following are OCONUS tour lengths *for a DoD member only (other than a DoD Attaché)*: [DoDI 1315.18](#), par. E3.1.1 (12 January 05):

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	Note
All OCONUS Duty Stations Not Listed Below	36	24		
Afghanistan				
Kabul (Personnel assigned to SAO)	N/A	12	08-10-07	11
Alaska (except as indicated)	36	36		1
Adak	N/A	12		
Clear	N/A	12		
Eareckson	N/A	12		
Fort Greely	24	12	05-01-04	
Galena	N/A	12		
King Salmon	N/A	12		
Marine Corps Security Forces	24	12		
Albania				
Tirana	24	12		
Algeria	24	12	12-07-04	
American Samoa	N/A	12		
Argentina	36	24		
Armenia				
Yerevan (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	18	07-06-06	10
Aruba	24	18		
Australia (except as indicated)	36	24		
Exmouth	24	24		
Learmonth	24	15		
Woomera	24	15		
Austria	36	24		
Azerbaijan				
Baku (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	18	07-06-06	10
Azores (See Portugal)				

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Bahamas				
Andros Island	24	24		
Bahrain	24	12		14
Bangladesh	24	18		
Belgium (except as indicated)	36	24		
Bertrix	N/A	12		
Belize	24	18	09-17-04	
Benin	24	12		
Bermuda	36	24		
Bolivia	24	18		
Bosnia-Herzegovina				
Banja Luka	24	18	06-30-08	15
Sarajevo (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	18	07-06-06	10
Botswana	24	12		
Brazil	36	24		
British Indian Ocean Territory				
Diego Garcia Island	N/A	12		
Bulgaria				
Sofia	24	12		
Burkina Faso	24	12		
Cambodia (except as indicated)	N/A	12		
Phnom Penh (Personnel assigned to NAMRU-2)	24	12	06-21-10	
Canada (except as indicated)	36	24		
Newfoundland and Labrador	24	12		
Argentia	24	12		
Goose Bay	24	12		
Chad	24	12	05-02-08	12
Chile	36	24		
Columbia	24	18		
Commonwealth of the N. Mariana Islands (incl. Saipan)	24	12		
Costa Rica	36	24		
Crete (See Greece)				
Croatia				
Zagreb	24	12		
Cuba				
Guantanamo Bay	30	18	04-05-07	2
JTF-GTMO	24	12	04-05-07	2
Marine Barracks	24	12		
Curacao (See Netherlands Antilles)				
Cyprus (except as indicated)	24	18		
Akrotiri	24	12		

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Czech Republic				
Prague	36	24		
Vyskov	24	12	08-11-11	16
Democratic Republic of Congo (formerly Zaire)	24	12		
Denmark (except as indicated)	36	24		
Kalaallit Nunaat (formerly Greenland)	N/A	12		
Diego Garcia (See British Indian Ocean Territory)				
Djibouti				
Djibouti City (Personnel assigned to SAO)	24	12	04-11-07	11
Dominican Republic	36	24		
Ecuador	36	18		
Manta	N/A	12		
Egypt (except as indicated)	24	18		
Beni Suef	N/A	12		
Cairo (ETSS personnel only)	N/A	12		
Ismailia	24	12		
Jiyanklis New	N/A	12		
Sinai	N/A	12		
El Salvador	N/A	12		
Personnel assigned to SAO	24	18		
England (See United Kingdom)				
Eritrea	24	12		
Estonia				
Tallinn	24	24		
Ethiopia				
Addis Ababa (Personnel assigned to SAO)	24	12	04-11-07	11
France	36	24		
Georgia				
Tbilisi	24	18		
Germany (except as indicated)	36	24		
Donaueschingen	24	12		
Geilenkirchen	36	36		
Ghana				
Accra (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	18	03-19-07	11
Gibraltar	36	24		
Greece (except as indicated)	36	24		
Argyroupolis	N/A	12		
Athens	24	15		

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Crete	24	18		
Souda Bay	N/A	12	04-18-97	17
Drama	N/A	12		
Elefsis	N/A	12		
Horiatis	N/A	12		
Larissa	24	12		
Lefkas	N/A	12		
Parnis	30	18		
Patras	30	18		
Perivolaki	N/A	12		
Thessalonki	24	15		
Yiannitsa	N/A	12		
Greenland (See Denmark)				
Guam	36	24	10-12-04	
Guatemala	36	24		
Guyana	24	18		
Haiti				
Port au Prince (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	12	11-20-07	11
Hawai'i (except as indicated)	36	36		1
Kauai	30	18		
Pohakuloa Training Area	24	18		
Honduras (except as indicated)	24	18		
Soto Cano AB	N/A	12		
Hong Kong	36	24		
Hungary				
Budapest	36	24		
Papa	24	15	11-25-08	
Iceland (except as indicated)	30	18	10-04-99	
USAF (not assigned to a joint activity)	24	12		
USMC (not assigned to a joint activity)	24	12		
India (except as indicated)	24	12		
New Delhi (Personnel assigned to ODC)	36	24	11-09-12	18
Indonesia	24	12		
Ireland	36	24		
Israel	24	12		
Italy (except as indicated)	36	24		
Crotone	24	15		
Ghedi	24	24	02-15-07	
Martina Franca	24	18		
Mt. Corna	24	18		
Mt. Finale Ligure	N/A	12		

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Mt. Limbara	N/A	12		
Mt. Nardelo	N/A	12		
Mt. Paganella	N/A	12		
Mt. Venda	24	18		
Mt. Vergine	24	15		
Piano di Cors	N/A	12		
Poggio Renatico	24	12		
Rimini	24	18		
Sardinia				
Decimomannu Air Base (AB)	24	15		
La Maddalena	24	24		
Sicily				
Comiso	24	12		
Jamaica	24	12		
Japan (except as indicated)	36	24		3
Akizuki Kure	24	12	12-07-04	
Itami (Sapporo)	24	12	12-07-04	
Kumamoto	24	12	12-07-04	
Kuma Shima	N/A	12		
MCAS Iwakuni	36	12		
Okuma	N/A	12		
Osaka	24	12	12-07-04	
Ryukyu Islands (except as indicated)	36	24		
Okinawa				
Ie Shima	N/A	12		
MCAS Futenma	36	12		
MCB Butler	36	12		
Seburiyama	N/A	12		
Sendai	24	12	12-07-04	
Shariki	N/A	12	11-05-08	
Johnston Atoll	N/A	12		
Jordan (except as indicated)	24	12		
Amman	24	18		
Kalaallit Nunaat (See Denmark)				
Kazakhstan				
Astana (Personnel assigned to SAO)	24	12	08-10-07	11
Kenya (except as indicated)	24	12		
Nairobi	24	18		
Korea (except as indicated)	36/24	12	03-2-09	4, 7
Chongju AB	N/A	12		4
Dongducheon (Camps Casey, Hovey, Mobile, Castle)	24	12		4, 5, 6

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Gwangju AB (ROK)	N/A	12		4
Joint Security Area	N/A	12		4
Kunsan AB (US)	N/A	12		4
Mujak/Pohang	N/A	12		4
Uijongbu (Camps Jackson, Red Cloud, Stanley)	24	12		4, 5, 6
Kuwait	24	12		9
Kyrgyzstan	24	12		
Laos	N/A	12		
Vientiane	24	12	12-21-06	
Latvia				
Riga	24	12		
Liberia	24	18	06-30-08	15
Libya				
Tripoli (Military Personnel Assigned to SCO)	N/A	12	10-19-11	
Lithuania				
Vilnius	24	12		
Luxembourg	36	24		
Macedonia	24	18		
Skopje	24	12		
Madagascar	24	12		
Malaysia	36	24		
Marshall Islands				
Enewetok	N/A	12		
Kwajalein	24	18		
Mexico	24	18		
Midway Islands	N/A	12		
Moldova				
Chisinau	24	18		
Mongolia	24	24		
Montenegro				
Podgorica (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	24	01-28-08	11
Morocco (except as indicated)	24	15		
Casablanca	24	12		
Errachidia	N/A	12		
Netherlands	36	24		
Netherlands Antilles				
Curacao	N/A	12		
New Zealand	36	24		
Nicaragua	24	18		
Niger	24	12		
Nigeria				

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	Note
Abuja (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	24	04-11-07	11
Norway	36	24	07-07-04	
Okinawa (See Japan)				
Oman	24	12		
Pakistan	24	12		8
Panama (except as indicated)	36	24		
Galeta Island	N/A	12		
Paraguay	24	18		
Peru (except as indicated)	36	24		
Lima MAAG	30	18		
Philippines (except as indicated)	N/A	12		
Metropolitan Manila	24	18		
Manila Joint U.S. Military Assistance Group (JUSMAG-P)	36	24	12-01-11	
Poland				
Bydgoszcz	24	24	10-21-05	
Sczcecin	24	24	10-21-05	
Warsaw	36	24		
Portugal (except as indicated)	36	24		
Azores Islands	24	15		
Puerto Rico (except as indicated)	36	24		
Caguas	36	18		
Isabela	36	18		
Juana Diaz	36	18		
Ponce (Ft Allen)	36	18		
Vieques Island	N/A	12		
Yauco	36	18		
Qatar	24	12		
Romania				
Bucharest	24	24		
Oradea	24	12	09-30-11	15
Russia				
Moscow (Personnel assigned to DAO)	24	24	02-15-07	11
Rwanda				
Kigali	24	24	10-17-11	
Saint Helena (Ascension Island)	24	12		
Saipan (See Commonwealth of the N. Mariana Islands)				
Sardinia (See Italy)				
Saudi Arabia (except as indicated)	24	12		8
Eskan Village, Riyadh	24	12	07-18-08	13
Scotland (See United Kingdom)				

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	<i>Note</i>
Senegal				
Dakar (Personnel assigned to ODC)	24	24	03-21-07	11
Serbia				
Belgrade (Personnel assigned to ODC & BAO)	24	24	06-11-07	11
Seychelles	24	12		
Sicily (See Italy)				
Singapore	36	24		
Slovakia				
Bratislava	36	24		
Trencin	24	12	09-16-11	10
Slovenia				
Ljubljana	24	12		
Spain (except as indicated)	36	24		
Adamuz	N/A	12		
Albacete (Los Llanos Air Base – USAF Only)	24	24		
Alcoy	30	18		
Balearic Islands	N/A	15		
Ciudad Real	N/A	12		
Constantina	30	18		
Elizondo	30	18		
El Ferrol	24	24		
Estaca De Vares	N/A	12		
Gorremandi	N/A	15		
Moron AB	24	15		
Rosas	30	18		
Santiago	N/A	18		
Sonseca	24	15		
Villatobas	30	18		
Sudan	24	12		
Suriname	24	18		
Sweden				
Stockholm	36	24		
Tajikistan	24	12		
Thailand (except as indicated)	24	18		
Bangkok	36	24		
Tunisia	24	18		
Turkey (except as indicated)	24	15		
Balikesir	N/A	12		
Cakmakli	N/A	12		
Corlu	N/A	12		
Elmadag	24	12		

Country or Area	Accompanied Tour (Months)	Unaccompanied Tour (Months)	Effective Date	Note
Erhac	N/A	12		
Erzurum	N/A	12		
Eskisehir	N/A	12		
*Incirlik	*24	*15	08-01-12	*19
Iskendrum	N/A	12		
Istanbul	N/A	12		
Izmir	N/A	12		
Izmit	N/A	12		
Karatas	24	12		
Malatya	24	12		
Murted	N/A	12		
Oratakoy	N/A	12		
Pirinclik	N/A	12		
Sahihtepe	N/A	12		
Sinop	N/A	12		
Yumurtalik	N/A	12		
Turkmenistan	24	12		
Ukraine				
Kiev	24	12		
United Arab Emirates	24	12		
United Kingdom (except as indicated)	36	24		3
RAF Fylingdales	24	18		
RAF Machrihanish (Scotland)	24	18		
Uruguay	36	24		
Uzbekistan	24	12		
Venezuela	24	18		
Vietnam	24	12	12-01-03	
Virgin Islands	36	24		
Wake Island	N/A	12		
Wales (See United Kingdom)				
West Indies				
Anguilla	24	18		
Antigua	24	12		
Barbados	36	24		
St. Lucia	N/A	12		
Yemen, Republic of	36	24	06-30-08	15
Zaire (See Democratic Republic of Congo)				

NOTES:

1. Tour-length policies for a member assigned to a duty station within AK or within HI are outlined in [DoDI 1315.18](#), par. E3.1.

2. Dependents are permitted only when GOV'T QTRS are available.
3. A maximum 48-month tour is permitted for Navy personnel.
4. Not every member is eligible to serve an accompanied-by-dependents tour in those locations in which such tours are authorized. Command sponsorship eligibility is controlled by U.S. Forces Korea and is contingent upon the availability of facilities and services as determined by the USFK Commander. A member, not eligible to serve an accompanied-by-dependents tour, serves a dependent-restricted tour.
5. Each Secretary of a Military Department has authority to permit a member to reside at these locations while dependents reside in an area in which housing and services support are available.
6. A member assigned to a location with limited command-sponsorship facilities is required to be counseled and to sign a memorandum acknowledging the limited command-sponsorship facilities available at that installation, prior to command sponsorship acceptance.
7. For an area authorized a 36-month accompanied-by-dependents tour, a member may accept a 36- or 24-month accompanied tour.
8. Due to threat levels, dependents are not currently authorized at this location.
9. Not every member is eligible to serve an accompanied-by-dependents tour in those locations in which such tours are authorized. Command sponsorship eligibility is controlled by USCENTCOM and is contingent upon the member's actual duty assignment. A member, not eligible to serve an accompanied-by-dependents tour, serves a dependent-restricted tour.
10. OSD (P&R/OEPM) memo dated 6 July 2006 established tour lengths for members assigned to the Office of Defense Cooperation (ODC), U.S. Embassy located in Yerevan, Armenia; Baku, Azerbaijan; and Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina.
11. "OSD (P&R/OEPM)" memo dated 31 January 2008 established tour lengths for members assigned to the listed commands only. If an increase in the number of personnel assigned to the listed country is desired, a subsequent tour request must be submitted."

Personnel assigned to the Office of the Defense Cooperation (ODC) in Accra, Ghana; Port au Prince, Haiti; Podgorica, Montenegro; Abuja, Nigeria; Dakar, Senegal; and personnel assigned the ODC and Bilateral Affairs Office (BAO) Belgrade, Serbia.

Personnel assigned to the DoD Attaché Office (DAO) in Moscow, Russia, and personnel assigned to the Security Assistance Office (SAO) Kabul, Afghanistan; Djibouti City, Djibouti; Addis Ababa; Ethiopia; and Astana, Kazakhstan.

12. PDUSD (P&R) memo of 5 May 2008 designates the accompanied tour as partially-unaccompanied. Adult dependents only (age 21 or older) are authorized.
13. PDUSD (P&R) memo of 17 July 2008 approves the return of adult non-school age dependents only to Eskan Village, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. A member executing an accompanied tour (24 months) to this area will be provided an opportunity, once in Saudi Arabia, to assess within a reasonable amount of time (90 or fewer days from the member's arrival date), whether the member believes that the security conditions under which the family will reside are consistent with the family's expectations and personal level of comfort and wellbeing. A member may elect to return dependents to CONUS IAW [DoDI 1315.18](#) par. E4.5.2.5. and JFTR, par. U5900-D2e, at no cost to the member, and serve an unaccompanied tour (12 months).
14. USD (P&R) memo of 25 June 2009 approves the return of all dependents to Bahrain. A member executing an accompanied tour (24 months) to this area must be provided an opportunity, once in Bahrain, to assess within a reasonable amount of time (90 or fewer days from the member's arrival date), whether or not the member believes that

the security conditions under which the family will reside are consistent with the family's expectations and personal level of comfort and wellbeing. A member may elect to return dependents to CONUS IAW [DoDI 1315.18](#) par. E4.5.2.5. and JFTR, par. U5900-D2e at no cost to the member, and serve the unaccompanied tour (12 months).

15. May be accompanied by adult dependents age 18 years or older.

16. PDUSD (P&R) memo of 11 August 2011 allows only adult dependents age 18 years or older on an accompanied tour. The Commander, United States European Command, may authorize, on a case-by-case basis, non-school age children, who will not attain 5 years of age during the sponsor's tour, to accompany the member. This authority may not be delegated below the Chief of Staff, United States European Command.

17. As an approved exception to assignment tour length policy, a maximum of six naval personnel assigned to any of the following nine positions at Naval Support Activity, Souda Bay, Crete, may be selected to serve a 24-month accompanied tour: Commanding officer, Executive Officer, Public Works officer, Air Operations officer, Supply officer, Staff JAG officer, Port Services Officer, Command Chaplain, and Command Master Chief. In addition, the Air Force officer assigned to the Senior Air Force Intelligence command position is also authorized to be selected to serve a 24-month accompanied or 12-month unaccompanied tour.

18. OSD (P&R/OEPM) memo dated 8 November 2012 established tour lengths for members assigned to the Office of Defense Cooperation (ODC), New Delhi, India.

***19.** OUSD memo dated 1 August 2012 established a 24 month unaccompanied tour length for members assigned in direct support of Priority Level-1 Capable Mission at Incirlik Air Base, Turkey. USEUCOM Commander must authorize the 24 month unaccompanied tour length. All others at Incirlik serve the 15 month unaccompanied tour length.

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