

MILPERSMAN 1050-410

CONSECUTIVE OVERSEAS TOURS (COT) LEAVE TRAVEL ENTITLEMENT POLICY

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References	(a) NAVSO P-6034, Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), Volume 1, Uniformed Service Members
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1. **Policy Reference.** Consecutive overseas tours (COT) leave travel is described in reference (a), para. U7200.

2. **Relationship to Overseas Tour Extension Incentives.**
 A servicemember who receives COT leave travel shall not receive any incentive under the Overseas Tour Extension Incentive Program (OTEIP) for the same overseas tour.

3. **Criteria.** The table below lists criteria that entitles a member to COT leave travel.

WHEN ...	AND is ordered to ...	THEN ...
a servicemember is stationed outside the continental United States (OCONUS),	a COT at the same permanent duty station (PDS) involving two full Department of Defense (DoD) area tours, or make a permanent change of station (PCS) from one PDS OCONUS to another PDS OCONUS, involving two full DoD area tours, or Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) tours.	is entitled to receive COT leave travel.

4. **COT Leave Travel Execution.** Unless COT travel is deferred by Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM),

- a. Enlisted Distribution Division (PERS-40CC) for enlisted personnel, and
- b. cognizant detailee for officers,

the following rules will apply to execution of COT leave travel:

WHEN home of record (HOR) is in continental United States (CONUS) ...	THEN COT leave shall be taken in conjunction with ...
PCS order, with no temporary duty (TEM DU) provision, requires servicemember to traverse CONUS,	CONUS crossing.
there is TEM DU in CONUS as part of PCS,	TEM DU in CONUS.

WHEN HOR is OCONUS ...	THEN COT leave shall be taken in conjunction with ...
	travel between duty stations, or may be deferred by member.

5. **Deferment of COT Leave Travel**

a. Deferment of COT leave travel, relating to the table above, will only be approved by NAVPERSCOM when unusual circumstances preclude member or dependents from taking COT leave while in CONUS.

b. Requests must be submitted to NAVPERSCOM, and authorization received, prior to member's transfer.

c. Requests for deferred leave travel, when the servicemember is required to traverse CONUS to complete PCS, should be forwarded to NAVPERSCOM

- (1) PERS-40CC for enlisted personnel, and
- (2) cognizant detailee for officers.

6. Re-Tour without Change in PDS. In connection with a re-tour not involving a change of PDS,

a. full DoD area tour must be completed before leave travel entitlement accrues; and

b. leave travel may be taken between the end of first complete area tour and start of second complete area tour, unless servicemember elects to defer performing COT leave travel until after reporting for the second tour. Unless deferred due to duty in connection with a contingency operation, COT leave travel must be performed prior to the end of the new tour, otherwise the entitlement expires.

7. Deferment when not Traversing CONUS

a. A servicemember or dependents who are

(1) not required to traverse CONUS to complete PCS, or

(2) authorized or approved by NAVPERSCOM to defer COT leave travel in connection with travel covered by the table above,

may elect to defer performing COT leave travel until after servicemember reports to new PDS OCONUS.

b. COT leave travel must be performed prior to the end of the new tour, unless member is assigned to a contingency operation as designated by Secretary of Defense.

8. Dependent COT Leave Travel. Rules for COT leave travel are given in the table below:

WHEN ...	THEN ...
dependents are entitled to COT leave travel,	they may travel with servicemember at the time servicemember is granted COT leave travel, or travel independently of servicemember. NOTE: COT leave travel must be performed prior to the end of the new tour which servicemember begins consecutive tour of duty at the same PDS or reports to another PDS OCONUS.
COT leave travel is deferred,	dependent PCS travel entitlement will be limited to direct travel between old and new PDSs.
dependents leave travel on a re-tour is deferred,	cost limit of leave travel, when taken, is described in reference (a), para. U7200-C.

9. Cost Limits of COT Leave Travel. Dependents are able to begin PCS travel anytime after receipt of PCS orders by servicemember. Cost limits for dependent travel will be as specified in the table below:

WHEN ...	AND ...	THEN ...	AND ...
PCS travel is begun by dependents,	a COT leave travel entitlement on their behalf is used,	cost limit of travel entitlement is described in reference (a), para. U7200-C.	
there is no PCS, but rather a re-tour at the same PDS, with or without a change of activity or unit identification code,		COT leave travel entitlement for dependents shall not begin until servicemember completes first prescribed accompanied-by-dependents area tour,	must be performed prior to the end of the new tour which servicemember begins consecutive tour of duty at same PDS, cost to be limited to round trip cost to appropriate leave travel point.

10. Travel Exceeding HOR Distance

a. Requests for COT leave travel to any place farther distant than to HOR should be forwarded to Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV (N130E)), Travel and Transportation Branch Chief, for action.

b. Authorization by OPNAV (N130E) may be granted for unusual circumstances, i.e.,

(1) member's old and new PDS and HOR in same geographic location; or

(2) travel to HOR in conjunction with travel via designated location of dependents (reference (a), para. U5120-G) when both HOR and designated location of dependents are in same country.

c. Requests must be submitted, and authorization received, prior to member's transfer.