MILPERSMAN 1300-200

COMMAND SPONSORSHIP OF DEPENDENTS AT OVERSEAS DUTY STATIONS - POLICIES ON OVERSEAS STATION ALLOWANCES

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References  (a) Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), Volume 1, Uniformed Service Members, Chapters 5 and 9

1. Policy Applicability. The policies specified below apply to command sponsorship and overseas station allowances.

2. General Station Allowance Policy. Reference (a) provides general overseas station allowance policy guidance.

3. Policy for Command-Sponsored Dependents. Personnel will receive station allowances per reference (a), on behalf of dependents, if the dependents are command-sponsored.

4. Policy for Formerly Command-Sponsored Dependents

   a. Personnel may request designated place of residency status and associated station allowances per reference (a), for dependents who were formerly command-sponsored and

      (1) remain at the old permanent duty station (PDS) during the member’s subsequent tour (this location becomes a designated place), or

      (2) move to an outside continental United States (OCONUS) designated place from the servicemember’s old overseas PDS during the member’s subsequent tour.

Requests for designated place status must be sent to Office of Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV), Pay and Compensation Branch (N130) for approval, and circumstances must meet the requirements of reference (a).
b. These formerly command-sponsored dependents are eligible for subsequent travel and transportation from the overseas PDS where they remained, or from the designated place to which they were moved at government expense.

c. The servicemember is entitled to station allowances at the with-dependent rates based on the old PDS where they remained or, if moved, for the designated place overseas per reference (a).

5. **Loss of Status.** Dependents shall not be considered command-sponsored

   a. after permanent change of station (PCS) detachment of the servicemember, or

   b. upon arrival at an overseas designated place.

6. **Temporary Continuation of Allowances.** In circumstances where dependent travel from an OCONUS PDS is delayed due to circumstances beyond the control of the member, continuation of station allowances (Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) or Cost of Living Allowance (COLA)) may be requested from Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Distribution Management and Procedures Branch (PERS-451H)

7. **Status under Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA).** The servicemember and the dependents shall be advised of the dependents’ status under the governing SOFA or other bilateral agreements when there is a change in sponsorship status. See MILPERSMAN 1300-210 concerning noncommand-sponsored dependents.