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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, MILITARY PAY OPERATIONS, DEFENSE  
FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE (PM/CL)

SUBJECT: Interim Change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A, Regarding Basic Allowance for  
Subsistence Increases for CY 2005 (DFAS Item N-61)

The attached Interim Change 03-05 to Chapter 25 of the Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Volume 7A, is effective January 1, 2005. This change incorporates Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) rate increases for CY 2005 into the DoDFMR. Policy changes to the BAS entitlement will be issued in a separate Interim Change.

This is a routine change and the result of directed action that does not affect existing policies. A draft of this change was not provided for comments. Assignment of the interim change number is your authority to initiate a procedural modification to implement this change. Use the attached to initiate the formal change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A.

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Director, Policy and  
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Attachment:  
As stated

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**BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR SUBSISTENCE RATE INCREASES FOR CY 2005**

Effective January 1, 2005, Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) rates for officers and enlisted members are established as monthly rates at the levels indicated below. Rations in Kind Not Available (RIKNA) BAS rates have been eliminated.

1. Delete sub paragraphs 250102.B.3 and C.3
2. Delete sub paragraphs 250102.D.5,6,7, E and F.
3. Replace paragraph 250103 as follows:

250103. Payment. The BAS entitlement is paid as a monthly rate. Supplemental BAS, when authorized, is paid as a per meal addition. Effective January 1, 2005 the rates for BAS are as follows:

A. The monthly BAS rate for officers is \$183.99.

B. The monthly BAS rates for enlisted members are:

1. Enlisted BAS (standard) - \$267.18.
2. BAS II - \$534.36

C. Prorated Subsistence Allowances. The monthly BAS allowances will be prorated only for full days as is done for basic pay. Any change in status between BAS types (see subparagraph 250101.B, above) or between BAS and members subsisted in kind (following graduation from initial basic training), shall be credited on a full day basis without being subdivided or further prorated. The appropriate payments are as follows:

1. An enlisted member shall be entitled to the standard enlisted BAS rate for any day they are under orders for leave or PCS travel. This includes the day of commencement and day of termination of the status under those orders.

2. An enlisted member who changes BAS status at the direction or by permission of a commander, under blanket authority, or at the member's request shall have the entitlement change take effect at the beginning of the day specified in writing by the commander.

4. Delete paragraph 250104.D

5. Delete subparagraph 250105.C.5 and renumber 6 thru 8 as 5 thru 7.

**6. Revise the bibliography for Chapter 25, paragraph 250103 and substituting:**

250103

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**7. Delete Table 25-1 and renumber 25-2 as 25-1 and revise bibliography reference to read as follows:**

Table 25-1

OUSD(C) FY05 Reimbursable Rates, Tab G