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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
Hardship Duty Pay when on Temporary Duty (DFAS Item
L-46)

Attached is Interim Change 35-02 to Chapter 17 of the
Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Volume 7A.
This change clarifies entitlement to Hardship Duty Pay for
members who have qualified while on temporary duty to a
designated area. The effective date of this change is
January 1, 2000.

This change is the result of discussion with the office of
DFAS general counsel and is intended to clarify/correct existing
guidance in the DoDFMR. A draft of this change was not provided
for comment. 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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Attachment:
As stated

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HARDSHIP DUTY PAY ENTITLEMENT WHEN ON TEMPORARY DUTY

1. Replace Table 17-1 with the following:

HARDSHIP DUTY LOCATION PAY – CONDITIONS OF ENTITLEMENT FOR DUTY IN DESIGNATED AREAS				
R U L E	A	B	C	D
	When an enlisted member or officer	and	and	then hardship duty location pay for a designated area
1	is assigned to permanent duty in a location designated by Figure 17-1 as a hardship duty area		reports PCS to the designated area	starts on day of arrival for duty (note 1).
2			leaves the designated area permanently	continues through day of departure (note 4).
3			is discharged and immediately re-enlists at the same duty station	continues to accrue.
4			is on authorized leave and remains within the designated area	
5		official status is accompanied	leaves the designated area temporarily to perform more than 30 days of operational flight duty, of TDY/TAD, or of hospitalization in one or more designated areas	accrues at the higher area rate during the temporary assignment until return to the PDS (notes 2 & 3).
6		official status is unaccompanied		accrues at the higher area rate during the first 30 days at the temporary assignment and then at the temporary area rate until return to the PDS (notes 2 & 3).
7		official status is accompanied	leaves the designated area temporarily for reasons other than to perform more than 30 days of operational flight duty, of TDY/TAD, or of hospitalization in one or more designated areas	continues to accrue.
8		official status is unaccompanied		continues for first 30 days.
9	is not assigned to permanent duty in a location designated by Figure 17-1 as a hardship duty area		is on operational flight duty, TDY/TAD, or hospitalized in one or more designated areas for a continuous period of more than 30 days (including date of arrival and date of departure)	accrues at the applicable area rate retroactive from the date of arrival (notes 1, 3 & 4).
10	is entitled to hardship duty location pay for temporary assignment in an area designated by Figure 17-1 under rule 9 above		leaves the designated area temporarily to perform more than 30 days of operational flight duty, of TDY/TAD, or of hospitalization in one or more designated areas	accrues at the higher area rate during the first 30 days at the follow-on assignment and then continues at the follow-on area rate until return to the original temporary area or through day of departure, if not returning (notes 2 & 3).

Table 17-1. Hardship Duty Location Pay—Conditions of Entitlement for Duty in Designated Areas

HARDSHIP DUTY LOCATION PAY – CONDITIONS OF ENTITLEMENT FOR DUTY IN DESIGNATED AREAS				
R U L E	A	B	C	D
	When an enlisted member or officer	and	and	then hardship duty location pay for a designated area
11	is entitled to hardship duty location pay for temporary assignment in an area designated by Figure 17-1 under rule 9 above		leaves the designated area temporarily for reasons other than to perform more than 30 days of operational flight duty, of TDY/TAD, or of hospitalization in one or more designated areas	continues for first 30 days.
12			leaves the designated area permanently	continues through day of departure (note 4).
13	is otherwise entitled to hardship duty location pay for assignment in an area designated by Figure 17-1 as a hardship duty area		is in confinement awaiting trial by court-martial and is acquitted or has charges dismissed	accrues retroactive to first day of confinement.
14			is in confinement awaiting trial by court-martial and is convicted	does not accrue from first day of confinement through the day before the date restored to full duty (note 5).
15			is in confinement as result of court-martial sentence	

NOTES:

1. If already in a location when it is designated a hardship duty area, the day of designation starts pay for those on permanent duty and begins the count towards the 30-day entitlement criteria for those on temporary duty. Absences from a designated location of less than 24 hours do not break continuity.
2. Any enroute TDY/TAD, travel time or leave will accrue hardship duty location pay at the PDS/prevaling area rate. Hardship Duty Pay terminates if more than 30 days pass before a member (other than a member with accompanied status at an HDP-L PDS) reports for duty in another designated area.
3. If time from more than one area is combined to meet the 30-day criteria, the rate for the area at which the greatest time was earned will prevail.
4. Rule 2 applies when a medical evacuee has been reassigned on PCS from the designated area for medical treatment.
5. Non-judicial punishment does not result in loss of hardship duty pay.

Table 17-1. Hardship Duty Location Pay—Conditions of Entitlement for Duty in Designated Areas (Continued)