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4901 GENERAL

All Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) base amounts are increased by cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) at the same time and by the same total percentage as retired or retainer pay. See section 540201 for information pertaining to the computation of the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RC-SBP) and Chapter 8, Table 8-1 for COLA adjustments.

4902 PREMIUMS

The COLA increases all SBP and RC-SBP premiums.

4903 ANNUITIES

490301. Cost of Living Adjustment

Normally, SBP and RC-SBP annuities increase at the same time and by the same percentage that retired pay increases by COLA. However, when the payment of increased retired pay due to a COLA is delayed by law, the increased annuity due to a COLA is not delayed. The COLA applies to the monthly gross annuity amount before any reductions, such as Dependency and Indemnity Compensation.

490302. Minimum Income Widow Annuities

See paragraph 461502, regarding COLA for minimum income widow annuities.

490303. Rounding

The monthly amount of an annuity payable, if not a multiple of $1, shall be rounded to the next lower multiple of $1.
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