CHAPTER 20

MILITARY ACADEMY DINING HALL OPERATIONS

2001 OVERVIEW

200101. Purpose. This Chapter establishes the policy for funding the operation of cadet and midshipmen dining halls at the Military Academies and prescribes associated reporting requirements.

200102. Authority. Cadets and midshipmen are authorized an allowance in lieu of subsistence furnished in kind by Title 37, United States Code, Section 422, as interpreted by the Comptroller General Decision B-151360.

2002 POLICY AND PROCEDURES

200201. General

A. Each Military Department operates an Academy dining hall to provide complete food service support to the cadets or midshipmen as an integral part of the activities of its Academy.

B. The amount of the subsistence allowance for cadets and midshipmen is prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. The amount so prescribed will be allocated by the Military Departments from the current Military Personnel Appropriation to a nonappropriated fund at each Academy based on the number of cadets and midshipmen present. Each such nonappropriated fund will be used to procure the food and food products necessary to provide subsistence for the cadets and midshipmen. The nonappropriated fund shall not be used for any purpose other than subsistence procurement; all other charges associated with dining service shall be charged against appropriated funds.

C. The Superintendent of each Academy is authorized to determine who may be authorized to eat in the Academy dining hall and the regulations incident thereto within guidelines issued by the Secretary of the cognizant Military Department. Charges for meals furnished to other than cadets and midshipmen will be established in accordance with guidance contained in Chapter 19 of this Volume, and the Chief Financial Officer’s Reimbursable Rate for “Food Service” issued annually. All collections for food costs shall be deposited into the nonappropriated fund. The charge for operating expenses will be collected and deposited under the same rules that are applicable to appropriated fund food service activities as prescribed by Chapter 19 of this volume.
D. The subsistence allowance that is not earned for any cadet or midshipman on leave or otherwise away from the Academy, and not subsisted at Government expense, will be credited to his or her pay account.

E. The subsistence allowance that is not earned for any cadet or midshipman on temporary duty, and subsistence-in-kind that is furnished at the temporary duty location, will not be collected by the nonappropriated fund.

2003 RESPONSIBILITIES

200301. Internal Control and Procurement. Under overall policy supervision by the Secretary of the cognizant Military Department, the Superintendent of each Academy shall be responsible for:

A. Assuring the efficient and effective management of the Academy dining hall and its nonappropriated fund for the purchase of subsistence items. In connection with this responsibility the Superintendent shall install an accrual accounting system that permits an objective, constructive evaluation of the dining hall operation.

B. Assuring that the procurement procedures maintain the same degree of integrity as those procurement actions taken in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). In the event any question arises in regard to the proper procurement procedure, the FAR will be used as a guide.