

Temp. Duty Travel Allowances

§ 301-10.123

§ 301-10.114 What must I do with unused Government Transportation Request(s)(GTR(s)), ticket(s) or refund application(s)?

You must submit any unused GTR(s), unused ticket coupon(s), or refund application(s) to your agency in accordance with your agency's procedures.

§ 301-10.115 Am I authorized to receive a refund or credit for unused transportation?

No. You are not authorized to receive a refund, credit, or any other negotiable document from a carrier for unfurnished services (except as provided in § 301-10.117) or any portion of an unused ticket issued in exchange for a GTR or billed to an agency's centrally billed account. However, any charges billed directly to your individually billed Government charge card should be credited to your account.

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§ 301-10.116 What must I do with compensation an airline gives me if it denies me a seat on a plane?

If you are performing official travel and a carrier denies you a confirmed reserved seat on a plane, you must give your agency any payment you receive for liquidated damages. You must ensure the carrier shows the "Treasurer of the United States" as payee on the compensation check and then forward the payment to the appropriate agency official.

§ 301-10.117 May I keep compensation an airline gives me for voluntarily vacating my seat on my scheduled airline flight when the airline asks for volunteers?

Yes:

(a) If voluntarily vacating your seat will not interfere with performing your official duties; and

(b) If additional travel expenses, incurred as a result of vacating your seat, are borne by you and are not reimbursed; but

(c) If volunteering delays your travel during duty hours, your agency will charge you with annual leave for the additional hours.

AIRLINE ACCOMMODATIONS

§ 301-10.121 What classes of airline accommodations are available?

(a) Coach-class—The basic class of accommodations offered to travelers that is available to all passengers regardless of fare paid. This term applies when an airline offers two or more classes of accommodations, which includes tourist or economy.

(b) Premium-class—Any class of accommodations above coach, e.g., first or business.

(c) First-class—The highest class of accommodations on a multiple-class airline flight. When an airline flight only has two classes of accommodations, the higher-class, regardless of the term used for that class, is considered to be first class.

(d) Premium-class other than first-class—Any class of accommodations between coach-class and first-class, e.g., business-class.

(e) Single-class—This term applies when an airline offers only one class of accommodation to all travelers.

§ 301-10.122 What class of airline accommodations must I use?

For official business travel, both domestic and international, you must use coach-class accommodations, except as provided under §§ 301-10.123 and 301-10.124.

§ 301-10.123 When may I use first-class airline accommodations?

Only when your agency specifically authorizes/approves your use of first-class accommodations under paragraph (a) through (d) of this section.

(a) No other coach-class or premium-class other than first-class accommodation is reasonably available. "Reasonably available" means available on an airline that is scheduled to leave within 24 hours of your proposed departure time, or scheduled to arrive within 24 hours of your proposed arrival time.

(b) When use of first-class is necessary to accommodate a disability or other special need. A disability must be substantiated in writing by a competent medical authority. A special need must be substantiated in writing according to your agency's procedures.