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Commander/First Sergeant's Course

USAREUR Finance Brief

266th Financial Management Center



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Agenda

- **Entitlements, including OCONUS Unique**
- **UCFR**
- **Summary**
- **Questions / POCs**



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OCONUS Unique Entitlements

- **Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS)**
- **Moving In Housing Allowance (MIHA)**
- **Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA)**
- **Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA)**
- **Cost of Living Allowance (COLA)**
- **Family Separation Allowance (FSA)**



Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS)

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- **Officer Rate:** automatic, no questions asked: \$223.04/month in 2010.

- **Separate Rations (Standard Rate):**

- E7 and above: automatic, no questions asked: \$323.87/month in 2010

- All Enlisted with command sponsored and present dependents: automatic, no questions asked: \$323.87/month in 2010

- **Meal Deductions:**

- Unaccompanied E6 and below: Separate Rations are authorized but will have an automatic meal deduction of \$9.25 per day unless:

- Exceptions to stop meal deductions for single/unaccompanied SSG and below must be approved by the first Field Grade Officer in the chain of command and submitted on a DA Form 4187.

- Field Training Exercises-Units are responsible for submitting documentation to the FCST for meal collections when meals are provided during field training exercises.



MIHA and TLA

MIHA

- Exists to defray the move-in costs associated with occupying private sector leased/owned housing covered under the OHA program.

TLA

- Provided to partially reimburse a Soldier for the more than normal expenses incurred while occupying temporary lodging.
- Authorization for an OCONUS PDS assignment should not exceed 60 days.
- The Housing office is the approving authority
- Upon departure should not exceed the last 10 days before the Soldier departs on a PCS Order.



Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA)

OHA Types

- **Without Dependents OHA**
- **With Dependents OHA** -number of dependents does not change rate
- **Partial BAH** -Soldiers w/o dependents residing in single-type government quarters (Barracks, BEQ, or BOQ).
- **BAH-Diff** -Soldiers paying child support and residing in single-type government quarters
- **Reserve Component and Transient Rate (BAH-RC/T)**
 - For Soldiers PCSing from overseas and reservists on AD for up to 30 days
 - varies by pay grade and family status only
- **Family Separation Housing (FSH)**
 - FSH-B = the w/o BAH rate for the same location (for the SM)
 - FSH-O = the w/o OHA rate for the same location



Cost of Living Allowance (COLA)

General

- Paid on a daily basis—actual number of days in month / days OCONUS
- Reduced/Stopped effective the 31st consecutive day of leave in CONUS for member or dependents
- DA 4187s and respective supporting documents necessary to process changes
 - Birth, death, marriage, divorce, adoption, ERD, 30+day visit to states, etc.

Types

- **With Dependents** -based on the # of cmd sponsored dependents at the member's OCONUS PDS; up to 5
- **Without Dependents**
- **Reduced** -paid to member when both gov't quarters and DFAC are available



Family Separation Allowance (FSA)

- **Types**

- FSA-Restricted: Restricted tours like Korea
- **FSA-Temporary: TCS/TDY away from PDS more than 30 days**
- The DD 1561 “Statement to Substantiate Payment of Family Separation Allowance (FSA)” must be submitted to start FSA.
- Current FSA rate is: \$250.00/month, prorated \$8.33/day.



Casual / Advance Pay

- **Casual Pay**

- Payment of accrued entitlements after credited to soldiers pay account.
- Casual Pays in garrison may be requested for rare cases of extreme hardship

- **Advance Pay**

- The purpose is to give funds to a Soldier to meet extraordinary expenses incident to a government ordered relocation.
- Soldiers in receipt of PCS orders may be paid an advance of basic pay of 1 month less deductions; not to exceed 3 months (if warranted and justified)
- Instructions are on the request form, DD Form 2560 "Advance Pay Certification/Authorization"



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GR	NAME	SSAN	NET PAY	ALNTS	BAQ	BAS	VHA	PAY OPT	LV BAL	C/M ART 15	BAL DUE US	INCEN PAY	BTS	STA-TUS	OHA	COLA
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- **Net Pay-** Amount after deductions for current month pay
- **Allotments-** Total amount of allotments disbursed for current month
- **BAQ-**
 - QTR = Quarters, Barracks, BEQ, BOQ
 - REB = Soldier in Barracks
 - W/O = No Dependents, resides off post
 - W/D = With Dependents, resides off post with dependents or unaccompanied tour

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- **BAS** - YES = Officer Rate (separate report available from FCST is available)
- **VHA** – ZIP CODE where member is being paid housing allowance, if applicable
- **PAY OPT** – CHEK or SAVE
- **LV BAL** - Leaders can monitor Soldiers' leave balances to avoid losing leave on/during FY crossover (75 days thru 2010)

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- **OHA**- Type Overseas Housing Allowance paid to Soldier
 - '0' = Without Dependents, **Reconcile with BAH Column**
 - '1' = With Dependents
 - Blank = no OHA -- government quarters assigned
- **COLA**- Type of Cost of Living Allowance paid to soldier
 - B/C (Barracks rate COLA),
 - W/O (Without Dependents or soldiers living in the barracks drawing separate rations),
 - WD1 (COLA at the with one dependent rate), WD2 (with two dependents COLA) and goes up to WD5 (with five dependents COLA) which is the maximum rate.



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Summary

The UCFR is a critical tool used to properly track entitlements and is an important command responsibility. Many debt cases use historical UCFRs and substantiating documents to mitigate individual responsibility and attempt to place responsibility on the commander who certified the inaccurate entitlements.



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Questions?

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