



FINANCIAL GUIDE FOR RELOCATING

Rates and policies are subject to change. For complete information, visit www.defensetravel.dod.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html

Dislocation Allowance (DLA):

The DLA is a once-per-PCS-move allowance intended to help with miscellaneous moving costs. It is based on your rank and dependent status. DLA is not available for all types of moves. For more information, check with your command or local FFSC.

Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation (MALT):

Also known as "mileage," MALT is money paid to offset the cost of driving to a new duty station. It is based on the Official Military Table of Distances and is figured per a table of miles, times the number of travelers and vehicles. Approval is needed before MALT can be paid for more than two vehicles.

Per Diem Allowance:

Military members can receive reimbursement for costs associated with meals and lodging while traveling to a new duty station. Per Diem rates for car travel are based on a flat rate (350 miles per day as the standard one-day travel distance). To determine the number of days you will receive per diem, take the official government mileage (this can be found on the Web site listed above) between duty stations and divide by 350. An additional day of travel is allowed if the remainder is 51 miles or more.

Per Diem rates vary by age and status.

Service Member.....	100% of rate
Spouse.....	75% of rate
Children over 12.....	75% of rate
Children 12 and under.....	50% of rate

Temporary Lodging Expense (TLE):

Relocating members and families may receive partial reimbursement for the cost of meals and lodging when temporary housing is needed. The formula used to calculate TLE includes many variables. The maximum TLE rate is \$180 per day. The maximum amount of time you can claim TLE for moves within the Continental U.S. (CONUS) is 10 days.

Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA):

Service members and their families heading to San Diego from an overseas location may be eligible for TLA, for up to 10 days, when departing that installation. Consult your local Disbursing Office for more information.

Advance of pay and BAH:

Service members may request a loan in the form of an advance of Basic Pay and Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) when making a PCS move. Keep in mind that this is an *interest-free loan repaid by deductions from pay starting immediately*. Because this can create an additional financial burden following a move, the use of advance pay is not encouraged unless circumstances require it.