



DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE

1931 JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY  
ARLINGTON, VA 22240-5291  
WWW.DFAS.MIL



OCT 2 2001

DFAS-DFM

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, MILITARY PAY OPERATIONS, DEFENSE  
FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE (PM/CL)

SUBJECT: Interim Change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A,  
Regarding High Deployment Per Diem (DFAS Item K-12)

Attached is Interim Change 33-01 to Volume 7A. It is effective October 1, 2000. This change incorporates guidance from the Interim Guidance on PERSTEMPO that was developed by the PERSTEMPO working group and approved by Admiral Tracey.

Assignment of the interim change number is your authority to initiate a procedural modification to implement this change. Use the attached to initiate the formal change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A.

Jerry S. Hinton  
Director for Finance

cc:  
OUSD (C) (ODCFO) (FP)  
DASD (MPP) (Comp)  
ODGC (F)  
Service Liaisons  
DFAS-GAM/DE  
DFAS-PMJE/DE  
DFAS-DDM/CL



2001

## CHAPTER 65

HIGH-DEPLOYMENT PER DIEM6501 ENTITLEMENT

High-deployment per diem is payable to all members who are deployed 401 days or more out of the preceding 730 days. Days accrued prior to October 1, 2000 will not count towards eligibility.

650101. Deployment. There are 5 categories of deployments that must be tracked and count towards the established management and pay thresholds. See Figure 1 for categories of PERSTEMPO events.

A. Operations. A military action or the carrying out of a strategic, tactical, service, training or administrative military mission; providing support to domestic civil, humanitarian, or counter-drug military mission; the process of carrying on combat, including movement, supply, attack, defense and maneuvers needed to gain the objectives of any battle or campaign. Operations are generally named by Office of the Joints Chiefs of Staff.

B. Exercise. A named military maneuver or simulated wartime operation involving planning, preparation, and execution. It is carried out for the purpose of training or evaluation. It may be combined, joint, or single-Service exercises, depending on participating organizations.

C. Unit Training. All or part of a unit accomplishing training objective at a location other than the permanent duty location. Unit training includes exercises that have not received an official designation.

D. Home Station Training/Local Operating Area of a Ship or Vessel. Training conducted within the limits of an installation/base/local operating area of a ship or vessel. This area has been predetermined and is documented by appropriate authorities.

E. Mission Support TDY. Duties that include meetings, conferences, staff visits, staff augmentation, and medical appointments.

650102. Non-Deployment. For the purpose of this chapter, a member is not deployed or in a deployment when the member is:

- A. A student or trainee at a school (including any Government school)
- B. Performing administrative, guard, or detail duties in garrison at the member's permanent duty station; or
- C. Unavailable because of:

1. *Hospitalization of the member at the member's permanent duty station or homeport or in the immediate vicinity of the member's permanent residence; or*

2. *disciplinary action taken against the member.*

650103. Payment. *A member who meets the requirement of section 6501 above will be paid \$100.00 for each day on which the member (1) is deployed and (2) has since October 1, 2000, been deployed 401 days or more out of the preceding 730 days. Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. §991(d), Service Secretaries may suspend the management of the PERSTEMPO program when such a suspension is in the "national security interests." Invoking this suspension terminates the requirement to pay \$100/day high deployment per diem under 37 U.S.C. §436.*

A. Day Away. *Begins on one day, and ends on another day. A day away does not require a full 24 hours to be considered a PERSTEMPO day, and the day of return will not count as a day away. For example, if a member departs on Monday afternoon and returns on Tuesday morning, only Monday counts as a PERSTEMPO day.*

B. Leave While Deployed. *Leave in conjunction with a deployment shall not count as deployed time away from home. Exceptions to this may be granted at the discretion of the Service Secretary for those circumstances under which personnel are required to take chargeable leave in order to be exempted from duty requirements or watchstanding requirements (e.g. in-theatre R&R as in Desert Shield/Storm). In general, leave that would extend the actual or projected deployed time away from home shall not be counted as deployed time.*

C. Hospitalization When Deployed. *When a member is deployed and requires hospitalization away from the permanent duty station the member is still considered deployed. However, when a member is deployed and requires hospitalization at the permanent duty station, the member is no longer considered deployed. If a Line-of-Duty investigation determines injuries are due to member's misconduct, deployment days do not accrue in the hospital.*

D. Taxability of High-Deployment Per Diem. *Generally, high-deployment per diem is taxable income. If however, the high-deployment per diem is earned while the member is serving within a combat zone, the per diem is eligible for the combat zone tax exclusion (CZTE). For more information on CZTE, refer to chapter 44 of this volume. (IC-33-01)*

<i>PERSTEMPO Event Type</i>	<i>PERSTEMPO Event Category</i>	<i>PERSTEMPO Event Purpose*</i>
<i>Deployment</i>	<i>Operations (Includes TDY)</i>	<i>Contingency Operations</i>
		<i>National Emergency</i>
		<i>War</i>
		<i>Counter-Drug</i>
		<i>Law Enforcement Operations</i>
		<i>US Domestic Civil</i>
		<i>Humanitarian assistance</i>
		<i>Peace Keeping</i>
		<i>Surveillance</i>
		<i>Forward Presence</i>
		<i>Hospitalization</i>
	<i>Exercise (Named) (Includes TDY)</i>	<i>Joint/Combined</i>
		<i>Service</i>
		<i>NATO</i>
		<i>Hospitalization</i>
<i>Unit Training (includes TDY)</i>	<i>Combined Training Center</i>	
	<i>Training Area</i>	
	<i>Hospitalization</i>	
<i>Home Station Training/Local Operating Area of a Ship or Vessel</i>		
<i>Mission Support TDY (includes meetings, conferences, staff visits, staff augmentation, medical appointments)</i>		
<i>Non-Deployment*</i>	<i>Individual Training/School TDY</i>	
	<i>Duty in Garrison (home station/home port duty)</i>	
	<i>Hospitalization (except deployed)</i>	
	<i>Discipline</i>	
	<i>IDT (if away from permanent training site (PTS))</i>	
	<i>Muster Duty (if away from PTS)</i>	
	<i>Funeral Honors Duty (if away from PTS)</i>	

\* Reporting of these data elements has been suspended due to current limitations of Service personnel data systems

**Figure 1. PERSTEMPO Events**

*Chapter 65 — High-Deployment Per Diem*

*6501 — Entitlement*

*10 U.S.C. 991  
37 U.S.C. 436*