

CHAPTER 10

**SPECIAL PAY—DUTY SUBJECT TO HOSTILE FIRE
OR IMMINENT DANGER**1001 ENTITLEMENT PROVISIONS

100101. Requirements. A member who is entitled to basic pay is entitled to one hostile fire or imminent danger pay (hereinafter referred to as hostile fire/IDP) for any month during any part in which the member either is:

A. On official duty in a hostile fire/IDP area (see figure 10-1),

B. Subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines, or

C. Killed, injured, or wounded by hostile fire, explosion of a hostile mine, or any other hostile action.

100102. Relationship to other entitlements. This pay is in addition to any other pay and allowances to which entitled. See table 10-1 for specific conditions of entitlement.

100103. Monthly Rates. Prior to 1 August 1990, \$110. Effective 1 August 1990 - \$150.

1002 DETERMINATIONS OF FACT. Determinations of fact regarding qualification for hostile fire/IDP will be made per administrative regulations of the respective services and are conclusive. Such determinations are not subject to review by any officer or agency of the government, unless there has been fraud or gross negligence. Such determinations, however, may be changed on the basis of new evidence or for other good cause.

1003 SPECIAL SITUATIONS

100301. Member Captured or Missing. A member who has qualified for hostile fire/IDP will continue to be credited with hostile fire/IDP while in a missing status. (See part 4, chapter 34 for more detailed instructions.)

100302. Member in Nonpay Status. If a member enters a nonpay status during a month, prorate hostile fire/IDP for the number of days the member was in a basic pay status. A member's basic pay status ends on:

A. Date of discharge or separation from the service,

B. Date of death,

C. Day before the beginning date of certain specified types of absences from duty. (See chapter 03, this part.)

100303. Reserve member. See paragraph 560401F for an explanation of entitlement for Reserve members.

100304. Member not entitled to basic pay from the first day of a month. Members who are not in receipt of basic pay from the first day of a month in which they qualify for IDP, are only entitled to IDP from the date the member became entitled to basic pay.

DESIGNATED HOSTILE FIRE OR IMMINENT DANGER PAY AREAS			
AREA	INCLUDES	EFFECTIVE	TERMINATED
Afghanistan	Total land area, including inland waters and the airspace there-over.	1 Nov 1988	
★Algeria	Total land area only.	7 Mar 1995	
Angola	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	
Arabian Gulf Area	Arabian Gulf area including the airspace thereover, and the countries of Bahrain and Kuwait, including the airspace thereover. The Arabian Gulf area is defined by the Arabian Gulf (Persian Gulf), the Strait of Hormuz, and that part of the Gulf of Oman which lies north of 25 degrees north latitude and west of 057-30 degrees east longitude.	25 Aug 1987	1 Apr 1989
★Azerbaijan	Total land area only.	9 Jun 1995	
Bosnia-Herzegovina and the remaining land area within the former country of Yugoslavia (to include the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	
Cambodia	Total land area, including inland waters, and adjacent sea area from the juncture of the Cambodia and Vietnam border, southwest to coordinates 10-16N, 104-14E, thence to 10-28N, 104-06E, thence to 10-30N, 104-01E, thence to 10-28N, 103-55E, thence to 10-26N, 103-54E, thence to 10-23N, 103-49E, thence to 10-21N, 103-44E, thence to 10-16N, 103-38E, thence 12 miles seaward from the base line from which the territorial water of Cambodia is measured to a point 12 miles seaward from the border of Cambodia and Thailand, thence to the juncture of the border of Cambodia and Thailand and the airspace there-over.	1 Jan 1971	
Chad	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	
Colombia	Total land area, including inland waters. Airspace there-over and adjacent sea areas are excluded.	1 June 1985	
Croatia	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	
Egypt	Total land area, inland waters, coastal waters and the territorial airspace there-over.	6 Feb 1991	31 Dec 1991
El Salvador	Total land area only, including inland waters. Airspace there-over and adjacent sea areas are excluded.	1 Oct 1983	
★Haiti	(1) Total land area and air space and the surrounding seas in the area of 16-30N/71-40W, 18-00N/71-45W, along the Haiti - Dominican Republic border to: 20-00N/71-44W, 21-00N/71-40W, 21-25N/73-00W, 21-25N/74-00W, 20-00N/74-00W, 19-45N/75-00W, 19-00N/76-00W. (2) Total land area only. Excludes coastal waters and corresponding air space.	16 Sep 94 23 Nov 94	22 Nov 94

★Figure 10-1. Designated Hostile Fire or Imminent Danger Pay Areas

AREA	INCLUDES	EFFECTIVE	TERMINATED
Iran	Land area only.	8 Dec 1978 4 Nov 1979	23 Feb 1979
Iraq	Territory and territorial waters and the airspace above them.	17 Sep 1990	
Israel	Total land area, inland waters, coastal waters and the territorial airspace there-over.	6 Feb 1991	31 Dec 1991
Jordan	Total land area, inland waters, coastal waters and the territorial airspace there-over.	6 Feb 1991	31 Dec 1991
Kuwait	Total land area, including the coastal waters and airspace there over	6 Aug 1990	
Laos	Total land area, including inland waters.	26 Dec 1989	
Lebanon	Total land area only, including inland waters. Airspace there-over and adjacent sea areas are excluded.	1 Oct 1983	
Liberia	Total land area, including the airspace there-over. Coastal waters are excluded.	6 Aug 1990	
★Middle East Area	(1) The following locations including the airspace above such locations: Red Sea, Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman, the portion of the Arabian Sea that lies north of 10 degrees north latitude and west of 68 degrees east longitude, the Gulf of Aden, the total land areas of Oman, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Bahrain, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates. (2) The following locations including the airspace above such locations: Persian Gulf, the total land areas of Saudi Arabia and Yemen.	2 Aug 1990 1 Sep 1993	31 Aug 1993
Mozambique	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	
★Pakistan	Total land area within 50 miles of 24-55 North and 67-00 East, the center of Karachi, Pakistan	24 Oct 1995	
Panama	Total land area, including inland waters, coastal waters and the airspace there-over.	20 Dec 1989	30 Jan 1990
Peru	Total land area, including inland waters. Airspace there-over and adjacent coastal waters are excluded. (This designation, which originally contained a termination date of 31 Oct 1987, was extended indefinitely 29 Oct 1987.)	1 Apr 1987	
Philippines	Total land area, including inland and coastal waters. Airspace there over is excluded. Effective 1 Jun 1990, inland and coastal waters are excluded.	15 May 1990	30 Nov 1991
Somalia	Total land area and air space. Excludes coastal waters	28 Sep 1992	
★Slovenia	Total land area and airspace. Coastal waters are excluded.	22 June 1992	29 Sep 1995
Sudan	Total land area, including inland waters. Airspace there-over and adjacent sea areas are excluded. Total land area, including airspace above. Coastal waters are excluded.	21 Apr 1986 1 June 1987 4 Oct 1993	31 Oct 1986 15 Dec 1987
Syria	Total land area, inland waters, coastal waters and the territorial airspace there-over.	6 Feb 1991	31 Dec 1991

★Figure 10-1. Designated Hostile Fire or Imminent Danger Pay Areas (Continued)

AREA	INCLUDES	EFFECTIVE	TERMINATED
★Turkey	Total land area, inland waters, coastal waters and the territorial airspace there-over.	6 Feb 1991	29 Sep 1995
Vietnam	Total land area of North and South Vietnam, including inland waters and the adjacent sea area west of a line from a point on the east coast of Vietnam at the juncture of North Vietnam and China southeastward to a point 12 miles seaward from the base line from which the breadth of the territorial sea measured; then continuing on that 12 mile seaward line to 10-16N, 103-38E, thence northeast to 10-21N, 103-44E, thence on straight lines to 10-23N, 103-49E; 10-26N, 103-54E; 10-30N, 103-55E; 10-30N, 104-01E; 10-28N, 104-06E; 10-16N, 104-14E thence northeast to the juncture of the Cambodia and Vietnam border; and the air-space there-over.	1 Oct 1973	

★Figure 10-1. Designated Hostile Fire or Imminent Danger Pay Areas (Continued)

HOSTILE FIRE OR IMMINENT DANGER PAY			
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		When a member who is entitled to basic pay	and
1	is permanently assigned to a designated area or performs assigned duties in a designated area (notes 1 and 2)	member is entitled to basic pay for the entire month	for the entire month (note 3 and paragraph 011005B).
2		the area designation for that country is terminated on a date other than the last day of the month	for the entire month in which termination of the designation became effective.
3	is on duty in a non-designated area	is subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines while on duty (notes 4, 5 and 6)	for the entire month in which the hostile fire occurred.
4	is killed	death, injury, or hospitalization results from hostile fire, explosion of a hostile mine, or other hostile action (notes 7 and 8)	from the first day of the month to and including the date of death.
5	is wounded or injured		for the entire month in which the wound or injury occurred.
6	is hospitalized outside a designated area		through the date hospitalization is terminated or for 3 months after the month in which the wound or injury occurred, whichever is earlier.
7	is confined in a designated area as a result of court-martial sentence	member's pay is subject to total forfeiture	through the day before the effective date of the non-pay status.

NOTES:

- Includes a Reserve component member on active duty. For Reserve component members on active duty, see paragraph 011005B and paragraph 560401F.
- When airspace is specifically included in the area designation, personnel who only fly through the space are eligible for payment. When airspace is excluded in the area designation, personnel who only fly through the airspace are not eligible for payment (They must land in the designated area to be eligible). Service members who are present in a designated area for their own personal convenience (such as leave) shall not be considered to have "performed duty" in a designated area and are not eligible for payment.
- A member who is absent from the designated area for an entire calendar month is not entitled to hostile fire/imminent danger pay for that month.
- Consider a member as having been "subject to hostile fire" if close enough to the trajectory or point of impact or explosion of hostile ordinance to have been in danger of being wounded, injured, or killed.
- Eligibility for payment includes all members serving on the same vessel or aircraft which was the subject of hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines and those serving on a vessel or aircraft that was in such close proximity that members

- were in danger of being wounded, injured, or killed. In the case of land forces, only those of the unit (patrol, squad, platoon, or larger unit) which were in the immediate vicinity of the trajectory or point of impact or explosion of hostile ordinance and were placed in danger of being wounded, injured, or killed from such causes are entitled to payment.
- The certification of eligibility for payment shall be made at the lowest level of command that includes all of the vessels, aircraft, or units that are subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines. For example, in the case of a single vessel that is subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines, the vessel's commanding officer is authorized to certify payment for all members on board the vessel. If two or more vessels are involved in the hostile action, the commanding officer of the lowest echelon unit that includes all of the vessels should certify eligibility for payment.
 - It is not necessary that death, injury, or wound occur in a designated area.
 - Members are casualties as the result of hostile action if they have been so defined under applicable casualty regulations (AR 600-10, Marine Corps Order 3040.4, AFR 30-25, NAVMILPERSMAN).

Table 10-1. Special Pay For Duty Subject To Hostile Fire Or Imminent Danger

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