§ 301–11.22 Am I entitled to per diem or actual expense reimbursement if I am required to return to my official station on a non-workday?

If required by your agency to return to your official station on a non-workday, you will be reimbursed the amount allowable for return travel.

§ 301–11.23 Are there any other circumstances when my agency may reimburse me to return home or to my official station for non-workdays during a TDY assignment?

Your agency may authorize per diem or actual expense and round-trip transportation expenses for periodic return travel on non-workdays to your home or official station under the following circumstances:

(a) The agency requires you to return to your official station to perform official business; or
(b) The agency will realize a substantial cost savings by returning you home; or
(c) Periodic return travel home is justified incident to an extended TDY assignment.

§ 301–11.24 What reimbursement will I receive if I voluntarily return home or to my official station on non-workdays during my TDY assignment?

If you voluntarily return home or to your official station on non-workdays during a TDY assignment, the maximum reimbursement for round trip transportation and per diem or actual expense is limited to what would have been allowed had you remained at the TDY location.

§ 301–11.25 Must I provide receipts to substantiate my claimed travel expenses?

Yes. You must provide a lodging receipt and a receipt for every authorized expense over $75, or provide a reason acceptable to your agency explaining why you are unable to furnish the necessary receipt(s) (see §301–52.4 of this chapter).

Note to 301–11.25: Hard copy receipts should be electronically scanned and submitted with your electronic travel claim when your agency has fully deployed ETS and notifies you that electronic scanning is available within your agency (see §301–50.3 of this chapter). You may submit a hard copy receipt, in accordance with your agency’s policies, to support a claimed travel expense only when electronic imaging is not available within your agency.

§ 301–11.26 How do I get a per diem rate increased?

If you travel to a location where the per diem rate is insufficient to meet necessary expenses, you may submit a request, containing pertinent lodging & meal cost data, through your agency asking that the location be surveyed. Depending on the location in question your agency may submit the survey request to:

For CONUS locations
General Services Administration, Office of Governmentwide Policy, Attn: Travel Management Division (MTT), Washington, DC 20405.

For non-foreign area locations
Department of Defense, Per Diem, Travel and Transportation, Allowance Committee (POTATAC), Hoffman Building #1, Room 836, 2461 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria, VA 22331–1300.

For foreign area locations
Department of State, Director of Allowances, State Annex 29, Room 262, Washington, DC 20522–2902.


§ 301–11.27 Are taxes included in the lodging portion of the Government per diem rate?

No. Lodging taxes paid by you are reimbursable as a miscellaneous travel expense limited to the taxes on reimbursable lodging costs. For example, if your agency authorizes you a maximum lodging rate of $50 per night, and you elect to stay at a hotel that costs $100 per night, you can only claim the amount of taxes on $50, which is the maximum authorized lodging amount. This section is effective January 1, 1999, for CONUS locations and effective...