Relocation Allowances

Subpart A—General Rules

NOTE TO SUBPART A: Use of pronouns “I”, “you”, and their variants throughout this subpart refers to the employee, unless otherwise noted.

§ 302–9.1 What is a “privately owned vehicle (POV)”?
A “privately owned vehicle (POV)” is a motor vehicle not owned by the Government and used by the employee or his/her immediate family for the primary purpose of providing personal transportation.

§ 302–9.2 What is an “official station” for purposes of this part?
An “official station” is defined in part 300–3 of this title. For purposes of this part, an “official station” may be within or outside the continental United States (OCONUS).

§ 302–9.3 What is a “post of duty” for purposes of this part?
For purposes of this part, a “post of duty” is an official station outside CONUS.

§ 302–9.4 What are the purposes of the allowance for transportation of a POV?
To reduce the Government’s overall relocation costs by allowing transportation of a POV to your official station within CONUS when it is advantageous and cost effective to the Government, and to improve our overall effectiveness if you are transferred or otherwise reassigned to a post of duty at which it is in the interest of the Government for you to have use of a POV for personal transportation.

§ 302–9.5 What is the purpose of the allowance for emergency storage of a POV?
The purpose of the allowance for emergency storage of a POV is to protect a POV transported at Government expense to your post of duty when the head of your agency determines that the post of duty is within a zone from which your immediate family and/or household goods should be evacuated.

§ 302–9.6 What POV transportation and emergency storage may my agency authorize at Government expense?
Your agency may authorize the following POV transportation and emergency storage at Government expense:
(a) Transportation of a POV to a post of duty as provided in subpart B of this part.
(b) Transportation of a POV from a post of duty as provided in subpart C of this part.
(c) Transportation of a POV within CONUS as provided in subpart D of this part.
(d) Emergency storage of a POV as provided in subpart E of this part.

§ 302–9.7 Must my agency authorize transportation or emergency storage of my POV?
No; however, if your agency does authorize transportation of a POV to your post of duty and you complete your service agreement, your agency must pay for the cost of returning the POV. Your agency determines the conditions under which it will pay for transportation and emergency storage and the procedures a transferred employee must follow.

§ 302–9.8 What type of POV may I be authorized to transport, and if necessary, store under emergency circumstances?
Only a passenger automobile, station wagon, light truck, or other similar vehicle that will be used primarily for personal transportation may be authorized to transport, and if necessary store under emergency circumstances. You may not transport or store a trailer, airplane, or any vehicle intended for commercial use.

§ 302–9.9 For what transportation expenses will my agency pay?
When your agency authorizes transportation of your POV, it will pay for all necessary and customary expenses directly related to the transportation of the POV, including crating and packing expenses, shipping charges, and port charges for readying the POV for shipment at the port of embarkation, and for use at the port of debarkation.