

Relocation Allowances

§ 302-3.101

TABLE B—ASSIGNED TO FIRST OFFICIAL STATION OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (OCONUS)—Continued

| Column 1—Relocation allowances that agency must pay or reimburse | Column 2—Relocation allowances that agency has discretionary authority to pay or reimburse |
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| 3. Transportation & temporary storage of household goods (part 302-7 of this chapter). 4. Extended storage of household goods (part 302-8 of this chapter). 5. Relocation income tax allowance (RITA) (part 302-17 of this chapter). | (c) The miscellaneous expense portion of the FTA is authorized incident to first official station travel to a foreign area. 3. Use of a relocation services company (part 302-12 of this chapter). |

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§ 302-3.3 As a new appointee, are there any expenses that my agency will not pay?

Yes, as a new employee, your agency will not pay for expenses that are not listed in § 302-3.2 (e.g., per diem for family, cost of househunting trip, miscellaneous expense allowance, etc.).

§ 302-3.4 If my agency authorizes me allowances for relocation, must it pay all of the expenses listed in § 302-3.2?

Yes, if your agency authorizes you allowances for relocation, it must pay all of the expenses listed in § 302-3.2.

§ 302-3.5 If I travel to my first official station before I have been appointed, will I be reimbursed for my relocation expenses?

Generally, you may not be reimbursed for relocation expenses incurred before you have been appointed to a Federal position and signed an agreement to remain in Government service for 12 months after appointment. However there is an exception for appointees who have performed Presidential transition activities. Such appointees may be reimbursed allowable travel and transportation expenses incurred at any time following the most recent Presidential election once they have signed a service agreement. How-

ever, appointment must occur in the same fiscal year as the Presidential transition activities.

Subpart B—Transferred Employees and Other Relocated Employees

§ 302-3.100 What is a transferred employee?

A transferred employee is an employee who transfers from one official station to another. This may also include employees separated as a result of reduction in force or transfer of functions who are re-employed within one year after such separation.

§ 302-3.101 As a transferred employee or other relocated employee what relocation allowances must my agency pay or reimburse to me?

As a transferred employee or other relocated employee there are mandatory and discretionary relocation expenses. Once an agency decision is made to pay or reimburse relocation expenses indicated for the type of relocation in tables (A) through (I) of this section, all the mandatory allowance must be paid or reimbursed, unless otherwise stated in the applicable parts. The discretionary relocation allowances indicated in tables (A) through (I) of this section may or may not be paid by the agency.

TABLE A—TRANSFER BETWEEN OFFICIAL STATIONS IN THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES (CONUS)

| Column 1—Relocation allowances that agency must pay or reimburse | Column 2—Relocation allowances that agency has discretionary authority to pay or reimburse |
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| 1. Transportation & per diem for employee & immediate family member(s) (part 302-4 of this chapter). 2. Miscellaneous moving expense (part 302-16 of this chapter) | 1. Househunting per diem & transportation, employee & spouse only (part 302-5 of this chapter). 2. Temporary quarters subsistence expense (TQSE) (part 302-6 of this chapter). |