

**SECTION 2: POV STORAGE WHEN POV TRANSPORTATION TO A
FOREIGN/NON-FOREIGN OCONUS PDS IS NOT AUTHORIZED OR STORAGE ICW
CONTINGENCY OPERATION TDY**

U5462 DEFINITION

The following definition is used *only* for the purposes of JFTR, Ch 5, Part E, Section 2:

NON-FOREIGN OCONUS AREA. The states of Alaska and Hawaii, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, and any U.S. possession.

U5464 GENERAL

POV Storage is in lieu of POV shipment. This Section prescribes POV storage allowances for eligible members ordered to a foreign/non-foreign OCONUS (see par. U5462) PDS to which a POV is not permitted to be transported, or sent TDY for more than 30 days to a contingency operation. It also covers allowances associated with:

1. Travel to and from designated storage facilities,
2. POV storage preparation,
3. Actual storage costs,
4. POV preparation for removal from storage, and
5. Costs associated with delivery to the next authorized destination. See par. U5410.

Storage of more than one POV, and/or storage of a POV instead of authorized transportation is not allowed. Members are financially responsible for storage and/or transportation of additional POVs.

NOTE: See APP A for definition of a contingency operation.

U5466 ELIGIBILITY

NOTE: Members with a contingency operation TDY start date or a PCS order effective date on/after 1 April 1997 are eligible for this storage. A member is eligible for this storage upon entering an IPCOT if the IPCOT begins on/after 1 April 1997. The storage authority begins effective with the beginning of the IPCOT.

A. Members. A member is eligible to have one POV stored at a storage facility if the member is:

1. Ordered to make a PCS to a foreign/non-foreign OCONUS. (See par. U5462) PDS; and the
 - a. Laws, regulations, and/or other restrictions imposed by the foreign country, area, or the United States preclude shipment/entry of a motor vehicle at GOV'T expense into that foreign/non-foreign OCONUS (see par. U5462) PDS; or
 - b. Vehicle would require extensive modification (other than normal maintenance servicing) as a condition to entry into the foreign/non-foreign OCONUS (see par. U5462) PDS; or
2. Sent TDY for more than 30 days to a contingency operation (see APP A).

B. Storage. The Services, through their Secretarial processes, may designate POV storage facilities.

1. Government-procured Storage Available

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- a. If a Service elects to store a member's POV, the member may personally arrange storage at a commercial storage facility.
- b. A member who personally arranges for storage at a facility other than the Service-designated facility is reimbursed for the actual storage cost, NTE the GOV'T'S constructed storage cost.

2. Government-procured Storage Not Available. When:

- a. Government-procured storage:

- (1) Is not available, or
- (2) Has not been designated, or

- b. The member is instructed by the shipping/transportation officer to store the POV at personal expense, the member arranges POV storage at a commercial storage facility and is reimbursed for the actual storage costs.

U5467 STORAGE IN LIEU OF SHIPMENT

POV storage is in lieu of POV shipment both to and from the foreign OCONUS PDS to which POV shipment is prohibited. A member who stores a POV at GOV'T expense is not authorized POV shipment from the foreign OCONUS location upon subsequent PCS. However, the member may ship the stored POV if ordered on a COT and POV transportation is permitted to the subsequent OCONUS PDS. ***The member may not continue to store the POV at GOV'T expenses while shipping another POV to the subsequent OCONUS PDS.*** This is based on the shipping entitlement to the subsequent OCONUS PDS.

Example 1: A member PCSs from CONUS to Japan (POV transportation not authorized) and the GOV'T pays to store the member's POV. The member receives a PCS authorization/order to a CONUS PDS and wants to ship a POV from Japan to the new CONUS PDS. The member does not have POV shipping authority from Japan because the member stored a POV.

Example 2: A member PCSs to Japan (POV transportation not authorized) and the GOV'T pays to store the member's POV. The member receives a PCS authorization/order to another OCONUS location where POV shipment is authorized. The member is authorized shipment of the POV from storage to the new OCONUS PDS.

NOTE: *Removing the POV from storage before the member departs PCS/enters an IPCOT does not negate that the member stored a POV and is not authorized POV shipment. A member who removes the POV from storage upon an IPCOT/COT may be authorized POV shipment upon subsequent PCS after the IPCOT/COT tour.*

U5468 TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT TO/FROM A STORAGE FACILITY

A. General. A Service may elect to transport the POV to and/or from the storage location. If a Service elects not to transport the POV, the member may personally arrange the transportation to and/or from the selected storage facility. If a Service elects to transport the POV, the member may elect to personally arrange POV transportation -- member's option.

1. Government-procured Transportation Available to and/or from Storage Facility

- a. The member is reimbursed the automobile mileage rate for the official round trip distance between the old/new PDS (as appropriate) to and/or from the vehicle port/VPC or other point designated for turnover for transportation to and/or from storage.
- b. When Government-procured transportation to and/or from a storage facility is available but the member

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elects to personally arrange for POV delivery to and/or from a storage facility, the member is to be reimbursed for the actual transportation cost NTE the GOV'T'S constructed transportation cost. If the POV is driven, the member is reimbursed the automobile mileage rate for the official round trip distance NTE the GOV'T'S constructed transportation cost.

NOTE: For OCONUS Travelers: The member is to be reimbursed for one-way transportation at the automobile mileage rate between the designated storage facility and the authorized location (i.e., PDS, VPC/vehicle port) NTE the GOV'T'S constructed transportation cost of shipping/transporting the POV.

2. Government-procured Transportation Not Available to and/or from Storage Facility. When Government-procured transportation to and/or from storage is not available, or the member is instructed by the shipping/transportation officer to personally arrange POV transportation, the member is to be reimbursed for the actual transportation cost. If the POV is driven, the member is to be reimbursed the automobile mileage rate for the official round-trip distance.

Travel time computed under par. U5160 is allowed for the round trips to deliver and/or pick-up a POV under par. U5468-A.

B. Delivery/Pick-up

1. The Service concerned may elect to transport a member's POV to and/or from the storage facility.
2. ***Vehicle storage transportation reimbursement may only be paid as mileage (see par. U2600) and is only for the round-trip distance from the old PDS to the closest VPC/loading port servicing the old PDS.*** This limitation does not apply to a member who stored a vehicle commercially with GOV'T reimbursement for storage expenses at a location other than the closest VPC/loading port servicing the old PDS before 1 June 2003.
3. A roundtrip is authorized to:
 - a. Deliver the POV to the storage facility, and
 - b. Pick-up the POV from the storage facility.
4. These roundtrips are available only if POV delivery and/or pickup is:
 - a. Not concurrent with PCS travel, or
 - b. ICW TDY on a contingency operation.

NOTE: For this Section, a Reserve Component member's PLEAD is the PDS. For POV delivery to storage upon the first PCS, the "old PDS" is the member's HOR or PLEAD. For POV pick-up upon separation or retirement, the "new PDS" is the HOR, or authorized HOS of the member under U5130-A1.

C. Delivery Accomplished Concurrently with Member's PCS Travel and No TDY En Route Is Involved

1. Delivery - Travel to Passenger Port via Storage Facility. An eligible member and/or dependent(s) who travels via the designated storage facility is authorized PCS allowances (including per diem) for direct travel from the old PDS to the designated storage facility and from the designated storage facility to the passenger POE.
2. Delivery - Travel to Storage Facility via Passenger Port. An eligible member, who travels from the old PDS to the passenger POE to drop off dependents, then to the designated storage facility, and then returns to the passenger port, is paid PCS allowances (including per diem) from the old PDS to the passenger POE for self and dependents, plus PCS allowances for self from the passenger port to the designated storage facility. ***Reimbursement for travel back to the passenger POE is not authorized.***

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D. Pick-up Accomplished Concurrently with Member's PCS Travel and No TDY En Route Is Involved. An eligible member (and/or dependent(s)) who travels via the designated storage facility is authorized PCS allowances (including appropriate per diem) for direct travel from the passenger POD to the designated storage facility and then to the new PDS.

E. Delivery/Pick-up from a Designated Storage Facility Accomplished Concurrently with TDY En Route

1. Delivery to a Designated Storage Facility ICW TDY En Route. An eligible member who delivers a POV to a designated storage facility ICW a PCS to a foreign/non-foreign OCONUS (see par. U5462) PDS with TDY en route, is authorized:

- a. MALT for one authorized traveler for the official distance from the old PDS to the TDY station(s) en route plus a per diem (see par. U5105-B2);
- b. MALT for one authorized traveler for the official distance from the TDY station to the designated storage facility; and
- c. PCS allowances (including appropriate per diem) for direct travel from the designated storage facility to the passenger port.

NOTE: When a dependent(s) accompanies the member and/or delivers the POV to the designated storage facility, the travel and transportation allowance for the dependent(s) are computed using par. U5220. If a dependent(s) delivers the POV to the designated storage facility without traveling to the TDY en route location, see par. U5468-C for dependent travel and transportation allowances.

2. Pick-Up in ICW TDY En Route. An eligible member, who picks up a POV from a designated storage facility ICW PCS travel to/from an en route TDY station, is authorized:

- a. PCS allowances (including appropriate per diem) for direct travel from the passenger port to the designated storage facility;
- b. MALT for one authorized traveler for travel for the official distance from the designated storage facility to/from the TDY station; plus a per diem for the member at the rates prescribed in par. U5105-B2; and
- c. MALT for one authorized traveler for the official distance from/to the TDY station en route to the new PDS plus a per diem for the member at the rates prescribed in par. U5105-B2.

NOTE: When a dependent(s) accompanies the member and/or delivers the POV to the designated storage facility, the travel and transportation allowance for the dependent(s) are computed using par. U5220. If a dependent(s) picks up the POV from the designated storage facility without traveling to the TDY en route location, see par. U5468-D for dependent travel and transportation allowances.

U5470 STORAGE FACILITIES USED

A. Designated Storage Facilities. The Services, through their Secretarial processes, may designate POV storage facilities. See par. U5466.

B. Personally-procured POV Storage

1. Commercial Storage Facilities

- a. General. Commercial storage facilities include storage facilities at which anyone may store a POV (i.e., not limited to the particular member/service members in general.)
- b. Storage Reimbursement. A member may be reimbursed for storing one POV at a commercial facility.

See par. U5466.

c. Travel Reimbursement. A member may be reimbursed for travel to/from a commercial storage facility NTE the cost of travel to the Service-designated storage facility. Example: A member stationed in Fort Bragg, NC, chooses to store a POV in a commercial storage facility in Raleigh, NC. The Service-designated facility is in Goldsboro, NC. Member may be reimbursed for travel to/from the commercial facility NTE the cost of travel to/from Fort Bragg to Goldsboro.

2. Non-commercial Storage Facility

a. General. *Storage in a private residence, garage, or on a private lot does not constitute storage at a commercial facility.*

b. Storage Reimbursement. A member who stores a POV at a non-commercial storage facility must not be reimbursed for the costs associated with the POV vehicle's storage.

c. Travel Reimbursement. A member who stores a POV at a non-commercial storage facility must not be reimbursed for the costs associated with or transportation to/from storage.

U5472 FACTORS AFFECTING POV STORAGE

A. Authorization/Order Amended, Modified, Canceled, or Revoked. A POV stored or shipped after PCS authorization/order receipt (or notification of deployment on a contingency operation) may be removed and shipped/transshipped to the proper destination, including the old or current PDS, at GOV'T expense, if the PCS (or contingency operation notification) authorization/order is later amended, modified, canceled, or revoked. If less than 12 months remain on an OCONUS tour, the POV may not be removed from storage for shipment. The exceptions in par. U5317 apply.

B. Storage before an Authorization/Order Is Issued. POV storage is permitted before a PCS (or contingency operation order/notification) authorization/order is issued to a member. A written statement must support the storage request:

1. From the PCS (or contingency operation designating) AO or the designated representative that the member was advised before such an authorization/order (or notification) was issued that it would be issued, and
2. Signed by the shipping applicant agreeing to be financially responsible for:
 - a. The entire storage cost if the PCS (or contingency order/notification) authorization/order to authorize storage is not issued later, and
 - b. Any additional POV transshipment costs to another storage facility required because the PDS named in the authorization/order is different than the PDS named in the statement required in par. U5472-B1 (or return to the current PDS if the contingency order/notification is not issued).
3. The length of time before a PCS (or a contingency operation notification) authorization/order is issued, during which a member may be advised that the PCS (or notification) authorization/order is to be issued, may not exceed the relatively short period between the time when a determination is made to order the member to make a PCS (or take part in the contingency operation) and the date the authorization/order (or contingency operation notification) is actually issued.
4. General information furnished to the member concerning PCS (or contingency operation notification) authorization/order issuance before the determination is made to actually issue the authorization/order or notification (such as eventual release date from active duty, expiration date of service term, retirement eligibility date, expected rotation date from foreign/non-foreign OCONUS (see par. U5462) duty, anticipated contingency departure date, etc.) is not advice that the authorization/order or notification is to be issued (52 Comp. Gen. 769 (1973)).

C. Time Limitation. Unless otherwise prescribed in this Volume, POV storage for a member may be initiated any time while the authorization/order remains in effect and prior to receipt of the next PCS authorization/order, as long as the POV storage is incident to the member's PCS rather than for personal reasons (45 Comp. Gen. 589 (1966); B-183436, 22 July 1975).

U5474 RESTRICTIONS

A. Restriction on Vehicle Size. A member, who stores a POV that exceeds the SDDC storage contract maximum standard size, is financially responsible for any storage costs caused by the vehicle's excess size. See par. U1010-B9. As an exception, the Secretarial Process may authorize/approve storage of an oversized POV (as the one POV for which storage may be authorized) if the member or dependents(s) require the oversized POV for medical reasons. Excess costs are collected IAW Service regulations.

B. Combining POV Size Limitation when Husband and Wife Are Members. The size restriction contained in par. U5474-A may be ignored for the purpose of storing one larger vehicle at GOV'T expense in lieu of storing two POVs (one POV stored for each member) during an assignment when each member is authorized POV storage. Payment for storing the vehicle may not exceed the GOV'T'S total cost if each member had stored a vehicle within the maximum standard size.

C. Other Excess Storage Costs. Excess storage costs, incurred due to the member's negligence or choice, are the member's financial responsibility. See par. U1010-B9.

U5476 CONTINUED POV STORAGE

A. Continued POV Storage for Active Duty Members. A POV may remain in storage at GOV'T expense for up to 90 days after the member returns from an OCONUS PDS (see par. U5462) to which the POV could not be shipped, or from TDY on a contingency operation. Storage charges accrued after the 90 days are the member's financial responsibility, unless additional storage is authorized/approved through the Secretarial Process.

B. Continued POV Storage upon Separation from Service or Relief from Active Duty, Retirement, Placement on TDRL, Discharge with Severance or Separation Pay, or Involuntary Release from Active Duty with Readjustment or Separation Pay

1. Separation from Service or Relief from Active Duty. A member, separated from the Service or relieved from active duty who has a POV in storage under par. U5466, is authorized continued POV storage until the 180th day after the active duty termination date, *unless specifically prohibited in par. U5360*. Storage charges, accrued on/after the 181st day, are the member's financial responsibility, unless additional storage is authorized/approved through the Secretarial Process.

2. Retirement, Placement on TDRL, Discharge with Severance or Separation Pay, or Involuntary Release from Active Duty with Readjustment or Separation Pay. A member, retired, placed on the TDRL, discharged with severance or separation pay, or involuntarily released from active duty with readjustment or separation pay, who has a POV in storage under par. U5466, is authorized continued POV storage for up to 1 year from the active duty termination date (including by a member's death). The authority and circumstances in par. U5365 apply for extending the 1-year storage limit. Storage charges, accrued on/after the 366th day, are the member's (or dependent's) financial responsibility, unless additional storage is authorized/approved through the Secretarial Process.

NOTE: Pickup/delivery out of storage is authorized at GOV'T expense, regardless of time in storage (as long as the member's authorization/order is valid). This includes storage that has been converted to storage at the member's expense.

U5478 CARE AND STORAGE

The GOV'T'S responsibility begins when the POV is accepted for storage and continues (including during continued storage at member's expense) until the POV is delivered to the member.

U5479 ADVANCE OF FUNDS

Authorized POV storage costs may be paid in advance.