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Department of Defense Directive

SUBJECT Uniform Rates of Subsistence Allowance and Commutation in Lieu of Uniforms for Enrolled Members of the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC)

- Refs.:** (a) The Reserve Officers' Training Corps Vitalization Act of 1964 (10 U. S. C. , Chapter 103, sections 2101-2111)
(b) Section 6(a), Military Selective Service Act of 1967 (50 App. U. S. C. 456(a))
(c) DoD Directive 1215.10, subject as above, October 26, 1968 (hereby cancelled)

I. PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

This Directive (a) establishes criteria for classifying educational institutions maintaining Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) units within the meaning of reference (b); (b) establishes uniform rates of subsistence allowances for enrolled ROTC members; (c) assigns responsibilities and prescribes uniform formulas for computing commutation in lieu of uniforms for enrolled ROTC members; and (d) establishes limitations on accumulation of unexpended funds on hand with educational institutions.

II. CANCELLATION

Reference (c) is hereby superseded and cancelled.

III. POLICY

- A. Classification of Senior ROTC Units and Schools. Senior ROTC units maintained by the Military Departments at educational institutions will be classified according to

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the type of institutions, i. e., essentially military colleges and universities - Class MC; civilian colleges and universities - Class CC; and essentially military schools which provide high school and junior college instruction - Class MJC.

1. The classification "Class MC (Military Colleges)" will be assigned where units are established in
 - a. essentially military colleges or universities which, for purposes of qualifying as a military college within the meaning of reference (b);
 - (1) confer baccalaureate or graduate degrees at which the average age of the students at the time of graduation is not less than 21 years;
 - (2) require a course in military training throughout the undergraduate course for all qualified undergraduate students;
 - (3) organize their military students as a Corps of Cadets under constantly maintained military discipline;
 - (4) require all members of the Corps including those members enrolled in the ROTC to be habitually in uniform when on campus;
 - (5) have as their objectives the development of the military students' character by means of military training and the regulation of their conduct in accordance with principles of military discipline; and
 - (6) in general meet military standards similar to those maintained at the Service academies.
 - b. The designation "all qualified undergraduate students" in (2), above, means all physically fit male students except:

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- (1) foreign nationals;
 - (2) individuals who are not liable for induction by virtue of having honorably completed active training and service;
 - (3) students who are pursuing special undergraduate courses in excess of four (4) years after completion of the required military training; and
 - (4) certain categories of students who are specifically excused by (Board of Trustees) administrative decision, and approved by the ROTC unit commander.
2. Class CC. Units established at civilian colleges and universities which are not operated on an essentially military basis; which confer baccalauréate or graduate degrees; and at which the average age of the student at graduation is not less than 21 years.
3. Class MJC. Units established at essentially military schools which provide high school and junior college instruction but do not confer baccalaureate degrees. Those units meet all other requirements of Class MC and accept and maintain the specially designated program of instruction prescribed by the appropriate Secretary for this class of institution.
- B. Qualifying for Special Rate of Commutation. In order to qualify for the special rate of commutation (see C., below,) in lieu of uniforms an institution classified MC or CC must in addition to A. 1. and 2., above, meet the following requirements:
1. Organize and maintain within their undergraduate student bodies a self-contained Corps of Cadets in which not less than 300 male students are enrolled as ROTC members at all times throughout the academic year.
 2. Require all members of the Corps of Cadets to be in appropriate uniform at all times while on the campus.

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3. House all members of the Corps of Cadets in barracks separate from nonmembers of the Corps of Cadets.
4. Require all members of the Corps of Cadets to be under constantly maintained military discipline on a 24-hour-per-day, 7-days-a-week basis.
5. Require all physically qualified members of the above Corps of Cadets to be enrolled in the basic course of ROTC, except foreign nationals, individuals who are not liable for induction by virtue of having honorably completed active training and service, certain categories of students who are specifically excused by (Board of Trustees) administrative decisions or other individuals whose enrollment is precluded by provisions of appropriate regulations of the Military Departments.
6. Only those members of the Corps of Cadets meeting the requirements set forth in B. 1., 2., 3., 4., and 5., immediately above, who are enrolled in the ROTC will be entitled to the special rate of commutation.
7. Institutions designated as military colleges may enroll in the ROTC of the appropriate military services those students who for various reasons are not required to be members of the Corps of Cadets. These institutions will receive, for such students, only the standard commutation rate.

C. Subsistence Allowance and Commutation Rates

1. Subsistence Allowances. The following rates are established for payment of subsistence allowance:
 - a. Except when on summer field training or practice cruises, when subsistence in kind is furnished, the subsistence allowance for each enrolled member of the advanced training program in the Senior ROTC is established as \$50 per month for not more than a total of twenty (20) months.

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- b. Except when on summer field training or practice cruises, when subsistence in kind is furnished, a rate of \$50 per month for a period not to exceed four academic years, is established for a cadet or midshipman appointed under the financial assistance program for specially selected members, under the provisions of section 2107, reference (a).
2. Commutation in Lieu of Uniforms. Certain MC and CC educational institutions maintaining Senior ROTC units may elect to receive commutation in lieu of government clothing. In such instances the commutation rate will include not only the uniform, but the procurement, receipt, storage, maintenance and issuance of the uniform as outlined in b. , below.
 - a. The Military Departments will develop the commutation rates and establish procedures for their review on an annual basis. The review should be scheduled during the month of May so that the current unit price list published by the Defense Supply Agency in July each year can be used in the development of the commutation rates and made available to the schools for use at the beginning of the Fall term.
 - (1) Beginning with Fiscal Year 1971, commutation rates of uniforms will be based on the latest approved items of clothing for each climatic zone found in Enclosure (1); the current clothing prices are computed using the formulas prescribed in Enclosure (2).
 - (2) Enclosures (3) - (5) are examples of the application of the various formulas.
 - (a) Standard rates announced for the Basic Course (first two years) of the Senior ROTC will be payable in the indicated amount on an annual basis for not to exceed two years at Class CC institutions and at Class MJC institutions which offer Military Science I and II.

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Special rates for the Basic Course at Class MC or CC institutions fulfilling the requirements of III. B. , will be double the standard amounts.

- (b) Standard rates shown on Enclosure (4) for the Advanced Course cover the two-year period that each member is enrolled in advanced training in the Senior ROTC at Class CC and MJC institutions. Commutation of summer camp uniforms, if paid, shall be in addition to payments for the Advanced Course. Special rates for the Advanced Course at Class MC or CC institutions fulfilling requirements of III. B. shall be double the standard amounts shown on Enclosure (4). The standard rates shown on Enclosure (5) for field training are not subject to this special rate adjustment.
- b. Commutation of uniform funds may be expended to support only the following activities:
- (1) Procurement and related expenses for standard uniform items in quantities as prescribed by the Secretary of the Military Department concerned or distinctive uniforms and insignia as prescribed by those institutions which meet the requirements of III. B.
 - (2) Administration and maintenance of the uniform which is defined as laundry, dry cleaning, renovation, alterations, sizing, and custodial fees. Such custodial fees shall not exceed 20 per cent of the commutation funds drawn against actual enrollments for the preceding year.
 - (3) Procurement of distinctive uniform items which are authorized for wear with the regulation student uniform.
 - (4) Purchasing of hazard insurance to protect uniform inventory against loss.

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c. Unexpended commutation of uniform funds will be disposed of as follows:

- (1) The amount of unexpended uniform commutation funds which may be retained from one fiscal year to the next for continued financing of the uniform program will be computed as of July 1 of each year as follows:
 - (a) Institutions which have accumulated \$10,000 or less may retain their entire accumulation.
 - (b) Institutions which have accumulated more than \$10,000 may retain an amount equal to 30 per cent of prior year receipts or \$10,000, whichever is the larger sum. Accumulated funds which exceed these limitations will be refunded to the government.
- (2) The unexpended balance is defined as the funds remaining after all commitments and/or obligations relating to the immediate past fiscal year have been deducted. Any commitments and/or obligations relating to new year procurement, maintenance and other allowable activities may not be charged against unexpended balance.

IV. INSPECTION

Inspection will be conducted in accordance with the schedule outlined below to insure that only those institutions which meet the requirements of paragraph III. A. 1., above, are awarded or retain the Class MC classification and only those awarded MC and CC classification which meet the additional requirements of III. B., above, are authorized the special rate in lieu of uniforms.

- A. At institutions having units of two or more services, a joint inspection will be held. Membership on the inspection team will be composed of equal ranks and numbers of personnel representing the services concerned; in addition to which each service will on alternate years provide a team chief.

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- B. Inspections will be held within 30 days of the opening of the Fall term of school.
- C. While final on-the-spot approval authority shall be vested in the team, disapprovals will be subject to review and resolution or confirmation by the Secretaries of the Military Departments concerned. The team may advise the institutional authorities of its findings at the conclusion of the inspection. In instances of disapproval the military service review and final notification of the institution will be accomplished within thirty (30) days of the disapproval date.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION

This Directive is effective immediately. Two copies of implementing regulations will be furnished the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) within ninety (90) days.



Secretary of Defense

Enclosures - 5

- 1 Climatic Zones Used to Determine Rates of Commutation Allowance
- 2 ROTC Commutation Rates
- 3 Application of Basic Course Formula
- 4 Application of Advanced Course Formula (Male Members)
- 5 Application of 4-week Field Training Formula

Climatic Zones Used to Determine Rates of Commutation Allowance

Zone I

Alabama	Georgia	North Carolina
Arizona, only 100 mi. wide belt along so. border	Hawaii	Oklahoma, only south- eastern portion
Arkansas, southern 2/3	Kentucky, southeastern 1/3	Puerto Rico
California	Louisiana	South Carolina
Delaware	Maryland	Tennessee, except N.W. corner
District of Columbia	Mississippi	Texas, except area north of 34° N
Florida	New Mexico, only 100 mi. wide belt along so. border	Virginia

Zone II

Alaska	Maine	*Oklahoma, except S.E. portion
*Arizona, except 100 mi. wide belt along so. border	Massachusetts	Oregon
*Arkansas, northern 1/3	Michigan	Pennsylvania
Colorado	Minnesota	Rhode Island
Connecticut	Missouri	South Dakota
Idaho	Montana	*Tennessee, only N.W. corner
Illinois	Nebraska	*Texas, only area no. of 34° N
Indiana	Nevada	Utah
Iowa	New Hampshire	Vermont
Kansas	New Jersey	Washington
*Kentucky, northwestern 2/3	*New Mexico, except a 100 mi. wide belt along so. border	West Virginia
	New York	Wisconsin
	North Dakota	Wyoming
	Ohio	

*These areas were formerly Zone I and remain entitled to Zone I rates unless application for change to Zone 2 is submitted to Major Command with evidence that the average monthly temperature of the coldest month for each of the past three consecutive years was below 32° F.

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ROTC Commutation Rates

BASIC COURSE:

(General Military Course)

Total Pkg Cost of Auth Items	+ 10% Inventory + Stockage	= Adjusted Pkg Cost	Amortized By	(2 yr life (shoes & socks)) (2 yr life (insignia)) (5 yr life (bal of pkg))
	+ 20% Custodial + Services	+ \$5.00 Uniform + Maint	= Net Rate Per Yr. (Rounded to nearest \$)	

ADVANCED COURSE:

(Professional Officers Course)

(Male & Female)

Total Pkg Cost of Auth Items	- ½ Amt of Insignia Cost (2 yr Amortization)	+ 5% Custodial + Services	+ \$5.00 Uni- form + Maint	= Net Rate two- yr period) (Rounded to nearest \$)
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SUMMER CAMP:

(Field Training)

Total Pkg Cost of Auth Items	Amortized by 2 yr Life (Entire pkg except shoes & socks)	+ 5% Custodial + Services	+ \$5.00 Uni- form + Maint	= Net Rate (Rounded to nearest \$)
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Application of Basic Course Formula

	<u>Zone I</u>	<u>Zone II</u>
Total Pkg Cost	\$74.44	\$ 96.20
Plus 10% Inv Stockage	<u>7.44</u>	<u>9.62</u>
Adjusted Pkg Cost	<u>81.88</u>	<u>105.82</u>
<u>Amortization Schedule:</u>		
2 Yrs. Shoes & Socks (50% of \$8.50)	4.25	4.25
2 Yrs Insignia (50% of \$2.50)	1.25	1.25
5 Yrs Bal Pkg (20% Zone I \$70.88) (20% Zone II \$94.82)	14.18	18.96
	<u>19.68</u>	<u>24.46</u>
Amortized Pkg Cost	19.68	24.46
<u>ADD:</u>		
20% Custodial Services	3.94	4.89
Maint Allowance	<u>5.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Total Cost:	<u>28.62</u>	<u>34.35</u>
Rounded for official rate (per year)	<u>\$29.00</u>	<u>\$ 34.00</u>

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Application of Advanced Course Formula (Male Members)

	<u>Zone I</u>	<u>Zone II</u>
Total Pkg Cost (Authorized Items)	\$79.82	\$101.58
Less Insignia Amortization (50% of \$2.50)	<u>1.25</u>	<u>1.25</u>
Adjusted Pkg Cost	78.57	100.33
<u>ADD:</u>		
5% Custodial Service	3.93	5.02
Maint Allowance	<u>5.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Total Cost:	<u>\$87.50</u>	<u>\$110.35</u>
Rounded Cost (two years)	\$88.00	\$110.00

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Application of 4-week Field Training Formula

	<u>Zone I</u>	<u>Zone II</u>
Total Pkg Cost	\$36.56	\$48.70
<u>Amortization Schedule:</u>		
Total Pkg less \$12.75 (Boots & Socks) (Not reissued)	<u>23.81</u>	<u>35.95</u>
50% Amortization (2 Yr Life)	11.91	17.98
Boots & Socks Added	<u>12.75</u>	<u>12.75</u>
Amortized Pkg Cost	24.66	30.73
<u>ADD:</u>		
5% Custodial Service	1.23	1.54
Maint Allowance	<u>5.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Total Cost:	<u>30.89</u>	<u>37.27</u>
Rounded Cost	<u>\$31.00</u>	<u>\$37.00</u>