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SECNAV INSTRUCTION 4650.19C

From: Secretary of the Navy
To: All Ships and Stations

Subj: UNUSUALLY ARDUOUS SEA DUTY FOR TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION
ENTITLEMENTS

Ref: (a) Joint Federal Travel Regulations, Volume 1
(b) SECNAVINST 7220.77D
(c) OPNAVINST 3111.14V
(d) OPNAVNOTE 4600

Encl: (1) Units Designated as Unusually Arduous Sea Duty

1. Purpose. To designate ships, afloat staffs, and units, which qualify as unusually arduous sea duty for purposes of determining entitlement to travel and transportation allowances under reference (a). This instruction has been revised substantially and should be read in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. SECNAVINST 4650.19B.

3. Background. Members assigned to unaccompanied overseas duty, whether on sea duty or shore duty, are authorized transportation of their dependents and household effects to a location they may designate under the provisions of reference (a) by virtue of the duty being overseas. Members reassigned from such duty are authorized dependent transportation from the designated location to the new duty station. Members assigned to sea duty in ships, afloat staffs, and units which the Secretary of the Navy designates as unusually arduous sea duty are authorized the same transportation entitlements. Unusually arduous sea duty for these purposes is sea duty in afloat units with expected absences from their assigned homeports for the major portion of the sea duty assignment.

4. Policy. Sea duty in ships, afloat staffs, and units designated for career sea pay in reference (b) may be designated unusually arduous sea duty in enclosure (1) of this instruction.

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a. To be designated, afloat units must meet all of the following criteria:

(1) Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) has assigned a homeport per reference (c), or the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) has designated the unit for duty in a ship; and

(2) They can be expected to operate away from assigned homeport for more than 50 percent of the time, and also on extended periods of deployment; or

(3) CNO assigns them to operate away from homeport in an overseas area for a contemplated period of 1 year or more, as listed in reference (d).

b. Staffs, which have permanent duty stations rather than homeports, do not qualify as sea duty for purposes of determining travel and transportation entitlements.

c. All ships within each designated ship class qualify as unusually arduous sea duty.

5. Individual Entitlement

a. The provisions of this instruction are applicable only to members who are otherwise eligible for dependent travel and shipment of household effects at Government expense by reference (a).

b. Members, issued Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders to a ship designated in enclosure (1) that is not in overhaul or to sea pay eligible billets in an afloat staff designated in enclosure (1), are entitled to relocate dependents and household effects to the homeport or to a place they may designate by reference (a). Members issued PCS orders to a ship not designated in enclosure (1) or a ship designated in enclosure (1) that is in overhaul may relocate dependents to the homeport.

c. Members who are issued a homeport change certificate incident to homeport change to an overhaul site may relocate dependents to the new homeport from the old homeport, or from a designated place to the new homeport. The change of homeport certificate will specifically include a statement that movement of dependents and household effects to designated place is not authorized.

d. Members who are issued PCS orders from a ship, unit, or afloat staff listed in enclosure (1) are entitled to:

(1) transportation of dependents and household effects from the place dependents are located on date of receipt of orders to the permanent station; or

(2) from a designated place to the permanent station, whichever is less, if it is not a dependent restricted station.

This entitlement exists irrespective of the location of the ship or afloat staff at the time of transfer.

6. Designation. Recommendations for designation changes in enclosure (1) will be submitted to CNO (N130) via appropriate fleet commanders or CMC (Code MM) via fleet Marine Corps commanders. Full justification for designation changes must accompany recommended changes. Recommendations for designation changes which require assignment of a homeport should be made only after CNO has approved modification to reference (c). When considering changes to reference (b) to establish eligibility for these entitlements, the overall effect on all entitlements should be considered. CNO and CMC will validate the status of sea duty units annually and recommend changes to enclosure (1) in September to ensure currency and compliance with this instruction

7. Approval. The entitlement portion of this instruction has been reviewed by the Per Diem, Travel, and Transportation Allowance Committee in accordance with paragraph D1, Department of Defense Directive 5154.13 of 11 February 1980, as Case number 5600.

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UNITS DESIGNATED
AS UNUSUALLY ARDUOUS SEA DUTY

SHIPS BY CLASS

AGF	DDG	MCM
AOE	FFG	MCS
ARS	LCC	MHC
AS	LHA	PC
CG	LHD	SSBN
CV	LPD	SSN
CVN	LSD	
DD	LST	

INDIVIDUAL UNITS

Special Boat Unit (SBU) (UICs 32219, 42221, 44392)
 Assault Craft Unit (ACU) (UICs 45411, 45472, 55621)
 Beachmaster Unit (BMU) (UICs 44920, 44921, 44923, 44924,
 44925, 49388, 53211, 53212)

Ships and Units designated by the Chief of Naval Operations to operate away from homeport in an overseas area for a contemplated period of one year or more as in OPNAVNOTE 4600.

AFLOAT STAFFS

APSLANT	CRUDESGRU 5	DESRON 23
APSPAC	CRUDESGRU 8	DESRON 24
CARGRU 1	CRUDESGRU 12	DESRON 26
CARGRU 2	MPSRON 1	DESRON 28
CARGRU 3	MPSRON 2	DESRON 31
CARGRU 4	MPSRON 3	DESRON 50
CARGRU 5	APSRON 4	PHIBRON 1
CARGRU 6	DESRON 1	PHIBRON 2
CARGRU 7	DESRON 2	PHIBRON 3
CARGRU 8	DESRON 6	PHIBRON 4
SECONDFLT	DESRON 7	PHIBRON 5
THIRDFLT	DESRON 9	PHIBRON 6
FIFTHFLT	DESRON 14	PHIBRON 7
SIXTHFLT	DESRON 15	PHIBRON 8
SEVENTHFLT	DESRON 18	PHIBRON 11
CRUDESGRU 1	DESRON 21	STANAVFORLANT
CRUDESGRU 2	DESRON 22	
CRUDESGRU 3		