

## PART E: ASSIGNMENT SITUATIONS

### U10400 MEMBER WITHOUT DEPENDENTS

A. General. A member without dependents who is entitled to basic pay is authorized BAH or OHA as set forth in Table U10E-1.

\*B. Location Rate. Ordinarily a housing allowance is paid based on the member's PDS or the home port for a member assigned to a ship or afloat unit. However, effective 1 July 2001, the Service instead may pay a housing allowance based on the old PDS rate in a situation involving a low/no cost move. The Secretary Concerned or the Secretarial Process, at Service discretion, determines if it is inequitable to pay a housing allowance based on the new PDS. When a member is ordered on a PCS between PDSs located in proximity and, at the new PDS, the member continues to commute from the residence occupied while at the old PDS, the housing allowance continues for the time between the member's detachment from the old PDS and reporting to the new PDS, unless otherwise prohibited in this Chapter. If a member is reassigned under the conditions of a low-cost or no-cost PCS and not authorized a HHG move, the housing allowance is based on the old PDS if:

1. Requested by the member, and

\*2. The Service selected decision process determines that it would be inequitable to base the member's allowances on the housing cost in the new PDS area to which the member is assigned.

### U10402 MEMBER WITH DEPENDENT

B. Location Rate. Ordinarily a housing allowance is paid based on the member's PDS, or the home port for a member assigned to a ship or afloat unit. However, the Service may determine that a member's assignment to a PDS or the circumstances of that assignment requires the dependent to reside separately. The Secretary Concerned or the Secretarial Process, at Service discretion, may authorize/approve a housing allowance based on the dependent's location or old PDS.

1. Low/No Cost Moves. A Service may pay BAH or OHA based on the old PDS rate in situations involving low/no cost moves and for situations in which the member and dependent are residing separately. The Secretarial Process determines if it is inequitable to pay BAH or OHA based on the new PDS. When a member is ordered on a PCS between PDSs located in proximity and, at the new PDS, the member continues to commute from the residence occupied while at the old PDS, OHA or BAH continues for the time between the member's detachment from the old PDS and reporting to the new PDS, unless otherwise prohibited in this Chapter. A member ordered on PCS with TDY en route is authorized OHA or BAH during that period, see par. U10416. If a member is reassigned under the conditions of a low-cost or no-cost PCS and not authorized a HHG move, OHA or BAH is based on the rate for the old PDS if:

a. Requested by the member, and

b. The Secretarial Process determines that it would be inequitable to base the allowance on the housing cost in the new PDS area to which the member is reassigned.

5. Examples of location rate changes routinely authorized/approved

g. The member is assigned to a Professional Military Education (PME) or training course that is scheduled for a duration of one year or less.