# Traveler Stays in Non-Traditional Lodging at ILPP Site After Flat-Rate Per Diem Transitions to Lodging Plus Per Diem (JTR, par. 020311) 

Note: Rates and dates used in this example may not be current and are for illustrative purposes only.
Scenario 4: The traveler is on a TDY for 66 days from New London, CT to Pensacola Naval Air Station (NAS), Pensacola, FL, from July 23 through September 26. The locality per diem rate for Pensacola NAS for the month of August is $\$ 106$ for lodging, $\$ 54$ for meals and $\$ 5$ for incidental expenses, for a total locality per diem rate of $\$ 165$. There are no Government quarters available on the naval base, but Pensacola is an Integrated Lodging Program Pilot Site (ILPP), and rooms are available at an ILPP facility to rent at $\$ 95$ per day. The TDY is between 31 and 180 days at one location, so the flat-rate per diem method applies. The flat-rate per diem is computed at 75 percent of the locality per diem rate (\$165), for a daily flat-rate per diem amount of $\$ 123.75$. The traveler rents a garage apartment from a local family (not a friend or relative) and pays $\$ 90$ a day for lodging. No lodging receipts are required for flat-rate per diem.

The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of 2019 eliminates the flat-rate per diem. The President signed the law on August 13, eliminating the flat-rate per diem method effective August 13. Beginning August 13, the traveler's per diem transitions to the lodging plus computation method. The lodging plus method reimburses the actual cost of lodging up to the locality lodging rate plus an amount equal to the locality meal and incidental expenses (M\&IE) rate. The traveler may remain in his garage apartment and receive $\$ 90$ per day for lodging after the transition to the lodging plus computation method because it is less than the ILPP lodging rate. Receipts are required for all lodging under the lodging plus computation method.

The computation for the month of August is as follows:

| Date | Per Diem Rate | Lodging Cost | M\&IE | Per Diem Calculation | Total Per Diem |
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| Flat-Rate Per Diem |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 1-12 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Flat-Rate Per } \\ & \text { Diem } \$ 165 \times .75 \\ & =\$ 123.75 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 106 \times .75= \\ & \$ 79.50 \text { per day } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 59 \times .75= \\ \$ 44.25 \text { per } \\ \text { day } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} (\$ 79.50+\$ 44.25 \\ =\$ 123.75) \times 12 \\ \text { days } \end{gathered}$ | \$1,485 |
| Transition Day from Flat-Rate Per Diem to Lodging Plus Per Diem |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 13 | Lodging Plus Per Diem of \$165 maximum per day | $\$ 90$ per day (actual cost of lodging incurred) | \$59 per day | $\begin{aligned} & (\$ 90+\$ 59= \\ & \$ 149) \times 1 \text { day } \end{aligned}$ | \$149 |
| Lodging Plus Per Diem |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 14-31 | Lodging Plus Per Diem of \$165 maximum per day | $\$ 90$ per day (actual cost of lodging incurred) | \$59 per day | $\begin{gathered} (\$ 90+\$ 59= \\ \$ 149) \times 18 \text { days } \end{gathered}$ | \$2,682 |
| Total Per Diem |  |  |  |  |  |
| August 1-31 |  |  |  |  | \$4,316 |

