



## Two Service Members with Dependents in Temporary Lodging with Meal Preparation Facilities for Each Service Member (POV Travel)

Refer to the paragraph references for clarification when computing TLA. The Service member must be advised upon reporting to aggressively seek permanent Government quarters or private sector housing, to keep an accurate lodging expense record (including lodging receipts), and to register with and inform the TLA Approving Official of progress in obtaining permanent quarters or housing at least every 15 days (par. 680402-C2).

**Note: Rates used in these examples may not be current and are for illustrative purposes only.**

### TLA: Daily M&IE and Lodging Ceiling Percentages (Effective 1 October 2020)

Number of Eligible Persons Occupying Temporary Lodging	Lodging Percentage	M&IE Percentage
Service member or one dependent (total one person)	100	65
Service member couples (total two persons - percentage each when lodging together)	65	65
Service member and one dependent, or two dependents (total two persons – percentage together)	100	100
Each additional dependent age 12 and older	35	35
Each additional dependent under age 12	25	25

**Scenario:** A Service member without a dependent married to another Service member claiming two dependents (for housing allowance purposes), one age 12 or older and one under age 12, are assigned to the same location OCONUS. They arrived at the new PDS OCONUS on April 1 by POV and moved into the same temporary lodging on the same day. The applicable percentage for each Service member, each with one dependent, is 100 percent. Meal preparation facilities are available for both Service members in the temporary lodging (par. 680603-D). The locality [per diem rate](#) is \$160 (\$86/\$74). The actual lodging expense is \$85 a night for each Service member, including lodging tax and other authorized fees (par. 680602-B) such as the GTCC currency conversion fee or value added tax (VAT) relief certificate cost if applicable. Itemized lodging receipts are provided as required.

### Action During TLA Period

Date	Action
April 1	TLA is not payable for April 1 since MALT plus per diem was paid for the official travel arrival date to the new PDS location OCONUS for each Service member and each child as specified in par. 680601-D2.
April 2- 10	TLA has already been paid for the initial period. The TLA Approving Official extends TLA for another 10-day period (par. 680403-B1).
April 11	Each Service member submits a separate lodging expense report of \$850 (\$170 per day including lodging tax divided in half, \$85) for shared temporary lodging. They moved into permanent quarters on April 21. TLA is authorized from April 11 to April 20 (10 days).

**TLA Computation: Preparation and Cooking Facilities are Available for Each Service Member**

Step	Action	Calculation	
		First Service Member, one dependent	Second Service Member, one dependent
1	Determine the maximum rates (applicable percentage times the locality rate) for: Lodging M&IE	100% of \$86=\$86	100% of \$86=\$86
		100% of \$74=\$74	100% of \$74=\$74
2	Multiply the Step 1 M&IE by 50% since preparation and cooking facilities are available.	50% of \$74=\$37	50% of \$74=\$37
3	Compare the actual daily lodging cost (including lodging tax) to the Step 1 maximum lodging rate. Use the lesser amount.	\$85 vs. \$86 \$85	\$85 vs. \$86 \$85
4	Add the Step 2 M&IE to the selected Step 3 lodging amount.	\$37+\$85=\$122	\$37+\$85=\$122
5	Multiply the amount in Step 4 by the number of days for each Service Member.	10 days x\$122 =\$1,220	10 days x\$122 =\$1,220
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,220</b>	<b>\$1,220</b>