



Special Event – One Room without Meal Preparation Facilities

Scenario: A Service member, spouse, and two children under age 12 are due to arrive and occupy temporary lodging that does not contain facilities for preparing and consuming meals. The family occupies temporary lodging September 1 through 20 before moving into a permanent residence September 21. The room rates are anticipated to escalate for some part or all of the family’s anticipated TLA period due to a national convention. The lodging expense is \$650 a night for September 1 through 5 and \$300 a night for September 6 through 20. The locality [per diem rate](#) is \$269 (\$186 and \$83). The command advised OUSD P-R about the lodging cost increase before the Service member incurred the TLA expenses. OUSD P-R issued a determination that the lodging factor would be 150 percent for one person and 75 percent for each additional person for August 25 through September 5.

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

TLA Computation: One Room without Meal Preparation Facilities

Step	Action	Calculation
TLA Special Computation for September 1-5		
1	Calculate the percentage rates: M&IE for Service member, spouse, and two dependents under age 12	150%
	Lodging 150% for one person and 75% for each additional dependent (150%+75%+75%+75%=375%)	375%
2	Determine the maximum rates (applicable percentage times the locality rate) for: Lodging	375% of \$186=\$697.50
	M&IE	150% of \$83=\$124.50
3	Compare the actual daily lodging cost (including lodging tax) to the Step 1 maximum lodging rate. Use the lesser amount.	\$650 vs. \$697.50 \$650
4	Add the Step 2 M&IE to the Step 3 lodging amount for the daily amount.	\$124.50+\$650=\$774.50
5	Multiply the amount in Step 4 by the number of days	5 days x\$774.50=\$3,872.50
TLA Special Computation for September 6-20		
1	Determine the maximum rates (applicable percentage times the locality rate) for: M&IE	150% of \$83=\$124.50
	Lodging	150% of \$186=\$279.00
2	Compare the actual daily lodging cost (including lodging tax) to the Step 1 maximum lodging rate. Use the lesser amount.	\$300 vs. \$279 \$279.00
3	Add the Step 1 M&IE to the selected Step 2 lodging amount to get the daily amount	\$124.50+\$279.00=\$403.50
4	Multiply the amount in Step 3 by the number of days	15 days x\$403.50=\$6,052.50
Total TLA Special		
1	Add the amounts for the two periods.	\$3,872.50+\$6,052.50=\$9,925.00
Total TLA Special		\$9,925.00