

Per diem locality		Maximum lodging amount (room rate only-no taxes) (a)	+	M&IE rate (b)	=	Maximum per diem amount rate 4 (c)
Key city ¹	County and/or other defined location 2, 3					
* * *	* * *	*		*		*
Minneapolis/St. Paul	Hennepin County and Fort Snelling Military Reservation and Navy Astronautics Group Detachment BRAVO), Rosemount; and Ramsey County.	85		46		131
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Dated: May 18, 1999.

David. J. Barram,

Administrator of General Services.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Chapter 301

RIN 3090-AG98

[FTR Amendment 82]

Federal Travel Regulation; Maximum Per Diem Rates in Colorado, Georgia, and New York

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) Amendment 75, as corrected, published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, February 10, 1999 (64 FR 6550), to increase the maximum lodging amounts in the States of Colorado, Georgia and New York.

DATES: This final rule is effective May 27, 1999, and applies to travel performed on or after May 27, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Harte, Office of Governmentwide Policy, Travel and Transportation Management Policy Division, at 202-501-1538.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

The General Services Administration (GSA), after an analysis of additional data, has determined that current lodging allowances for the localities of Adams County (Adams County), Denver (Denver County), and Jefferson County (Jefferson County), Colorado; Cobb County (Cobb County) and DeKalb County (DeKalb County), Georgia; and Nassau County (Nassau County) and Suffolk County (Suffolk County), New York, do not adequately reflect the cost of lodging in those areas. To provide adequate per diem reimbursement for Federal employee travel to those areas, the maximum lodging allowances are changed. Also, under the State of New York, the per diem localities of Great Neck and Nassau County are revised to more clearly define the applicable county and/or other defined location.

B. Executive Order 12866

GSA has determined that this final rule is not a significant regulatory action for the purposes of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993.

C. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule is not required to be published in the **Federal Register** for notice and comment; therefore, the Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply.

D. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the final rule does not

impose recordkeeping or information collection requirements, or the collection of information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public which require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 501 *et seq.*

E. Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

This final rule is also exempt from congressional review prescribed under 5 U.S.C. 801 since it relates solely to agency management and personnel.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Chapter 301

Government employees, Travel and transportation expenses.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, under 5 U.S.C. 5701-5709, 41 CFR chapter 301 is amended as follows:

CHAPTER 301—TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

Appendix A to chapter 301 is amended by revising the entries under the State of Colorado, Adams County, Denver (Denver County) and Jefferson County; under the State of Georgia, Cobb County and DeKalb County; and under the State of New York, Great Neck (Nassau County), Nassau County and Suffolk County, to read as follows:

Appendix A to Chapter 301—Prescribed Maximum Per Diem Rates for Conus

Per diem locality		Maximum lodging amount (room rate only-no taxes) (a)	+	M&IE rate (b)	=	Maximum per diem amount rate 4 (c)
Key city ¹	County and/or other defined location ^{2,3}					
* * *	* * *	*		*		*
COLORADO						
Adams County	Adams County	73		38		111

Per diem locality		Maximum lodging amount (room rate only-no taxes) (a)	+	M&IE rate (b)	=	Maximum per diem rate 4 (c)
Key city ¹	County and/or other defined location ^{2,3}					
Denver	Denver	83		42		125
Jefferson County	Jefferson County	69		34		103
GEORGIA						
Cobb County	Cobb County	78		34		112
DeKalb County	DeKalb County	78		34		112
NEW YORK						
Great Neck	That part of Nassau County defined as north of the Southern States Parkway (see Nassau County).	190		42		232
Nassau County	That part of Nassau County not defined as north of the Southern States Parkway (see Great Neck).	120		38		158
Suffolk County	Suffolk County	155		38		193

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Part 300-80

RIN 3090-AG88

[FTR Amendment 83]

Federal Trade Regulation; Travel and Relocation Expenses Test Programs

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) is amending the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) to add authority to implement sections of the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998, which authorize Federal agencies to conduct travel and relocation expenses test programs when determined by the Administrator of

General Services to be in the interest of the Government. This change will permit agencies to test new and innovative methods of reimbursing travel and relocation expenses without seeking a waiver of current rules or authorizing legislation. It will also assist the Government in determining whether such innovations provide advantageous and effective travel and transportation costs and processes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 27, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Harte, Travel Team Leader, Travel and Transportation Management Policy Division (MTT), telephone 202-501-0483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 19, 1998, the President signed into law the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998 (the Act) (Pub. L. 105-264). This change will implement the provisions of the Act authorizing travel and relocation expenses test programs designed to enhance cost savings or other efficiencies that may accrue to the Government. This final rule is written in the plain language style of regulation writing as a continuation of GSA's effort to make the

FTR easier to understand and use. A proposed rule with request for comments was published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, February 10, 1999 (64 FR 6590). No comments were received.

A. Executive Order 12866

GSA has determined that this final rule is not a significant regulatory action for the purposes of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule is not required to be published in the **Federal Register** for notice and comment; therefore, the Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the final rule does not impose recordkeeping or information collection requirements, or the collection of information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public which require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 501 *et seq.*