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COMMAND SPONSORSHIP OF DEPENDENTS AT OVERSEAS DUTY STATIONS - APPLICABILITY AND DEFINITIONS

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References	(a) NAVSO P-6034, Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), Volume 1, Uniformed Service Members, Chapter 5 (b) DoD Instruction 1315.18 of 12 Jan 2005
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1. **Applicability.** This article is applicable to all active duty (ACDU) Navy personnel assigned to, ordered to, or who request transfer to permanent duty at an overseas permanent duty station (PDS) **outside** the contiguous 48 United States and the District of Columbia (continental United States (CONUS)). This includes personnel ordered overseas in connection with a change of homeport or PDS location.

2. **List of Terms to be Defined.** For the purpose of this article, the terms and their definitions listed below apply:

Acquired dependent
Appropriate military commander
Appropriate overseas commander
Command-sponsored dependent
Dependent entry approval
Formerly command-sponsored dependent
Noncommand-sponsored dependent

3. **Acquired Dependent**

a. An acquired dependent is an individual who becomes a dependent through birth, marriage, adoption, or other action during the course of a Navy servicemember's current overseas tour of duty.

b. The term does not include those individuals dependent upon the servicemember or children born of a marriage that existed before commencement of the current overseas tour.

c. In servicemember-married-to-servicemember situations, a servicemember separating from the service becomes an acquired dependent of the servicemember remaining on ACDU on the day of separation.

d. A dependent, returned early for personal reasons from an overseas area under references (a) and (b) will, however, be treated as an acquired dependent upon return to the overseas area at personal expense.

4. **Appropriate Military Commander**

a. The appropriate military commander is normally the commander authorized to grant dependent entry approval for the overseas area. See reference (b).

b. For those areas for which prior approval for dependent entry is not required, the appropriate overseas commander is the authority for authorizing command sponsorship.

c. The appropriate overseas commander, as defined below, is the appropriate military commander for servicemembers who request dependent entry approval after reporting to the overseas PDS.

5. **Appropriate Overseas Commander.** The appropriate overseas commander is the commanding officer (CO) of the servicemember's overseas PDS, except where the area or appropriate military commander has issued supplementary instructions restricting such authority.

6. **Command-Sponsored Dependent**

a. A command-sponsored dependent is a dependent

(1) whose servicemember sponsor is authorized to serve the accompanied tour in an area that has an accompanied tour prescribed,

(2) whose servicemember sponsor is granted authorization for dependents to be present in the vicinity of the overseas PDS, and

(3) who is residing with the servicemember at the overseas PDS.

b. If a servicemember's spouse is command-sponsored, children born of that marriage during the current tour of duty are command-sponsored at birth.

7. **Dependent Entry Approval**

a. Dependent entry approval is a procedure for authorizing dependents to enter overseas PDSs.

b. In those areas designated as requiring dependent entry approval, such approval allows dependents to travel to the overseas PDS at government expense and constitutes command sponsorship.

8. **Formerly Command-Sponsored Dependent**. Formerly command-sponsored dependent is a dependent who

a. was command-sponsored; and

b. temporarily continues to reside in the vicinity of the overseas PDS at which command sponsorship was conferred following PCS transfer of the sponsor; or

c. permanently continues to reside in the vicinity of the overseas PDS at which command sponsorship was conferred while the dependent's sponsor serves a consecutive unaccompanied overseas tour in another country, serves a dependent restricted tour, or is assigned to unusually arduous sea duty at a different PDS or homeport.

9. **Noncommand-Sponsored Dependent**. Noncommand-sponsored dependent is a dependent, residing in an overseas area, who is not command-sponsored, including formerly command-sponsored dependents and dependents residing at an Office of Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV), Pay and Compensation Branch (N130) approved overseas designated place of residency.