

## MILPERSMAN 7220-150

### BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR SUBSISTENCE (BAS) - SPECIALIZED TERMS

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<b>References</b>	(a) 37 U.S.C. § 402 (b) DoD 7000.14-R Volume 7A, DoD Financial Management Regulation, April 2017
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1. **Purpose.** To provide guidance on specialized terms of basic allowance for subsistence authorized in references (a) and (b).

2. **Definition: Impracticable.** The term is defined in two ways:

a. **Definition 1:** Not practical or reasonable due to time, distance, or other circumstances.

b. **Definition 2:** Not practical or reasonable due to adverse impact on member's mission:

(1) applies only to those personnel whose duties are of a unique nature, which makes use of a Government mess unreasonable or undesirable (e.g., investigative personnel, certain EOD personnel, etc.).

(2) does not mean adverse impact on a command's mission due to lost work hours, etc.

3. **Definition: Responsible Commanding Officer (RCO).** Commanding officer of a shore activity operating one general mess or more.

a. The RCO is the sole authority for granting authorizations to mess separately for Service members of his or her command as well as Service members of commands serviced by that mess.

b. This authority cannot be delegated to other tenant commands.

4. **Definition: Sea Duty.** Service performed by a permanent party crew member in a self-propelled vessel that is in an active status, in commission or in service, and is equipped with berthing and messing facilities.