



Helpful Hints for your Military / Civilian Untaxed Income Worksheet

OHA	Overseas Housing Allowance	Paid to service members to supplement cost of off-base housing while residing overseas.
COLA	Cost of Living Allowance	Paid to service members and civilians to offset the cost of living in high-cost areas. Amounts may vary from location to location and sometimes month to month.
BAS/Meal Card	Basic Allowance for Subsistence, also known as Separate Rations or CommRats	Received by all service members. BAS/ Separate Rations amount paid can be found on Leave and Earnings Statements (LESs). If you have a meal card, the value of the meal card must be reported. Meal card value can be found on the "Personal Statement of Military Compensation" or can be provided by your military finance office.
Clothing Allowance		Paid to enlisted service members for the purchase of new uniforms. Clothing allowance amounts can be found on the LES for the month you/your spouse/your parent entered the military (anniversary).
TLA	Temporary Lodging Allowance	Sometimes paid to service members who incurred additional costs (hotel bills, etc.) due to a military move.
FSA	Family Separation Allowance	Sometimes paid to service members who are temporarily separated from their families due to military move or military orders placing the service member away from the family.
BAH	Basic Allowance for Housing	Received by all service members. BAH is paid in the form of cash (see LESs) to those who reside off base. BAH is also the cash value of the housing you are provided when you reside in military housing or barracks. *Please see below for military-to-military marriages.
<p>*For military-to-military marriages, both service members receive BAH. The higher-ranking service member receives the "with dependent rate" while the lower-ranking member receives the "without dependent" rate.</p>		
<p>Web site with additional info: http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/</p>		

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