

SPACE AVAILABLE TRAVEL CATEGORIES/SELECTION PRIORITY

A complete listing of eligible passengers by category is contained in DoD 4515.13-R. The following is a partial listing of eligible individuals.

Category I:

Emergency travel on a round-trip basis in connection with serious illness, death, or impending death of a member of the immediate family of the following:

United States citizen civilian employees of the DoD stationed overseas.

Full-time, paid personnel of the American Red Cross serving with United States military services overseas.

Uniformed service family members whose sponsors are stationed within the Continental United States (CONUS) and the emergency exists overseas.

Family members of United States citizen civilian employees of the DoD when both sponsor and dependents are stationed overseas at the same location.

Category II:

Sponsors on environmental and morale leave (EML) and accompanied family members.

DoD Dependent School (DoDDS) teachers and their accompanied family members in EML status during school year holiday or vacation periods.

Category III:

Members of the uniformed services in an ordinary or reenlistment leave status and uniformed services patients on convalescent leave. Members on convalescent leave may not travel overseas unless their leave form is so annotated.

Military personnel traveling on permissive temporary duty (TDY) orders for house hunting.

If the permissive TDY is for the purpose of permanent change of station house hunting, the member travels in Category III and can be accompanied by one family member.

Bona fide family members (up to age 23 with a valid identification card) of a service member of the uniformed services when accompanied by their sponsor who is in an ordinary leave status within overseas areas between overseas stations and air terminals in the CONUS.

This privilege does not apply to travel of dependents to or from a sponsor's restricted or unaccompanied tour location, or to travel in a leave status to, or from TDY locations. It applies only to round-trip travel to an overseas area or the CONUS with the sponsor. DoD 4515.13-R restricts use of these privileges to establish a home for family members in an overseas area or the CONUS.

Foreign exchange service members on permanent duty with the DoD, when in a leave status.

Category IV:

Unaccompanied family members (18 years or older) traveling on EML orders. Family members under 18 must be accompanied by an adult family member who is traveling EML.

DoDDS teachers or family members (accompanied or unaccompanied) in an EML status during summer break.

Category V:

Students whose sponsor is stationed in Alaska or Hawaii.

Students enrolled in a trade school in the CONUS when the sponsor is stationed overseas. Military personnel traveling on permissive TDY orders for other than house hunting.

Category VI:

Reserve components/members.

Retired military members who are issued DD Form 2 and eligible to receive retired or retainer pay.

Family members (up to age 23 with a valid identification card) of retired members when accompanied by a sponsor.

NOTES:

A. Space available (Space A) eligible travelers may not use their privilege for personal gain or in connection with business enterprises or employment. Space A travel may not be used to establish a home, or when international or theater restrictions prohibit such travel.

B. Family members may not travel within the CONUS except as follows: Family members may travel on domestic leg segments of international flights during the beginning or end of their international flight. For example, if a flight originates in Texas, stops in California as part of the mission, and then continues overseas, family members eligible for travel may fly from Texas to the overseas area on the flight. They may not, however, travel just simply Texas to California.

C. Remember Space A seats are normally identified as early as 3-4 hours and as late as 30 minutes prior to departure. Recommend you check with the passenger service center for the space available show time for your flight prior to departing the terminal. Be ready for immediate processing and boarding.