MEMO FOR IATS USERS

Please insure that people who work in travel see the information listed below.

July 2019

SUBJECT: Rates Update CD For July 2019

NOTE: YOU MAY HAVE TO CLEAR THE CACHE ON YOUR COMPUTER WHEN TRYING TO DOWNLOAD RATES.

The following is a list of items enclosed:

- A. Information cover sheet and instruction sheets for loading rates for IATS
- B. IATS flyer for July 2019
- C. 1 CD labeled: July 2019 RATES UPDATE (now with the IATS 7.1 manual)

IATS RATES UPDATE INSTRUCTIONS

A. This month's update includes OCONUS rates eff 7-01-2019.

Step 1 Copy the file UPDATE294_Jul0119.ZIP to the location you will use for this and later updates. (You can leave the updates on the (CD) and have the system look for the update on the CD each month) Once IATS learns this location it will remember it from the previous update

- Step 2 Login to Maintenance with a user who has rights to update rates. A Superuser works well.
- Step 3 Expand the "Configuration/Base Parameters"
- Step 4 Click the entry "Update All Rates/Locations"
- **Step 5** Browse the "Show update-files in directory" on the UPDATE RATES AND LOCATIONS screen and find where you copied the attached file. Note: If the files were copied in the same locations as last month's update, the file should be displayed.
- **Step 6** If step 5 was correct you will see the current update in the "Available update-files:" block. Click the "Update the rates/Locations using the Selected Files" button to begin.

Step 7 Answer the prompts

NOTE: Check these locations to insure the rates updated. If WinIATS rates are different you will need to contact DFAS or your WinIATS support organization. <u>Do not do this lookup in Maintenance since you may accidentally override one of the dates. Use the rate lookup option.</u>

COUNTRY OR STATE /	CITY	DATE	LODGING	M&IE	MAXIMUM
ESWATINI	OTHER	7/01/2019	38	26	64
SOUTH AFRICA	OTHER	7/01/2019	117	66	183

These are only some of the locations that have changed. They are listed so you have a location toward the front of the alphabet and the end of the alphabet to check. If these updated correctly then the theory is that all the locations between have updated. You can use other locations from the PDTATAC web site to check the rates also.

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Contact the following to obtain assistance IATS-HELPDESK

Email: dfas.indianapolis-in.ztd.other.iats-help-desk@mail.mil

Telephone - Commercial: (317) 212-7718 DSN: 699-7718

1) RATES CAN BE E-MAILED TO SHIPS AT SEA OR LOCATIONS THAT HAVE E-MAIL BUT NOT ACCESS TO THE INTERNET AND WANT THE RATES SENT TO THEM ELECTRONICALLY. SEND AN E-MAIL STATING IF IT IS CONTINUOUS OR JUST FOR A SPECIFIC NUMBER OF MONTHS. INCLUDE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS.

GET THE RATES ELECTRONICALLY!!

You can get the rates through the INTERNET at **www.profsft.com** (do not type http) then click on SUPPORT. At the SUPPORT PAGE, select the appropriate rates then download the rates update file.

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NOTES TO IATS USERS

RITA RATES

At this time (July), GSA has not compiled and released the Federal, State and Puerto Rico marginal tax tables that are used for RITA's processed against orders issued prior to 2015. In 2018 the 2017 RITA rates were released at the end of May. In 2015 when GSA changed the rules to use the current year Federal Estimated Taxes and actual State Taxes paid by the employee, they stated that eventually they would no longer publish the Federal, State and Puerto Rico Tax.

It is looking like this may be the year that GSA no longer publishes the tax rates. We will continue to monitor the GSA web site should GSA put up the 2018 RITA rates for orders issued prior to 2015.

Thanks
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