



OVERSEAS ORDERS

Going OCONUS? Extra steps, handled.

The additional checklist for overseas moves:
passports, pets, vehicles, and the paperwork behind them.

PREPARED FOR YOUR MOVE

Applies to

All overseas duty stations

Use with

The Master PCS Timeline



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ASAP**The long-lead items**

- ☐ Apply for no-fee (official) passports for every traveler on your orders
These can take months, start the day you have orders
- ☐ Keep or get tourist passports too, for personal travel once you are there
- ☐ Complete command sponsorship paperwork for dependents
- ☐ EFMP overseas screening for the entire household, required before orders finalize
- ☐ Check visa and SOFA status requirements for your gaining country

PETS**Start 4 to 6 months out**

- ☐ Look up import rules and quarantine requirements for your gaining country
- ☐ Start the vaccine and titer timeline, some countries need months of lead time
- ☐ Book pet air travel early, summer PCS season fills fast
- ☐ Budget for quarantine, health certificates, and airline fees

VEHICLE**Ship, store, or sell**

- ☐ Confirm how many privately owned vehicles you may ship, usually one
- ☐ Book your Vehicle Processing Center appointment
- ☐ Decide on storage or sale for vehicles staying behind
- ☐ Research driving rules and license requirements at your gaining station

STUFF**Weight and what to bring**

- ☐ Check your overseas weight allowance, it may be less than stateside
- ☐ Plan an unaccompanied baggage shipment with early essentials
- ☐ Check electricity standards, most of your plug-in appliances may not work
- ☐ Confirm what government housing provides before shipping furniture

MONEY**Allowances change overseas**

- ☐ Overseas stations use OHA rather than BAH, ask finance how yours works
- ☐ Understand TLA for arrival lodging and keep every receipt
- ☐ Tell your bank and cards about the move, and compare overseas banking options