

Calling All DIYers

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Formerly known as a Do It Yourself Move (DITY Move), the Personally Procured Move Program (PPMP) gives service members several options for moving household good for a PCS.

an easier option for the Do-It-Yourselfer. And being able to load the truck at your convenience can make moving a little less stressful, as you are not bound to load everything in a single day.

Under the PPMP program, you can receive reimbursement up to 100 percent of the Government Constructive Cost (GCC) or an



incentive payment of 95 percent of the GCC. An advance operating allowance can be authorized to defray out of pocket moving expense (rental equipment, mover charges, packing material, etc.).

A Government Constructed Cost (GCC) is defined as the amount it would have cost the government to move your personal property during a government procured move up to but not exceeding your authorized weight allowance. Your GCC during ini-

tial counseling will be based on an estimated weight of your household goods, so be careful not to over-estimate the weight you are moving. Over-estimating may result in a lower reimbursement or incentive payment. Inflated estimates also may result in the member having to pay back money because they estimated more weight than actually shipped. A weight estimator worksheet and other forms and publications are available on the Army's Surface Deployment and Distribution Command website at www.sddc.army.mil.

Prior to making a personally procured move, it is recommended that you be counseled and get approval by a personal property office. Failure to get approval from the personal property office *MAY* result in non-payment of your reimbursement claim or incentive payment. Contact your local Personal Property Shipment to help determine the most cost-effective method of moving your household goods. If you have any questions regarding the advisability of doing a personally procured move, you can ask for an estimate or use the Navy's online Personally Procured Move Calculator at <https://hhg.navy.mil/pptacalc/index.jsp>

Keep in mind that the Government is not liable for any loss or damages that occur during a personally procured move. Since you perform all of the packing and transportation by yourself or with the assistance of a contracted carrier, any loss or damage is presumed to

be the result of your or your agent's improper packing or handling. Therefore, as a general rule, if you choose to do a personally procured move, the military claims office will not pay a claim for loss or damage.

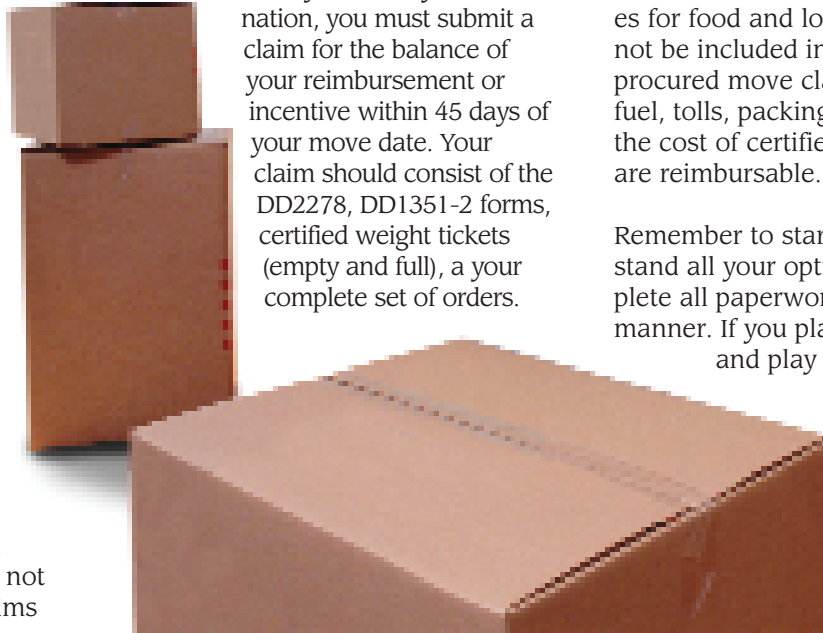
Temporary storage incidental to a personally procured move is authorized at Government expense. However, reimbursement will be based on the Government's cost to store a like amount of weight and will not include an incentive payment. Claims for loss or damage to your household goods while in storage are not payable by the military claims

offices. Make sure you purchase insurance to cover your goods while in storage.

Once you reach your destination, you must submit a claim for the balance of your reimbursement or incentive within 45 days of your move date. Your claim should consist of the DD2278, DD1351-2 forms, certified weight tickets (empty and full), a your complete set of orders.

Reimbursement for a personally procured move is only for moving expenses and is entirely separate from personal travel, pay and allowances. Additionally, expenses for food and lodging should not be included in your personally procured move claim; however, fuel, tolls, packing material and the cost of certified weight tickets are reimbursable.

Remember to start early, understand all your options and complete all paperwork in a timely manner. If you plan accordingly and play your cards right, you can actually make money on your PCS move—a nice change of pace! ●



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