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DEPLOYED EXEMPTION

Florida Statute 196.173

The Deployed Service Member Discount (commonly referred to as the “Deployed Exemption”) is available to active duty members who are CURRENTLY receiving Homestead Exemption and who were deployed in the **PRIOR** calendar year *outside the continental US, Hawaii or Alaska*. The deployment must also have been in direct support of one of the approved operations or be considered a subordinate operation to one of the approved operations. The approved operations are:

ENDURING FREEDOM

INHERENT RESOLVE

NEW DAWN

COPPER DUNE

JOINT GUARDIAN

US AIRSTRIKES AL QAEDA IN SOMALIA

FREEDOM’S SENTINEL

OBSERVANT COMPASS

ODYSSEY DAWN

SPARTAN SHIELD

OPERATIONS IN THE BALKANS

GEORGIA DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM

RESOLUTE SUPPORT

NOBLE EAGLE

NOMAD SHADOW

ATLANTIC RESOLVE

JOINT TASK FORCE BRAVO

(listing as of March 8, 2016)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Signed application **AND** deployment orders must be on file **by the filing deadline of March 1st**. All remaining documentation can be provided after the deadline, if needed, but no later than May 1st. All documentation can be submitted via fax, regular mail, email to jchambers@okaloosapa.com, or dropped off at either office location. Please contact our office, prior to applying, if you should have any questions or concerns.

*** If your deployment is going to last longer than 8 months, please contact our office PRIOR to the statutory deadline as there may be some further information needed, in addition to the documentation listed below.*

1. SIGNED DEPLOYED EXEMPTION APPLICATION (Form DR-501M)

- Can be obtained from our website (www.okaloosapa.com) or by request / pickup from our office.
- For any single deployment occurring during 2 calendar years (i.e. deployment begins in October and ends the following April), please submit **2 separate** signed applications.

2. DEPLOYMENT ORDERS (NATO Orders cannot be used)

The most common two forms are listed below. However, other formats are acceptable (other than NATO orders). Please go ahead and submit them, along with the remaining documents needed.

- **DD Form 1610** “Request and Authorization for TDY Travel of DOD Personnel”. *NOTE:* Operation name MAY be listed on 2nd page. If so, be sure to provide BOTH pages of the 1610.
- **“CED” Orders** - Please **REDACT** any other service members’ information that may be on the back page, if needed. Copy of front **AND** back pages of the CED orders will be needed. *“DATA MASKED” CED orders* are considered unclassified but they will not have the operation name listed.

3. FINAL TRAVEL VOUCHER (usually obtained from DTS website)

An acceptable form **MUST** show the exact arrival / departure flight dates & locations. The 2 most common formats of vouchers received are listed below and both say **“TRAVEL VOUCHER”** on the forms.

- **DD Form 1351-2** – It does not have to be a copy of a final “paid” voucher, as long as it reflects exact flight dates.
- **Long form on DTS (no form #)** – This format includes your daily per diem pay for the duration of your deployment it usually several pages in length. If submitting this format, only the first 2 pages are needed.
- *Flight Itineraries or Travel Authorizations cannot be accepted.* Be sure your form says “voucher”.

4. VERIFICATION OF OPERATION

If your deployment orders do NOT state the operation name, then you will be required to also provide **ONE** of the three documents listed below to serve as verification of the operation name.

- **MEMO FOR RECORD (“MFR”)** - Must be on military letterhead, signed by either a commanding officer, UDM/ Coordinator, or other authorized military personnel (*cannot be signed by applicant*), and it must state the deployment dates and specific operation name.
- **LETTER OF EVALUATION (“LOE”)** – Must reflect operation name in box 6 or in “Comments” section.
- **COMMENDATION MEDAL/CERTIFICATE** – Must state operation name and include the dates for entire deployment, not just a portion of the days.

MARCH 1ST IS THE STATUTORY FILING DEADLINE

