

## SUBCHAPTER F—MISCELLANEOUS ALLOWANCES

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#### Subpart A—General

NOTE TO SUBPART A: Use of pronouns "I", "you", and their variants throughout this subpart refers to the employee, unless otherwise noted.

#### §302-16.1 What are miscellaneous expenses?

(a) Miscellaneous expenses are costs associated with:

- (1) Discontinuing your residence at your old official station, and/or
- (2) Establishing a residence at your new official station.

(b) Expenses allowable under paragraphs (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this section include, but are not limited to the following:

General expenses	Fees/deposits	Losses
Appliances .....	For disconnecting/connecting appliances, equipment, utilities (except for mobile homes see §302-10.20), conversion of appliances for operation on available utilities.	
Rugs, draperies, and curtains .....	For cutting and fitting such items, moved from one residence quarters to another.	
Utilities (See §302-10.20 for mobile homes).	Deposits or fees not offset by eventual refunds.	
Medical, dental, and food locker contracts.	.....	Forfeiture losses not transferable or refundable.
Private Institutional care contracts (such as that provided for handicapped or invalid dependents only).	.....	Forfeiture losses not transferable or refundable.
Privately-owned automobiles .....	Registration, Driver's license, and use taxes imposed when bringing into certain jurisdictions.	

**Relocation Allowances**

**§ 302-16.2**

General expenses	Fees/deposits	Losses
Transportations of pets .....	Only costs associated with dogs, cats and other house pets are included. Other animals (horses, fish, birds, various rodents, etc.) are excluded because of their size, exotic nature, or restrictions on shipping, host country restrictions and special handling difficulties. Costs are limited to transportation and handling costs, required to meet the more stringent rules of air carriers, not included are inoculations, examinations, boarding quarantine or other costs in the moving process.	

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- (a) Costs associated with relocating that are not covered by other relocation benefits detailed in Chapter 302.
- (b) Expenses allowable under this section include but are not limited to the following, and similar, items:

**§ 302-16.2 What are miscellaneous expenses?**

Miscellaneous expenses are:

General expenses	Fees/deposits	Losses
Appliances .....	Fees for disconnecting/connecting utilities, appliances, equipment, or conversion of appliances for operation on available utilities.	
Rugs, draperies, and curtains .....	Fees for cutting and fitting such items when they are moved from one residence quarters to another.	
Utilities (For mobile homes, see § 302-10.204).	Deposits or fees not offset by eventual refunds.	
Medical, dental, and food locker contracts.	.....	Losses that cannot be recovered by transfer or refund and are incurred due to early termination of a contract.
Private Institutional care contracts (such as that provided for handicapped or invalid dependents only).	.....	Losses that cannot be recovered by transfer or refund and are incurred due to early termination of a contract.
Privately-owned vehicles .....	Registration, driver's license, and use taxes imposed when bringing vehicles into certain jurisdictions.	
Transportation of pets .....	The only costs included are those normally associated with the transportation and handling of dogs, cats, and other house pets, as well as costs due to stringent air carrier rules. Other animals (horses, fish, birds, reptiles, various rodents, etc.) are excluded because of their size, exotic nature, restrictions on shipping, host country restrictions, and special handling difficulties. Inoculations, examinations, and boarding quarantine costs are excluded.	

**§ 302-16.2 What is the purpose of the miscellaneous expenses allowance (MEA)?**

The miscellaneous expenses allowance (MEA) is to help defray some of the costs incurred due to relocating. The MEA is related to expenses that are common to living quarters, furnishings, household appliances, and to

other general types of costs inherent in relocation of a place of residence. (See part 302-10 of this chapter for specific costs normally associated with relocation of a mobile home dwelling that are covered under transportation expenses.)