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**PART 302-6—RELOCATION RELATED TO RETURN TO PLACE OF RESIDENCE**

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**§ 302-6.1**            **May FAA pay relocation expenses related to return to place of residence when I perform a permanent change of station (PCS) to a new official station within CONUS and complete my service agreement?**            No.

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§ 302-6.2	<b>Must FAA pay relocation expenses related to return to place of residence when I perform a PCS to a new post of duty outside CONUS and complete my service agreement?</b>	Yes.
§ 302-6.3	<b>May I exercise my return rights in conjunction with a subsequent transfer at Government expense?</b>	No, FAA will not pay your return rights when it pays you relocation expenses related to a subsequent transfer. FAA may pay a transferee more allowances, therefore, generally you should opt for payment of your PCS expenses instead of return rights.
§ 302-6.4	<b>Does a subsequent transfer extinguish my return rights?</b>	Yes. You may receive new return rights, however, if you qualify for return rights as a result of the subsequent transfer. For example, an employee who transfers from one post of duty to another post of duty continues to have return rights.
§ 302-6.5	<b>Are my return rights extinguished upon completion of my service agreement?</b>	No. You continue to be eligible for return rights for as long as you are assigned to the official station to which you transferred with return rights.
§ 302-6.6	<b>May FAA pay relocation expenses related to return to place of residence when I perform a PCS to a new post of duty and separate from Government service prior to completion of my service agreement?</b>	Only if you separate for reasons beyond your control and acceptable to FAA. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) You have an illness which was not induced by your misconduct;</li><li>(b) You are called to active duty in the Armed Forces;</li><li>(c) You are separated for the convenience of the Government;</li><li>(d) You are separated because you are not capable of performing the duties for which you were recruited or for other duties assigned;</li><li>(e) You are separated as a result of a reduction in force; and</li><li>(f) You retire from Government service.</li></ul>

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- § 302-6.7**      **May FAA pay relocation expenses for members of my immediate family to return to my place of residence before I complete my service agreement?**
- Yes, FAA may pay your immediate family's relocation expenses when you are stationed at a post of duty and:
- (a) A member of your immediate family is returning to your place of residence for compassionate reasons;
  - (b) Your former spouse and dependents are returning to your place of residence upon divorce or annulment of your marriage; or
  - (c) A member of your immediate family is returning to your place of residence upon reaching 21 years of age.
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- § 302-6.8**      **What return transportation expenses am I liable for if my immediate family has performed return travel under § 302-6.7 and I separate from Government service prior to the completion of my service agreement?**
- You are liable as follows:

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<b>If you do not complete your service agreement for...</b>	<b>You are...</b>
Reasons which are acceptable to FAA and beyond your control,	Not liable for any amounts paid for your immediate family's return to your place of residence.
Other reasons,	Liable for any amounts paid for your immediate family's return to your place of residence. You must repay such amount and FAA will treat your repayment as a debt to the Government.

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- § 302-6.9**      **How many times during the duration of a service agreement may I receive reimbursement under this part for return transportation of my immediate family?**
- Only once. If you transport your immediate family or your household goods at Government expense back to your place of residence during the duration of a service agreement, FAA will not subsequently pay to transport your immediate family or your household goods to your post of duty. This provision does not preclude transportation related to evacuation travel authorized in part 301-30 of this subtitle.

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- § 302-6.10**      **What expenses must FAA pay if I return to my place of residence?**      FAA must pay:
- (a) Your travel expenses, including transportation and subsistence expenses as provided in part 302-20 of this chapter;
  - (b) Transportation of members of your immediate family as provided in part 302-20 of this chapter;
  - (c) Transportation and temporary storage of household goods as provided in parts 302-40 and 302-41 of this chapter;
  - (d) Transportation of a privately owned automobile as provided in part 302-43 of this chapter; and
  - (e) Transportation of a mobile home, as provided in part 302-45 of this chapter, in lieu of transportation and temporary storage of household goods.
- § 302-6.11**      **What expenses will FAA not pay if I return to my place of residence?**      FAA will not pay:
- (a) Subsistence expenses for members of your immediate family;
  - (b) Househunting trip expenses;
  - (c) Temporary quarters subsistence expenses;
  - (d) Expenses related to the sale of your residence, or termination of your lease, at the old official station and purchase of a residence at your new official station;
  - (e) Property management services expenses;
  - (f) A home marketing incentive payment;
  - (g) A property management services incentive payment;
  - (h) A relocation income tax allowance; or
  - (i) Expenses related to the use of relocation services.
- § 302-6.12**      **When is the latest that my immediate family or I may begin travel and transportation under this part?**      You and your immediate family must begin your travel and transportation not later than 18 months after the date that you complete your service agreement.
- § 302-6.13**      **May FAA allow me an extension on the 18 month deadline to begin travel and transportation?**      No.

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- § 302-6.14      **Must I sign a new service agreement to be eligible for return transportation?**      No. You are entitled to return transportation upon completion of the service agreement you signed when you transferred to the post of duty.
- § 302-6.15      **What is the “authorized destination” of transportation of my household goods, my immediate family, or myself when I receive return transportation under this part?**      Your designated place of residence as determined by FAA under § 302-3.81 or § 302-5.204.
- § 302-6.16      **What will I be reimbursed if I transport my household goods, my immediate family, or myself to a destination other than my authorized destination?**      You will be reimbursed your actual travel and transportation costs not to exceed what it would have cost if you had transported your household goods, your immediate family, and/or you to your authorized destination.