

PCS to Greece checklist

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When you have orders

- ☐ Contact the transportation office at your current installation as soon as you have orders. That office helps with entitlements, the household-goods shipment, and problems with the moving company. Military OneSource (<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/moving-pcs/living-oconus/a-service-family-checklist-for-moving-oconus/>).
- ☐ Book and track the shipment in the Defense Personal Property System (<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/moving-pcs/moving-personal-property/>).
- ☐ People covered by the Status of Forces Agreement are subject to Greek law. Navy, Souda Bay (<https://www.secnav.navy.mil/donhr/Overseas/Documents/Souda%20Bay.pdf>).
- ☐ If family is coming, ask for command sponsorship. It is not guaranteed. If it is approved, your orders say dependents are authorized. Military OneSource (<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/benefits/obtaining-command-sponsorship-before-oconus-move/>).

Driving and a car

- ☐ That statement says a privately owned vehicle shipment is authorized and that you should ship early because the transit is long. Navy, Souda Bay (<https://www.secnav.navy.mil/donhr/Overseas/Documents/Souda%20Bay.pdf>).
- ☐ For the civilians that statement covers, an unaccompanied employee gets one car at government expense. An accompanied tour may add a second car, duty-free, at your own expense.
- ☐ Greek law, as that statement describes it, often does not treat a car as marital property. Title the car in the name of the person on orders.
- ☐ At pickup you need a valid state license, a paper title, registration, and insurance that is valid in Greece.

Pets

- ☐ You pay the pet's care, and the cost of taking the pet home. Not every landlord allows pets. Greek law fines people who abandon an animal. Navy, Souda Bay (<https://www.secnav.navy.mil/donhr/Overseas/Documents/Souda%20Bay.pdf>).
- ☐ That statement tells you to use the USDA pet-travel page for the export steps. You are responsible for meeting them.

Before you agree a rent

- ☐ There is no base housing for the civilians that statement covers. Do not discuss the price or commit to a lease until the housing office does. Navy, Souda Bay (<https://www.secnav.navy.mil/donhr/Overseas/Documents/Souda%20Bay.pdf>).
- ☐ Look up the rate for your locality. A rate for another locality does not apply. DTMO OHA Rate Lookup (<https://www.travel.dod.mil/Allowances/Overseas-Housing-Allowance/OHA-Rate-Lookup/>).
- ☐ Overseas COLA offsets higher prices of non-housing goods and services. It is not a fixed amount. Do not build a budget that depends on it. DTMO (<https://www.travel.dod.mil/Allowances/Overseas-Cost-of-Living-Allowance/>).

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