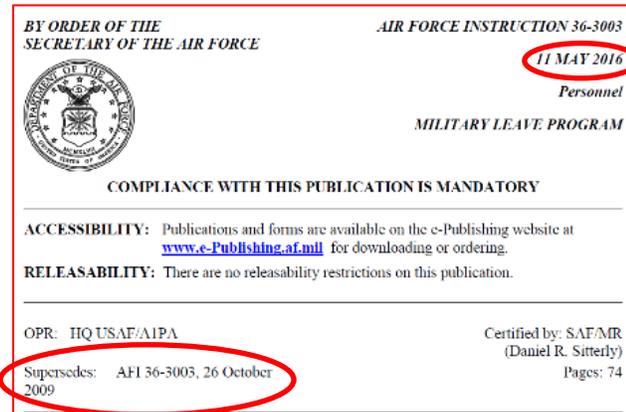




Changes to Permissive TDY Policy

In May 2016, [AFI36-3003](#) was published with significant changes to the Air Force Permissive TDY policies. The PTDY table of authorizations went from 49 rules down to 21 rules. Many previous rules were combined while others are no longer authorized. The changes were made to simplify the PTDY table and to ensure the Air Force is in compliance with the equivalent [DoD Instruction](#) for non-chargeable leave and administrative absence. Our Sister Services are also in the process of updating their regulations to ensure compliance.



What stays the same?

- Squadron commanders are still the approval—and disapproval—authority for most PTDY requests
- Commonly used PTDY rules still authorized for PTDY:
 - Participation in professional development activities
 - House hunting for a PCS move
 - Terminal leave for job or house hunting
 - See [AFI 36-3003, Table 4.5](#) for full list of authorized PTDY rules

What are the major changes commanders need to know about?

- Squadron CCs may still approve PTDY up to the designated number of days listed in Table 4.5.
 - For some rules, the number of days authorized is not specified in the table. For these rules, squadron CCs may approve up to 10 days PTDY, wing CCs may approve up to 30 days PTDY, and AFPC C approval is required for PTDY exceeding 30 days.
- Several previous PTDY rules regarding professional development were combined. Although examples are provided in the AFI, the list is not all inclusive and commanders must exercise appropriate judgment for requests outside the scope of the examples.
- Activities that no longer qualify for PTDY and will require Airmen to use chargeable leave:
 - Support to non-sectarian youth organization activities (i.e. Boy/Girl Scouts, Special Olympics, etc)
 - Participation in charitable and/or mission trips
 - Presentation of inspector general complaints
 - Citizenship naturalization court hearings and processing
 - Visit AFPC or MAJCOM to discuss career management and/or to review personnel records
 - Aero club aircraft procurement travel
 - Travel for procuring artifacts of historic interest for use in Air Force museums or air-parks
 - Travel to a non-local military MTF for the removal of inappropriate tattoos
 - The rule to obtain a legal same-sex marriage for CONUS Airmen was deleted because same-sex marriage is now legal in all states. However, there is still a provision for Airmen overseas.
- Exceptions to policy or waivers for PTDY must now be staffed for approval from the squadron command up to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. Previously, HQ USAF/A1P was the approval authority. Requests may be disapproved at any level in the staffing chain.

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June 9, 1967 – The first Cessna O-2A Skymaster, used for forward air control, arrived in Vietnam.

June 10, 1989 – Capt. Jacquelyn S. Parker became the first female pilot to graduate from the Air Force Test Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base, California.

June 11, 1993- AC-130 Spectre gunships joined a U.N. raid on Somali warlord forces to retaliate for an attack on U.N. forces in Mogadishu six days earlier.

June 12, 1973 – The Satellite Early Warning System joined the aerospace surveillance system. Fourteenth Air Force, headquartered at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, operated the satellite system that augmented the ground-based, missile-launch detection sensors.

June 13, 1983 – Pioneer 10 became the first spacecraft to leave the solar system.

June 14, 1957 – In flying an Aero Commander 680 to 30,300 feet above Tulsa, Oklahoma, aviatrix Jerrie Cobb set a world altitude record for light twin-engine planes.

June 15, 1944 – Brig. Gen. LaVerne G. Saunders, of the XX Bomber Command, led the first B-29 Superfortress strike against Japan. In that raid, 47 B-29s flew from bases in Chengtu, China, to attack steel mills at Yawata on the Japanese island of Kyushu.



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