IDT Travel Reimbursement

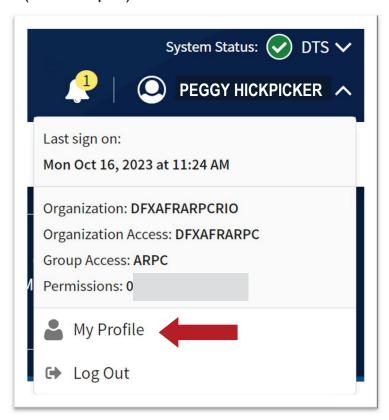
A Quick Guide from HQ RIO

How to file for IDT Outside Normal Commuting Distance Travel Reimbursement

IMAs who are at the rank of E-7 and below and those who are on the <u>Critical AFSC IDT Travel Listing</u> are entitled to reimbursement of travel expenses for getting to and from their unit of assignment. This reimbursement is limited to \$750 per round trip, up to 12 times per fiscal year (FY), and is for actual expenses incurred.

Generate Authorization

- Step 1: Go to DTS Website (https://www.defensetravel.osd.mil) and log in.
- Step 2: Click your name in the top right:
 - 2a. Verify you are under RIO Det & not your RegAF or previous TR unit *Contact your Det DTS ODTA to update, if necessary
 - **2b.** Click **My Profile**. Verify your email (**add personal email**), address, banking & GTC info here and in the profile tab of any open travel documents (See step 8).



Step 3: Click **Create New Document** to create your own authorization and select **Routine TDY Trip**.

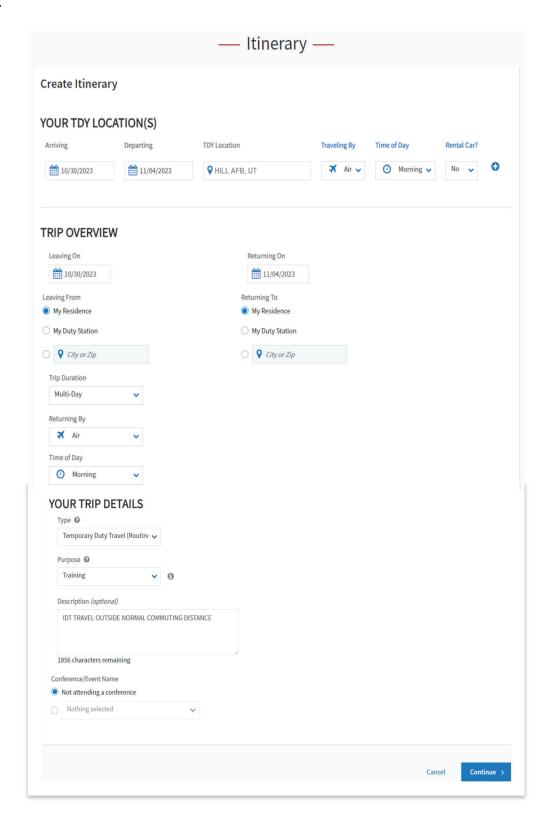
Step 4: The TDY location should be entered to match the location on the 40As.

4a: Purpose: Training

4b: Description: IDT TRAVEL OUTSIDE NORMAL COMMUTING

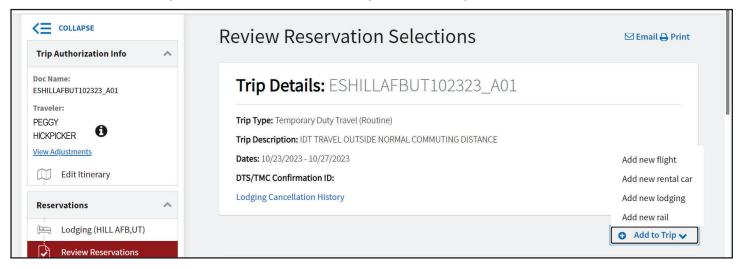
DISTANCE

*if traveling by POV, choose **OTHER** for **Traveling By** option



Reservations

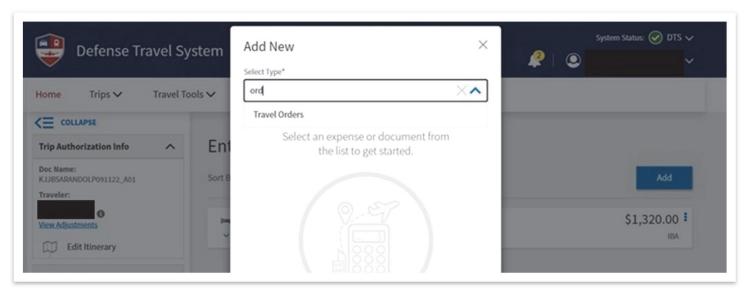
Step 5: Book your travel in DTS by clicking **Reservations** & then **Add to Trip**. Choose the method of travel that is applicable & authorized, contact DET AO for further guidance. *When booking airfare in DTS, make sure you choose the **GSA Contract Rate**. Any amount above that may not be fully reimbursed.



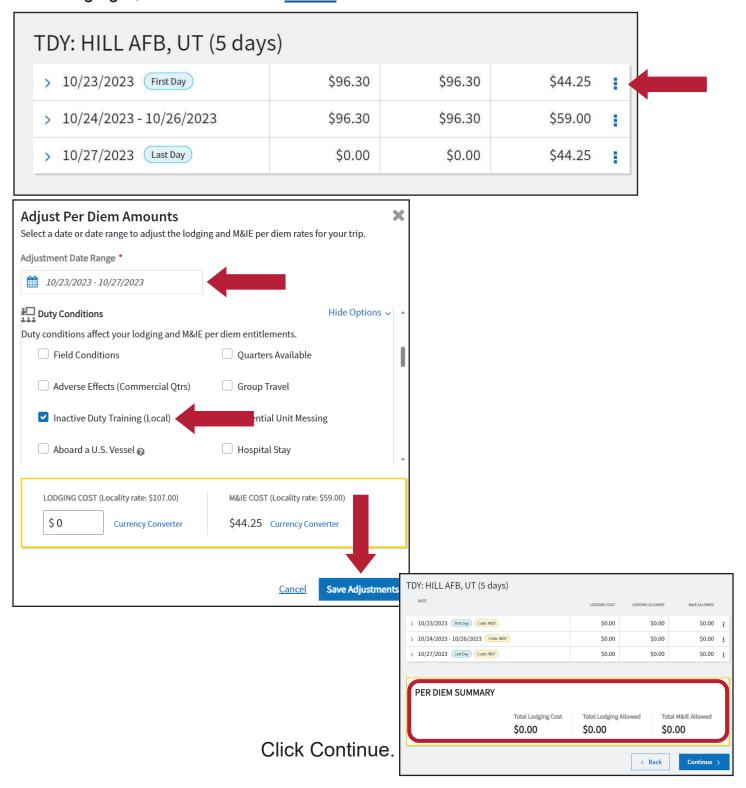
*You may also purchase your airfare outside of DTS, however keep in mind that non-gov't airfare may not be refundable, should you need to cancel.

Expenses & Per Diem

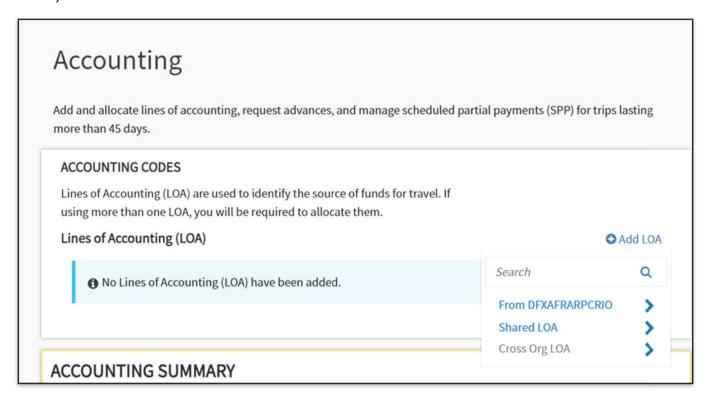
Step 6: Click Next or **Expenses**. In this section **upload your automated 40As** as travel orders. Add any <u>airfare or mileage expenses</u> you expect to incur up to the \$750 limit. Mileage from home to duty location will need to be claimed as *Private Vehicle—GOV Auth & Avail* to be reimbursed at the "Other" rate.



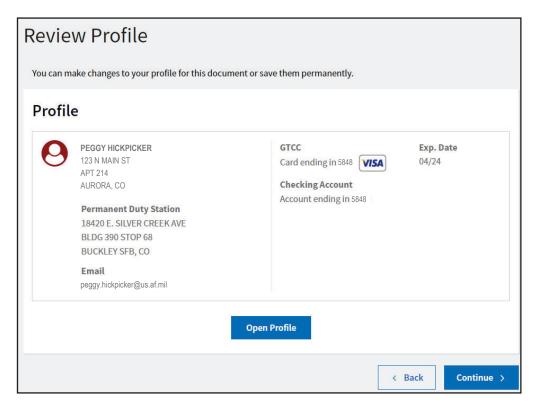
Step 7: Adjust per diem to zero out all days. IDT Travel is reimbursed based on actual expenses and daily per diem is not authorized. On the **per diem** tab, click the 3 dots to edit. Adjust the date range to encompass all days of IDTs. Scroll down to **Duty Conditions** and select **Inactive Duty Training (Local)**. Change **lodging to \$0** and click **Save Adjustments**. Your per diem will update to show \$0. *IDT Lodging will be claimed in a separate DTS local voucher. Use the IDT Lodging Quick Guide found HERE.*



Step 8: On the **Accounting** page, click the **Add LOA** button and use the **Search bar** to find **25 IDT TRAV ENL** (for enlisted) or **25 IDT TRAV OFF** (for officer)



Step 9: Click through & stop at **Review Profile**. Here you will find another section to confirm your bank account, GTC & billing information. This may differ from the main profile, so click **Open Profile** & review again to be sure.

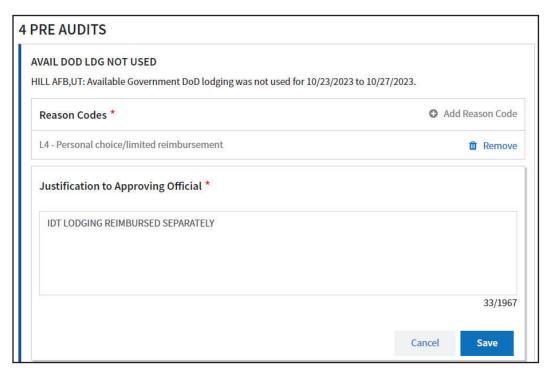


Step 10: Pre-audit: Avail DOD Ldg not used / Avail Preferred Ldg not used / Lodging not used

10a: Reason Codes: L4 - Personal choice/limited reimbursement

10b: Justification to Approving Official: IDT LODGING REIMBURSED SEPARATELY

*Constructed Travel Worksheet is not required. Any pre-audit flags for that reason can have the justification of: NOT REQUIRED

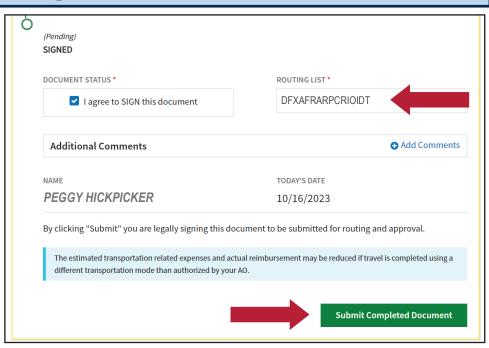


Sign & Submit

Step 11: Check the box to "sign" the authorization and change the routing list to DEXAFRARPCRIOIDT.

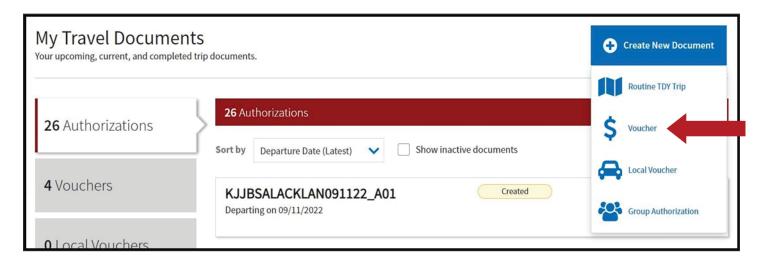
Click Submit.

The OWC will approve your authorization.

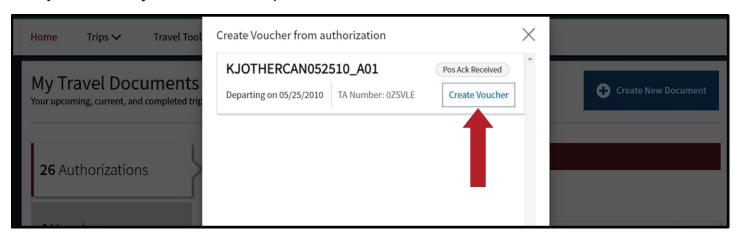


Completing the Voucher

Step 1: You must have an approved authorization to file a voucher. Login to DTS: https://www.defensetravel.osd.mil & click **Create New Document** and then **Voucher**.



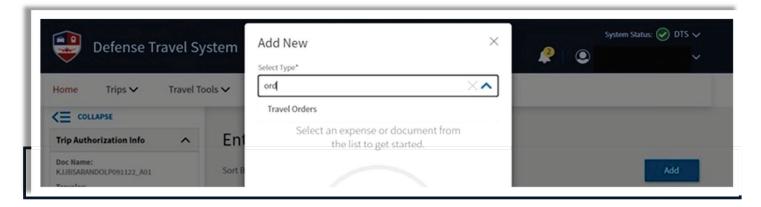
Step 2: Identify the correct trip and click Create Voucher.



- **Step 3:** Click **Expenses** & add incurred expenses up to the \$750 limit. Click **Add** & attach receipts for every expense.
 - **3a.** If you flew and booked your lodging through the TMC, you will need to separate your **TMC Service Fee** from your airline ticket & claim them separately. If total airfare + TMC fee exceeds \$750, decrease airfare expense and/or remove TMC fee until total reimbursement is \$750.
 - **3b.** If airfare + TMC fee is less than \$750, you may continue adding expenses

(mileage to/from the airport, taxis, etc.) until total claim is less than or equal to \$750.

- **3c.** If you drove to the airport and utilized the airport parking, ensure the total of terminal mileage + parking for first and last day is less than the cost of two taxis. Use taxifarefinder.com to check the local taxi rates in your area. You can also get quotes from local taxi companies or provide screenshots of Lyft/Uber if costs in your area are higher than normal.
- 3d. Receipts are required for every expense except mileage and tolls.
- **3e.** Review all expenses and ensure total claim is not more than \$750. Click Continue.



Per Diem

- Step 4: When you are finished adding expenses, proceed to the Per Diem tab.
 - **4a**. Ensure per diem is \$0 for all days. If authorization was approved with per diem or lodging amounts, please go to page 4 and follow the steps to decrease per diem.
 - **4b.** When per diem tab shows total as \$0, click Continue to move to next screen.

Step 5: Double check your information in the Profile section to make sure it is correct.

Step 6: If you receive additional **Pre-Audit** flags on the **Other Auths & Pre-Audits** page, go to page 6 and follow the steps for justification. Once all flags are complete, click **Next**.

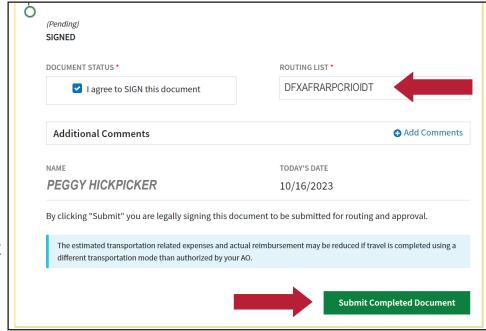
Step 7: On the **Sign & Submit** page, provide any extra contact information (phone number and/or personal email) in the Additional Comments section. This is in case there is a question, the AO or Reviewer can reach out. Lastly, click

Submit.

Congratulations!

You've submitted your voucher, but you're not done yet.

You will need to monitor the email associated with your DTS profile in case it is returned for errors. You can also login to **DTS** and click **Vouchers**. Common



stamps are Created, Signed, Reviewed, Returned, and Approved.

Your voucher goes through one level for approval. The DTS Approval is completed by the Travel Reimbursement Office (TRO).

If you require further assistance, direct DTS questions to your Det **Organization Defense Travel Administrator (ODTA**).

Det Contact List

DTS Home Page: Live Chat M-F 8am-6pm ET

DTMO: Per Diem, constructed travel for trip costs, FAQs