

§ 302-7.7

TRANSPORTATION OF HHG AND PBP&E

Category of employee	Authorized origin/destination
Temporary change of official station (TCS).	From current official station to TCS location and return.

§ 302-7.7 May the origin and destination points be other than that prescribed in § 302-7.6?

Yes, shipments may originate or terminate at any location; however, your reimbursement is limited to the cost of transporting the property in one lot from the authorized origin to the authorized destination.

§ 302-7.8 Is there a time limit for the temporary storage of an authorized HHG shipment?

The initial period of temporary storage at Government expense shall not exceed 90 days in connection with any authorized HHG shipment. The HHG may be placed in temporary storage at origin, in transit, at destination, or any combination thereof. However, upon your written request, an additional 90 days may be authorized by the designated agency official. In no case may the maximum time limit for temporary storage exceed 180 days.

§ 302-7.9 What are some reasons that would justify the additional storage beyond the initial 90-day limit?

Reasons for justifying temporary storage beyond the initial 90-day limit include, but are not limited to:

- (a) An intervening temporary duty or long-term training assignment;
- (b) Non-availability of suitable housing;
- (c) Completion of residence under construction;
- (d) Serious illness of employee or illness or death of a dependent;
- (e) Strikes, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond the control of the employee; or
- (f) Similar reasons.

§ 302-7.10 Is property acquired en route eligible for transportation at Government expense?

No, property acquired en route will not be eligible for transportation at Government expense.

§ 302-7.11 What is the Government's liability for loss or damage to HHG?

The Government's liability for loss or damage to HHG is determined by your agency under title 31 U.S.C. 3721-3723 and agency implementing rules and regulations issued pursuant to the law.

§ 302-7.12 What are the various methods of shipping HHG and how is the weight determined for each type of shipment?

HHG should be shipped by the most economical method available. The various methods of shipment and weight calculations include the following:

Method of shipment	How weight of shipment is determined
(a) Uncrated (shipped in HHG movers van or similar conveyance).	The net weight will be shown on the bill of lading or weight certificate attached and includes the weight of barrels, boxes, cartons, and similar material used in packing, but does not include pads, chains, dollies and other equipment to load and secure the shipment.
(b) Crated shipments	When crated the net weight will not include the weight of the crating material. The net weight will be computed as being 60 percent of the gross weight. However, if the net weight computed in this manner exceeds the applicable weight limitation and if it is determined that, for reasons beyond the employee's control, unusually heavy crating and packing materials were necessarily used, the net weight may be computed at less than 60 percent of the gross weight.
(c) Containerized shipments (Special containers designed, e.g., lift vans, CONEX transporters, HHG shipping boxes, for repeated use).	When the known tare weight does not include the weight of interior bracing and padding materials but only the weight of the container, the net weight will be 85 percent of the gross weight less the weight of the container. If the known tare weight includes such material, so that the net weight is the same as it would be for uncrated shipments in interstate commerce, the net weight will not be subject to reduction.