

Renewal Agreement Travel (RAT) - Computing the Tour of Duty when RAT is Delayed and a Service Limitation Outside the Continental United States (OCONUS) does not Affect the Civilian Employee (JTR, par. 055003)

Scenario:

A civilian employee's initial 36-month tour ended June 30, 2003. He or she was eligible to perform renewal agreement travel (RAT) beginning July 1, 2003, after signing a 24-month renewal agreement. The civilian employee was scheduled to depart the permanent duty station (PDS) on July 1, 2003, perform RAT, and return July 31, 2003. The new tour of duty begins on August 1, 2003, and ends July 31, 2005, 24 months after the return from RAT. The civilian employee's initial tour was extended to August 31, 2003, delaying RAT for 62 days, and the civilian employee performed RAT for 30 days, September 1-30, 2003. Compute the reduction in the tour of duty by subtracting the number of days the initial tour was extended from the specified length of the tour after RAT completion. In this example, the civilian employee's RAT tour after returning to the PDS outside the continental United States (OCONUS) would be for 22 months beginning October 1, 2003, and ending July 31, 2005.

Tour Length Determination

| Event | Dates |
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| Initial tour ended: | June 30, 2003 |
| Eligible to take RAT: | July 1, 2003 |
| Initial tour extended to: | August 31, 2003 |
| Number of days initial tour was extended and RAT was delayed: | June 30 to August 31 = 62 days |
| Length of renewal agreement: | 24 months |
| Allowed reduction of tour length: | 24 months - 62 days = 22 months |