

Subject: Civilian Clothing Allowance (CCA)

1. Purpose: To provide information for the DoD Financial Management Regulation (7000.14-R), Volume 7A, Chapter 29, "Clothing Monetary Allowances, March 2013.
2. IAW paragraph 290403, Service members (officer or enlisted) directed by competent authority to dress in civilian clothing more than half the time when performing official duty, as a military requirement, may be authorized a Civilian Clothing Allowance. By law, an officer is authorized a Civilian Clothing Allowance only if his or her permanent duty station is outside the United States.
3. Permanent Duty Civilian Clothing Allowances. The Permanent Duty Civilian Clothing Allowance has two parts: the Initial Civilian Clothing Allowance and the Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance. The Initial Civilian Clothing Allowance is payable upon assignment to qualifying permanent duty when authorized by the Service concerned. When entitled, the Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance is payable annually at the end of the service member's anniversary month using the applicable rate then in effect. The rates payable for the Permanent Duty Civilian Clothing Allowances are in Table 29-8.
4. Initial Civilian Clothing Allowance. An Initial Civilian Clothing Allowance shall not be paid more frequently than once in any 3-year period nor shall it be paid if the member has been out of a qualifying assignment for less than 12 months. If the member receives a follow-on permanent assignment requiring the wear of civilian clothing within 3 years of receiving an Initial Civilian Clothing Allowance, or within 12 months of occupying a qualifying assignment, then he or she will receive the Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance at the end of the original anniversary month.
5. Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance. At the end of the anniversary month of the member commencing the qualifying assignment, a Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance is payable if it is projected that he or she will serve at least 6 additional months in a qualifying assignment. The member becomes entitled upon authorization of the Service concerned. If it is projected that the member will remain in the assignment less than 6 months beyond the anniversary month, then no Replacement Civilian Clothing Allowance will be authorized. However, if the member then actually serves 6 or more months in the assignment past the anniversary month, then the replacement allowance will be paid.

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