

BAH RATE PROTECTION FAQs

Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Rate protection keeps a member from having a reduction in BAH as long as the member maintains eligibility.

1. Where is the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Rate Protection policy located?

Answer: The BAH Rate Protection policy is located in the CG Pay Manual COMDTINST M7220.29 (series), Chapter 3, section C. BAH Rate Protection. The CG Pay Manual can be located at https://media.defense.gov/2019/Nov/15/2002211440/-1/-1/0/CIM_7220_29D.PDF.

2. How can a member request BAH Rate Protection?

Answer: The member completes a Housing Allowance Protection Worksheet (CG-2025A) and forwards it to CG PSC-PSD-fs -bps at HQS-SMB-CGPSC-PSDFS-BAH@uscg.mil. The CG-2025A form can be found at <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/forms/>.

3. If CG PSC-PSD-fs -bps does not approve my BAH Rate Protection request, can I appeal their decision?

Answer: In accordance with Article 3.C.4.a of the CG Pay Manual, unless there is evidence of a significant error on policy misinterpretation, CG PSC-PSD-fs -bps decision is final and not subject to appeal to higher authority.

4. How long does it take to process my BAH Rate Protection request?

Answer: We are working diligently to answer every request as quickly as possible. Current BAH Rate Protection requests times vary greatly depending on the time of year submitted. During PCS season (MAR-SEP), it may take up to 30 days to process your request. During non-PCS season it may take up to 15 days to process requests. When you submit your request you will receive an email response with the latest estimated processing times. Please be advised that it may take longer if your BAH rate protection request is forwarded to the Military Pay and Compensation Division (COMDT (CG-1332)) for review.

