GUIDE TO THE NON-TEMPORARY STORAGE OF BOATS AND TRAILERS

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1. Who is Authorized to Store These Items.

   - Check with your local Transportation Office for the latest update on storage entitlements.

2. Special Consideration Applies To.

   - Any boat trailer regardless of size
   - Any boat without a trailer greater than 14 feet in length or longer

3. Special Consideration Does Not Apply.

   - Boats 14 feet or less in length
   - Dinghies or Sculls of any size


   - When booking, inform the NTS TSP of the boat/trailer
   - Have all measurements available
   - NTS TSP can refuse with no penalty
   - NTS TSP can be paid a "Weight Additive"
   - Proper annotation on the DD Form 1164

5. Proper Storage Procedures.

   - Customer's responsibility to properly prepare boat/trailer for storage.
   - Items not permanently attached must be packed w/household goods.
   - Boats on trailers will be stored on the trailer.
   - Must be stored INSIDE a DOD approved storage facility.
   - Finished surfaces properly protected.

6. When The Boat/Trailer Is Released.

   - Notify the shipping office.
   - Provide the measurements of the boat/trailer.
   - Possible One Time Only rate solicitation may be required.
   - Proper notification and proper shipment can save the member a lot of money
MEMORANDUM FOR: All Using Activities within the Regional Storage Management Office
Area of Responsibility

SUBJECT: Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) of Boats and Boat Trailers.

1. Effective August 1, 1988 the Joint Federal Travel Regulation (JFTR) was revised to authorize the shipment and storage of boats and/or boat trailers. It is possible that any weight additive included in the total household goods overall weight could be charged against the member's weight allowance, and the cost of any special packing, crating and special handling may be charged to the member. The RSMO's always recommend that you contact your local Transportation Office for the latest updates in storage entitlements.

2. Recommended guidelines for booking NTS lots containing boats/trailers are:

   a. Transportation Service Providers (TSP’s) must be informed at the time the oral offer is made that the lot contains a boat/trailer, including the length and width of the boat/trailer. The "Service Order for Personal Property" (DD Form 1164) should be annotated indicating that, the lot contains a boat/trailer. The remarks section (item 6) should state that a "Weight Additive of _____ pounds is authorized for a boat/trailer" if the boat is fourteen (14) feet in length or longer and/or contains a boat trailer of any kind.

   b. NTS TSP's who do accept boats and trailers will be paid for the net weight of the shipment including Items I, Packing; III, Drayage; IV, Handling-In; V, Storage; VI, Handling-out plus the weight additive as described above which is based on the type and length of the boat/trailer. The total weight of the shipment will apply to all rate items that are authorized on the DD Form 1164.

   c. NTS TSP’s may refuse lots containing boats/trailers fourteen feet in length or longer, or any boat trailer, with no penalty, if their facilities are such that they cannot be accommodated without interfering with routine warehousing operations.

   d. Weight additives DO NOT APPLY to boats without trailers 14 feet or less in length, and for dinghies or sculls of any size.

   e. Boat length will be determined by the straight center line distance between the top center point of the transom and a point perpendicular with the foremost part of the bow. Manufacturer’s “length overall” or “center line length” shall apply as the correct measurement when available.

   f. Trailer length shall be the straight center line distance from a point equal to the rearmost part of the trailer to foremost part of the trailer tongue. Manufacturer’s “length overall” or “center line length” shall apply as the correct measurement when available.

   g. Unless otherwise specifically provided, the weight additive WILL APPLY for any of the articles contained in this paragraph either whole or in a disassembled or partially disassembled condition. Weight additives will be based on the longest applicable disassembled part.

   h. In determining lengths, all fractions of a foot will be disregarded.

   i. When the shipment contains two or more articles subject to the weight additive, the total weight additives for that shipment will be the sum of the individual additives for each article calculated separately.
3. WEIGHT ADDITIVES: When a lot includes any of the following items, the charges will be based on the net scale weight of the lot, plus a weight additive calculated in accordance with the table shown below:

   a. CANOES, SKIFFS, LIGHT ROWBOATS AND KAYAKS: 14 ft. in length or longer, 40 pounds per linear foot of total length. *(A linear foot is a unit of linear measure equal to 12 inches, basically a straight line from beginning to end.)*

   b. BOATS: 14 ft. in length or longer: 115 pounds per linear foot of total length.

   c. BOAT TRAILERS: any length - 75 pounds per linear foot of total length.

   d. SAILBOATS: 14 ft. in length or longer: 125 pounds per linear foot of total length.

4. The Guidelines for the proper storage of these items while in NTS are found in paragraph C6 b. (12) of the Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) Tender of Service and the Defense Transportation Regulation Part IV, DOD 4500.9-R, Chapter 412, Paragraph G. These standards include the following:

   a. The member should be counseled to drain the gas and winterize the engine in accordance with manufacturer recommendations. Other servicing such as repacking the wheel bearings and servicing the motor is also the owner's responsibility. If the estimated storage period exceeds one year, the battery cannot be stored. Batteries remaining in storage less than one year must have the cable ends disconnected and taped. The member should remove the drain plug and either secure it to the boat or have it packed.

   b. Everything in the boat not permanently attached must be packed with the household goods, except the drained gas tank and battery. If the boat has a finished surface (i.e. painted or fiberglass), the top must be covered with plastic or paper.

   c. The inventory must contain a complete description of the boat/trailer to include size, make, color, and accessories. A separate inventory may be used.

   d. Boats on trailers will be stored on the trailer. Small boats not on trailers can be stored in racks or a separate area in such a manner as to prevent damage. The boat or trailer must be identified in accordance with the NTS TOS Section C-6(3), with an identity tag reflecting the owner’s name, lot number, item number and service order number. This tag will be fastened to the item by rustproof wire, string, or plastic.

   e. Boats/trailers are considered outdoor items, and do not require elevation but are required to be stored inside of the TSP's DOD approved warehouse facility.

5. When the lot is scheduled to be released from NTS make sure the Shipping Office is notified that the lot contains a boat/trailer and that they are furnished the dimensions. This will help avoid any unnecessary costs to the member and provide the Shipping Office any extra time should special shipping arrangements be necessary.