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Reduced railroad fares for military personnel when traveling in uniform at  
their own expense when on official leave, furlough, or pass----- I  
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inclusive----- II

***I..Reduced railroad fares for military personnel when traveling in uniform at their own expense when on official leave, furlough, or pass.—***

1. Reduced fares authorized for duration of war.—Existing reduced round trip railroad furlough fares available to military personnel of the United States Army, including Army nurses, authorized cadets, members of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, and personnel of the British Empire Military Forces, have been authorized by the rail carriers to be continued for the duration of the war. The basis for the fares and the conditions under which they will be granted are given below.

2. Conditions under which reduced fare will be granted.—Uniform must be worn and official leave, furlough, or pass papers must be presented to ticket agents and conductors when requested. Female nurses when traveling in civilian clothes will be granted the reduced fare only upon exhibition of official papers indicating that they are of the personnel of the United States Army.

3. Basis for fares, return limit, and stop-over privileges.—Approximately 1.25c per mile in each direction with a return limit of 90 days after date of sale, permitting stop-overs at any station en route within limit of ticket, upon application to conductor.

4. Class of tickets.—Tickets will be coach class and will be honored in coaches or chair cars only, and will not be good for raise in grade to higher class of accommodations.

5. Limited trains.—On certain limited trains the furlough fare tickets will not be honored, but there is sufficient train service on all railroads on which the furlough tickets will be honored.

6. Government tax.—Government tax on transportation does *not* apply on tickets sold to the personnel of the United States Army and Women's Army Auxiliary Corps when traveling in uniform, but *will* apply on tickets sold to the personnel of the British Empire Military Forces when traveling in uniform and *will* apply on tickets sold to Army nurses when not in uniform.

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***II..Furlough and pass travel from November 26, 1942, to January 12, 1943, inclusive.—***1. The following policy regarding the granting of furloughs and passes from November 26, 1942, to January 12, 1943, inclusive, is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

a. From November 26, 1942 (Thanksgiving), to December 11, 1942, inclusive, furloughs may be authorized in accordance with the provisions of AR 615-275 (as changed by section IV, Circular No. 56, and section III, Circular No. 79, War Department, 1942).

b. From December 12, 1942, to January 12, 1943, inclusive, furloughs of 14 days may be authorized, provided not more than 10 percent of the strength of any post, camp, or station is on furlough at any one time during this period. No furloughs so authorized will be granted which permit enlisted



men to commence their travel from either their posts, camps, stations, or homes during the period December 24 to December 25, 1942, inclusive.

c. One-day passes *only* may be granted to enlisted men authorized by paragraph 15, AR 615-275, not to exceed 10 percent of the strength of any post, camp, or station for Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 1942.

d. Passes granted to enlisted men authorized by paragraph 15, AR 615-275, will be issued not to exceed 10 percent of the strength of any post, camp, or station for Christmas Day, and will be so issued as to require enlisted men to commence their travel not later than December 24, and return to their post, camp, or station not earlier than December 25, nor later than December 26, 1942.

e. Passes granted to enlisted men authorized by paragraph 15, AR 615-275, will be issued not to exceed 10 percent of the strength of any post, camp, or station for New Year's Day, and will be so issued as to require enlisted men to commence their travel not later than December 31, 1942, and to return to their post, camp, or station not earlier than January 1, nor later than January 2, 1942.

f. For the period December 12, 1942, to January 12, 1943, inclusive, 3-day passes granted to enlisted men authorized by paragraph 15, AR 615-275, will not be granted over week ends to exceed 10 percent of the strength of any post, camp, or station.

g. Week-end passes will not be consolidated with passes authorized for Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year's Day.

2. Granting of furloughs and passes during the periods indicated in paragraph 1 will be carefully planned and regulated by all commanders concerned, with due regard to the availability of all types of commercial transportation for the travel involved. To this end, the commanding officer of each post, camp, or station will designate an officer to coordinate furlough and pass travel from his military establishment with the local railroad representative assigned thereto.

3. The Interterritorial Military Committee of the Railroads will cooperate with commanding officers of all posts, camps, and stations in order that adequate transportation service can be provided for their military personnel scheduled for travel during this holiday season. Local railroad representatives of this Committee will furnish commanding officers of activities affected, on or about November 10, 1942, with complete railroad schedules from their posts, camps, or stations.

4. The local railroad representative will be furnished, not later than November 15, 1942, by the commanding officer of each post, camp, or station, either direct or through the officer designated at that activity for this purpose, information as to the number of enlisted men who will be granted furloughs requiring rail travel during the period December 12, 1942, to January 12, 1943, inclusive, indicating at that time the dates of departure and return, and the general area of destination, in conformance with the schedules of the available rail transportation previously furnished.

5. The local railroad representative will, at the earliest practical date thereafter, advise commanding officers of the posts, camps, or stations, or their designated representative, of the availability of the railroad accommodations on the dates specified. In addition, this representative will be informed 1 week in advance of each of the departing dates involved of any adjustments that may be made in this schedule.



6. Where ticket offices are established on military reservations, furlough fare tickets issued will be procured prior to the issuance of official furlough or pass. The furlough or pass, when issued, should correspond with the travel schedule furnished with the ticket. Company and unit commanders will instruct all men granted furloughs or passes of the necessity for complying strictly with the railroad schedule under which he is to make the journey for not only the departure, but particularly the return trip.

7. Whenever the local railroad representative advises a local commander that available rail transportation will not meet the contemplated schedule of furloughs or passes from that military activity, such commander will take immediate action to reduce the quota of passes or furloughs from his command to conform to the availability of transportation.

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