Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1505.1E, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures, paragraph 311d. This airspace action is an administrative change to correct and update the descriptions of restricted areas R–5001A and R–5001B to reflect current information. It does not alter the actual location, charted dimensions or use of the airspace; therefore, it is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 73
Airspace, Navigation (air), Security measures.

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 73, as follows:

PART 73—SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE

1. The authority citation for part 73 continues to read as follows:


§ 73.50 [Amended]

2. Section 73.50 is amended as follows:

R–5001A Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ [Amended]

Boundaries. Beginning at Lat. 40°02′45″ N., long. 74°26′59″ W.; to lat. 40°00′00″ N., long. 74°26′19″ W.; to lat. 39°59′00″ N., long. 74°25′07″ W.; to lat. 39°58′00″ N., long. 74°24′59″ W.; to lat. 39°57′30″ N., long. 74°25′16″ W.; to lat. 39°57′23″ N., long. 74°25′49″ W.; to lat. 39°58′45″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°57′23″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°58′45″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°59′15″ N., long. 74°31′24″ W.; to lat. 40°01′53″ N., long. 74°33′29″ W.; to lat. 40°02′45″ N., long. 74°32′29″ W.; to the point of beginning.

Designated altitudes. Surface to 4,000 feet MSL.

Time of designation. 0600 to 2330 local time, daily; other times by NOTAM issued at least four hours in advance.


Using agency. Commanding Officer, U.S. Army Support Activity, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ.

R–5001B Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ [Amended]

Boundaries. Beginning at Lat. 40°02′45″ N., long. 74°26′59″ W.; to lat. 40°00′00″ N., long. 74°26′19″ W.; to lat. 39°59′00″ N., long. 74°25′07″ W.; to lat. 39°58′00″ N., long. 74°24′59″ W.; to lat. 39°57′30″ N., long. 74°25′16″ W.; to lat. 39°57′23″ N., long. 74°25′49″ W.; to lat. 39°58′45″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°57′23″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°58′45″ N., long. 74°27′59″ W.; to lat. 39°59′15″ N., long. 74°31′24″ W.; to lat. 40°01′53″ N., long. 74°33′29″ W.; to lat. 40°02′45″ N., long. 74°32′29″ W.; to the point of beginning.

Designated altitudes. 4,000 feet MSL to 8,000 feet MSL.

Time of designation. Continuous, sunrise Friday to sunset Sunday, other times by NOTAM at least 48 hours in advance.


Using agency. Commanding Officer, U.S. Army Support Activity, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ.

Issued in Washington, DC on May 8, 2014.

Gary A. Norek,

Manager, Airspace Policy and Regulations Group.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

29 CFR Part 4022

Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation’s regulation on Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans to prescribe interest assumptions under the regulation for valuation dates in June 2014. The interest assumptions are used for paying benefits under terminating single-employer plans covered by the pension insurance system administered by PBGC.

DATES: Effective June 1, 2014.

For further information contact: Catherine B. Klion (Klion.Catherine@pbgc.gov), Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202–326–4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339 and ask to be connected to 202–326–4024.)


PBGC uses the interest assumptions in Appendix B to Part 4022 to determine whether a benefit is payable as a lump sum and to determine the amount to pay. Appendix C to Part 4022 contains interest assumptions for private-sector pension practitioners to refer to if they wish to use lump-sum interest rates determined using PBGC’s historical methodology. Currently, the rates in Appendices B and C of the benefit payment regulation are the same.

The interest assumptions are intended to reflect current conditions in the financial and annuity markets. Assumptions under the benefit payments regulation are updated monthly. This final rule updates the benefit payments interest assumptions for June 2014.1

The June 2014 interest assumptions under the benefit payments regulation will be 1.25 percent for the period during which a benefit is in pay status and 4.00 percent during any years preceding the benefit’s placement in pay status. In comparison with the interest assumptions in effect for May 2014, these interest assumptions represent a decrease of 0.25 percent in the immediate annuity rate and are otherwise unchanged.

PBGC has determined that notice and public comment on this amendment are impracticable and contrary to the public interest. This finding is based on the need to determine and issue new interest assumptions promptly so that the assumptions can reflect current market conditions as accurately as possible.

Because of the need to provide immediate guidance for the payment of benefits under plans with valuation dates during June 2014, PBGC finds that good cause exists for making the assumptions set forth in this amendment effective less than 30 days after publication.

PBGC has determined that this action is not a “significant regulatory action” under the criteria set forth in Executive Order 12866.

Because no general notice of proposed rulemaking is required for this amendment, the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 does not apply. See 5 U.S.C. 601(2).

1 Appendix B to PBGC’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044) prescribes interest assumptions for valuing benefits under terminating covered single-employer plans for purposes of allocation of assets under ERISA section 4044. Those assumptions are updated quarterly.
Issued in Washington, DC, on this 8th day of May 2014.
Judith Starr,
General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
32 CFR Part 68
[Docket No. DOD–2013–OS–0093]
RIN 0790–AJ06
Voluntary Education Programs
AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, DoD.
ACTION: Final rule.
SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this final rule to implement new policy, responsibilities, and procedures for the operation of voluntary education programs within DoD. The new policies discussed in the rule include the following: All educational institutions providing education programs through the DoD Tuition Assistance (TA) Program will provide meaningful information to students about the financial cost and attendance at an institution so military students can make informed decisions on where to attend school; not use unfair, deceptive, and abusive recruiting practices; and provide academic and student support services to Service members and their families. New criteria are created to strengthen existing procedures for access to DoD installations by educational institutions. An annual review and notification process is required if there are changes made to the uniform semester-hour (or equivalent) TA caps and annual TA ceilings. Military Departments will be required to provide their Service members with a joint services transcript (JST). The DoD Postsecondary Education Complaint System is implemented for Service members, spouses, and adult family members to register student complaints. The Military Departments are authorized to establish Service-specific TA eligibility criteria and management controls. The requirement to sign a new DoD Voluntary Education Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for all participating educational institutions will be effective 60 days following the publication of this final rule in the Federal Register. Additionally, educational institutions with a current DoD Voluntary Education Partnership MOU that have initiated their application for Title IV eligibility with the Department of Education will have 18 months following the publication of this final rule in the Federal Register to successfully meet the Title IV requirement. New applicants will be required to meet the Title IV requirement before signing a DoD Voluntary Education Partnership MOU.
DATES: This rule is effective July 14, 2014.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information concerning DoD Voluntary Education Programs, send a written inquiry to Ms. Dawn Bildeau, at the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel & Readiness), Military Community & Family Policy, State Liaison and Educational Opportunities, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 14E08, Alexandria, Virginia 22350–2300 (email: dawn.a.bildeau.civ@mail.mil).
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Executive Summary
This final rule implements Voluntary Education Programs for Military Service members. This rule includes educational programs that enable Service members to earn a degree on their off-duty time. Congress has held that men and women serving in the Armed Forces should have at least the same opportunity to advance.