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Subj: AUXILIARY INCLUSION IN AMERICAN FORCES TRAVEL SERVICE

Ref: (a) ALAUX 012/19 of 24 Jul 2019

- 1. This ALAUX serves as a reminder of the eligibility of active Coast Guard Auxiliarists to take advantage of the American Forces Travel Service (AFTS).
- 2. The AFTS is the official online leisure travel website for Coast Guard Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs, designed exclusively for Coast Guard personnel and their families. The AFTS offers the largest leisure travel service program dedicated solely to Coast Guard and other military service patrons.
- 3. Reference (a) announced the eligibility of active Coast Guard Auxiliarists in the AFTS. The Coast Guard Community Services Command oversees MWR programs and applicability of the AFTS to Coast Guard personnel. It recently issued the attached flyer as a reminder of the incredible travel opportunities and services provided by the AFTS including a full-service booking platform that assists with:
 - a. Airfare (all flights cancelable within 24 hours).
 - b. Over 70,000 hotels worldwide at discounts up to 60%.
 - c. Access to major car rental brands globally.
 - d. Travel packages and cruises with discounts up to 80%.
- 4. Active Coast Guard Auxiliarists are strongly encouraged to consider the AFTS to meet their leisure travel plans.
- 5. Internet release is authorized.

For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA.

*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at: CHDIRAUX ALAUX

If you have a question regarding this ALAUX, please seek resolution within your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) including up to your servicing District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX). If your question still cannot be resolved after that, then please email CGAUX@uscg.mil.









What is American Forces Travel? American Forces Travel (AFT) is the official online leisure travel website for Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs, designed exclusively for military personnel and their families. Partnering with Priceline, a global leader in travel services, AFT offers the largest leisure travel service program dedicated solely to military patrons.

Eligible Patrons for American Forces Travel (AFT)

Active duty ,Reserve and National Guard, Retired military personnel, NOAA and USPHS active duty and retired members, Active CG Auxiliary, Medal of Honor recipients and veterans with service-connected disabilities, DoD and Coast Guard Civilians: All appropriated funds and nonappropriated funds employees. For full list visit Amercianforcestravel.com

Key Features: Full-Service Booking Platform:

- Airfare (all flights cancelable within 24 hours)
- Over 70,000 hotels worldwide at discounts up to 60%
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Bundled Booking Options: Save even more by booking multiple services togetner.

Global Accessibility: Available for service members stationed anywhere in the world, ensuring best prices no matter the location.

24/7 Customer Support: Assistance available around the clock, accommodating all time zones.

Our Story: American Forces Travel emerged from a collaborative initiative among the five military branches and the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Military Community & Family Policy. Recognizing the need for an enhanced online travel solution, AFT is transforming how MWR provides leisure travel services, helping military families reconnect and revitalize. The partnership with Priceline not only enhances quality of life but also generates vital revenue for MWR programs through commissions from bookings.

AFT stands out as the only official joint services MWR leisure travel website, ensuring military personnel receive exclusive benefits while enjoying travel opportunities.

Key Developments

- •Partnership with Priceline: AFT has partnered with Priceline, a leader in the travel industry, to provide a comprehensive range of travel options and services tailored to military patrons.
- •Purpose: AFT was established to offer high-value leisure travel services, enabling military personnel and their families to access exclusive discounts and deals on travel arrangements.
- •Global Access: The platform ensures that service members stationed around the world can find the best travel deals, making it easier to plan vacations and getaways.

Service Offerings

AFT provides a variety of travel services, including:

- •Deeply discounted hotel rates (up to 60% off)
- •Airfare options with flexible cancellation policies
- •Car rental services from major brands
- Travel packages and cruise deals with significant savings





