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Service members to receive full mid-month pay

Indianapolis (April 11, 2011) – Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) officials announced Saturday that with the passage of the latest Continuing Resolution Authority (CRA) by Congress, all military and reservists will receive full pay by April 15 for duty served between April 1-15.

For most military, there will be more than one deposit into bank accounts. Active duty and reservists in the Marine Corps will only receive a single full deposit; their pay statements will reflect this. Again, all payments will be deposited by April 15. Individuals should check with their bank to confirm the amount deposited into their account.

Because the 9th is the end of a pay period for civilian pay, civilians will receive their full two weeks pay on their normal payday.

Additionally, access to all Leave and Earnings Statements (LESes), Net Pay Advice or Advice of Pay for Active Duty Military and Reservists has been restored.

According to David McDermott, Director of Standards and Compliance, while Army, Navy and Air Force active duty members will receive full mid-month pay by April 15, the most current Net Pay Advice statements will still only show the partial payments for April 1-8. A full accounting of April pay will be available on the normal end of month Leave and Earnings Statement, which will be posted to myPay accounts on April 22.

McDermott also explained Army, Navy and Air Force reservists will receive full mid-month pay by April 15, but again, the most current Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) will still only show the partial payments for April 1-8. A full accounting of April pay will be available on the normal end of month LES, posted to myPay accounts on April 22.

“Our top priority is to make sure all active duty military and reservists have their full pay in their bank accounts by the 15th,” said McDermott. Not knowing what the outcome of last week’s budget talks would be, McDermott said DFAS wanted to ensure the military and their families would at least have a partial deposit into their accounts on payday.

"The only way to be absolutely certain that active duty and reservists had some pay was for us to run a normal mid-month pay. Because we had to run it on Thursday, it ran without the authorization to pay beyond April 8," said McDermott. "That is why members and their families saw the mid-month LES with only half the normal mid-month amount."

With the passage of the new CRA, DFAS is now processing the remaining 7 days of mid-month pay, so service members will see their normal total mid-month pay, but with more than one deposit into their account.

"We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused our service members and their families," said McDermott. "The good news is we can ensure all service members they will receive their full pay by April 15."

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