## Supplemental Military Pay



#### Welcome



Patriot: a person who loves, supports, and defends his or her country and its interests with devotion



# Military Pay (MIL)



 Eligible employees receive regular pay for the first 30 days of active duty per fiscal

#### <u>year</u>.

- A fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30.
- The 30 day period is cumulative.



## Who Is Eligible







- Employed by county for one year or longer.
- Are reserved members of the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard, or Naval Militia.
- Called to active duty of 180 calendar days (6 months) or less.
- No national or local emergency needs to exist.



## Who Is Eligible

- All County employees who are National Guard members going on active duty by order of the Governor or by lawful order of a city, county, or the federal government.
- No minimum length of County service is required.

Note: One year of service includes any period of

active U.S. military service.





## Inactive Duty Training

- Does the County pay for inactive duty training?
  - Weekend drills
  - SUTA or MUTA





## What Do Departments Send to HR for Military Leave?



- Submit a Non-Medical Leave of Absence Request form to Human Resources.
- Provide a copy of the employee's military orders.



#### NON-MEDICAL LOA REQUEST

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# What Do Departments Send to ACO Payroll?

- Nothing!
- ACO Payroll does not need a leave of absence (LOA) form, military orders or a military leave earnings statement (LES) during the initial 30 day period.





## Reporting Military Pay in Time and Labor

- Timekeeper must change employee's schedule to a 5/40 work week.
- Departments report eligible employees by reporting military time using the time reporting code MIL.



## Military Pay & Paystub

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OVT Overtime			0.00	301.87
REG Regular			0.00	14,876.55
JNA Uniform Allowance			0.00	150.90
VAC Vacation			0.00	2,183.55



## **Holiday Pay for Military Pay**

 Employees receiving regular pay coded as military pay (MIL) will continue to receive pay for the holiday as time reporting code HOL.





# Tracking Military Pay (MIL)

 ACO Payroll does not track military pay (MIL); therefore the departments need to track the employee's total leave in calendar days within a fiscal year.





## Tools for Tracking MIL

- Time & Labor Report (Report Time By TRC Report) RVTL006N.
- You can access the report by using the following path: Home > Administer Workforce > Capture Time and Labor > Reports > Reported Time by TRC Report
- Dates prompts are required



## Military Differential Pay

- Eligible employees shall receive the difference between their county base salary and their military basic pay starting on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of military leave <u>each fiscal year</u>.
  - A fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30.





## **Special Compensation**

- ACO Payroll will stop additional pay for:
  - Uniform
  - Bilingual
- ACO Payroll will override the deduction of:
  - Survivor's Benefit





## **Reporting Military Differential Pay**



 Departments report eligible employees by reporting military leave accrual (MLA) using the time reporting code MLA in time and labor.



## What Do Departments Send to HR and ACO Payroll?

- Approved Non-Medical Leave of Absence (LOA) Request form.
- Complete copy of the military orders.
- Most current military leave earnings statement (LES).

#### Important!

ACO Payroll cannot process military differential pay (MLP) without the above information.



## What is ACO Payroll Looking For?

- Non-Medical Leave of Absence Request form (LOA)
  - Is the form completely filled out?
  - Has the request been approved by the Department Head?





#### NON-MEDICAL LOA REQUEST

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## What is ACO Payroll Looking For?

- Military orders
  - Will the employee be on active duty or ordered duty?
  - Active and ordered duty dates





#### **Military Orders**

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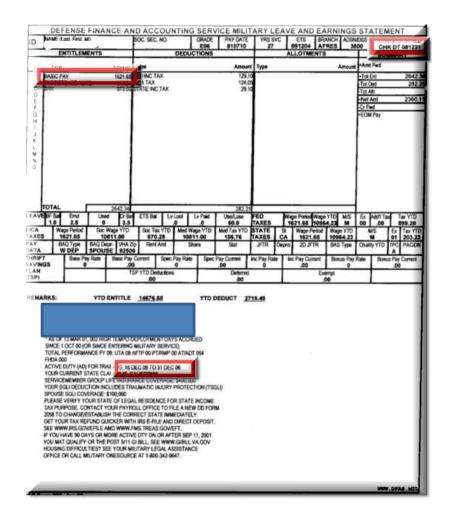
## What is ACO Payroll Looking For?

- Leave and earning statement (LES)
  - Employee's basic pay per month
  - Basic pay is used to calculate the differential pay





#### Leave and Earnings Statement





## Who Keys what?



- Employee Services:
  - Keys leave into PeopleSoft HRMS
- Department:
  - Keys military leave accrual (MLA) into Time and Labor (starting with the 31<sup>st</sup> day)
  - While on extended military leave the employee's schedule needs to be changed to 5 days a week – 8 hours a day



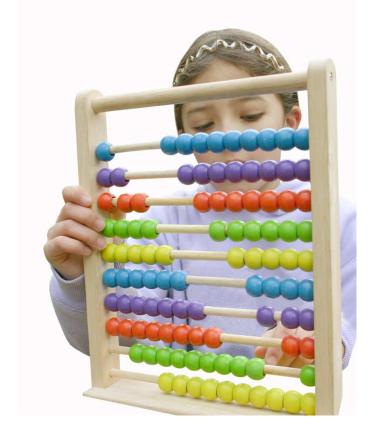
## Who Keys what?

- ACO Payroll:
  - Runs a query to find all employees with military leave accrual (MLA)
  - Military differential pay (MLP) is keyed once all support documents have been received and the employee's pay difference is calculated
  - Adjustments to the calculation will be made if the employee receives an increase or decrease in pay rate

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#### **Differential Pay Example**



- County pay: \$34.66/hour
  - \$34.66 x 80 hours = \$2772.80 /week
  - \$2772.80 / 14 days = \$198.06 /day



#### **Differential Pay Example**



- Military pay: \$1621.65 semi-monthly
  - \$1621.65 x 2 = \$3243.30 /month
  - \$3243.30 x 12 = \$38919.60 /year
  - 2080 / \$38919.60 = \$18.71 /hour
  - \$18.71 x 80 = \$1496.80 /week
  - \$1496.80 / 14 = \$106.91 /day



## **Differential Pay Example**

- County daily rate is \$198.06
- Military daily rate is \$ 106.91
  - \$198.06 \$106.91 = \$91.08 per day
  - \$91.08 x 14 days = \$1275.12
- Total military differential pay (MLP) owed to employee per pay period is \$1275.12.





## Holiday Pay For MLA/MLP

- A change in reporting is required for compliance with CalPERS rules regarding members called to active duty.
- Employees on extended military leave that are reported as absent without pay using the code (MLA) and receiving military differential pay (MLP) are not paid holiday pay using the code HOL. Instead, their holiday pay is included in the military differential pay (MLP).



# Holiday Pay For MLA/MLP

- The system will populate holiday hours as HOL.
- Remove hours coded as HOL and enter the full 80 hours as MLA.
- ACO Payroll will key the military differential pay (MLP) and include the holiday pay.



## Benefits

- Employees are eligible to continue health coverage throughout the military leave
  - The initial 30 days covered by the pre-payment of premiums.
  - After 30 days while receiving Military Differential Pay, employees continue to receive Flexible Benefit Credits and pay the balance of any premiums
- For all other Benefit questions, consult HR.



## **Extended Orders**

- What does Human Resources need?
  - Nothing!
- What does ACO payroll need?
  - Updated military orders
  - Current LES





## When the Employee Returns

 Complete a "Return From Leave" form and forward to Human Resources

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## When the Employee Returns

• Forward a copy of the "Return From Leave" form to ACO Payroll





## Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act (HEART)

- Effective January 1, 2009 employer differential payments made to employees called to active duty services are now considered wages for the purpose of income tax.
- Military differential pay is subject to Federal income tax withholding for all amounts paid after December 31, 2008.



## Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act (HEART)

• These payments should be reported in Box 1 of form W-2. However, these payments will not be subject to Social Security or Medicare withholding, and are not entered in box 3 or

box 5.





#### Questions



