

Oh No

IT'S JUST ANOTHER MANIC

•MONDAY•

OH WOE i wish it

WAS SUNDAY

...oh woe...

'CAUSE THAT'S MY

FUNDAY OH WOE

My I don't have to runday Oh

IT'S JUST ANOTHER MANIC

•MONDAY•



WELCOME TO MANIC
MONDAY MAYHEM

LEAP

— 366 DAYS —

YEAR

WE WILL BEGIN
SHORTLY...

PLEASE STAND BY



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JUMPING TO CONCLUSIONS





Let's Leap Into the Tax Season



1) W2's

2) State Taxes

3) Federal Taxes

*THERE IS
SO MUCH INFORMATION!*

Got Orders?

Hop On Over to the Airport Terminal



Counsel Member on Orders



Signature and Print Hard Copy



Account for Family Travel



Ensure All Worksheets are Completed



Verify Advances and Entitlements

Leaving on a Hoppy Note... How to Help



Know the member's proceed time



Accurately record leave enroute



Counsel member on leave balances



Approve any outstanding leave

Transfer EER...Need One?



The Luggage is Packed...

What About the PDR?



Verify all forms included

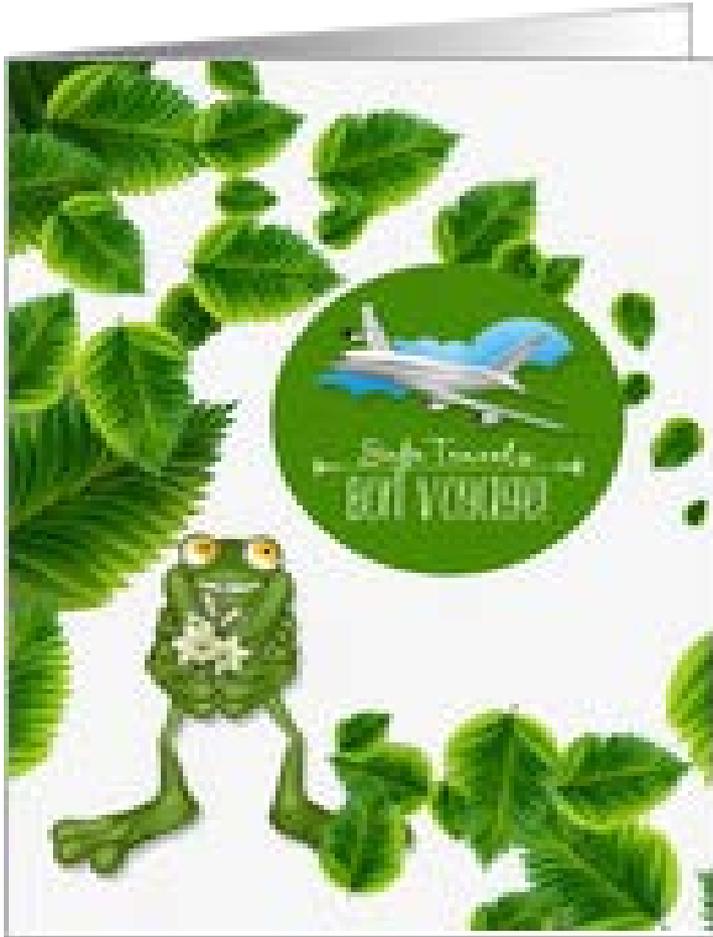


Verify location address



Verify delivery

Departing...PCS



Worksheets



Orders



Travel



Entitlements

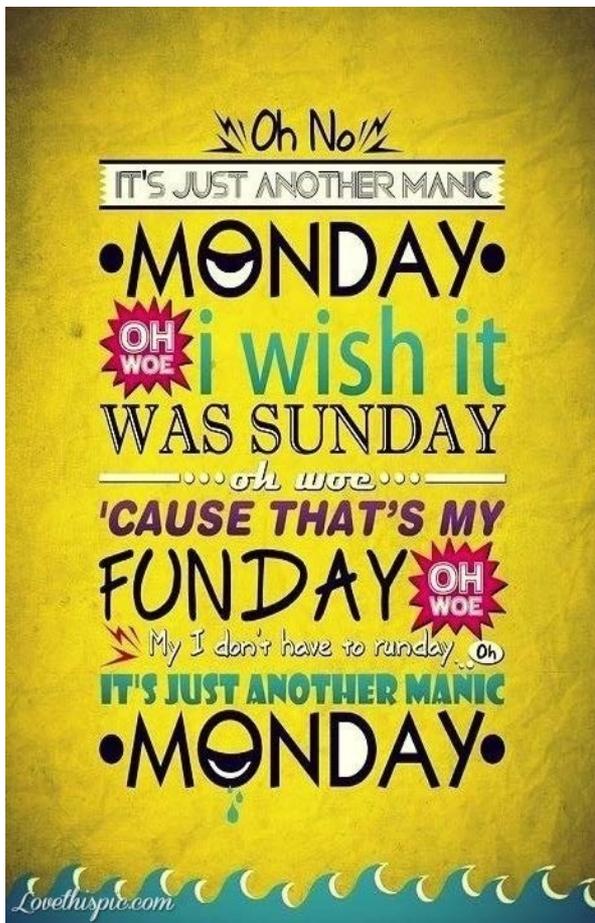


Leave



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February Manic Monday Q & A

Q: On the last Q&A the question: Are IDT drills going to show the members name vice the approvers name in the SPO tree? Answer: A defect has been submitted to add the member's name. My question: How will this work for a batched drill where multiple drills are entered for multiple members all at once?

A: This is where the problem lies, there's no way an auditor can tell which drill is which for batch or individual drills. We do not have an ETA for when this will be fixed.

Q: Is there an ETA when CMA will be resolved?

A: As of this month, the current status of this defect says: Implementation in progress and it has been deemed critical.

Q: Contracts are counting all 8 years as active which is giving a new EOE, extending the service beyond the expected loss date.

A: This is a known issue. Submit a trouble ticket so PPC-ADV can correct it.

Q: Is there any way to get a trouble ticket response with the members EMP and Name on them? Maybe even the unit name?

A: We are actually working on this issue now. HEAT will need to be upgraded to allow this.

Q: Will we be able to batch print 4170 by DEPTID?

A: You should be able to. If this is not working, please send us specifics.

Q: Will LES's one day show a breakdown of drills being paid for?

A: That has been submitted as a defect and is high on the priority list to bring back the remarks.

Q: Are there any plans to give SPO the ability to correct their own RMM mistakes without having to do a help ticket?

A: Since RMM transactions generate an OTPI (One time positive input) and NOT an EABP (element assignment by payee) row, you cannot correct them. Only PPC has the ability to correct OTPIs.

Q: Is there an ETA on the loss leave balance correction? Should we be submitting trouble tickets for individuals this issue even though it is being worked on?

A: We have no ETA. Please continue to submit tickets.

Q: Emergency Contact Roster...Ombudsman use for their contact information. No longer available...any way to get this back?

A: We are actually working on this now. Please shoot CWO David Cota an email to make sure you're looking for the same information.

To all, CGPAAS can and will run and get you a recall roster. Your unit COR should be able to get that for you.

Q: Any update on the DEERS data update from DA?

A: PPC BAS (Business Application Support) Branch is still working w/ PMO & DMDC to submit up to date and correct DMDC files. Many have been corrected, but some files are still experiencing issues.

Q: Is there any talk about being able to view previous TDY or PCS orders for individuals?

A: Yes. This has also been submitted as a defect but we do not have an ETA for when it will be made available.

Q: Married member with taxes married with single withhold are not getting taxes deduct? Is there anything we have to do?

A: Verify that their election is correct. A lot of the time, the system is doing exactly what the member asked for.

Q: SWE PDE's are only showing the last set of marks on them vice the last two sets. Is this an issue or how it is supposed to look? We are getting a lot of questions on this.

A: The chart in M1000.2, Art. 3.A.7.b shows which marks should be included on the PDE. Please keep in mind that only marks in current grade are included and only if they fall within that window of time. PPC-ADV believes the PDEs are correct. If you have an EMPLID of a member who has marks in current grade and within the window of time on the chart that are not on the PDE, please let PPC-ADV know.

Q: Reserve ADT orders are resulting in several RPAL discrepancies. Are there plans to make the SEQ99 not affect the RPAL?

A: No.

Q: In the SPO Guides, PCS Reporting, it mentions reporting a member to multiple TEMDU locations, it says to use Sequence 3, but does not clarify which sequence number to use to report them to the second TEMDU location? Should it be Seq 4 or 97?

A: It should be 4, unless it's covered under a separate TONO. If it is not included in the PCS TONO, it should NOT be added to the PCS orders.

Q: I suppose I have a question about DD-214's...block 18 in particular. We have had to reach out to PSC-BOPS a couple of times for small corrections and we were instructed that we should start formatting that block so each sentence is on a separate line instead of it all showing in paragraph format. Is there any way to do this that takes less time instead of hitting the space bar a million times, printing the worksheet and then going back and forth until you get it figured out? I thought the format didn't matter as long as all the information was there.

A: We reached out to the programmers on this issue and this was their response: Since the Separations implementation a year ago, the DD214 page has always stripped out any extra lines and spacing from the long text blocks, to make it an acceptable format for DMDC to receive the form electronically from DA. We originally suggested that users could edit long text of DD214 blocks in an editor, as opposed to within the page block, so they could easily parse out duplicate text that is defaulted in, then paste back to the DD214 page. But it was not suggested that they add extra tabs or spacing to make it look better. The DD214 page will always remove any formatting from a text editor, for the DMDC file reason above. I'm sorry to hear the SPOs have been struggling with this, unnecessarily! Block 18 counts the total character length and splits it off when it reaches that count. This could be in the middle of a word, a sentence or a paragraph. There is not a way to code to not split words.

Q: I know we should not delete a BAH row, but we have a few members who promoted, then became demoted and needed corrected, we cannot correct the rank, can we delete the BAH rows in these circumstances?

A: There are times when the only option is to delete the BAH row. Please use the guides every time. If you do need to delete a BAH row to correct something, we recommend you delete the row, get it approved and enter the new row and have it approved all within the same day. If that's not possible, try and complete it within the same pay cycle. Otherwise you run the risk of creating a large debt and then a large credit and they will not cancel each other out if they are in 2 separate pay cycles.

Q: Will we be able to run a PDE by SPO AOR? Right now, we have to do by each individual DEPTID.

A: That is a known issue...no ETA for when it will be fixed.

Q: Has the issue with excess leave being charged, putting members in the negative numbers when they shouldn't be, been addressed?

A: AIRSTA Clearwater SPO, please email us with specifics.

Q: In regards to State Taxes (PR), we recently received an email with guidance to change member's state taxes for members that claim PR as their state taxes but do not reside within Puerto Rico to "Do Not Maintain Taxable Gross and Do Not Withhold Tax". However, members are receiving emails instructing member to choose "Maintain Taxable Gross; SWT Zero unless specified in SWT Additional withholding:" What is the correct state taxes entry for these members?

A: Those emails were sent out based on data from reports that are being run by MAS. Please follow their instructions. If they are conflicting, forward them to us for clarification.

Q: Any updates for the new drill sheet?

A: This is still a work in progress.

Q: We have mbrs with PCS orders that require a 6 year obliserv. If members can only REN for a max of 6 years, how can we be sure they meet obliserv dates based on their report date?

A: If unable to obliserv for 6 years, contact EPM-2 for guidance. Here is the message regarding MEs being required to complete 6 year tours:

https://cg.portal.uscg.mil/library/generalmessages/General%20Messages/GENMSG2011/ALCOAST/558-11_alcoast.txt

Q: If a correction to a member's awards points is made will it automatically be credited to the members or do we need to request a new PDE to confirm the correction?

A: Award points are one of the few items on the PDE that auto upload to the PDE as soon as they're entered into the members honors and awards record in DA. That is, if the award has point value and if the effective date of the award is between the members point start date (PSD) and the SWE Eligibility Date (SED).

Q: Will the new IDT Drill sheet be mandatory to use/ maintained in member's records?

A: The process we come out with will be standardized Coast Guard-wide.

Q: When known issues are addressed/corrected, how long does it take to update into the SPO Guides?

A: When we update our guides or create workarounds, Rich usually posts them by COB of the day we make the changes.

Q: Can we batch print LESs? Are they still required to be filed in the SPO PDR?

A: No. FORCECOM inspectors have confirmed that they are not looking at LESs during the inspections.

Q: Are there any reports to see the members that did not get paid BAH enroute?

A: No, but we will look into it.

Q: What about previous LESs in the records? Can we remove old ones?

A: No, not until directed.

Q: I know I am old school but is there any way to get rid of self service in DA. Most of my tax issues were due to the member making incorrect changes.

A: Self Service isn't going anywhere.

Q: Any chance of JUMPS, DA 8.0 or CGRMS making a return?

A: No.

Q: Currently, WebTPAX PCS claims are encouraged, should we expect it to be mandatory by peak transfer season?

A: From the Travel Branch Chief: No, we won't be making them mandatory this transfer season. We will just continue to highly encourage the use of Web TPAX since it saves money and processing time.

Q: Can admin have the access to look for overpayments? Read only on BAH rows...

A: Yes. You can request the CGHRVW role which gives you read-only access to the HRS role.

Q: PCS orders to HQ currently have an Arlington address. Can we put in the order notes the new address or will this cause a conflict with the travel claim?

A: Yes, put it in the order notes. Any time there are changes, exceptions or anything out of the ordinary; put it in the order notes. CG-833 manages unit addresses in DA.

Q: In regards to sending items to the EI-PDR, the new PPPM ch1 describes the roles of both admin and SPO having the ability to do this, but who is the first line of responsibility in this role?

A: It depends on the forms. If the SPO does not have any added value, then the Admin should do it. For instance, if an Admin does an award, they can/should send it in. However, as the 3PM is updated, it will specify whose responsibility it is.