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Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service  
Alexandria, VA 22350-1100

Issue Date: May 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Federal Wage System Special Wage Rates for the Syracuse-Utica-Rome, New York (AL) Wage Area

TO: Commanding Officers of Military Departments and DoD Component Installations in the Area

- REFERENCES:
- (a) Office of Personnel Management Compensation Policy Memorandum 2022-02, "Achieving a \$15 Per Hour Minimum Pay Rate for Federal Employees", dated January 21, 2022.
  - (b) Office of Personnel Management letter, dated January 27, 2022, which authorized the establishment of special rates for employees under all FWS regular and special wage schedules, where necessary, to achieve a \$15 per hour minimum hourly rate of pay.
  - (c) Operating Manual, Federal Wage System, Subchapter S12, Special Rates or Rate Ranges Under the Federal Wage System.
  - (d) Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service, Federal Wage System Regular and Special Production Facilitating Wage Rate Schedule for the 297R Syracuse-Utica-Rome, New York (AL) Wage Area, dated May 14, 2024.

Issued under authority of DoD Instruction 5120.39, dated October 1, 2015, subject to the limitations contained in CPM 2023-22, dated December 21, 2023. The Federal Wage System Regular & Special Production Facilitating Wage Rate Schedule at reference (d) is amended by the following special rates:

WG WL-WS GRADE	WG-RATES					WL-RATES					WS-RATES				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
1	16.92	17.62	18.33	19.03	19.75	18.60	19.38	20.17	20.94	21.71	26.13	27.23	28.32	29.40	30.50

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Supersedes Schedule Issued: Initial Implementation