

* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Oman—TOW 2B Radio Frequency Missiles (BGM-71F-7-RF) and Support

The Government of Oman has requested to buy three hundred one (301) Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wireless-Guided (TOW) 2B, Radio Frequency (RF) Missiles (BGM-71F-7-RF) (includes 7 “Fly-to-Buy” Missiles). Also included are U.S. Government and contractor technical, program, logistics, and engineering support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total cost is \$70 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve the Royal Army of Oman’s capability to meet current and future threats by enhancing the strength of its homeland defense. Oman will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and services into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Missiles & Defense, Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or U.S. contractor representatives to Oman.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

Transmittal No. 23-40

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) *Sensitivity of Technology:*

1. The Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wireless-Guided (TOW) 2B Radio Frequency (RF) Missile (BGM-71F-7-RF) is a top attack missile designed to defeat armored vehicles, reinforced urban structures, field fortifications and other such targets. TOW missiles are fired from a variety of TOW launchers used by the U.S. Army, USMC, and non-U.S. forces. The TOW 2B RF missile can be launched from the same launcher as the wire-guided TOW 2B missile without modification to the launcher. The TOW 2B missile (both wire and RF-guided) contains two tracker beacons (Xenon and thermal) for the launcher to track and guide the missile in flight. Guidance commands from the launcher are provided to the missile by the RF link contained within the missile case.

2. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the Government of Oman can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Oman.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

TRICARE; Calendar Year (CY) 2025; TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select Out-of-Pocket Expenses

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of calendar year (CY) 2025 TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select out-of-pocket expenses.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the Calendar Year (CY) 2025 TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select out-of-pocket expenses.

DATES: The CY 2025 rates contained in this notice are effective January 1, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Defense Health Agency (DHA), TRICARE Health Plan, 7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042-5101.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Defense Authorization Acts for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2017, and subsequent implementing regulations (e.g., § 199.17 of title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations), established rates for TRICARE beneficiary out-of-pocket expenses and how they may be increased by the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) percentage used to increase military retired pay or via budget neutrality rules. The CY 2025 retiree COLA increase is 2.5%.

The DHA has updated the CY 2025 out-of-pocket expenses as shown below:

CALENDAR YEAR 2025 TRICARE PRIME AND TRICARE SELECT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES—ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBERS (ADFM) CATEGORY

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Out of pocket expense	Select Group A CY25	Select Group B CY25	Prime * Group A CY25	Prime * Group B CY25
Annual enrollment fee:				
<i>Individual</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Family</i>	\$0	\$0	0	0
Annual deductible:				
<i>E1-E4, individual</i>	\$50	\$64	0	0
<i>E1-E4, family</i>	\$100	\$128	0	0
<i>E5 & above, individual</i>	\$150	\$193	0	0
<i>E5 & above, family</i>	\$300	\$386	0	0
Annual catastrophic cap	\$1,000	\$1,288	1,000	1,288

CALENDAR YEAR 2025 TRICARE PRIME AND TRICARE SELECT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES—ACTIVE DUTY FAMILY MEMBERS (ADFM) CATEGORY—Continued

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Out of pocket expense	Select Group A CY25	Select Group B CY25	Prime * Group A CY25	Prime * Group B CY25
Preventive visit	\$0	\$0	0	0
Primary care	\$27 (IN); 20% (OON)	\$19 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Specialty care	\$38 (IN); 20% (OON)	\$32 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
ER visit	\$105 (IN); 20% (OON)	\$51 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Urgent care center visit	\$27 (IN); 20% (OON)	\$25 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Ambulatory surgery	\$25 (IN or OON)	\$32 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Ambulance, outpatient ground	\$86 (IN); 20% (OON)	\$19 (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Ambulance, outpatient air	20%; (IN or OON)	20%; (IN or OON)	0	0
Durable medical equipment	15% (IN); 20% (OON)	10% (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Inpatient admission	\$23.45 per day; \$25 min. per admission.	\$77 per adm. (IN); 20% (OON)	0	0
Inpatient SNF/rehab facility	\$23.45 per day; \$25 min. per admission.	\$32 per day (IN); \$64 per day (OON)	0	0

* When TRICARE Prime enrollees other than active duty service members self-refer to specialty or non-emergent inpatient care without a referral from a network provider and/or authorization from the regional contractor, the TRICARE Point of Service deductible and copayment applies in lieu of TRICARE Prime copayments.

CALENDAR YEAR 2025 TRICARE PRIME AND TRICARE SELECT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES—RETIREE BENEFICIARY CATEGORY

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Out of pocket expense	Select Group A CY25	Select Group B CY25	Prime * Group A CY25	Prime * Group B CY25
Annual enrollment fee:				
<i>Individual</i>	\$181.92	\$579	\$372	\$450
<i>Family</i>	\$364.92	\$1,158.96	744	900.96
Annual deductible:				
<i>Individual</i>	\$150	\$193 (IN); \$386 (OON)	0	0
<i>Family</i>	\$300	\$386 (IN); \$772 (OON)	0	0
Annual catastrophic cap	\$4,261	\$4,509	3,000	4,509
Preventive visit	\$0	\$0	0	0
Primary care	\$37 (IN); 25% (OON)	\$32 (IN); 25% (OON)	25	25
Specialty care	\$51 (IN); 25% (OON)	\$51 (IN); 25% (OON)	38	38
ER visit	\$140 (IN); 25% (OON)	\$103 (IN); 25% (OON)	77	77
Urgent care center visit	\$37 (IN); 25% (OON)	\$51 (IN); 25% (OON)	38	38
Ambulatory surgery	20% (IN); 25% (OON)	\$122 (IN); 25% (OON)	77	77
Ambulance, outpatient ground	\$115 (IN); 25% (OON)	\$77 (IN); 25% (OON)	51	51
Ambulance, outpatient air	25%; (IN or OON)	25%; (IN or OON)	20	20

Note: The calendar year catastrophic cap for TRICARE Select Group A retirees who are survivors of active duty deceased sponsors or medically retired Uniformed Service members and their dependents is \$3,000.

CALENDAR YEAR 2025 TRICARE PRIME AND TRICARE SELECT OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES—RETIREE BENEFICIARY CATEGORY

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Out of pocket expense	Select Group A CY25	Select Group B CY25	Prime * Group A CY25	Prime * Group B CY25
Durable medical equipment	20% (IN); 25% (OON)	20% (IN); 25% (OON)	20%	20%.
Inpatient admission:				
<i>In-network</i>	\$250/day up to 25% of hospital charges, plus 20% of sep. billed services.	\$225 per adm	\$193 per adm ...	\$193 per adm.
<i>Out of network</i>	‡ \$1,221/day up to 25% of hosp. charges, plus 25% of sep. billed services.	25%	\$193 per adm ...	\$193 per adm.
Inpatient SNF/rehab facility	\$250/day up to 25% of hospital charges, plus 20% of sep. billed services (IN); 25% (OON).	\$64 per day (IN); lesser of \$386 per day or 20% (OON).	\$38 per day	\$38 per day.

‡ This is the CY24 rate. The CY25 out of pocket expense will be available mid-December once the DRG payment rates are calculated.

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The CY 2025 rates contained in this notice are effective January 1, 2025.

Dated: October 31, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 23-65]

Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Arms sales notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104-164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives with attached Transmittal 23-65, Policy Justification, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: November 1, 2024.

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