



# Future Accommodation Model (FAM): Update for all personnel





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**What is the FAM pilot?** A pilot is being developed to help us understand how personnel will choose to live in the future and how we can improve FAM. It is a chance for Ministry of Defence to test the policy and the way it is delivered before a decision is made about whether to roll out FAM across the UK.

**Where and when?** Confirmed pilot sites are HMNB Clyde (starting from 30 September 2019), Aldershot Garrison (starting from 31 January 2020) and RAF Wittering (starting from 31 May 2020).

**What if I am assigned to a pilot site?** We will keep you updated and ensure information becomes available as the pilot is developed. You can find out more on the FAM Gov.uk website and the full JSP will be available in summer 2019.

**Pilot options?** If you are assigned to a FAM pilot base and have less than four years service, current accommodation policy will still apply. If you have four or more years of service, you will be able to express a preference for the following types of accommodation (subject to availability):

SLA 	SFA 	Rent near work (50 miles) 	Buy a home 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ SLA will continue to be available for all personnel</li> <li>✓ If you currently own or rent your own home and get the Get You Home (Travel) (GYH(T)) allowance, you can use your new accommodation payment for SLA in the working week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ If you are in a long term relationship you can apply for SFA at a pilot site (subject to availability)</li> <li>✓ SFA will not be sold as part of the pilot</li> <li>✓ Personnel assigned to a pilot site choosing SFA can retain their current entitlement (subject to SFA availability)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ You can choose to rent a home equivalent to SFA for broadly the same personal cost</li> <li>✓ You can rent in the location of your choice, with the people you want to live with</li> <li>✓ If you need to leave a tenancy early for MOD reasons, MOD will pick up the cost</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ You can buy a home, whether you are single or in a relationship</li> <li>✓ If you buy a home once assigned to a pilot site you will get the new core accommodation payment towards your mortgage payments</li> <li>✓ You can also make use of Forces Help To Buy</li> </ul>

## What about non-pilot sites?

The FAM pilot is expected to last approximately three years. Following the pilot, a decision will be made about rolling out FAM across the UK. If this is confirmed, the majority of bases will gradually transition to FAM over the next 10 to 20 years.

## Find out more about FAM

- Search 'FAM' on Gov.uk or go to [www.gov.uk/futureaccommodationmodel](http://www.gov.uk/futureaccommodationmodel).
- Speak to Chain of Command on your base.
- Watch a video explaining FAM by searching 'Future Accommodation Model' on YouTube.
- Talk to your local HIVE, RNRMW Information Hub, or Families Federation.