



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
SEVENTH ARMY TRAINING COMMAND
UNIT 28130
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Off-Post Uniform Wear Policy for Military Personnel in the Seventh Army Training Command (7ATC) General Officer for Force Protection (GOFP) Region

1. Purpose. This policy implements a permanent program to authorize military personnel stationed, or on Temporary Duty (TDY), in the 7ATC GOFP region, as defined in Appendix P to AER 10-5, dated 19 December 2023, to wear military uniforms at off-post establishments for the purpose of increasing positive engagements within the local Host-Nation community and during the commute to the official duty station.
2. Applicability. This policy applies to all military personnel permanently stationed, or in a TDY status at U.S. Army Garrison locations located within the German States of Bavaria and Baden Wurttemberg, apart from Coleman Barracks which falls under the authority of the 21st Theater Sustainment Command.
3. Responsibility. Military personnel conducting activities in any uniform authorized under this policy will do so with the highest degree of professionalism and courtesy and will strictly comply with military law/policy and host nation laws. Personnel are reminded that their behavior can have strategic consequences for our mission in Europe. Individuals must always consider the current, local security environment when deciding to wear uniforms off-post.
4. Policy.
 - a. This policy is threat-based and will be adjusted as deemed appropriate by the GOFP based on local threat conditions and USAREUR-AF regulations. The GOFP enacts local restrictions out of an abundance of caution, considers multiple factors such as criminal, terrorism, or intelligence threats, and errs on the side of caution when insufficient information is available to make an informed risk-based decision.
 - b. The Combat Uniform and Service Uniform may be worn during travel between domicile and official duty locations and additional visits to off-post establishments such as restaurants and cafes, markets and shops, vehicle maintenance facilities, gas stations, drugstores, medical facilities, barbershops, and similar locations. Personnel should not stay any longer than required. All off-post uniform wear is prohibited at FPCON Charlie and Delta unless specifically excepted.
 - c. Personnel may not wear the uniform in off-post establishments that primarily sell alcohol for consumption on the premises. Furthermore, uniforms are not authorized in hookah lounges.
 - d. Uniforms are authorized for ground travel between garrisons at FPCON Bravo and below. Uniform wear for local travel between installations belonging to the same garrison is authorized at FPCON Charlie and below but only in an enclosed private, Government, or rental vehicle when conducting official duty.

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e. Uniforms are not authorized at non-local commercial transportation nodes or when using non-local commercial transportation, including air, rail, and bus transportation.

f. Individual Physical Training (PT) off-post in the Physical Fitness Uniform (PFU) is authorized at FPCON Bravo and below. It may be worn at off-post establishments between the hours of 0500-0900 only for short duration visits that do not include on-site consumption of food or drinks but may include fueling stops.

g. Uniforms will always be clean, serviceable, and worn in accordance with standards as directed in the applicable uniform regulations.

h. All in-uniform, unit-organized off-post events, and activities, including unit PT, will adhere to the established antiterrorism planning for off-post Special Events if applicable, outlined in AER 525-13 Appendix J, the current 7ATC Antiterrorism Plan & GOFP Operations OPOD Enclosure 4, and the USAG Ansbach, Bavaria, and Stuttgart Special Events SOPs.

i. Servicemembers will report any adverse experiences while in uniform off-post to their chain of command. Examples of reportable incidents include but are not limited to: Local Nationals using derogatory language or signals to uniformed personnel; Local Nationals approaching uniformed servicemembers and demanding to know why the U.S. Military maintains a presence in Germany, or any physical or verbal intimidation used by Local Nationals.

5. Violations. The provisions of paragraph 4 are punitive, and violations may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 92.

6. Delegation. Garrison commanders may impose additional limitations if necessary for the maintenance of good order and discipline, increased local threat, and/or safety concerns.

7. Exceptions. The GOFP is the sole approval authority for exceptions to this policy.

8. Effective Date. This policy is effective upon publication and will remain in effect, until rescinded by the Commanding General, 7ATC. This policy supersedes 7ATC's previous off-post uniform wear policy published on 12 April 2023.

9. The point of contact for this action is the 7ATC G3/4 AT/FP Officer, Mr. Michael Palmgreen, DSN 569-2668, or michael.b.palmgreen.civ@army.mil.

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