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MEMORANDUM FOR Directorates, Active Duty and Reserve Components, Tenant Activities and Agencies, Military Housing Residents, and Off-Post Units/Agencies Utilizing United States Army Garrison, Hawaii (USAG-HI) Facilities

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum USAG-HI-27, Open Burn Policy

1. References.

- a. Army Regulation 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 Dec 07.
- b. Clean Air Act of 1970, Title 42, United States Code (USC), Subchapter 85, Sections 7407, 7410, 7416.
- c. Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Subchapter 3, Sections 11-60.1-51, 11-60.1-52.

2. Purpose. To provide an open burn policy that complies with Federal, State, and Army regulations.

3. Scope. The scope of this policy memorandum includes all open burning activities. Open burning is the burning of any material that emits smoke directly into the air. Such materials include, but are not limited to: food, classified documents, leaves, wood, rubbish, etc.

4. Applicability. This policy applies to all USAG-HI Directorates, active duty and reserve components, tenant activities and agencies, military housing residents, and off-post units/agencies utilizing USAG-HI facilities.

5. The Open Burning Fact Sheet (Encl 1) provides a summary of open burning information related to this policy, and can also be found on the Garrison's Sustainability and Environmental Management website at [https://home.army.mil/hawaii/application/files/3716/0861/5197/Open\\_Burning\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_2020.pdf](https://home.army.mil/hawaii/application/files/3716/0861/5197/Open_Burning_Fact_Sheet_2020.pdf)

6. Command Policy.

- a. No person shall conduct open burning at any time on USAG-HI installations unless prior approval is granted by the Directorate of Public Works (DPW), Environmental Division and the State of Hawaii Department of Health, Clean Air Branch.

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The DPW, Environmental Division MUST be contacted prior to the planning of any open burning.

b. This restriction does not apply to fires used for residential barbeques. If using 3 or more residential barbeques, grills that exceed 4 feet in length, or other types of cooking equipment (e.g., rotisserie, imu, etc.), coordinate with the Federal Fire Department at (808) 471-8004 and comply with their policies and procedures prior to, during, and after the event.

7. This policy memorandum supersedes policy memorandum USAG-HI-27, SAB, dated 27 November 2020, and remains in effect until rescinded or superseded in writing.

8. The USAG-HI DPW, Environmental Division is the proponent for this policy memorandum. For additional information on this policy or assistance with any air related matters, please contact the DPW Clean Air program staff at (808) 656-3107 or (808) 656-3316.

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# OPEN BURNING

### GENERAL INFORMATION

General Rule: Based on Army Garrison, HI policy and the Hawaii State Law, the burning of any material in an open fire is not allowed anywhere on the Army Garrison, HI. This includes the burning of documents, trash, leaves, wood, etc.

Exceptions: Residential BBQ grilling, up to 2 grills, is allowed on the Garrison without prior notification. When planning for all other outdoor cooking arrangements, coordinate with the Federal Fire Department at 471-8004.



### POTENTIAL HAZARDS

Fire hazards may occur if the flame becomes uncontrolled and spreads to other uncontained areas.

The effects of smoke on human health is also detrimental due to the hazardous air pollutants released into the atmosphere. The inhalation of these emissions may cause cancer or lead to other adverse health effects.

### BURNING ALTERNATIVES

- Utilize an NSA-approved shredder for classified documents.
- Residents can utilize IPC's recycling and green waste curbside pickup.
- Soldiers can deliver accepted materials to the Army Recycling Center.
- The Garrison's website, *Sustainability and Environmental Topics from A to Z*, provides disposal information by material:

<https://home.army.mil/hawaii/index.php/garrison/dpw/environmental-a-z>

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Notify us (808) 656-3107 if you see any open burns on the Garrison since we are subject to monetary fines for unauthorized fires. Call 911 for any burning that is uncontrolled or spreading.

For additional information, please refer to the following websites:

*USAG-HI Open Burn Policy*

<https://home.army.mil/hawaii/index.php/about/command-pubs>