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MEMORANDUM FOR the Vicenza and Darby Military Communities

SUBJECT: United States Army Southern European Task Force, Africa (SETAF-AF) Command Policy Letter #22, Off-Post Uniform Wear Policy for Military Personnel (SETAF-AF CPL 22)

# 1. References:

- a. AR 670-1, 26 January 2021
- b. DA PAM 670-1, 26 January 2021
- c. AER 190-1, 18 June 2020
- d. UCMJ, Article 925, 05 May 1950
- e. USAREUR-AF OPORD 0004-24, FY24-FY25 Baseline Force Protection Posture, 19 October 2023
  - f. AR 525-13, Antiterrorism, 03 December 2019
  - g. AER 525-13, Antiterrorism, 10 April 2024
  - h. Off-Duty Safety Awareness Presentation, 2023
- 2. Purpose: This memorandum serves as the command policy for off-post uniform wear regarding activities in the Vicenza Area of Responsibility (AOR) and the Darby Military Communities.
- 3. Applicability: This policy applies to military personnel assigned to, or performing temporary duty within, the AOR under the Tactical Control (TACON) for Force Protection (FP) of the SETAF-AF General Officer for Force Protection (GOFP).
- 4. Responsibility: Military personnel conducting activities in uniform authorized under this policy will do so with the highest degree of professionalism and courtesy, and will strictly comply with military policies and Host Nation (HN) laws. Personnel are reminded their behavior can have strategic consequences for our mission in Europe. Every Service Member (SM) must remain vigilant of their surroundings and apply sound, mature judgement in all situations. Tenant leaders will ensure that SMs strictly adhere to this policy.

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- 5. Standards for wear of Army uniforms off U.S. or HN Installations: Commanders may allow the wear of Army uniforms, in accordance with (IAW) AR 670-1, off U.S. or HN installations with the following conditions:
- a. The authorization to wear any Army uniform in a Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) off-post is limited to the travel between domicile and duty locations in a Private Motor Vehicle-4 (PMV-4). PMV-4 is defined as auto/sedans, station wagon, sport utility vehicles (SUV), trucks, and vans. The Army uniform is also authorized for wear in government contracted general service administration (GSA) ground transportation services (GTS) such as a van, motor coach, and bus.
- b. The wear of the Army uniform between domicile and duty locations while operating a Private Motor Vehicle-2 (PMV-2), motorcycle, or other recreational modes of transportation to include three- and four-wheeled all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), trikes, spyders, mopeds, or other power-driven mobility devices such as electric bikes, scooters, and skateboards is restricted. SMs will wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as prescribed by local command polices and AER 190-1. Motorcycle riders are authorized to ride wearing uniform trousers and a protective jacket with reflective vest over, or in place of, the uniform blouse. Once the rider departs their motorcycle, they must return to the proper uniform according to the standards identified in AR 670-1 and DA PAM 670-1.
- c. Off-post uniform wear is prohibited except for unit functions that have been approved through the Special Event Threat Assessment (SETA) process and when representing the U.S. Military at an official HN function. Soldiers are not authorized to consume alcohol off-post while in uniform except during official military functions.
- d. Exiting a POV while wearing the Army Combat Uniform (ACU) or Army Service Uniform (ASU) is limited to gas stations and pharmacies only. The wear of the ACU and ASU at any other off-post establishment is prohibited.
- e. Wear of the Army Physical Fitness Uniform (APFU) to conduct off-installation Physical Readiness Training (PRT) is authorized from 0630-0800. Commanders may authorize the wear of the APFU as a pedestrian or while bicycling to and from PRT.
- (1) SMs conducting PRT off-post will travel in groups of no less than two (2) and no greater than nine (9) personnel in staggered formation. SMs must always allow the right of way to pedestrians while running on sidewalks and observe safety measures if on the road, provided that a sidewalk is not available. Cadence calling is not authorized.
- (2) A reflective belt will be worn at the unit Commander's discretion while conducting PRT off-post during hours of darkness or low visibility.

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- (3) Exiting a POV while wearing the APFU between domicile and duty locations is authorized for gas stations only.
- f. Uniforms are not authorized while accompanying children to and from off-post schools. Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) off-post uniform wear remains unauthorized.
- g. The wear of the Army uniform is not authorized while utilizing public transportation, for travel to and from commercial airports, and for all commercial air travel.
- h. Uniforms will be clean and serviceable, and worn according to the standards identified in AR 670-1 and DA PAM 670-1 at all times.
- 6. Violations: The provisions of paragraph 5 are punitive, and offenders may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), Article 92.
- 7. Delegation: Subordinate Commanders may impose additional limitations if necessary for the maintenance of good order and discipline.
- 8. Effective Date: This policy is effective immediately and will remain in effect until suspended, revoked, or superseded.
- 9. The point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. Walter S. Joslin DSN: 314-646-5715 or <u>walter.s.joslin.civ@army.mil</u>.

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