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MEMORANDUM FOR All Military Personnel, Department of Defense (DOD) Civilians, Contractors and Family Members within the United States Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll (USAG-KA) Installations

SUBJECT: Policy #8 - U.S Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll (USAG-KA) Child Supervision and Curfew Policy

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 608-10, Child Development Services, 11 May 2017.
- b. AR 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program, 30 October 2007.
- c. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 6060.02, Child Development Programs (CDPs), 05 August 2014.

2. The purpose of this policy is to provide for the general protection and welfare of children in the USAG-KA Community. Safeguarding children and youth is a parental responsibility and all children, regardless of age, must be adequately supervised by their parents, the Child Development Center (CDC), School Age Center (SAC) program, another responsible adult, or an authorized baby-sitter. Parents must know where their children are, what they are doing, and establish limits on their activities, taking into consideration the Kwajalein environment, level of maturity, and any special needs of their children. Parents must evaluate the physical and emotional capabilities of their children and the potential risks to them in deciding the level of supervision.

3. Parents are responsible for their children, and must arrange for their care and supervision at all times. To guide in the safety and proper supervision of children, the following requirements are established:

- a. Children from birth to five will not be left unattended under any circumstance.
- b. Children ages six - nine are not allowed to be left home alone. Children of this age may be left outside of the home but must have adult supervision on the property either in, or outside of, the residence. Adult supervision is defined as someone who has or assumes responsibility for a child and is routinely providing oversight. For example, a parent in the home or another parent if children are visiting friend's.

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c. Children ages 10-12 may be left home alone and play outside unsupervised for up to 2 hours if readily accessible to an adult. Readily accessible is defined, at a minimum, as telephonic access and phone numbers for each person designated as an adult supervisor.

d. Children ages 13-15 may be left home alone and play outside unsupervised for up to 6 hours if an adult is readily accessible on island.

e. Children ages 16 and older may be left alone unsupervised if an adult is readily accessible on island.

f. Determining if a child is ready to be left alone is a parental responsibility, and should be based on the child's maturity and capabilities. If a parent decides to leave a child ages ten and older home alone, the child should be able to follow an emergency plan, make contact with an emergency point of contact, and carry out fire evacuation plans. Before leaving children alone, parents will ensure children have an on-island emergency point of contact that is available and able to provide assistance.

g. Children under the age of 16 will not be left alone and/or unsupervised overnight.

h. Children ages six and older may travel without supervision, weather and distance permitting, to and from school and scheduled events wherever the parent specifically allows. The parent must be fully aware of the child's destination and route to be taken, and the estimated time of arrival and departure. Parents will be held responsible for the whereabouts of school-age children at all times.

i. Children shall not be left in the care of a babysitter 13-15 years of age for more than 6 hours.

4. Children must be at least 13 years of age to provide babysitting services, attend the Child and Youth Services (CYS) babysitting course, and be listed on the CDC babysitting referral list. Parents are encouraged to use babysitters who have been trained in infant/child CPR, basic first aid, and proper caregiver techniques. The Kwajalein CYS program will provide babysitter training as a courtesy to the community.

5. Children are not permitted in public places between the hours of 2200 and 0500 on school nights, or 2400 and 0500 on weekend and holiday evenings unless accompanied by a parent or custodial guardian 21 years of age or older. The Garrison Commander may temporarily suspend or extend curfew as necessary.

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6. Children are not permitted south of 9th Street during hours of darkness unless accompanied by a parent or custodial guardian 21 years of age or older.

7. Enforcement of this policy is primarily the responsibility of parents with the participation of the Provost Marshal's Office (PMO) and Security Contractor. Individuals who violate the provisions of this policy are subject to adverse administrative action by the USAG-KA Commander.

8. The point of contact for this memorandum is the USAG-KA PMO at extension 808-580-3739.

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1. Child Supervision Matrix



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Age of Child	Travel to school and school activities	May babysit siblings	May babysit others
Age 0-5	NO	NO	NO
Age 6-9	YES, Age 6-7 south of 7 th St.; Age 8-9 south of 9 th St.	NO	NO
Age 10-11	YES	NO	NO
Age 12-13	YES	YES, no longer than 6 hours (not overnight)	YES, up to 6 hours, access to adult (Notes 1-7) Non siblings over age 2 only
Age 14-15	YES	YES, no longer than 8 hours (no overnight) (Notes 1-7)	YES, up to 8 hours but not overnight, Notes 1-7) Non siblings over age 2 only
Age 16-18	YES	YES, (Notes 1-3, 7)	YES, (Notes 1-3, 7)

Note 1: Parents must make an informed choice regarding weather, potential hazards or amount of time.

Note 2: Parents are responsible for assessing the individual capabilities of their children. (Can your child solve problems alone?)

Note 3: Adult supervision is defined as "someone who has or assumes responsibility for a child (parent, guardian, care provider, friend).

Note 4: Ready access is defined as "at a minimum, phone access and phone number of each person designated as an adult supervisor.

Note 5: Children less than 16 cannot provide care overnight (11 p.m. – 5 a.m.). An older child or adult must be in the house from 1-5 a.m.

Note 6: Home-alone training by ACS, CYS or other sources is strongly recommended.

Note 7: CYS babysitting and CPR/First Aid training is required to babysit.