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MEMORANDUM FOR All Personnel Working and Living within the United States Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz (USAG RP) Footprint

SUBJECT: Refuse Collection and Recycling Standing Operating Procedure (SOP)

1. References.

- a. Executive Orders (EO) 13423 and 13514 (Environmental Protection and Conservation).
- b. AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 Dec 07.
- c. AR 420-1, Army Facilities Management, 12 Feb 08, with RAR 002, 24 Aug 12.
- d. AE Reg 200-1, Environmental Quality Program, 8 May 12.
- e. Final Governing Standards (FGS), Chapter 7, Solid Waste, 10 Jul 12.
- f. USAG Rheinland-Pfalz Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan, latest version.

2. Purpose. To establish solid waste handling procedures within the United States Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz (USAG RP) to meet federal objectives mandated by the EO and Army regulations as well as Host Nation requirements under the FGS.

3. Scope. Host Nation law requires that all residents of Germany properly dispose of their refuse by recycling as much as possible. U.S. Forces must also abide by this law. Thus, this policy applies to all Units, Agencies, Activities, Tenants, Contractors, and all civilian employees stationed and working in the USAG RP area of responsibility.

4. Procedure. Recycling is mandatory in the USAG RP. The mixing of trash and recyclables in either the recycling or the trash containers is prohibited. Otherwise, mixed trash will result in the pick-up contractor charging the Garrison for additional sorting; this is a waste of US tax-payers dollars.

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a. Centralized recycling yards on installations provide bulk containers for collecting the different waste streams. Paper, cardboard, light weight packages, scrap wood, electronic scrap, scrap metal, glass, and others must be segregated. With few exceptions, containers for each waste stream are located on each installation. They are identifiable by various designs, distinctive labels or signage. All users will exercise caution to appropriately segregate and dispose wastes into the respective container. The enclosure to this memorandum displays the opening hours of the recycling yards within the garrison. Trained operators are available at all recycling yards to support efforts to segregate and determine the correct container. Users have to follow the instruction of the recycling yard operators. Do not place or abandon any waste outside the recycling yards or at any other unauthorized location. It is not allowed to scan the containers nor to take any items from the USAG RP recycling yards.

b. Recycling Islands on installations provide bulk containers for collecting recyclables and refuse.

c. No wastes (household trash or other) generated off-post may be brought onto USAG RP installations. Individuals (military, civilian, or local nationals) living off-post have to use off-post refuse and recycling disposal procedures. The proper method for off-post waste disposal is through the local community. Landlords, community offices, and waste companies may be called for off-post assistance. Similarly, material generated on-post, whether refuse or recyclables, will not be disposed off outside of the installation.

d. Hand receipted items, equipment, and fixtures have to be returned to DRMO.

e. Tenant Units with specific waste requirements can request containers via DPW Solid Waste Manager (email [usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil), within Baumholder footprint call DSN 485-8147). Units will inform their users regarding the purpose of each container and assure that containers are clearly labeled for the waste type to be collected.

f. Tenant Units who provide their own custodial services must also transport refuse and recyclables to their respective waste disposal and recycling facilities.

g. Bulky wastes containers for moves and cleanup can be requested via DPW Solid Waste Manager (email [usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil), within Baumholder footprint call DSN 485-8147).

h. Hazardous waste (HW), hazardous materials (HM), and special waste items such as batteries, tires, toner cartridges, chemicals, corrosives, cooling devices, paint, POL used and unused have to be disposed off in coordination with DPW Environmental Management Division (DSN: 493-4744, 493-4739, 493-4738, 493-4701).



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i. Electronics contain toxic and extremely dangerous substances. Bring all scrap entertainment - & consumer electronic to your on-post recycling yard.

j. Expired or excess medications – U.S. and German laws require pharmacies to take back all expired or excess prescription medications that they dispense. Do not pour or flush medications down the drain. This endangers/contaminates fresh water supplies and poses threats to humans, animals, and other organisms.

k. Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW) will be accepted at the recycling yards in small amounts only.

l. Construction waste is the responsibility of the organization that produced the waste and has to be disposed of by the organization in accordance with the established contract and all appropriate rules, regulations and laws. It is strictly forbidden to put any kind of construction waste in common recycling or trash containers or deposit any at a USAG RP installation.

m. Contractors working on-post will bring and use their own refuse and recycling containers for the duration of the contract.

n. Beside the USAG RP official assigned disposal contractors, nobody is authorized to collect, take away, remove, or dispose any kind of refuse, recyclables, or items at or from USAG RP installations.

5. Enforcement. Punitive actions will be taken by USAG RP Commander, Deputy Commander or designated representatives for irresponsible disposal of solid waste violating U.S. and host nation laws. Violators may face the loss of driving or ID card privileges and access to military facilities, fines, or criminal prosecution.

6. Responsibilities. Site Managers are responsible for implementing and enforcing recycling requirements within their installation. Questions regarding recycling and other solid wastes should be addressed to the respective Site Managers or the USAG RP DPW Solid Waste Manager (email [usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-solid-waste@mail.mil), within Baumholder footprint call DSN 531-3043). Questions regarding HW, HM, and special waste should be addressed to the DPW Environmental Management Division (DSN 541-4737 or via email [usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-environment@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.imcom-europe.list.dpw-environment@mail.mil)).

7. Point of contact for this SOP is the USAG RP DPW Operations and Maintenance Division Chief, Heinz-Werner Rudolf, at DSN 541-4793.



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1. Glossary of Terms
2. Recycle Yard Operating Hours

## **Glossary of Terms**

1. Solid Waste (SW) – Non-liquid, non-hazardous, recyclable, and non-recyclable waste materials.
2. Recyclables – Normal home and office use paper material, cardboard, plastics, and light metal packaging including plastic and metal foils, bags, tin and aluminum cans, also known as “light fractions” (German term) (heavy, scrap metals are not included here).
3. Refuse / trash – For the purpose of this policy, all non-recyclable, non-hazardous residual (household, office, or shop wastes and refuse), also known as Restmüll (German).
4. Bulky Wastes – Old furniture, carpets, and other household items that won't fit in normal household trash bags or household-size waste cans, also known as Sperrmüll (German).
5. Hazardous Waste (HW), Hazardous Material (HM), and Special Wastes are dangerous goods and need special attention. For example batteries, tires, toner cartridges, chemicals, cooling devices, paint, POL used and unused.
6. Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW) – Home, garden, personal, pet, and auto care products (non-industrial use) that could be flammable, corrosive, toxic, or otherwise reactive (when exposed to heat, ignition, compression, or impact).
7. Electronics are items with a cord and/ or a battery. For example cell phones, computers, entertainment and consumer devices, and electronic toys.

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OPERATION OF RECYCLING YARDS							
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