

# **BMC Town Hall & Information Forum**



# WELCOME

We're glad you're here!



Please silence your cell phone



Download a copy of today's slides & find links and resources:





### Let your voice be heard!

- 1. Take the Overseas Housing Allowance survey by Mar 31
- 2. Take the Army Housing Tenant Satisfaction survey by May 1





(2QFY25) U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz



WE ARE THE ARMY'S HOME





COL Jeffery C. Higgins
Garrison Commander
U.S. Army Installation Management Command







#### **Opening Remarks:**

COL Jeffery Higgins, Garrison Commander Mr. Mark Colbrook, BMC Deputy Garrison Manager



#### **Updates and Information**

**Garrison Directorates and Mission Partners** 



#### **Open Forum**

**Audience Questions and Answers** 



**Closing Remarks** 





# **Opening Remarks**



COL Jeffery Higgins
Commander
U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz





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Mr. Mark Colbrook

Deputy Garrison Manager, Baumholder
U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz





# How to submit Questions

- ✓ Fill out a Question Card
- ✓ Send an Email to the Deputy Garrison Manager
- √ Ask during Q&A







# Ground Rules

- Be Respectful
- Raise Hand for Microphone
- Be Brief
- Limit Follow-Up Questions





### **Topics for Discussion from Previous Townhalls**

AGENT	TOPIC	STATUS
DGM	Extension of TLA from 30 to 60 days	Complete
DPW	Softball Field	Complete
DPW	Radon update on mitigation process	Complete
DES (DPW in support)	Fenceline - Clinic Kaserne	Complete
DFMWR	CDC - status of hourly care option and plan to increase capacity; advertisement of off post childcare services	Complete
DFMWR	After hours accommodation / arrival for families (Java Café Family Lounge)	Complete
DES	Wetzel Gate 4 (Aquatics Center/Golf Course) - Hours of Operation	Complete
DFMWR	Operation Hours at Aquatics Center	Complete
LRC	Notification to Community of operation of Wetzel / Kleber Shuttle	Complete
DPW	Policy for Acceptance of Army Family Housing	Complete





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AGENT	TOPIC	STATUS
DGM	Management of gazebos	Ongoing, developing SOP
DFMWR	Priority and space available on CDCs	Working ETPs
PAO	Retention of BMC Facebook Page	Ongoing
DPW	Post Office Lockers	Awaiting funding
DPW	Speeding in housing areas	Ongoing
DGM	Space management (Scouting)	Ongoing
DPW	Dog park – lighting and signage	Signage complete, awaiting funding for lighting
DES	Guest Access in IACS reciprocity	Working
DFMWR	Broken lifts at Auto Skills Center	2 of 3 repaired, working final one
DFMWR	After hours accommodation / arrival for families	Ongoing
DFMWR	Furniture at Strikers Bowling Center	Ongoing; complete by end of month
DPW/DGM	Communications plan for projects and traffic	Ongoing/continuous
DPW	Parking in Family Housing	Ongoing
AAFES	Shortage of inventory / item selection	Ongoing/continuous





## Impacts on Garrison Services

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDERS & OSD GUIDANCE**

- Social Media
- Cultural Observances
- Hiring Freeze
- Government Purchase Cards
  - CYS
  - Veterinary Services
  - DPW Work Orders
- Government Travel Cards
  - PCS Issues

#### **ADDITIONAL IMPACTS**

- Local National Strikes
- Continuing Resolution





# **Questions**

10 Minutes





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# Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA)

### **Executive Orders and DOD Guidance**

Cultural Observances

- Review of Library Materials
- Curriculum and Instruction

Clubs and Extracurricular Activities





# Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA)

#### **Upcoming Events**

Open Now: Re-registration/new student registration

26 March—End 3rd Quarter

27 March to 4 April—Spring Recess

7 April—Begin 4th Quarter

28 April—Staff PD Day-No School for Students

9 May—Accelerated Withdrawal window for PCS

23 May—Recess Day-No School for Students

26 May—Memorial Day

<u>5 June</u>—BMHS Graduation Ceremony 1800 at the Wagon Wheel Theater

10 June—End Fourth Quarter—Early Release for Students







# **Questions**

10 Minutes



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**Baumholder Army Health Clinic** 

- Well Woman's Exams
- Parking Lot Construction Spring Summer 2025
- Access to Care Challenges Spring 2025
- Appointment Line: 06371 94645767; Option 1; Option 2
- Vending Machines
- MHS GENESIS Patient Portal Assistance Sessions 21MAR2025 from 0900-1200; 1400-1600 Room 104

#### **Contact Information:**

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Commander Baumholder Army Health Clinic

**Baumholder Army Health Clinic** 

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## **Directorate of Public Works (DPW)**

### **DPW TOPICS**

\*Radon Dashboard is live Mitigation projects continue (recently completed Bldg. 8111)

\*FY25 Housing Tenant Satisfaction Survey Open until May 1



\*NEW Self-Help Store Hours

### **Construction Updates**

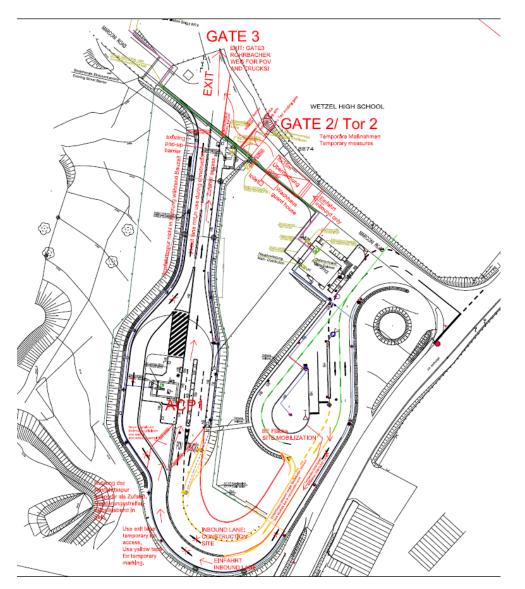
- PX Roof Repair Road Closure (Estimated completion: Oct 2025)
- Pavement Projects
- Clinic Parking Lot Phase 2 is scheduled to start 31 Mar (Tentatively)
- Shoppette Pavement Repairs curbstone/pavers ongoing; asphalt work anticipated to begin in April
- Artillery Road Repairs (Estimated construction from April - September)
- Dental Street (Estimated construction from April - September)
- Wetzel ACP1 Lane Addition beginning in June 2025
- Smith Barracks Playgrounds (Contract being modified; revised schedule TBD)





# **Directorate of Public Works (DPW)**

Wetzel ACP1 Lane Addition (Estimated Start: June 25)

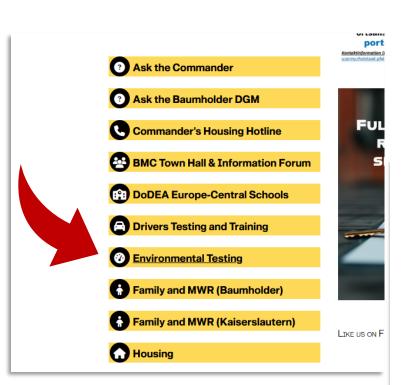


- Work Start: <u>June 2025</u>, after school ends (~3-month construction period)
- Main Gate (ACP1): <u>Exit lane</u> will be converted into an Entrance lane
- 24/7 exit via Gate 3 (Rohrbacher Weg) during construction
- Gate 2 will be used as a temporary entrance





### **Navigating to the Radon Tracker**



#### **Environmental Management Division**

Ensure the long term sustainability of the installation through compliance with Federal Environment laws and regulations, protection of natural and cultural resources, prevention of pollution, environmental training, environmental inspections and public outreach for the wellbeing of the Rheinland-Pfalz military community.

▶ Find information about the Environmental Management Division on their SHAREPOINT PORTAL (CAC required).

- Drinking Water
- Legionella Testing
- Mold
- Radon Testing

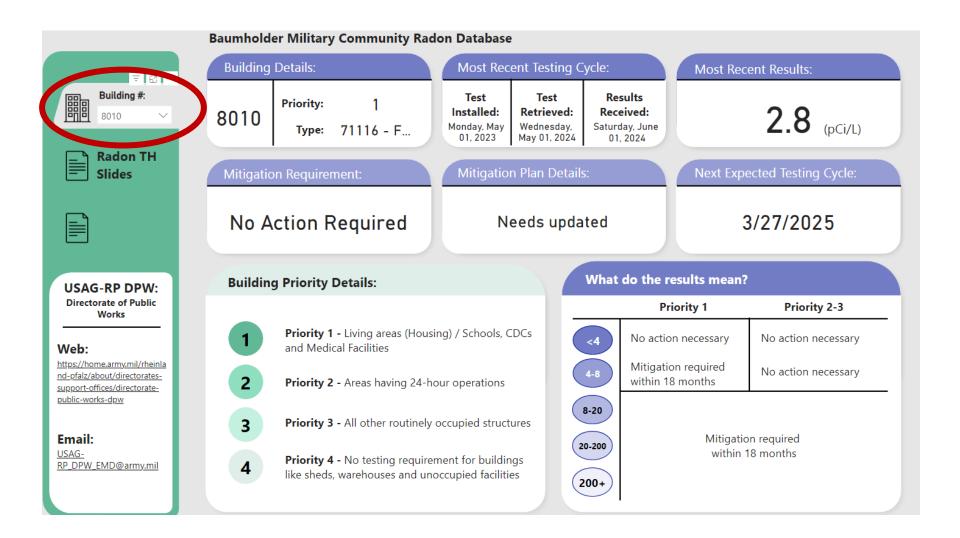
PUBLIC RADON REPORTS

Recycling





# Radon Tracker Available to Public with CAC 24/7





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# Stay Mission-Ready!

# Renew Your Vehicle Registration Early

- ✓ Save Time Beat the Summer PCS rush
- ✓ Save Money Fees will go up soon

For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.army.mil/article/282741">https://www.army.mil/article/282741</a>







#### <u>Abandoned / Unregistered:</u>

Total Vehicles: 106

Smith BRK: 83

Medical: 10

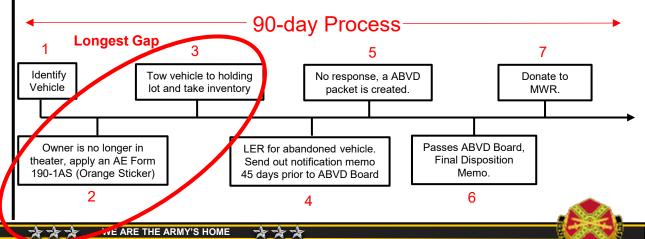
• Wetzel: 13

Not processed but identified throughout Baumholder

#### **Constraints**

- One Tow Truck for USAG Rhineland-Pfalz (BMC & KMC)
- One Tow Truck Driver
- DES Traffic Investigators (4) process Abandoned Vehicles
- Leins on Vehicles
- Out-processing system doesn't hold owners accountable
- 90-day process to donate (MWR)
- When DES personnel are available and Tow Truck is operational, BMC PMO can move 10 vehicles per week.







### Non-Operable Vehicle?

Donate it for parts! Baumholder Automotive Skills Center will tow USAREUR-registered cars within a 30 km radius of the Baumholder Military Community.



- √ 90-day process
- ✓ No fee with copy of orders
- √ \$10 fee without orders
- ✓ Must have a valid USAREUR registration and be present to sign the documents
- ✓ For more information, visit:
   <u>baumholder.armymwr.</u>
   <u>com/programs/</u>
   <u>automotive-skills-</u>
   center







#### **Driving / Parking on Post**

- Parking is limited in Baumholder
- Parking against the flow of traffic (illegal/safety)
- Parking on Sidewalks (Impedes Pedestrian Traffic)
- Speed enforcement in housing area
- No PT on Prussman Ave
- GPS App is not always RIGHT (100 Kph on Lime St.)



# **Speed Enforcement Current Operations Smith Barracks**

0730 - 0900

- Lime St. adjacent Smith Elementary
- Menue Road adjacent Softball field

1200 -1400 and 1700 - 1900

Infantry Avenue adjacent Minick Field

1700 - 1900

Pear St., Fern St., and Ivy St. various locations

#### Wetzel Kaserne

0730 - 0900 and 1700 - 1900

 Marconi Rd. and Hillside Ave. from ACP to Lower Wetzel Outbound

#### PT Hours Speeding

- Ceased Speed Enforcement during PT Hours
- 17 Total signs posted on Smith BRK.
- Infantry Ave, Old Ironsides Ave., Abrams Ave, Cannon Rd, Artillery Ave, and Menue Rd
- ☐ Signage not placed properly, indicating start, end, and intersections
- ☐ Signage not co-located with Kph sign
- Signage placed sporadically w/ no set plan or policy









#### Impeding Traffic

- Loading Zones
- Areas Marked with an X
- Dumpster Areas Marked w/ White Lines
- Parking on Sidewalks
- Housing Loading Areas
- Picture with 1408 Submitted





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**Impeding Operations** 







- New speed cameras coming soon!
- Ongoing patrols for speed enforcement





#### Installation Passes

- All non-DoD ID cardholders must escorted by a DoD ID cardholder at all times, be on an approved access roster, or be issued an installation pass.
- All installation passes must be requested on AE Form 190-16A by a
  DoD ID cardholder via encrypted e-mail from an official e-mail account
  at least three business days prior to the requested date.

#### 1. SHORT TERM (3 DAYS OR LESS)

DoD ID cardholders age 18+ may sign in up to four visitors at a time

**REQ DOCS**: Passport or German ID for LN.

**SPONSOR:** Always required

#### 2. INSTALLATION PASSES FOR VISITING FAMILY MEMBERS

Passes for 30-90days, up to 6 months with ETP

REQ DOCS: Passport, NCIC Background Check and flight itinerary

SPONSOR: Required until pass is approved

#### 3. UNESCORTED PASS

**REQ DOCS**: Passport, NCIC Background Check and flight itinerary.

SPONSOR: Required until pass is approved

#### **ELIGIBLE VETERAN ACCESS (NEW AS OF JANUARY 2020)**

#### **IACS OFFICES**

BMC / Wetzel Kaserne Bldg 8873 Monday-Friday 0815-1600 (last sign in 1545) CIV# 06111-531-27776/2777

#### KMC / Pulaski Barracks Bldg 2974

DSN# 531-2776/2777

Monday - Thursday 0830-1500 (last sign in - 1445) CIV# 06111-43-541-7151 DSN# 541/7151

#### KMC VCC/ ROBMC Gate

Monday – Friday 0830-1600 (last sign in 1545) CIV# 0611-143-541-5476/5477 DSN# 541-5476/5477

For more information, visit: <a href="https://home.army.mil/rheinland-pfalz/about/directorates-support-offices/directorate-emergency-services-des/installation-access-control">https://home.army.mil/rheinland-pfalz/about/directorates-support-offices/directorate-emergency-services-des/installation-access-control</a>





#### Contact Baumholder Law Enforcement

#### Baumholder Chief of Police

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#### **Baumholder MPI**

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#### **Provost Sergeant**

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#### **PONDS Coordinator**

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#### **Baumholder TMCI**

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# KMC Exchange



#### Merchandise

Children's clothing now available

Some children's core assortment available until merchandise added



#### **Shuttle Program**

Current pick up once per week but can increase based on utilization



#### Food

Popeyes: Mon-Sat 1100-1900; Sun 1100-1800

Burger King: Mon-Fri 0700-1700 Drive thru until 1800; Sat-Sun closed

Bun-D: Mon-Sat 1100-1900; Sun 1100-1800

Dunkin: Mon-Fri 0700-1500; Sat-Sun 0830-1700



#### **H&R Block**

Tax Season hours:

Monday - Friday 1000-1800; Saturday by appointment only



#### Launderette

**Under New Management** 

Contract officially begins May 2025

Concessionaire will be given phase-in dates for services to begin



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# Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation (DFMWR)

### **DFMWR UPDATES**

\*Strikers Bowling Center
Food & Beverage Contract
Facility Improvements

\*Baumholder 101: Spouse Orientation

\*Army Emergency Relief (AER) now through 14 June



For more information visit: baumholder.armymwr.com OR kaiserslautern.armymwr.com

### **Upcoming Events and Programming**

21 Mar: Aquatic Center CLOSED (5-7 ADA Training)

**22 Mar:** "Run the Rock" 5K Fun Run, Hall of Champions, 0900

28 Mar: All CYS programs CLOSED for staff training

**01 Apr:** April Foo(I)sball Tournament, Warrior Zone, 1800-2200

**07 Apr**: Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders Cheer Clinic and Meet and Greet, Hall of Champions

**17 Apr:** Prost, Prose and Paint – Paint and Sip Event, Pinsetters Pub, 1800-2000

20 Apr: Easter Brunch, Rheinlander, 1130-1400

**26 Apr:** Month of the Military Child Festival, Pulaski

Park, 1100-1400



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# Religious Support Operations (RSO)

#### Catholic

18 April: Good Friday 19 April: Holy Saturday 20 April: Easter Sunday

#### **Protestant**

18 April: Good Friday 20 April: Easter Sunday

#### Jewish

12 April: Passover Seder 13 April: Passover Seder 16 May: Lag B'Omer

1 Jun: Shavuot 2 Jun: Shavuot

#### Eastern Orthodox

17 April: Matins with 12 Passion Gospels

18 April: Holy Friday

Matins w/Lamentations

20 April: Paschal Divine

Liturgy

20 April: Agape Vespers

#### Islamic

28 Feb-30 Mar:

Ramadan

26-27 Mar: Laylatul

Qadr

31 Mar-1 Apr: Eid 'ul Fitr

6-7 Jun: Eid 'ul Adha

#### Earth-Based/Pagan

22 March: Ostara19 April: Sigarblot3 May: Beltane

17 May: Friggablot

21 June:

Litha/Midsummer

\*Full schedule with service times and locations available in the backup & handout slides



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## **United Service Organizations (USO)**

## **USO Updates**



New Program:
Game Night
with Extended Hours!
Two Wednesdays a month
we lead an RPG Game with
all center amenities available
until 2030.



MOMC Carnival Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1400-1600 at the USO Baumholder



Volunteer opportunities available to anyone with base access!



Follow us! @USOBaumholder





## **Center Hours and Access**

Monday – Friday 1000-1800 Training Holidays 1200-1800 Closed Saturdays and Holidays Sundays 1200-1800 for 18+

Open to anyone who has base access.

Minors must be accompanied by an adult





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#### **EXISTING FEATURES**

- · One-click emergency calls
- · Near real-time updates
- · Installation-wide alerts
- · Interactive bus routes
- · Current Air Quality Index
- · Newcomer information

- Intuitive search functions
- Bookmark common resources
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- MHS Genesis Login

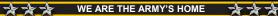
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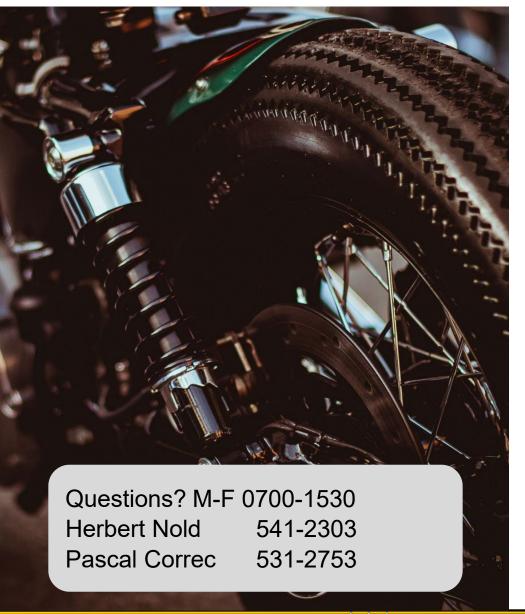
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## **Garrison Safety Office (GSO)**



## Motorcycle, Moped & Scooter

Mandatory Personal Protective Equipment

### On and Off Post – AEA 190-1

- Soldiers will wear required safety equipment at all times
- Every motorcycle rider will wear safety equipment on a military installation

## **German Law Requires:**

- Wear a Safety Helmet
- Lights ON for safety, day and night

MSF is required for military members, but not for civilians or dependents.

Register at: <a href="https://imc.army.mil/airs">https://imc.army.mil/airs</a>



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## **American Red Cross**

## **Community Safety Training**

#### Adult and Pediatric CPR / AED / First Aid

- 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of April (Ramstein)
- 18<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> of April (Landstuhl)
- 14<sup>th</sup> of April (Baumholder)

#### **Babysitting Basics with Pediatric CPR**

5<sup>th</sup> of April (Landstuhl)

**BLS** 

8<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> of April (Ramstein)

#### **CPR** Instructor

• 3 & 4 June (Baumholder)

## American Red Cross – Hero Care Center

- Local Office: 314-531-3153
- 24-Hour HCC: 1-877-272-7337 314-480-0422 06371-47-0422
- https://www.redcross.org/get-help/military-families/emergency-communication.html
- Hero Care App (iTunes and Google Play)

## Volunteer with the American Red Cross!



- Outreach and Events
- Training Services
- Disaster Response
- Volunteer Leadership
- Emergency Messaging

## **Community Outreach and Resiliency**

- Disaster Action Team Outreach Baumholder 26 Apr
- CYS Workshop Resiliency Briefings 7 Apr
- Resiliency Session (Kleber DFAS) 15 Apr
- Ramstein Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony 16 Apr
- STEAM Carnival CPR Demo w/ Dante the PVP Dog 19 Apr
- LRMC Volunteer Appreciation Event 24 Apr
- Month of the Military Child 26 Apr

www.redcross.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer



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## **Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP)**





Support the military's blood program to help - US/NATO combat casualties

- Patients in military hospitals like LRMC







## **Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP)**

## How can you support the DoD's blood supply?

- Leaders: inform MIL, CIV, LN, Families & encourage max participation, offer incentives (no PT, awards, etc.)
  - Donors: sign up for appointments in advance
  - Volunteers: promote blood drive, help during

## **Units/Orgs: Sponsor AUG 24-25 Blood Drive**

- Strong Leadership engagement
- 1+ ADVANCE Volunteers to promote blood drive
  - 3+ Volunteers DURING blood drive Soldiers earn hours toward MOVSM





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- Limit Follow-Up Questions





## **USAG Rheinland-Pfalz BMC Town Hall**



## Leave an ICE Comment





## **Closing Remarks**









## **USAG Rheinland-Pfalz BMC Town Hall**

## **Back Up & Hand Out Slides**





## USAG Rheinland-Pfalz BMC Town Hall Purpose



MARK A. COLBROOK DEPUTY GARRISON MANAGER

**Purpose**: BMC Town Hall and Information Forum serves as a structured quarterly meeting for Garrison, Mission Unit and Service Partners, and our organizations' senior leaders to share short and midterm plans, exchange information, while fostering local networking and cross-communication.

This forum provides a two-way communications opportunity to offer insights on specific concerns and issues, while allowing the USAG Rheinland-Pfalz Command Team to share priorities, updates, and their thoughts on hot-topic items.



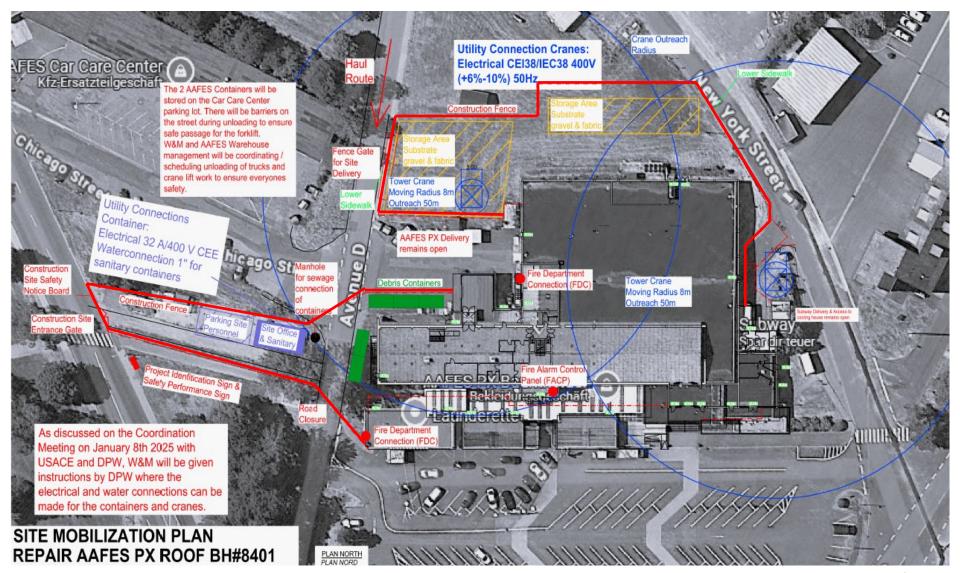
# Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Construction Update

- Balcony Addition Program
  - Project includes 6 buildings: 8009, 8017, 8040, 8047, 8048, 8066
  - Residents will receive a 2-week notification of their install times between the hours of 0800-1600; unit leaders for these buildings will be notified to help coordinate access
  - Wooden dust/privacy wall will be installed inside the living room; it will remain for approximately 4 weeks
  - Estimated start date for dust wall installation: 16 April in Building 8009
- Army Family Housing Rightsizing Projects
  - Buildings 8057 and 8059 Recently Completed!
  - Buildings 8018 and 8020 Construction starts <u>June 2025</u>
    - Need to vacate building by May 2025
  - Buildings 8019, 8021, and 8023 Construction starts <u>September 2025</u>
    - Need to vacate buildings by August 2025
  - Residents have been briefed; Residents of Bldgs 8018/8020 have priority for moves





## Directorate of Public Works (DPW) PX Roof Repair Contractor Laydown Area/Road Closure







# Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Repair Clinic Parking Lot Phase 1 (Ongoing; ECD: Mar 25)



Access always available to CDC





# Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Repair Clinic Parking Lot Phase 2 (Estimated Start: April 25)





# Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Repair Clinic Parking Lot Phase 3 (Estimated Start: July 25)





## **Directorate of Public Works (DPW)**

Clinic Parking Lot – Alternate Parking Areas for Phases 2-3







# Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation (DFMWR)





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## **TENANT SURVEY**





The completely confidential survey will be emailed from **ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com**. For additional questions, please contact your local **Army Housing Office**.

OMB Control Number: 0704-0553. OMB Expiration date: 05/31/2025





# New Self-Help Hours Beginning 17 March

	PREVIOUS HOURS (Through 16 March)		CURRENT HOURS (Beginning 17 March)	
Self-Help Store	Year Round		Summer Months (March - September)	
	M, T, Th, F W (1 Person; 2	0900 - 1530 0900 - 1200 7 Service Hours)	M, W, F T, Th (2 People;	1230 - 1530 0800 - 1530 46 Service Hours)
			Winter Months (October - February)	
			M, W, F T, Th	0800 - 1200 1230 - 1530
			(2 People; 36 Service Hours)	
Lawn Mower Shop	Summer Months (March - September)		Summer Months (March - September)	
	M, F	0900 - 1530	M, W, F	0800 - 1130
	(Customers come in throughout the week)		(2 People; 21 Service Hours)	
	(1 Person; 12	2 Service Hours)	Winter Months (October - February)  CLOSED for seasonal maintenance work on the lawn mowers	



## **Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)**

## Ramstein Host Nation Hiring Exhibition

Does your unit have open Local National positions?



When: May 03-04, 2025

Time: 09:00-16:00

Where: Congress Center Ramstein

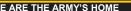
Interested in joining us? Contact our POCs:

Daniel Nagel- daniel.nagel3.ln@army.mil

Peter Beutler- peter.beutler4.ln@army.mil





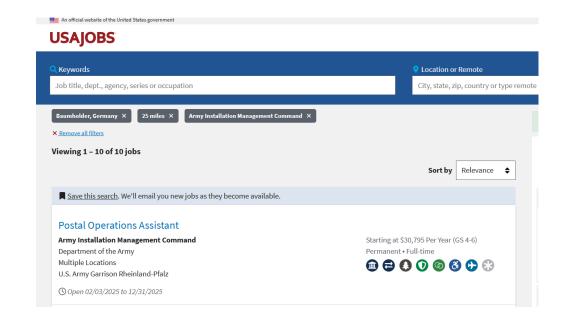




## **Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)**

## **HIRING FREEZE effective 2 March**

- No onboarding
- No current end date
- During the freeze you can:
  - Attend resume classes
  - Enhance interview skills
  - Update USAjobs profile
  - Set job alerts (USAjobs & LinkedIn)
  - Volunteer







## Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)

## In and Out Processing

- Government Travel Cards and Government Purchase Cards are currently suspended for Civilians
- Exempted DoD civilian employee travel only includes travel in direct support of military operations or a Permanent Change of Station
- Active Duty should work with their S1 for up-to-date PCS guidance



OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-4000

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MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Guidance on Use of Government Travel Charge Cards by Department of Defense Civilian Employees



https://www.defense.gov/Portals/1/Spotlight/2025/Guidance\_For\_Federal\_Policies/Guidance-on-Use-of-Government-Travel-Charge-Cards-by-Department-of-Defense-Civilian-Employees-PR-Guidance.pdf





## Religious Support Operations



Kleber Office BLDG 3213 DSN:531-3170 CIV:0611-143-541-2105

On Call Duty Chaplain for Emergencies CIV: 0162-270-8348

### **Religious Support Personnel**

#### **Community Chaplains:**

Garrison Chaplain: CH (LTC) Silva, Ronaldo

Resource Manager: CH (MAJ) Tak, Seong Christian Family Life Chaplain: CH (MAJ) Kelley, Anthony

#### **Garrison RSO NCOIC:**

SSG Fofanah, Samcess

#### **Religious Affairs Specialist:**

SPC Yuri, Li

#### CATHOLIC SERVICES IN KMC

Kaiserlautern:

1130 Sunday - Daenner Chapel\* 1200 Tue, Wed, Fri, Hilltop Chapel\* \*Confession 45 minutes prior to Mass

## CATHOLIC WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL (CWOC) IN KMCC

\*Please contact our Religious Support Office

Other KMC Catholic Services: 0900 Saturday RAB North Chapel 1300 Sunday RAB North Chapel 1700 Sunday RAB North Chapel 1130 Mon-Fri RAB North Chapel

#### PROTESTANT SERVICES IN KMC

**Contemporary Service:** 

0930 Sunday – Vogelweh Chapel "Unplugged" 1100 Sunday, RAB North Chapel

#### Episcopal Service:

1030 Sunday, Kapaun Chapel

#### **Gospel Service:**

1100 Sunday, Vogelweh Chapel

#### Orthodox Christian:

0900 Sunday, Kapaun Chapel

#### **Community Protestant Service:**

1030 Sunday, LRMC Chapel 0930 Sunday, RAB South Chapel

#### **Unitarian Service:**

1330 2nd & 4th Sunday, Kapaun Chapel

#### Confessional Lutheran (WELS):

1600 2nd & 4th Sunday, RAB South Chapel

## PROTESTANT WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL (PWOC) in KMCC

\*Please contact our Religious Support Office

#### Buddhist Service - Ramstein

1030 4th Saturday, RAB North Chapel

#### <u>Islamic Services – Ramstein/Daenner</u> 1300 Friday, RAB South Chapel

1300 Friday, RAB South Chapei

#### Jewish Services – Ramstein

1800 Friday, RAB South Chapel

#### <u>Orthodox</u>

0845 Sunday, Kapaun Chapel

#### **Seventh Day Adventist**

1100 Saturday, RAB North Chapel

#### **Latter Day Saints**

Call 0176-18300850 to speak to the local Baumholder Military Branch of the LDS church.

#### Unitarian Universalist Service

1330 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Kapaun Chapel

#### Wiccan Services

1900 Saturday, Kapaun Chapel Annex 1500-1700 1st & 3rd Saturday at

Baumholder Rock Chapel







## Religious Support Operations



Baumholder Office BLDG 8681 DSN:531-3170 CIV:0611-143-531-3170

On Call Duty Chaplain for Emergencies CIV: 0162-270-8348

### **Religious Support Personnel**

**Community Chaplains:** 

Garrison Deputy Chaplain: CH (MAJ) Ginsburg, Robert

Garrison Plans and Operations Chaplain: CH (MAJ) Hunt, Jesse

Religious Affairs Specialist: SPC Ferguson, Paris, SGT Meyer, Jordan

Garrison Pastoral Care Chaplain: CH (MAJ) Poole, Craig

**Baumholder RSO NCOIC:** 

SSG Burch, Shelton

#### **Rock Chapel - Protestant Service**

BLDG. 8308 Worship: Sunday 10:00 a.m.

#### **Rheinland Chapel - Catholic Service**

BLDG. 8249 Sunday Mass: 09:00 a.m Tue/Wed/Thu Mass: 1200 p.m.

#### **Saturday Pagan Service**

Rock Chapel 1st & 3rd Saturdays 1500-1700

#### **Club Beyond (Teens)**

Weekly Clubs and Bible Studies KMC: Kaiserslautern@clubbeyond.org BMC: Baumholder@clubbeyond.org

## Family Life Chaplain CH (MAJ) Kelley, Anthony BLDG, 8681 DSN: 531-3173

Pastoral Counseling Relationship Education Resource Center

#### **Protestant Women Of The Chapel**

BLDG. 8308 Tuesday 0900-1100

#### **Catholic Women Of The Chapel**

BLDG. 8249 Sunday: 10:15 a.m





## Religious Support Operations (RSO)

### **Upcoming Events and Services**

#### **USAG RP CATHOLIC**

Good Friday: 18 April

1400, Stations of the Cross @ Daenner and Rheinland Chapels 1500, Good Friday Liturgy @ Daenner and Rheinland Chapels

Holy Saturday: 19 April

2030, Daenner Chapel, Kaiserslautern

Easter Sunday: 20 April

0900, Rheinland Chapel, Baumholder 1120, Daenner Chapel, Kaiserslautern

#### **USAG RP PROTESTANT**

Good Friday: 18 April

1630, Rock Chapel, Baumholder

Easter Sunday: 20 April

0900, Unplugged Service, Vogelweh Chapel

1030, Hilltop Chapel, LRMC 1000, Rock Chapel, Baumholder

1700, SRC, Sembach (Fellowship meal following)

#### **Ramstein CATHOLIC**

Good Friday: 18 April, North Chapel

1500 Stations of the Cross

1700 Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 19 April – 2000, North Chapel

Easter Sunday Mass 20 April – 0900,1300, North Chapel 1700 Vogelweh Chapel

#### Ramstein EASTERN ORTHODOX

Matins with 12 Passion Gospels 17 April, 2000 Kapaun Chapel Holy Friday Matins with Lamentations 18 April, 1900 Kapaun Chapel

Paschal Divine Liturgy 20 April, 0000 Kapaun Chapel Agape Vespers 20 April, 1500 Kapaun Chapel

#### Ramstein PROTESTANT

Good Friday: 18 April

1200, Traditional Service, South Chapel.1200, Episcopal Service, Kapaun Chapel.

Easter Sunday: 20 April

Traditional Service. South Chapel, 0930 Contemporary Service, North Chapel, 1100 Gospel Service. Vogelweh Chapel, 1130 Episcopal Service, Kapaun Chapel, 1200

#### Ramstein EARTH BASED/PAGAN

Ostara 22 March, Kapaun Annex, 1900-2100 Sigrblot 19 April, Kapaun Annex, 1900-2100 Beltane 3 May, Kapaun Annex, 1900-2100 Friggablot 17 May, Kapaun Annex, 1900-2100 Litha/Midsummer 21 June, Kapaun Annex, 1900-2100

#### Ramstein ISLAMIC

Ramadan 28 Feb–30 March (+/-2 days), Fri & Sat, 1930-2230 Laylatul Qadr 26 - 27 March (+/- 2 days)
Eid 'ul Fitr 31 March–1 April (+/-2 days), 0900-1200
Eid 'ul Adha 6–7 Jun (+/-2 days), 0900-1200

#### Ramstein JEWISH

**Tu B'Shvat:** 13 February – South Chapel, TBD **Purim:** 13 & 14 March – South Chapel, TBD **Passover Seder #1:** 12 April – South Chapel, 2030

Passover Seder #2: 13 April – South Chapel, 2030 Lag B'Omer: 16 May – South Chapel, 1700

**Shavuot:** 1 Jun – South Chapel, 2100 **Shavuot:** 2 Jun – South Chapel, 2100

RSVP contact Ch Pekar: levy.pekar.1@us.af.mil





## **Garrison Safety Office (GSO)**

■ Location: Bldg. 162, Rhine Ordnance Barracks

■ Hours: 0700 – 1530

#### Rhine Ordnance Barracks

<ul> <li>Christopher Alden</li> </ul>	Safety Director	541-2300
<ul> <li>Jeffery McCain</li> </ul>	Safety Specialist	541-2301
<ul> <li>Curt Hoyer</li> </ul>	Safety Specialist	541-2302
<ul> <li>Herbert Nold</li> </ul>	Safety Specialist	541-2303
<ul> <li>Michael Kah</li> </ul>	Safety Specialist	541-2305

## Bldg. 8698, Smith Barracks BHMC

•	Mr. Pascal Correc	Safety Specialist	531-2753
•	Mr. Christopher N. Alden	Safety Director	531-2752

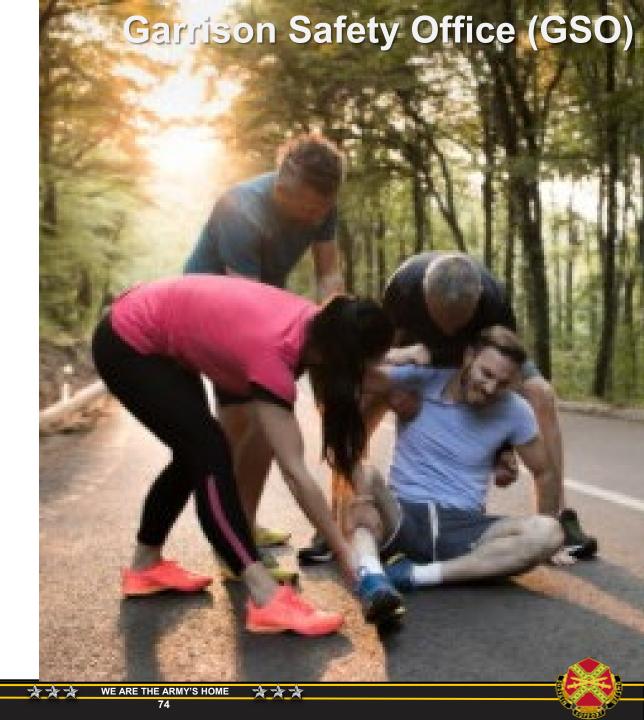




# Recreation and Sports Safety

#### **Understand the Hazards**

 Every activity, from golf to mountain climbing, to swimming has some potential for injury





## **Garrison Safety Office (GSO)**

## **Load Securing!**























## **Agenda**

- What is Radon?
- Radon: Germany Compared to USA
- How Radon Enters Building
- Health Effects
- How to Protect Yourself
- Radon Within the BMC
- Radon Monitoring Explained
- Public Awareness
- Radon Outside of Garrison: Information and Testing





### What is Radon?

- Radon is naturally occurring gas that is colorless, odorless, and tasteless.
- It is generated by the breakdown of naturally occurring elements in soil, rocks, and sediments.
- Radon is present everywhere in the world; its concentration in air depends on the local geology and atmospheric conditions.

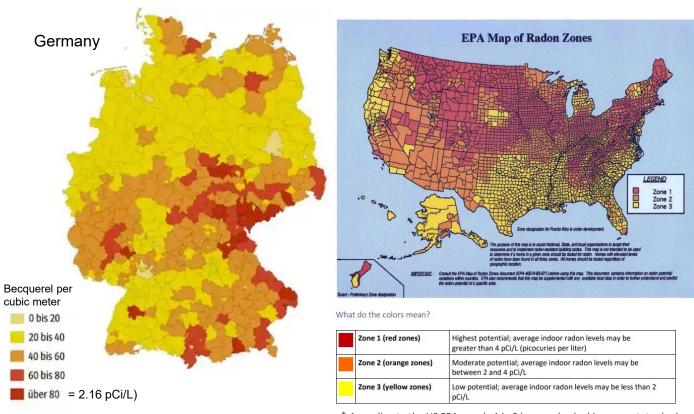








## Radon: Germany Compared to USA Radon Concentration in Buildings



<sup>\*</sup> According to the US EPA, nearly 1 in 3 homes checked in seven states had radon levels over the <u>recommended action level</u> for radon exposure of 4 pCi/L.

\*https://worldpopulationreview.com/state-rankings/radon-levels-by-state





## **How Radon Enters Buildings**

- Cracks in solid floors
- Construction joints
- Cracks in walls
- Gaps in suspended floors
- Gaps around service pipes
- · Cavities inside walls
- Water supply







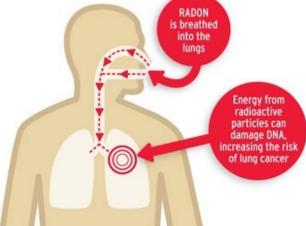
### **Health Effects**

#### **Radon Exposure Risks**

- Smoking, Radon exposure, and secondhand smoking are leading causes of lung cancer in US
- Radon exposure has a multiplicative effect for smokers
- Risk of developing lung cancer due to lifetime radon exposure is
   2 in 1,000 for someone that never smoked

Risk of dying from lung cancer due to lifetime radon exposure is
 20 in 1,000 for smokers

 The risks of dying from lung cancer for a nonsmoker is comparable to risk of dying in a car crash

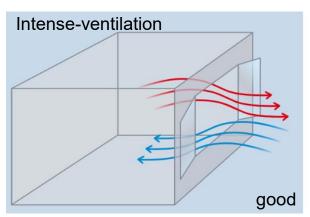


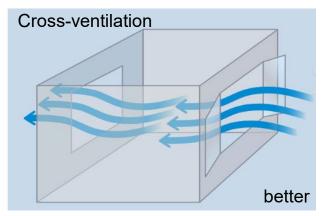




#### **How to Protect Yourself**

- While it's wise to be aware of radon, the risk at average levels is relatively low
- Simple measures like improving ventilation can often reduce radon levels significantly
  - √ Replacing stagnant air in basement and first floor rooms will prevent accumulation
    of radon concentration
  - ✓ Opening doors/windows for a few minutes every day to refresh and purge the air







√ For rooms without windows use fans to force some air exchange through the open door (arms rooms, basement closets etc.)





# Radon Within the BMC Legal Background

Radon is <u>no longer</u> regulated in German Final Governing Standards (FGS) nor in Army Regulation 200-1. However, the Garrison has taken the below proactive actions.









Building Priority	1 AFH, UPH, Schools, CDC's, Medical Facilities	2 Facilities having 24- hour operations	3 All other routinely occupied Facilities (Shops/ Offices)	4 Unoccupied buildings, shed, warehouse, etc.
Notification / Mitigation Threshold Requirement	> 4 pCi/L	8.1 pCi/L	8.1 pCi/L	No sampling req.
Mitigation Timeframe	0 to < 4 pCi/L = No action required 4 to < 8 pCi/L = Mitigate within 5 years 8 to <20 pCi/L = Mitigation within 18 month 20 to 200 pCi/L = Mitigate within 6 months >200 pCi/L = Mitigate within 1 month or move the occupant  (PUBLIC WORKS TECHNICAL BULLETIN 200-1-144 30 OCTOBER 2014)	within 18 month (German Radiation Ordinance)	within 18 month (German Radiation Ordinance)	N/A





## Radon Monitoring Explained

**Timeline for Testing** 

## No Mitigation Required (annual testing)

Annual Radon Testing

Continue
Normal Radon
Testing

No Mitigation
Req.

- Considered preliminary sampling (to get updated results)
- Detector placed in the area which are interesting to sample based on the building structure
- Detector remain unaffected for the sampling period of one year
- Detector gets picked up by a contractor and analyzed in an accredited laboratory
- Depends on the result, building will be mitigated or continued sampled after a certain period of time

#### Mitigation Required

Annual Radon Testing

Radon Tested every 5 years

Mitigation Req.

1 yr Construction

Quarterly monitoring for 1 year

- After a facility is mitigated, One Year monitoring will occur, spitted in four quarterly monitoring events (radon detector exchange every three months by the contractor)
- This setting gives us the flexibility to change settings at the installed mitigation system and react quickly if necessary
- Based on the four quarterly monitoring events yearly average will be provided to DPW to evaluate the results

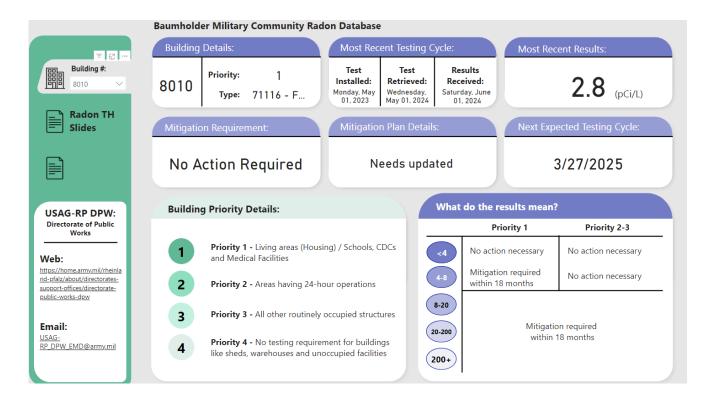






## Mitigation Strategy

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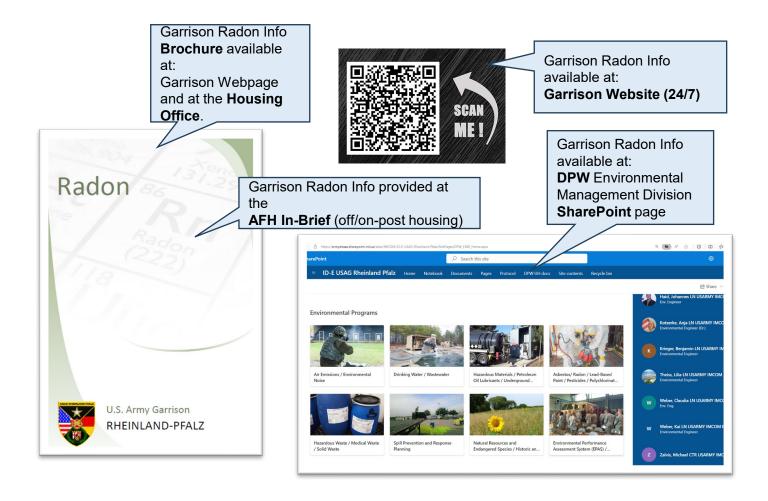




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#### **Radon Outside the Garrison**



#### Information and Testing

- The National Office for Environment and Geology for Rheinland-Pfalz provides Radon information: <a href="https://lfu.rlp.de/bevoelkeru">https://lfu.rlp.de/bevoelkeru</a> ng/radon-informationsstelle
- To get Radon tested in your house outside the Garrison a list of laboratories that provide this service can be downloaded:

https://safe.menlosecurity.com/doc/docvie w/viewer/docNAFEBD0E775C808318aeb5 80f83051e340bcb4b1079dedc84cffc38809 3e11c6f63e1205fa5c5

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