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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: United States Army Hawaii (USARHAW) Policy # 27 Abandoned Vehicles

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, 22 May 2006
- b. USARHAW Regulation 190-5, US Army Hawaii Traffic Code, 9 May 2019

2. Applicability. This policy applies to all Soldiers, Family Members, Civilians, and other personnel who operate or are otherwise responsible for a vehicle present on any USARHAW installation. This includes but is not limited to personnel whose place of work or place of residence is on any USARHAW installation, as well as those who visit any USARHAW installation. This policy is punitive.

3. Intent: Abandoned vehicles are a blight on our USARHAW installations. They have a deleterious effect on the health and safety of the Soldiers, Family Members, Civilians, and other individuals who reside on, work on, and visit USARHAW installations. The removal of these vehicles strains the limited manpower and resources of this command.

4. Policy.

- a. I prohibit any person from abandoning a vehicle on any USARHAW installation.
- b. Additionally, I prohibit any U.S. Army Soldier or Department of the Army Civilian from abandoning a vehicle in any place in the state of Hawaii not on USARHAW installations.
- c. Any violation of this policy may result in adverse administrative action, punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), forfeiture of abandoned property and/or or criminal prosecution in a state or federal court, to include after the violator has departed USARHAW installations, permanently left the state of Hawaii such as on Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders, or separated from the Armed Forces.
- d. Any person required to leave their vehicle on post during deployment, TDY, leave, or temporary reassignment must take appropriate measures to ensure that their vehicle is not mistakenly identified as abandoned.

e. Any person who fails to comply with an installation vehicle registration process, if such a program is established, will be subject to potential adverse administrative actions or punishment under the UCMJ.

5. Definitions.

a. A “vehicle” for the purpose of this policy means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a road or highway, including cars, trucks, motorcycles, trailers, and any other vehicle that may be registered with civilian vehicle registration authorities and legally operated on public streets, but specifically excluding devices moved exclusively by human power (such as non-motorized bicycles or scooters).

b. A vehicle shall be presumed abandoned when any of the following conditions exist:

(1) When a vehicle is not properly disposed of or shipped prior to a responsible owner departing the state on Permanent Change of Station (PCS), End Tour of Service (ETS), or Separation from Service Orders;

(2) When a vehicle becomes inoperable or unusable, when it is discarded or deteriorates to a degree it is unmovable or non-functional (including but not limited to missing tires, panels, glass, windshields or windows, etc.);

(3) When a vehicle is being used for scrap or parts (dismantled, missing major parts) or in a condition otherwise harmful to the environment, public health, welfare, peace, or safety;

(4) When a vehicle has its identification number (VIN) and/or license plates removed, missing, or altered;

(5) When a vehicle does not display proof of being registered or having passed inspection in the State of Hawaii for over twelve months;

(6) When a vehicle has not been moved for an extended period of time (over 60 days) or is sitting in a residential area for such a period not in proximity to the residence of a known owner;

(7) When a vehicle is left unattended or illegally parked on a roadway for more than 72 hours; or

(8) When law enforcement personnel have a reasonable belief that a vehicle is abandoned and effort(s) to contact the owner have failed.

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6. Proponent. The 25th Infantry Division and USARHAW Provost Marshal is the proponent for this policy. Questions should be directed to the Deputy Provost Marshal at (808) 787-5642.



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