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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: US Army Garrison (USAG) Daegu Policy Letter #6 Standards of Child Supervision in the USAG-Daegu Community.

1. REFERENCES.

- a. AR 608-18, The Family Advocacy Program, 30 October 2007.
- b. Department of Defense Directive 6400.1, Family Advocacy Program (FAP), 23 Aug 2004.
- 2. PURPOSE. To provide guidance to the USAG Daegu Community on the Standards of Child Supervision.
- 3. APPLICABILITY. These procedures are applicable to military, civilian, and/or family members assigned to or within the operational control of USAG Daegu.
- 4. POLICY. Establishes acceptable parameters and provides guidance to parents, enforcement agencies, health care providers, and the general Community concerning minimum acceptable standards of supervision for children in Area IV. Sponsors are responsible for ensuring the health, welfare and safety of minor family members and dependents at all times and ensuring that such persons obey the provisions of this policy. The sponsor's chain of command is responsible for the sponsor and dependents assigned or attached to their command or agency.

5. PROCEDURES.

- a. No child of any age will be left unattended under circumstances involving potential or actual risk to the child's health and safety. Each child is unique. Personality, environment, developmental progress, and maturity level are factors used to determine when children are ready to accomplish activities with little or no supervision. The following are minimum community standards; under no circumstances will these guidelines be reduced. Parents are still required to assess their children and, if necessary, raise the age limits.
 - b. Children Outside and Unattended. Children ages 10 and under will not be left

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unattended under any circumstances. Children 10 and under must be under supervision and have immediate access to a responsible adult at all times. Children ages 10 and younger will not be left unattended in cars under any circumstances.

- (1) Note: Immediate access is defined as within eyesight or hearing distance and the ability to respond immediately.
 - c. Children ages 11 and older must have access to adult supervision.
- (1) Note: Access is defined as having the ability to contact a verifiable, prearranged, responsible adult in case of an emergency and the sponsor knowing the location of the child.
- d. Children ages 11 and older may play outside without direct adult supervision, but must have direct access to an adult.
- (1) Note: Children grades 3 and above will be exempt from the "Outside and Unattended" rule when going to and from school.
 - e. Children Left Alone In Quarters.
- (1) Children ages 14 and older may be left alone in quarters (including on and off-post housing in Area IV). Children ages 11 13 may be left alone for no longer than three hours after completion of the home alone self-care training. The home alone self-care training is mandatory for 11 13 year olds who remain home without parental supervision. This training is provided by the Family Advocacy Program. Children ages 14 and older may be left alone for no longer than nine hours during the day or evening with at least a minimum of telephonic contact during the nine-hour period.
- (2) Children ages 16 and older may be left alone overnight. All children alone overnight, regardless of ages, must have access to a parentally designated adult who is available in the event of emergencies. All children must have the supervising adult's work, home, and emergency phone numbers. The supervising adult must be in the immediate vicinity, e.g., if the child is at Camp Walker, the supervising adult must also be at Camp Walker, not Camp Henry.
- f. Children attending community activities and events must adhere to the guidelines outlined in paragraphs 3a and b above. At a minimum, a child must be at least eleven years old to attend these activities without parental/adult supervision. If the parent/adult cannot be contacted as outlined in paragraph 3a above, the Military Police and/or Family Advocacy should be contacted.
- g. Requirements for Child Sitters. Minors ages 12 and older may sit for their immediate family members or other families' children. It is mandatory for children 12 years and older to take the American Red Cross Baby-sitters Course prior to baby-sitting for children who are not immediate family members. Qualified baby-sitters ages 12–13 (for up to 3 hours) and 14-17 may baby-sit family members or other children under the ages of 11 for a period not to exceed nine (9) hours per day.

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h. USAG Daegu and Area IV residents who observe children unattended, unsupervised and/or potentially at risk, will contact the following:

Military Police (MP):

- In Daegu, call 764-4141 (24 hours)
- Camp Carroll, call 765-8509 (24 hours)

Family Advocacy Hotline:

- Dial # 101 from any DSN telephone.
- In Daegu and Camp Carroll, call 764-4222 on-post or 0505-764-4222 off-post.
- i. Actions taken when a child is found unattended, unsupervised and/or potentially at risk:
- (1) The sponsor, parent, or designated care provider will be contacted immediately to provide supervision. If this person cannot be located, the child may be taken to the Military Police station for protection, to the Medical Treatment Facility for appropriate medical care or emergency foster care to ensure the child's safety until the sponsor can be located.
- (2) The sponsor or designated care provider may be investigated in accordance with the Uniform Code of Military Justice and applicable regulations by the Military Police and/or Family Advocacy for suspected child neglect in violation of Army regulation and this policy.
- (3) Sponsors who leave children unattended in violation of Army regulation may administratively be determined to have engaged in misconduct and may face administrative sanctions imposed by the installation commander. The sponsor's chain of command will be notified for appropriate action.
- j. This policy supersedes all previous Standards of Child Supervision in USAG Daegu and Area IV.
- 6. PROPONENT. The proponent of this policy is USAG Daegu Army Community Service. The point of contact is the Family Advocacy Program Manager at DSN: 768-8129.

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Age of Child	Left Without Sitter in Quarters	Left Alone Overnight	Play Outside Unattended	Left in Car Unattended	Child Sit Siblings	Child Sit Others
Newborn to Age 5	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Ages 5 to 10	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Ages 11 to 13	*YES: For no longer than three(3) hours	NO	YES	YES	**YES: 12 and over	**YES: With American Red Cross Baby- Sitting Course.
Age 14 to15	*YES: For no longer than nine(9) hours during the day or evening.	NO	YES	YES	YES	**YES: With American Red Cross Baby- Sitting Course.
Ages 16 to 18	YES	YES: With Adult Emergency Point of contact	YES	YES	YES	**YES: With American Red Cross Baby- Sitting Course.

^{*}ACS/Family Advocacy Program Home Alone Self Care Training required.

^{** 12} and over must attend the Child Development Services Baby-Sitting Training and/or American Red Cross Baby-sitting Course to care for children other than immediate family members.

Family Advocacy Program	768-8129
Child Development Center	768-7707
American Red Cross	768-7993