



REPLY TO
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US ARMY GARRISON YONGSAN POLICY LETTER 5-6

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Youth Under Age Drinking

1. **REFERENCES:**

- a. Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) Regulation 2051.1, Disciplinary Rules and Procedures, 16 August 1996, C1-22 March 2000.
- b. USFK Regulation 27-5, Individual Conduct and Appearance, 20 May 2004.
- c. USFK Regulation 60-1, Ration Control Policy - Access to Duty Free Goods, 7 November 2003, C1-7 June 2004; C2-24 November 2004; C3-18 July 2005.
- d. USFK Regulation 190-1, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, 1 March 2010.
- e. USFK Command Policy Letter 8, Legal Drinking Age, 11 September 2008.
- f. US Army Garrison Yongsan Policy Letter 1-10, Adolescent Substance Abuse Counseling Service Command Referral Policy, 13 September 2007.
- g. US Army Garrison Yongsan Policy Letter 5-7, Open Container Policy, 12 September 2007.
- i. US Army Garrison Yongsan Policy Letter 5-8, Youth Curfew Policy, 14 September 2007.

2. **PURPOSE:** To establish and define enforcement mechanisms for community policy regarding use or possession of alcoholic products by youth in US Army Garrison Yongsan (USAG Y). This policy is intended to complement and support existing regulatory guidance regarding alcohol use and possession at school and current restrictions on the sale of alcohol to youth/under age members of the community.

3. **DEFINITION:** For purposes of this policy, "youth" refers to SOFA status dependents and their guests who are 20 years of age and under. Although Korean law establishes individuals 20

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years of age and older may purchase and consume alcoholic beverages, to include entering establishments serving alcohol, USFK Command Policy Letter 8 states no one less than 21 years of age may purchase, possess, consume, or be served alcoholic beverages on military installations.

4. **APPLICABILITY:**

a. This policy applies in nonresidential areas of all structures located in USAG Y on- and off-post and to within 50 feet of the exterior walls of the same. This includes, but is not limited to, recreation and entertainment facilities (e.g., gyms, theaters, youth activity centers, bowling centers, and recreation centers); food service facilities (e.g., restaurants and snack bars); bus stops, pavilions, and dugouts; offices; and common use areas of multi-family dwellings. This policy also applies to playgrounds, athletic fields, tennis courts, and swimming pool complexes. Purchase prohibitions of this policy extend to all retail sales points on and off USAG Y Installations (see paragraph 6 below).

b. This policy also extends to all USAG Y youth while participating in community-based programs, whether participating in indoor or outdoor activities, and extends to travel to and from program activities.

c. This policy complements, but exists independent of and in addition to, the student non drinking policy found in Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) Regulation 2051.1 (see reference a, and the discussion in paragraph 5e below).

d. Supplementation of this policy is not permitted without prior approval of the USAG Y Commander.

5. **GENERAL:**

a. The harmful effects of alcohol use have been well-documented. While understanding these effects have led to a general decline in alcohol use in society, advertising and entertainment focused on youth continues to attract new young alcohol drinkers. At the same time, progressive education and deterrent programs have convinced many young people not to consume alcohol, and have limited opportunities to buy and use alcohol products for those who do.

b. In March 1986, the Department of Defense established a health promotion policy in DOD Directive 1010.10, revised 22 August 2003. While focused on health in general, the policy specifically addressed alcohol consumption prevention and cessation and established controls on drinking alcohol in DOD-occupied space. Alcohol consumption by students on DODDS school grounds was specifically prohibited.

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c. In November 1987, the Department of the Army implemented DOD Directive 1010.10 in AR 600-63, Army Health Promotion.

d. USFK Regulation 60-1, Ration Control Policy - Access to Duty Free Goods, prohibits dependents under the age of 21 years old from having Ration Control Cards (RCC) that allow them to purchase alcohol.

e. Alcohol retailers in military communities in Korea are directed to enforce the alcohol sales age restrictions in USFK Regulation 600-40 and USFK Command Policy Letter 8.

f. In August 1996, the Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) issued new disciplinary rules and procedures in DODEA Regulation 2051.1. This regulation authorizes student suspension or expulsion for possession or use of alcohol products while on school property, enroute to or from school (to include school buses), during lunch periods on- or off-campus, and during, or in transit to, school-sponsored events.

6. **POLICY:**

a. Youth as defined in this policy will not possess or use alcohol products in the areas and activities defined in paragraph 4 of this memorandum. Consistent with current prohibitions on sales of alcohol, youth will not purchase, or attempt to purchase, alcohol products from any sources on USAG Y military installations.

b. It is the intent of this policy to complement, and not supplant or replace, existing DODEA policy applicable in DODDS facilities. Consistent with this intent, this community will fully consider and generally defer to action taken by DODDS officials that relates to student alcohol violations.

c. Youths who violate this policy may receive administrative sanctions imposed by the USAG Y Commander and mandatory referral to the Adolescent Substance Abuse Counseling Service (ASACS).

d. Administrative sanctions range from a warning letter, restriction, community service, suspension of Ration Control Privileges and termination of government quarters to debarment from all USAG Y Installations and/or early return to the United States prior to the parent's/sponsor's DEROS.

7. **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

a. Installation Commander – Enforce the provisions of this policy as the misconduct action authority for violations.

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b. Commanders – Ensure USFK Military personnel, civilian components, and Family members comply with this policy.

c. USAG Y PMO - Enforce the provisions of this policy, through the use of patrols, incident reports, and/or other appropriate measures.

d. The General Manager, Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES); General Manager, Dragon Hill Lodge (DHL); and the USAG Y Provost Marshall (PM) or their designees - Share responsibility for identifying violators of this policy.

e. USAG Y recreation, entertainment, food service, and retail sales facility managers - Report violations of this policy occurring in their facilities through their respective management chains and the Yongsan Military Police. Military Police will report violations observed in the course of performing law enforcement duties through the PM.

f. USAG Y Directorate of Emergency Services -

(1) Is the designated representative of the USAG Y Commander and has supervisory responsibility over the USAG Y Youth Under Age Drinking Policy.

(2) Is the USAG Y POC for this policy.

g. The Director of Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (DMWR) in addition to having responsibility for reporting violations of this policy occurring in DMWR facilities and programs, will coordinate with the Commander, 121st General Hospital and Adolescent Substance Abuse Counseling Services (ASACS) to provide support and assistance to community-based youth alcohol consumption cessation and education programs. The Director, DMWR will further ensure the development and continued availability of youth alcohol education programs to be used as a response to violations of this policy and to be available for self-referral.

8. PROCEDURES:

a. First time violations of this policy will result in parental notification and referral to an alcohol education program. In addition, a voluntary alcohol consumption cessation program is available.

b. Second time violations may result in a bar from the facilities and/or the activities in which the alcohol violation(s) were identified, or in the case of violations occurring in common use areas of a building where the individual resides, administrative sanctions determined to be appropriate within the discretion of the USAG Y Commander.


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c. Subsequent violations will result in administrative sanctions determined to be appropriate within the discretion of the USAG Y Commander.

d. Before action is taken with regard to any violation of this policy, violators will be provided notice and an opportunity to respond in writing. The determination of the USAG Y Commander will be final.

9. This policy will be effective immediately and will continue in effect until rescinded or modified by the USAG Y Commander.


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