

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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ATTENTION OF

2 September 2012

## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Commander's Policy Letter #22 – Repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" and Family Housing

- 1. Applicability. This policy applies to all military and civilian Family Housing and Greenland Mobile Home Park residents.
- 2. Proponent. Directorate of Public Works (DPW).
- 3. Reference.
  - a. AR 420-1, Army Facilities Management, RAR 24 August 2012, Paragraph 3-17.
  - b. Army Directive 2011-01, Repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," 23 February 2011.
- 4. Policy.
- a. The new policy change states gay, lesbian or bisexual orientation is no longer a disqualifying factor for entering military service. Soldiers are no longer subject to administrative separation on the basis of lawful gay, lesbian or bisexual conduct.
- b. Gay, lesbian and bisexual Soldiers are eligible for the same benefits as any single Soldier. The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and current benefit laws do not allow the Department of Defense (DoD) to extend many key benefits including medical coverage, dependant-rate Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH), and dependent-based travel, transportation and separation allowances to a Soldier in a relationship with a same-sex partner.
- c. AR 420-1, Army Facilities Management, paragraph 3-17a (1-9), states that persons other than family members, as defined in the glossary, may be permitted to reside in Family Housing. Sponsors will request approval in writing through the Housing Office to the Garrison Commander to allow non-family members to reside in housing. Non-Family members who are registered or who are required to register as sex offender and intend occupancy of, or overnight visitation to a Family housing dwelling unit, will sign in at the provost marshal's office. Failure to do so may result in the host sponsor being evicted from housing. Approval does not imply an extension of other benefits or privileges to which non-family members are not otherwise entitled.

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When the Garrison Commander is the sponsor, his or her immediate supervisor must approve the request. Army policy provides that approved occupancy should be equitable for all Soldiers and not adversely impact the health, safety, morale, or welfare of the Installation.

5. Point of contact for this action is Ms. Linda Wax, Housing Manager, Directorate of Public Works, 804-633-8445.

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