

## ASSIGNMENT OF MARRIED ARMY COUPLES

1. References.
  - a. AR 614-100, Officer Assignment Policies, Details and Transfers
  - b. AR 614-30, Overseas Service
2. The Army attempts to assign married Army couples to the same OCONUS area whenever possible. Any married Army couple who desires joint domicile must first enroll in the program with a DA Form 4187 and they must request joint domicile when they wish to establish a common household.
3. HRC will consider for joint domicile assignment only those couples that request such consideration in advance by enrollment in the MACP. Application for enrollment should be submitted not later than 30 days from the date of marriage. Once enrolled, married Army couples will be automatically considered for worldwide joint domicile assignments. Thereafter, when one member is being considered for reassignment the other member will automatically be considered for reassignment to the same location. Assignment instructions for each member will indicate whether or not the joint domicile assignment is approved.
4. Only one Soldier needs to request enrollment in the Married Army Couple Program (MACP) when both Soldiers are serviced by the same military personnel division (MPD/S1) (signatures of both Soldiers are required); otherwise both must apply. Soldiers are not officially enrolled until their spouse information updates on the Total Army Personnel Database (TAPDB). The MPD will verify enrollment on TAPDB. Commanders will ensure officers with approved joint domicile assignments are assigned near enough (guideline: 50 miles or 1 hour driving time) to each other so that a joint household can be established. However, they will not be assigned so that one is in the other's OER rating chain.
5. In USAREUR assignment officers must take into consideration the greater needs of the Army and in most cases it will be possible to arrange a joint domicile assignment. USAREUR assignment policy considers, but is not limited to, fair share distribution, the overall strengths of subordinate commands ARFORGEN and the ability of the officer to be in KD position.
6. References provide for permissive reassignments within theater to establish joint domiciles. Soldiers who have completed at least 12 months and no more than 24 months

of a 36 month tour may apply. The permissive reassignment would be at no cost to the government (para4-4, AR 614-30).

7. Marriage to another soldier and changes to that status can affect overseas tour lengths in many ways. Table 4-1, reference b., provides detailed policy guidance.