

WHO IS REQUIRED TO HAVE AN ACTIVE SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY?

Personal readiness of a Marine is directly affected by the arrangements they have made for the care of their families when they deploy. A Special Power of Attorney is required for single parents, dual service parents, and marines who bear sole responsibility for the care of children under the age of 19; or who have family member's who are unable to care for themselves in the Marine's absence. These Marines are required to have a properly executed SPOA detailing the family member's arrangements for care. In some dual service member cases, both service members must have a family readiness plan, and SPOA, refer to the MARCORCODESMAN. Further instruction on the SPOA can be found in MCO 1740.13.

Additional assistance in obtaining a Special Power of Attorney can be found at the Legal Services Center.

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