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MARINE FORCES JAPAN ORDER 1050.1A

From: Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Japan
To: Distribution List

Subj: LIBERTY REGULATIONS

Ref: (a) United States-Japan Status of Forces Agreement
(b) Commander, USPACOM Memo w/ Ch 1 of 25 Sept 13
(c) Commander, USFORJ Memo of 12 Jul 16
(d) USFJI 31-205
(e) Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ)
(f) MCO 5800.7F (JAGMAN)
(g) MCO 1752.5B
(h) MCO 1020.34H
(i) III MEF/MCIPAC Bulletin 5800. Off-limit Establishments and Areas of 11 Oct 17
(j) MOA between III MEF, MCIPAC, 18th Wing, 10th RSG, and CFAO of 30 Mar 18
(k) III MEF/MCIPAC Policy Letter 01-18
(l) III MEF/MCIPAC Order 3000.1F
(m) MARADMIN 101/10
(n) Marine Corps Manual 1100.4
(o) III MEF/MCIPAC Order 5101.1A
(p) III MEF/MCIPAC Order 5300.1

Encl: (1) Sample Liberty Cards

1. Situation. The Marines and Sailors of U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Japan (MARFORJ) are the Nation’s permanently deployed expeditionary force-in-readiness. As guests in Japan, personnel should be able to enjoy the unique cultural environment and opportunities of our host nation, but all hands must ensure that their conduct brings credit to the Naval Service and the United States. Criminal conduct and dishonorable personal behavior by Marines and Sailors during periods of liberty adversely impacts the United States’ relations with Japan, tarnishes the image of the Navy and Marine Corps, and impedes mission accomplishment. This Order is promulgated to ensure personnel execute liberty in a safe, proper, and appropriate manner while serving within the MARFORJ theater of operation.

2. Cancellation. MCBJ/III MEF 1050.7A w/Ch 2 of 24 Apr 15; Commander, MARFORJ Memo of 19 Aug 16; and III MEF/MCIPAC Bulletin 5800, Suspension of Overnight Liberty and Leave in Naha, Okinawa, Japan of 17 Mar 16; and MARFORJO 1050.1 of 26 Feb 2019.

3. Mission. MARFORJ personnel will appropriately execute liberty operations in order to enhance morale and welfare while protecting the lives of all hands, enhancing the vital relationship with our Japanese hosts, meeting anti-terrorism and force protection requirements, and upholding our obligations under the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

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4. Execution

   a. Commander's Intent. Individual Marines and Sailors are responsible for their conduct, and commanders are responsible for the climate that exists within their unit. Marines and Sailors are presumed to be good service members and citizens; liberty and accompanying privileges are to be enjoyed or lost based on personal conduct. Successful liberty execution requires planning, supervision, and accountability for all individuals involved.

   b. End-State. Liberty in Japan is executed honorably, enabling our Force to successfully conduct the full range of military and civil support operations, protect our national interests, and support our regional allies. MARFORJ personnel enjoy the unique nature of life in Japan with a parallel experience to that of those serving with Marine Corps Forces throughout the globe.

   c. Concept of Operations. Liberty in Japan will be executed in accordance with this Order. Pursuant to paragraph 0104b of reference (f), the deprivation of normal liberty, under certain circumstances, is essential for the protection of the foreign relations between the United States and Japan.

      (1) Individual Liberty Levels. Commanders are directed to place Marines and Sailors in the appropriate liberty categories based on their individual merit, demonstrated personal conduct, and trustworthiness. Commanders may reduce the liberty tier of any member within their command without administrative action or legal review, however the basis for a liberty tier reduction must be identified performance and/or conduct shortfalls.

      (a) Required Training. In accordance with references (b) and (c), all Marines and Sailors shall complete the following training before executing off-base liberty:

         1. Sexual Assault Prevention and Response in accordance with reference (g).

         2. DoD policies regarding Trafficking in Persons in accordance with reference (m).

         3. Prohibition against involvement with any form of prostitution in accordance with reference (n).

         4. Responsible Drinking in accordance with reference (c).

         5. Attend either the Area Orientation Brief/Welcome Aboard Indoctrination (for service members stationed in Mainland Japan) or Okinawa Orientation Overview (for Okinawa based service members).

      (b) Curfew. Curfew applies to MARFORJ personnel as outlined. Curfew requires service members to be: (1) on a U.S. military installation; (2) in a private off-installation residence; (3) in a place of temporary lodging; or (4) in the performance of official duties, which includes duty-related travel between an off-base residence and place of duty. **General rules: Prior to 2400, all service members must depart bars, clubs, or similar off base establishments. Curfew hours for E-5 and below is 0100-0500.**

      (c) Tier 3 Liberty. Any Marine or Sailor may be placed in a Tier 3 Liberty status. Off-installation liberty is not authorized. Alcohol consumption is not authorized. Service members shall be on their home installation by 0100. Every 30 days, commanders shall review the necessity for continued assignment to Tier 3 Liberty in order to determine if a less restrictive liberty level is appropriate.
(d) Tier 2 Liberty. Any Marine or Sailor may be placed in a Tier 2 Liberty status. Off-installation curfew is from 0100 to 0500. Off-installation purchase and consumption of alcohol is not authorized, unless the alcohol is consumed in the service member’s assigned off-base quarters. Consumption of alcohol on board military installations is authorized for Tier 2 Liberty holders. Every 30 days, commanders shall review the necessity for continued assignment to Tier 2 Liberty in order to determine if Tier 1 Liberty is appropriate.

(e) Tier 1 Liberty. Marines and Sailors possessing a Tier 1 Liberty status are subject to off-installation curfew and liberty buddy requirements based on their rank and status.

1. E-1 through E-5 assigned on Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders, or deployed for more than 180 days to Japan: Off-base curfew is from 0100 through 0500, and liberty buddies are required if planning to participate at any time in an activity that involves the consumption of alcohol.

2. E-1 through E-5 present in Japan on a TDY/TAD, deployed, or pass status for 179 days or less: Off-base curfew is from 0100 through 0500, and liberty buddies are required when off-installation after 2200, or if planning to participate at any time in an activity that involves the consumption of alcohol.

3. E-6 and above: There is no curfew, no liberty buddy requirement, or liberty card required.

4. For personnel on Tier 1 liberty, off-base alcohol consumption is authorized, except between the hours of 2400 and 0500. This prohibition does not apply to personnel drinking in a private residence (on or off base) or authorized hotel room/off base lodging. Prior to 2400, all service members must depart bars, clubs, or similar off-base establishments serving alcohol.

(f) Liberty Buddy Program. Required or not, having a liberty buddy is always encouraged to ensure the safety and welfare of MARFORJ personnel. Recreational activities, specifically those involving the risk of physical injury, should always incorporate liberty buddies.

1. A liberty buddy is mandatory when off-installation in Japan for all MARFORJ personnel in the ranks of E-5 and below who are:

   a. In a TDY/TAD, deployed, leave, or pass status in Japan for 179 days or less.

   b. Assigned on Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders, or deployed for more than 180 days, to Japan who plan or will consume alcohol.

2. For personnel required to have a liberty buddy the following restrictions apply:

   a. Such personnel may transit unaccompanied directly between their authorized place of lodging/hotel and a military installation or between military installations.

   b. For such personnel who are picking up or dropping off their liberty buddy at the liberty buddy’s authorized place of lodging/hotel, they may travel unaccompanied directly from/to their own authorized place of lodging/hotel.

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3. A liberty buddy may be: (a) an active duty military member permanently assigned to Japan, or deployed to Japan for more than 179 days; (b) another person with Status of Forces Agreement status (for example, a spouse, an accompanied family member, or a U.S. Department of Defense civilian employee); (c) other family members; or (d) another responsible individual approved by a commander. Commanders use your best judgment to assign an appropriate liberty buddy. This requirement is to prohibit short-term visitors to Okinawa, who have no vested interest in ensuring the American—Japanese alliance, from being liberty buddies; for example, short-term visitors such as transient aircraft crew who rest overnight, or personnel TAD to conduct short-term training, must have a liberty buddy who satisfies one of the criteria above.

4. In specific circumstances, authorized commanders may grant limited duration, individual, event-by-event exceptions to the liberty buddy requirement. Grade-based blanket exceptions are not authorized.

5. Authorized commanders may impose more restrictive liberty buddy policies, as deemed necessary due to mission requirements.

(2) Liberty Cards. Upon completion of the check-in process and command validation that all training requirements have been completed, MARFORJ Service Members E-5 and below will be issued a liberty card reflective of their individual liberty status and privileges. Liberty cards are lawful military passes. Commanders are responsible for issuing liberty cards consistent with this Order. Members shall carry liberty cards on their person at all times when executing off-base liberty and may be required to produce their liberty cards when directed by appropriate authority. Sample liberty cards are depicted in enclosure (1).

(a) New Joins. All newly arrived, permanent party MARFORJ Marines or Sailors E-5 and below ordered to Japan for duty (a "new-join") will be escorted by their sponsor or another individual from the sponsoring command if leaving the installation for any reason, including official business. Official business includes, but is not limited to, obtaining an automobile or off-base quarters, and transit to/from temporary off-installation lodging. A new-join to MARFORJ will NOT be issued a liberty card. The new-join must complete the check-in process, as determined by their commander, and liberty training prerequisites prior to being granted off-installation base liberty and the issuance of an appropriate liberty card. Although new-joins are not issued liberty cards, their status is Tier 3, and off-installation liberty is not authorized. Additionally, alcohol consumption is not authorized until all new-join training requirements are met.

(3) Alcohol. Alcohol is the most common factor present in misconduct within the military service. Drinking responsibly is paramount. However, those military members who choose to drink irresponsibly can negatively impact the entire Force. All Marines and Sailors must ensure alcohol is consumed in a safe and responsible manner.

(a) Alcohol Consumption in Japan. Service members 20 and over may legally consume alcohol in Japan on and off-base. Off-installation consumption of alcohol between 2400-0500 is not authorized except by personnel in a private off-installation residence. Of significance in Japan, driving with a blood alcohol content of (BAC) of .03 percent or greater is considered a violation of Japanese law and U.S. regulations governing personnel stationed in or transiting through Japan. Marines shall not drive after consuming any amount of alcohol to ensure compliance with the Japanese threshold for driving under the influence. Alcohol-related misconduct, especially driving under the influence, may result in curtailed liberty, revocation of driving privileges, administrative or disciplinary action under references (e) and (f), as well as legal action under Japanese law.
(b) Public consumption of alcohol

1. No person will possess or consume alcoholic beverages in any public or working area on an installation, except within authorized U.S. Forces clubs, messes, exchange facilities, or common areas such as pavilion or BBQ areas. No person will consume alcoholic beverages at spectator type events, public gatherings, or assemblies, unless authorized by the Camp Commander.

2. Alcoholic beverages will not be consumed in a vehicle, at any time, by either the vehicle driver or any passenger in the vehicle. No open containers of alcohol in a vehicle at any time.

(c) Alcohol Consumption During Typhoon Cyclones Condition of Readiness (TCCOR) Categories. For all MARFORJ personnel, alcohol consumption is unauthorized during the following TCCOR categories: TCCOR One, TCCOR One Caution, TCCOR One Emergency, TCCOR One Recovery, and Storm Watch. Only when the TCCOR level is set to “All Clear” or normal liberty is sounded by a member’s command is alcohol consumption again authorized.

4 Special Liberty. Normal liberty will begin at the end of the workday and expire at the commencement of the following workday. For weekdays, service members stationed on Okinawa shall not leave the Island of Okinawa. Those service members stationed on Mainland Japan shall not leave Mainland Japan during normal weekday liberty. Requests for special liberty will be submitted to the respective commanding officer, via the chain of command, for approval. Tier 1 and Tier 2 Liberty holders may be granted special liberty at an authorized location by their commanders on a case-by-case basis. Special liberty is still subject to off-limits area restrictions, liberty buddy requirements, and curfew parameters of this Order. Special liberty approval within a normal authorized period of liberty may be delegated to Executive Officers and section Officers-in-Charge of the rank O-4 or higher. A special liberty period will not exceed four days. Special liberty may be authorized by the commanding officer for specified periods which include normal working hours and/or overnight hours, subject to the following limitations:

(a) 48-Hour Liberty. 48-hour liberty includes normal weekend liberty and special liberty granted by the commander. 48-hour special liberty may commence at any hour designated by the commander and may be granted for 48 hours or less. The liberty limits for 48-hour special liberty, being the same as normal weekend liberty, authorizes liberty on all Okinawan Islands and Mainland Japan.

(b) 72-Hour Liberty. 72-hour liberty includes authorized holiday liberty periods and special liberty granted by the commander. 72-hour special liberty may commence at any hour designated by the commanding officer and expires 72 hours later. When a three-day liberty period includes only regular liberty time, with no scheduled working hours included, it is then treated as regular liberty. The liberty limits for 72-hour special liberty and normal 72-hour holiday liberty periods, in addition to those included in the 48-hour liberty limits, authorizes liberty in the Hong Kong, Republic of Korea (South Korea), and Taiwan.

(c) 96-hour Special Liberty. 96-hour liberty includes authorized holiday liberty periods and special liberty granted by the commander. 96-hour special liberty may commence at any hour designated by the commander and expires 96 hours later. The liberty limits for 96-hour special liberty and normal 96-hour holiday liberty periods, include the 72-hour liberty limits, and authorizes liberty in Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam.

(d) Foreign Travel Outside of Japan. Any service member intending to travel to foreign countries outside of Japan during liberty must comply with the following requirements:
1. Obtain travel information and comply with the laws of countries visited. Many countries in the Pacific require special approval to visit. The most up-to-date travel requirements are found in the Electronic Foreign Clearance Guide, at: https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm. Anti-terrorism force protection briefs must be completed, if required, before liberty is approved.

2. All immunizations, to include those specifically required for the country to be visited, must be current.

3. Transportation arrangements via space available accommodations for liberty travel on Air Mobility Command (AMC) flights should not be relied upon. It is imperative that SOFA personnel attempting to travel on this basis have sufficient funds to defray travel expenses and to cover the costs of hotel accommodations when delayed or when passage by AMC is unobtainable.

4. Travelers must comply with any published U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM) travel requirements and voluntarily register with the U.S. Department of State Prior to traveling on leave in a foreign country outside of Japan.

(e) Unit Recalls After Liberty Incidents. In accordance with reference (e), commanders may recall to duty status all members of a unit (squadron, battalion, or equivalent unit) in which one of its members is involved in an allegation of on or off-installation misconduct. This authority is to be exercised only in rare circumstances and requires notification to the MARFORJ Commander.


(6) Appropriate Civilian Attire. The Marine Corps Uniform Regulations, reference (h), outlines the proper wear of civilian attire. This Order is not intended to conflict or supersede reference (h), however, MARFORJ personnel are in a unique position to represent the United States, Department of Defense, and Naval Services while in a foreign country. As such, it is important to display a conservative and neat outward appearance, in order to reflect credit upon our country and service. Below are general guidelines to utilize when wearing civilian attire on liberty.

(a) Footwear. Appropriate serviceable footwear shall be worn. Sandals are authorized, but shower shoes and bare feet are not appropriate for liberty attire unless executing liberty at swimming pools or recreational beaches.

(b) Shirts and Blouses. Shirts and blouses shall be clean and serviceable, worn in the same manner as the uniform services shirt. Excessively baggy clothing shall not be worn. Shirts and blouses may be worn untucked, provided they do not hang below crotch-level. Shirts and blouses not tucked in, such as Hawaiian style shirts, must reflect a neat appearance. Uniform and civilian undershirts are not appropriate as outerwear, unless participating in sports or physical training activities.

(c) Trousers, Shorts, and Skirts. Clean and serviceable trousers or shorts, with belt (if belt loops are present), are the standard. The size and fit of trousers, shorts, and skirts will resemble the appearance and style reflected by the proper wearing of uniform trousers or skirts. Excessively oversized trousers or shorts do not reflect a neat appearance and are not appropriate. Trousers or shorts that expose any portion of the buttocks or underwear are inappropriate. Shorts and skirts should be properly hemmed and of a length and fit to maintain proper modesty and not be unacceptably revealing.
(d) **Inappropriate Civilian Attire.** Altered or cut clothing, or clothing worn in a manner to present an abbreviated covering or sexually provocative appearance is prohibited. Any article of clothing that may be interpreted by a reasonable person to be profane, derogatory towards any group or nation, sexually suggestive, or obscene, is prohibited. Tattered or soiled clothing is not appropriate for civilian wear. Athletic attire should not be worn in mess halls, retail stores, the Base Exchange, Post Exchange, commissary, base theaters, clubs, or restaurants. If authorized by the respective Base Commander, athletic attire may be worn in mess halls when members obtain “fast-chow” and do not dine in the chow hall.

(7) **Driving Privileges.** Driving in Japan is a privilege, not a right. Reference (a) governs the ability of Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) personnel to drive in Japan. When authorized, SOFA licenses are issued per reference (d) through the Installation Safety Office or other cognizant authority. Most Marines and Sailors stationed in Japan will have the opportunity to obtain a driver’s license after displaying responsible behavior, obtaining their commander’s approval, attending required training, passing the SOFA driver’s licensing test, and obtaining and maintaining the requisite motor vehicle insurance for their privately owned vehicle or rental vehicle through the rental car agency. Like other privileges, permission to drive in Japan may be revoked based on an individual’s conduct. For those Marines without the ability or desire to drive in Japan, the Green Line military bus system and public transportation are available as safe alternative modes of transportation.

d. **Coordinating Instructions**

(1) This Order applies to all military personnel located and operating in Japan who are subject to MARFORJ authority, including Reserve personnel (when serving in a Reserve capacity), National Guard personnel (when in a Title 10 status), and personnel in a TDY/TAD, deployed, leave, or pass status.

(2) This Order is punitive in nature. Reckless, knowing, or intentional violations of this order are punishable under Article 92, UCMJ, as disobedience to a lawful order under references (e) and (f) and may subject violators to punitive or adverse administrative action. Violations of this order may also violate Japanese law and subject offenders to prosecution by Japanese authorities.

(3) Commanders, defined as those officers in the grade of O-5 or above and possessing command authority over service members, are authorized to establish more-restrictive liberty programs consistent with this Order to maintain readiness, safeguard the Force, and protect relations between the United States and Japan.

(4) Courtesy Patrols will be conducted on Fridays, Saturdays and during holiday liberty periods from 2200-0200. Courtesy Patrols shall normally consist of four to six uniformed members and should patrol areas frequented by SOFA members during liberty periods. Courtesy Patrols on Okinawa are conducted per reference (j).

(5) If disparity exists between this Order and other properly promulgated Orders, Regulations, laws, or policies, the more restrictive rules shall apply.

5. **Administration and Logistics**

a. **Publication.** All MARFORJ subordinate commanders shall publish this Order to all service members assigned or attached to their commands.

b. **Reporting Liberty Incidents.** Commanders of subordinate units of MARFORJ shall make timely notification to the MARFORJ Commander using established reporting requirements.
c. Accessibility. This Order is published electronically and can be accessed online via the III Marine Expeditionary Force and Marine Corps Installations Pacific - MCB, Camp Smedley D. Butler SharePoint portal websites:
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6. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Order applies to all U.S. military personnel assigned to, attached to, or under tactical or administrative control of the Commander, MARFORJ.

b. Signal.

(1) This Order is effective upon signature and so shall remain until modified and or rescinded.

(2) The point of contact is the Chief of Staff, MARFORJ/III MEF at DSN: 315-622-7523; or the Staff Judge Advocate, MARFORJ/III MEF at DSN: 315-622-9475.

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U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Japan

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**LIBERTY GUIDE**

- **Carline**: No off-installation liberty between the hours of 0100 and 0500. Must return to and remain on your base or in a residence.
- **Alcohol**: No public consumption of alcohol in bars/estaurants is allowed. Consumption of alcohol in public is prohibited. All Service Members must desist bars or similar establishments serving alcohol prior to midnight. **Liberty Buddy**: Required only when the consumption of alcohol is planned or to be executed off-installation.

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**HONOR STATEMENT**

I am an ambassador for my nation and demanded to perform honorably in all I do in every aspect of life. I will treat everyone with respect and dignity enforcing ethical standards of my peers and those I lead.

SIGNATURE OF CARD HOLDER
**Honor/Liberty Card**

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- Curfew: No off-installation liberty between the hours of 0000 and 0600 and must return to or remain on a base or in a residence during curfew hours.
- Alcohol: No alcohol purchase or consumption off-installation (except consumption in a Service Member's off-base quarters). All Service Members must depart bars or similar establishments serving alcohol prior to midnight.

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**HONOR STATEMENT**

I am an Ambassador for my nation and demand to perform honorably in all I do in every aspect of life. I will treat everyone with respect and dignity enforcing ethical standards of my peers and those I lead.

**SIGNATURE OF CARD HOLDER**