



**Defense Personal Property System (DPS)  
Country Instructions  
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## HOUSING

(a) Single unaccompanied members obtaining off-base quarters normally have 900-1200 square feet living space and should limit the amount of personal property shipped. On-base single quarters are smaller, and the waiting time is extensive.

(b) Due to the high cost of off-base quarters in Hawaii, members should plan to live in smaller sized quarters than they are used to. Oversized and/or large furniture and non-essential items should be placed in non-temp storage at origin for duration of member's overseas tour.

(c) Depending on size of family quarters assigned/obtained, standard housing in Hawaii is small; i.e., 8 foot ceilings, 12 by 14 foot master bedrooms, and other rooms 10 by 12 foot or 10 by 8 foot.

## APPLIANCES

### *Army/Navy*

(a) Effective immediately, washers and dryers will no longer be furnished to Army or Navy members occupying privatized quarters. Issues of stoves and refrigerators will continue.

(b) Army, COMNAVREG HAWAII and MCBH do not issue appliances for off-base use.

(c) All other military personnel assigned to Hawaii (Island of Oahu) will be furnished major appliances to include washers, dryers, stoves and refrigerators.

Members should be advised to use CONUS NTS if they plan to use the government-furnished appliances.

### *Major Appliances*

(a) Major appliances, when authorized by the service, are furnished in both government quarters and off-post housing (local economy) upon request from Command sponsored service members.

(b) Effective 01 April 2018, Hickam Communities, LLC (HC) no longer provides washers and dryers to E5 and above personnel, with the exception of Key and Essential personnel.

(c) E1 to E4 Active Duty Service Members will continue to be provided a HC washer and dryer upon move in and may continue to use them through the duration of their occupancy in HC housing.

(d) E5 and above personnel, who accept and move into a HC home, may request the use of a HC washer and dryer for 30 days while awaiting delivery of House Hold Goods (HHG). Extensions may be granted on a case-by-case basis in 15 day increments not to exceed 60 days total usage time.

(e) Dryer outlets in HC homes may be 3-prong or 4-prong outlets. Service Members are responsible for obtaining and changing dryer cords on their personally owned dryers if necessary. Replacement cords are available at most local hardware or appliance stores on Oahu.

## **GOVERNMENT FURNITURE**

Furniture support is limited to a temporary basis, pending receipt of household goods.

(A) Support period is a maximum of 90 days, unless household goods are not received within that timeframe, through no fault of the member. (CH)

(b) Members should contact their sponsors before finalizing arrangements for shipment to Hawaii.

## **WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS**

### *ARMY PERSONNEL*

(a) Full JTR weight allowance. Dependent travel authorization is not required. Dependents must be listed on the PCS orders.

(b) Soldiers assigned/attached to Tripler Army Medical Center in student status: All active duty and US Army Reserve Soldiers and Army Medical Department Students assigned/attached to Pacific Regional Medical Command (PRMC) activities for 12 months or more are authorized full JTR weight allowance.

(c) HHG Excess to Government/Privatized/Economy/Unaccompanied Personnel Housing (UPH). Contact the new command, unit, sponsor, or housing office for the size and/or square footage of the Government/privatized/economy/UPH to determine how much HHG to ship. HHG not shipped may be stored in non-temporary storage at origin. Return transportation and Government paid storage of HHG excess to Government/privatized/economy/UPH are not authorized. Army: <https://onestop.army.mil> for housing information.

(d) Unaccompanied Baggage (UB). The maximum weight of UB is 2,000 pounds (net) excluding the weight of professional books, papers, and equipment (PBPE) if transported with UB. UB shipment via expedited mode (commercial air), maximum of 1,000 pounds (net), including PBPE is authorized. UB weight is part of the members authorized HHG weight allowance. Members required to reside in UPH must consider shipping less of the authorized weight allowance due to the small size of the rooms. The remaining HHG will be stored in non-temporary storage at origin. See pictures of the size of UPH on Army Housing One Stop, <https://onestop.army.mil> UPH phone: (808)655-7394.

### *AIR FORCE PERSONNEL*

(a) VIPs (Wing commanders and Generals assigned to Hickam AFB, HI) normally have on-base housing guaranteed prior to their arrival. VIP quarters are much larger and can normally accommodate furniture items.

(b) Enlisted Air Force unaccompanied personnel with less than 3 years' time in service are required to reside in Unaccompanied Personnel Barracks. Barracks rooms are FULLY FURNISHED and approximately 130 square feet in size. Members required to reside in the barracks should SERIOUSLY consider Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) of excess household goods. Members requiring NTS must contact the PPSO at origin to arrange for a NTS shipment prior to PCS departure to their next duty station in Hawaii. Members shipping property that will not fit into their barracks room will need to accept delivery of all items then arrange for disposition and/or storage of their excess property AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.

(c) Further information and advice should be asked of the members sponsor assigned by their Unit.

## NAVY PERSONNEL

(a) Navy personnel in pay grades E5 and below without dependents PCS to vessels homeported in Hawaii should be advised not to ship household goods due to government quarters are available on board the vessel.

(b) Navy personnel in pay grades E5 and below without dependents PCS to shore duty should consult their local command instructions concerning authorizations to live off base prior to shipment of their household goods.

(c) Geographic Bachelors PCS to Hawaii do not fall under the category of no dependents.

## ALCOHOL (importation)

Hawaii State Law (HRS 281-33.1) requires ALL persons (DoD as well as Non-DoD personnel) to acquire an Alcohol Import Permit for any HHG or UB shipment containing alcohol entering the State of Hawaii. Prior to any shipment(s) containing alcohol (wine, grape/fruit-based aged products, distilled spirits, beer, etc.) departing the Air or Water Port of Debarkation in Hawaii, customers are required to have an Alcohol Import Permit in-hand.

Please realize there are different importation limits for wine or aged grape/fruit products and distilled spirits or beer. Each County's requirements (Honolulu County-Island of Oahu, Kauai County-Island of Kauai, Maui County-Islands of Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Hawaii Island County) are different based on the individual County's Liquor Commission processes.

Further Hawaii State requirement information and/or inquiries can be found at:

(a) Honolulu County: <http://www.honolulu.gov/liq/licensingpermits.html> (bottom of page) -  
--Email: [LIQ-LICENSING@honolulu.gov](mailto:LIQ-LICENSING@honolulu.gov)

(b) Maui County: <http://www.mauicounty.gov/2000/Individual-permit-to-receive-liquor-ship> ---Email: [LIQUOR@mauicounty.gov](mailto:LIQUOR@mauicounty.gov)

(c) Hawaii County: <http://www.hawaiicounty.gov/liquor-control/> (Liquor Control Forms, Application for Individual Importation of Liquor Permit) ---Email: [COHDLC@hawaiicounty.gov](mailto:COHDLC@hawaiicounty.gov)

(d) Kauai County <http://www.kauai.gov/Government/Departments-Agencies/Liquor-Control/Forms-Applications> (Form/Application is listed under "Household Goods" ---Email: [LIQUOR@kauai.gov](mailto:LIQUOR@kauai.gov)

(e) NOTE: An Alcohol Import Permit IS ONLY REQUIRED once the shipment containing alcohol arrives into the State of Hawaii, not during the shipment packout at origin.

## CIGARETTES/TOBACCO PRODUCTS

No restrictions. Shipment of cigarettes and tobacco products from overseas locations are subject to US Customs and Border Protection allowances.

## **ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

### *UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (DRONES)*

ALL drones weighing between 0.55 pounds and 50 pounds must be registered with the FAA.

Penalties for failure to register a drone prior to operation range from \$27,500 to \$250,000, and up to three years in jail. For more information please visit:

<http://registrationfordrones.com/hawaii-drone-registration>.

## **FURNITURE (Oversized)**

Prior to shipping oversized furniture, such as an 8-foot sofa, a large triple dresser, or Cali-king sized bed, consider even if there is enough room to accommodate these items, narrow stairways and passageways may prevent placement of the furniture into the appropriate rooms.

Several off-base high rise apartments do not allow hoisting, resulting in members selling large furniture or paying for commercial storage.

## **PETS/QUARTANTINE**

Entry of cats and dogs are authorized.

Effective 30 June 2003, cats and dogs meeting specific pre-arrival and post-arrival requirements may have their quarantine period reduced to five days or less. The five-day-or-less quarantine program allows for "direct release" from the airport if all the pre-arrival requirements are completed and all the required paperwork is submitted at least ten days prior to arrival. The cost for direct release will be \$165.

(a) If the pet must be held for five days or less, the cost will be \$224. Owners are responsible to ensure all documents are in order and all requirements are met. Deficiencies could result in 120-day quarantine period.

(b) A quarantine period of 120 days is required at a cost of approximately \$1,080.00 per animal per 120-day program (fees are subject to change).

(c) The Department of Agriculture has published a checklist for pet owners on their website: <http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/aqs>.

(d) Dogs and cats from Guam, Australia, New Zealand, and Great Britain will be exempt from rabies quarantine due to their stringent import requirements and rabies-free status.

(e) Owners desiring to import dogs and cats are advised to contact the Animal Quarantine Branch, 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701, main office (808)483-7151, facsimile (808)483-7161, or their web site at: <http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/aqs> Email Addresses: [hdoa.info@hawaii.gov](mailto:hdoa.info@hawaii.gov) and [RabiesFree@hawaii.gov](mailto:RabiesFree@hawaii.gov)

(f) To reduce the risk for the introduction and establishment of the West Nile Virus (WNV) in Hawaii, the Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA) has placed a quarantine-embargo on birds and poultry, except hatching eggs and day-old chicks, shipped through the US Postal Service (USPS).

(g) For additional pre-entry requirements for birds call HDOA at (808)973-9560. For more information on the Hawaii Department of Agriculture, write to: Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Office of the Chairperson, 1428 S. King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814. Email address: [hdoa.info@hawaii.gov](mailto:hdoa.info@hawaii.gov).

## PRIVATELY OWNED FIREARMS (POFs)

Shipments of firearms are authorized but are subject to US regulations and State of Hawaii restrictions. In accordance with Hawaii Revised State Statute 134-3, all personnel arriving in Hawaii who bring firearms of any description, usable or unusable, serviceable or unserviceable, modern or antique, shall register the firearm within five days after arrival of the person or of the firearm, whichever arrives later with the Chief of Police of the county where member is assigned, place of business, residence or place of sojourn.

If you have any questions concerning the acquisition and registration of firearms, check our FAQ page or contact the Honolulu Police Department's firearms unit through the online email form or by calling (808) 723-3190.

### *SHIPPING OF POF --FROM-- the State of Hawaii*

Shippers of POF are required to provide the Transportation Service Provider a CURRENT Registration of EACH POF.

### *Hand Guns (prohibited)*

Assault pistols (definition and examples provided below); automatic firearms. "Assault pistol" means a semiautomatic pistol which accepts a detachable magazine and has two or more of the following characteristics:

- (a) An ammunition magazine which attaches to the pistol outside of the pistol grip.
- (b) A threaded barrel capable of accepting a barrel extender, flash suppresser, forward hand grip, or silencer.
- (c) A shroud which is attached to or partially or completely encircles the barrel and which permits the shooter to hold the firearm with the second hand without being burned.
- (d) A manufactured weight of fifty ounces or more when the pistol is unloaded.
- (e) A center fire pistol with an overall length of twelve inches or more.
- (f) Firearms with High Caliber Magazines (holds more than 10 rounds).
- (g) A semiautomatic version of an automatic firearm; but does not include a firearm with a barrel sixteen or more inches in length, or an antique pistol. "Semiautomatic" means the mode of operation by which a firearm uses the energy of the explosive in a fixed cartridge to extract a fired cartridge and chamber a fresh cartridge with each single pull of a trigger.
- (h) "Antique pistol or revolver" means any pistol or revolver manufactured before 1899 and any replica thereof if it either is not designed or redesigned for using rim-fire or conventional center-fire fixed ammunition or is designed or redesigned to use conventional center-fire fixed ammunition no longer manufactured in the United States and is not readily available in the ordinary channels of commercial trade. Detailed information can also be found at:

<http://www.honolulu.gov/information>

(i) Provided are firearms examples (non-inclusive) of what the State of Hawaii Chief of Police believes to meet the definition of "assault pistol":

A.A. Arms AP9 Auto Pistol

A.A. Arms A95

Auto Pistol Australian Automatic Arms SAP Auto-Ordnance

Thompson 1927-A5

Browning Buck Mark Silhouette

Bushmaster Assault Armgun/Auto Pistol

Calico Model M-110

Calico Model M-950

Cobray M-10 and M-11  
Commando Pistol Claridge Hi-Tec L9 D Max Auto Pistol  
Encom MK-IV Assault Pistol  
Encom MP-9 and MP-45  
Fearther Mini-AT  
Federal XP-450  
Federal XP-9000  
Gonz Hi-Tec  
Pistols Grendel P-31 Auto Pistol  
Heckler and Koch SP89 Auto Pistol  
Heckler and Koch HK-94 Auto Pistol  
Holmes MP-83 Auto Pistol  
Intractec TEC-9 Pistol  
Intratec TEC-9M Auto Pistol  
Intratec TEC-22T Auto Pistol  
Iver Johnson Enforcer Model 3000 Auto  
M.A.C. M-10 and M-11  
P.O.C. M-11  
Patisan Avenger Auto Pistol  
Scarab Skopion Auto Pistol  
R.P.B. M-10 and M-11  
Sterling 9mm MK-7 Pistol  
Sepctre DA Pistol  
UZI Pistol Wilkinson Linda Auto Pistol  
Desert Eagle Magnum Pistol with barrels longer than 6 inches  
L.A.R. Grizzly WIN MAG with barrels longer than 8 inches  
Wildey Automatic Pistol with barrels longer than 7 Inches

(j) Effective 09-Jul-2018, Hawaii Senate Bill No. 2046, Relating to Firearms, Act 157, prohibits the manufacture, importation, sale, transfer and possession of trigger modification devices, including bump fire stocks, multi-burst trigger activators and trigger cranks, that are designed or function to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic firearm.

### *Rifles/Shot Guns*

Rifles with barrel lengths less than sixteen inches; shotguns with barrel lengths less than eighteen inches are prohibited.

### *Other (i.e., Ammo, Explosives, etc.)*

Cannons; mufflers, silencers, or devices for deadening or muffling the sound of discharged firearms; hand grenades, dynamite, blasting caps, bombs, or bombshells, or other explosives; or any type of ammunition or any projectile component thereof its capability to penetrate metal or pierce protective armor; and any type of ammunition or any projective component thereof designed or intended to explode or segment upon impact with its target are prohibited.



## **PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE (POV)**

### *Autocycles (Polaris Slingshots)*

As of 02-Jan-2018, Hawaii Revised State Statute (HRS) Section 286-2 and 291C-152 has been updated to allow Polaris Slingshots (aka Autocycles) to be registered in the State of Hawaii. Autocycles MUST have the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) label affixed to the auto cycle confirming it meets all Federal Standards. Up-to-date safety check and registration is required to legally drive the auto cycle on any State, City, or County roads. Additionally, a Type 3 Drivers License pursuant to HRS 286-102(b) (3) is required.

*Shipment of POV is authorized (includes data on prohibited vehicles, color, etc)*

(a) Vehicles must meet federal emission and safety standards. POVs with an ultimate destination of Molokai-XDP, Lanai-XCP, Kauai-XFP, Maui-XBP, and Hawaii-XAP should be consigned directly to these POD codes, not through Oahu-XEP.

(b) POV information is maintained by the GPC subcontractor, Pasha Hawaii, Pier 1, Forrest Ave, Honolulu, Hawaii. POV status can be obtained by calling toll free 1-855-389-9499 or 808-670-3095, or by checking the website <http://www.pcsmypov.com/>. Hours of operation are 0800-1500 hours Monday thru Friday.

(c) Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 19, Subtitle 5, Chapter 134 requires customers owning POVs with suspension modifications (higher or lower) to apply for a Reconstruction Permit before being able to attain a Safety Check prior to POV registration. Other POV modifications from the original POV manufacture may apply as well.

(d) The Reconstruction Permitting requirements apply to the COUNTY OF HONOLULU ONLY. To discuss a modified POVs eligibility to be registered please call the Honolulu Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection Division at (808) 768-2542.

### *Motorcycles/Mopeds*

Mopeds and Motorcycles can be shipped in HHG

(a) Motorcycles are considered POVs by the city and county of Honolulu, Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

(b) The member must register the POV with DMV within 10 days of receipt from carrier.

(c) If a motorcycle is inoperable, it will still need to be registered in Hawaii. Within 10 days receipt from the carrier, members will need to present the license plate and proof of ownership to the DMV to receive a certificate of registration.

### *SHIPPING OF Motor Vehicles FROM the State of Hawaii*

When shipping motorcycles and motor scooters FROM the State of Hawaii, the State of Hawaii REQUIRES shippers provide the Transportation Service Provider the following documents:

- (a) a current copy of registration showing the person is the registered owner of the vehicle, and
- (b) Copy of the person's title or release from the lien holder.
- (c) Motor Scooter means every motorcycle with a motor which produces not more than five horsepower. Mopeds are excluded. (Hawaii Revised Statutes. HRS 286-57 Unlawful removal of motor vehicles from State, HRS 286-2 Definitions.)

### **STUFF WILD LIFE/ANIMALS AND PLANT RESTRICTIONS**

Individuals desiring to import plants and non-domesticated animals (i.e., birds, rabbits, turtles) are required to apply for an import permit with the Plant Quarantine Branch, 1849 Auiki Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819, phone (808)832-0566, FAX (808) 832-0584.

### **SEPARATEES/RETIREEES ENTITLEMENTS/LIMITATIONS**

The State of Hawaii imposes no restrictions for personnel who choose to retire, separate or relocate dependents to Hawaii.

- (a) However, personnel must comply with State and County laws of Hawaii when importing POVs, pets, firearms, boats, etc.
- (b) Counselors should refer to the General Instructions for specific information and provide members with the telephone numbers to contact responsible offices prior to or upon arrival in Hawaii for specific information.