

Defense Personal Property System (DPS) Country Instructions Guam

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Weight Restrictions

- 1) Accompanied tour: Full JTR weight allowance.
- 2) Unaccompanied tour:
 - a) All E4s and below are required to occupy barracks at 100%.
 - b) Do not to ship any household goods (HHG) that cannot fit into a barracks room.
- 3) Non-temporary Storage (NTS):
 - a) Guam does not have NTS.
 - b) Service member should utilize NTS in lieu of shipping HHG.
 - c) If service member elects to ship their HHG and they **do not** receive Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA), they will be liable for all storage fees after the government authorized storage in transit expires.

Alcoholic Beverages

- 1) Military members, their dependents of legal age (21 years or older) and Department of Defense (DoD) civilians are authorized to import one (1) gallon of alcoholic beverages.
- 2) Importation (hand carried or personally procured) of more than one gallon requires a license from Guam's Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.
 - a) There are no waivers or exceptions for private collections of DoD personnel (military or civilian).
 - b) Violators of Guam's importation restrictions on alcoholic beverages can be found guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than \$10,000.
- 3) There are three limited exceptions to this prohibition:
 - A religious organization may import or receive into Guam sacramental wine for use in the religious rites of such religious organization without license:
 - b) A Consul General, Consul or Vice Consul of a foreign country may import or receive into Guam for private use and consumption;
 - c) A person arriving in Guam may bring with them not more than once every sixty (60) days for private use and not for sale, alcoholic beverages not exceeding one (1) gallon in quantity without a license.

Electrical Equipment

- 1) Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (Drones): MUST be registered with the FAA on Guam
 - a) Drone that weighs **less** than 55 pounds; flies lower than 400 feet and is for **recreational or personal** use.
 - b) Drone that weighs **more** than 55 pounds; flies more than 400 feet and is for **commercial or business** use.

Furniture, Oversized

- 1) Members are advised to contact their assigned sponsor before making any final arrangements for shipment of HHG's to Guam.
- 2) Depending on the size of the family quarters to be assigned, the housing office has advised that a standard housing unit has no more than an 8 foot high ceiling room sizes of about 10 feet by 12 feet, 12 feet by 14 feet, and 8 feet by 10 feet.
- 3) Due to the limited spaces of the Government housing units, members are advised to ship only furniture that can be accommodated within the unit spaces.
- 4) Huge and/or large furniture items and other nonessential items should be placed in NTS for the duration of oversees Guam tour.

Pets/Quarantine

- 1) Quarantine:
 - a) Dogs and cats will be quarantined for 120 days upon entry.
 - b) The guarantine facilities leave a lot to be desired and are expensive.
 - c) Older or sickly pets, recommend not be brought to Guam.
 - d) The Andersen AFB veterinarian has weekly pet clinics but is not involved with quarantine facilities.
 - e) Veterinarian services are also available at the Naval Base Guam clinic by appointment only.
- 2) Kennel reservations at Government of Guam approved commercial quarantine facility must be obtained prior to shipping pets along with an entry permit.
 - a) Required entry permits may be obtained by writing the Department of Agriculture, 163 Dairy Road Mangilao, Guam 96913 Contact number 671-300-7965/66 Fax 671-734-6569 E-mail address gu.agri@yahoo.com
 - Kennel reservations with Harper Veterinary Kennels, 133 Manibusan Lane, Chalan Pago, Guam 96910 Contact: (671) 477-8381/fax (671) 477-8380 web site e-mail www.harpervet.net
 - c) Available to Military Personnel Only: Andersen Animal Quarantine & Kennel Facility, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam 96929 Contact: (671) 366-5020 fax (671)366-5021 web site e-mail www.36fss.com under "Families"
- 3) Upon receipt of kennel reservations and entry permits, the pet(s) may be shipped.
- 4) Health certificate/vaccination:
 - a) Health certificates are required and dated more than 10 days prior to arrival.
 - b) Rabies vaccination certificates are required for animals over 3 months old dated no less than 30 days and not more than 6 months prior to shipment.
 - Dogs: A certificate of immunization against Canine Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, Adenovirus-2 and Corona Virus are required.

ii. Cats: A certificate of immunization against Feline Viral Rhinotracneitis, Feline Leukemia, Calici Virus, and Panleukopenia are required.

Privately Owned Firearms (POFs)

- 1) Website for current information: http://gpd.guam.gov/applications-and-reports
- 2) The Government of Guam has imposed the following requirements on the importation of firearms:
 - a) Members **MUST** have and possess proof of ownership such as a previous firearms registration.
 - b) If proof of ownership is not available, an affidavit of ownership with notary seal is acceptable.
 - c) Members would also need to provide one form of identification (ID):
 - Certified Birth Certificate with a Photo ID Card AND a Social Security Card
 - ii. A Valid U.S. Passport AND a Social Security Card
 - iii. A Naturalization Certificate AND a Social Security Card
- 3) There is no limit on the number of firearms allowed to be shipped.
- 4) Members **MUST** obtain a Guam Firearms ID at the Guam Police Department immediately, contact number is 671-475-8498/8506.
- 5) Pay corresponding fees and register each firearm with the Guam Police Department within 30 days of receipt of firearms. Members will be charged the following:
 - a) \$47.00 FBI background check
 - b) \$34.00 finger printing (5-10 Business days for results)
 - c) \$43.00 For Firearms I.D. upon approval of the FBI background check.
 - d) Each firearm registration is \$49.00.
- 6) DoD service member and civilians must complete the firearm application and registration process within 30 days of receipt of their firearms.
- 7) Severe penalties will be imposed to members who do not register their firearms with the Guam Police Department. Penalties are jail time and a \$10,000 fine imposed by Government of Guam Attorney General office to the member for noncompliance.
- 8) Shipping POFs to the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
 - a) The populated Islands of CNMI are: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Agrihan, and Alamagan.
 - b) The only legal weapons authorized into the CNMI are:
 - i. .22 rifle
 - ii. .223 rifle
 - iii. 410 shotgun
 - c) The importation of any/all pistols, or other weapons not listed above is prohibited.
 - d) Only local law enforcement personnel are authorized to legally possess pistols.
 - e) It is advised NOT to ship pistols of any size into the CNMI.

Privately Owned Vehicles (POVs)

- The Government of Guam's Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) initiated a vehicle temporary operation permit of \$5.00 per vehicle to all Department of Defense (DoD) service members and civilian employees.
- 2) Imported unregistered POVs (i.e.-NEW unregistered POVs) MUST have a VEHICLE SPECIAL PERMIT from the Guam Police Department before a POV can be driven or transported from the POV Port of Entry, per Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 7, Sections 7103 (a) and (c).
 - a) Cost for the VEHICLE SPECIAL PERMIT is \$50 as of 01 Dec 2015.
 - b) Application for the VEHICLE SPECIAL PERMIT is available at the Guam Police Department's Records and Identification Section office located at 590 South Marine Corps Drive, Suite 120, First Floor, ITC Building, Tamuning, Guam or at the http://gpd.guam.gov/ website.
- 3) Government of Guam applies a four (4) percent use tax on vehicles purchased and imported by members when vehicle is owned less than 90 days.
- 4) Used cars are available for sale, but often have extensive rust damage and sell far above comparative US prices.
- 5) Transit time ranges between 53 days from the West Coast and up to 63 days from the East Coast.
- 6) Rental vehicles are available both on and off-base.
- 7) POV's must meet all Department of Transportation regulations
- 8) Documents required to clear the POV from the Port of Authority of Guam Customs are:
 - a) POV registration
 - b) POV title or letter of release from the finance company
 - c) Proof of ownership
 - d) Copy of the driver's license
 - e) Temporary operating permit from DMV
- 9) Once the POV has cleared Customs, it needs to be safety inspected and registered at the DMV before the temporary operating permit expires.

Motorcycles/Mopeds

- 1) The Government of Guam's Department of Motor Vehicle has initiated a vehicle temporary operation permit of \$5.00 per motorcycle to all Department of Defense (DoD) service members and civilian employees.
- 2) Motorcycles/Mopeds must meet all Department of Transportation regulations
- 3) Documents required to clear Guam Customs are the same as the POV.

Gasoline/Catalytic Converters

1) Premium and unleaded gasoline are available island-wide.

Insurance and Safety Requirements

- 1) POV safety and emission standards on Guam are the same as CONUS.
- Guam requires all POVs to pass a safety inspection checking integrity of exhaust system, body, braking power, wheel alignment, lights, horn, and windshield wipers prior to issue of either Guam license or soldiers/sailors relief registration decals.

Other

1) HOUSING:

- a) Waiting time for Government quarters is 0 to 1 month.
- b) Adequate TLA accommodations are available off-base. A limited number have kitchen facilities.
- c) Baby cribs are available.
- d) Loaner furniture's are available up to 90 days
- e) Hospitality kits have a limited number of utensils and is located at NAVY Fleet and Family 671-333-2056.
- f) Local power is standard US 110 volt 60 cycle. No modifications required for US type appliances.

2) BOATS:

- a) Import standards are the same as for CONUS.
- b) US Coast Guard inspects boats for sea worthiness.
- c) Boats from CONUS should have a manufacturer's certification decal as it eliminates the inspection requirement.
- d) Guam customs may collect a 4 percent use tax at time of importation.
- e) All boats must be promptly preregistered with the harbor unit of the Guam Police Department.
- f) Boat owners have 60 days to ensure they meet Guam boating requirements before registration with the harbor unit is completed.
- g) The documents required for registration:
 - I. Must be originals or notarized copies proving ownership.
 - II. Boat trailers are registered with vehicle registration. A safety inspection is required. A manufacturer's statement of origin or a certification of title is required for a trailer license.
 - III. A Soldier's/Sailor's relief registration decal is acceptable for the trailer.
- h) Repair parts for the major American brands are usually available but at a higher price than most CONUS areas.
 - I. Labor rates are generally higher than in CONUS.
- i) Docking, mooring, and storage space is extremely limited.
 - I. There is a long waiting list for space at the Naval Base Guam Sumay Cove Marina.
 - II. Commercial space is available but is very limited and expensive.