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**BASE CURFEW AND SUPERVISION
GUIDELINES**

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This instruction implements Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 31-1, *Integrated Defense*. It establishes procedures for curfew hours on Spangdahlem Air Base (SAB) for children unaccompanied by a parent, guardian, or any other adult 18 years of age or older authorized by a parent or a guardian. This publication applies to all 52d Fighter Wing (52 FW) personnel, and tenant organizations. Ensure that all records created as a result of processes prescribed in this publication are maintained in accordance with (IAW) Department of the Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 90-160, *Publications and Forms Management*, and disposed of IAW the Air Force (AF) Records Disposition Schedule (RDS) located at <https://www.my.af.mil/afirms/afirms/afirms/rims.cfm>. Refer recommended changes and questions about this publication to the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) using the DAF Form 847, *Recommendation for Change of Publication*; route DAF Form 847s from the field through the appropriate functional's chain of command. The authorities to waive wing/unit level requirements in this publication are identified with a Tier ("T-0, T-1, T-2, and T-3") number following the compliance statement. See DAFI 90-160, *Publications and Forms Management*, for a description of the authorities associated with the Tier numbers. Submit requests for waivers through the chain of command to the appropriate Tier waiver approval authority, or alternately, to the Publication OPR for non-tiered compliance items.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This document has been substantially revised and must be completely reviewed. Changes include Removal of curfew for school days **Paragraph 3.1**. Curfew for children 12 years of age and under is 2200 to 0500 hrs. Para, 3.2. Curfew for children 13 through 17 years of age is 0050 to 0500 hrs.

1. Roles and Responsibilities. Parents and guardians must ensure their minor family member children comply with the restrictions established in this instruction. It shall not constitute a defense if the parent or guardian did not have knowledge of the presence of such minor upon the streets, highways, roads, alleys, playgrounds, or other public areas on SAB during curfew hours.

2. Curfew Restrictions. The following rules apply to personnel on SAB. Children under 18 years of age unaccompanied by a parent or guardian shall not loiter in the streets, highways, roads, alleys, playgrounds, or other public areas on SAB during curfew hours.

3. Curfew Hours.

3.1. **Curfew for children 12 years of age and under is 2200 to 0500 hrs.**

3.2. **Curfew for children 13 through 17 years of age is 0030 to 0500 hrs.**

4. Exception to Curfew. Children 13 through 17 years of age, who are unaccompanied, are permitted to proceed directly to their homes from authorized base activities, such as chapel service, athletic events, theater, youth services, scout assemblies, school events etc. They may also travel directly between the main gate and their homes. It is also permitted for children to travel from their point of employment (such as babysitting) directly to their homes. Children are allowed to camp out overnight in their yards, so long as they stay in the immediate area of the campsite and do not cause a disturbance.

5. Youth Supervision. The ages specified in this instruction are maximum ages based on demonstrated age-appropriate child behavior norms. Children who do not consistently demonstrate behavior consistent with these norms should not be given the same degree of self- management responsibilities. Notwithstanding the guidelines adopted by this base allowing certain activities for children of certain ages, parents are always expected to exercise reasonable judgment and will be held responsible for any incidents or mishaps (unpreventable) which may occur. Adults who expose children to substantial risks of serious harm may be charged by authorities with endangering the welfare of a minor, See **Attachment 2** for guidelines.

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Attachment 1

GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

References

AFPD 31-1, *Integrated Defense*, 21 June 2018

DAFI 90-160, *Publications and Forms Management*, 14 April 2022

Prescribed Forms

None

Adopted Forms

DAF Form 847, *Recommendation for Change of Publication*

Abbreviations and Acronyms

AF—Air Force

AFPD—Air Force Policy Directive

IAW—In Accordance With

OPR—Office of Primary Responsibility

RDS—Records Disposition Schedule

SAB—Spangdahlem Air Base

Attachment 2

SUPERVISION GUIDELINES

Table A2.1. Supervision Guidelines.

| Supervision Guidelines Age of Child | Left without sitter in quarters two (2) hours or less | Left without sitter in quarters for more than two (2) hours | Left alone overnight | Outside unattended (includes playground) | Left in car Unattended | Child Sit Siblings | Babysitting |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| <Age 4 | No | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Ages 5-6 | No | No Except at age six (6) may walk to and from school | No | Yes On playground or in yard only with immediate access (visual sight/hearing) to adult supervision. | No | No | No |
| Ages 7-9 | No | No Except may walk to and from school | No | Yes With ready access to adult supervision who assumes responsibility for the child. | Yes Except in hot weather, keys removed, engine turned off and hand brake applied; 15 minutes in other weather; adult within sight. | No | No |
| Ages 10-11 | Yes With ready access to an adult who accepts responsibility for the child. | No | No | Yes | Yes Keys removed, engine turned off and hand brake applied. | Yes 11 yrs old or in 6th grade minimum. Maximum of two (2) hours. Home alone trained by youth center & red cross babysitting | No |
| Ages 12-14 | Yes | Yes During daytime hours before curfew and not after curfew. | No | Yes | Yes | Yes Home alone training by youth center or other source required. | Yes Red Cross babysitting training or equivalent. 12 yrs of age or 7th grade minimum. |
| Age 15> | Yes | Yes | Yes Youth 15 yrs old or in 9th grade may be left alone overnight with access to adult supervision; sponsor must be in local area. 16 year olds may be left alone for short temporary duty assignments or leaves, not to exceed five (5) consecutive days. Must have access to an adult who accepts responsibility for the child and who makes periodic checks. | Yes | Yes | Yes Red Cross babysitting training or equivalent required. | Yes Red Cross babysitting training or equivalent |