

Assignment: Germany

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Types of Housing

- On post government quarters
 - located on the installation; usually stairwell quarters
- Leased quarters
 - Considered government quarters
 - Housing units, subdivisions or apartment buildings that the U.S. government has leased for an extended period of time to house soldiers
- Government Housing Rental Program (GHRP)
 - Generally single family housing units, either a single family home or apartment
 - Rented for the period of the soldier's tour

Types of Housing

- Note: Leased quarters and GHRP quarters can be located up to 30 miles from post
- Visit Army Housing One Stop for Pictures and Floor Plans, includes barracks too.

Website:

<https://onestop.army.mil/>

- Off post housing or Economy housing
 - Assignment to economy housing may or may not be controlled by the Family Housing Office
 - Upon acceptance of economy quarters the soldier incurs an obligation of time before they may be considered for any type of Government housing
 - Receive Overseas Housing Allowance to offset housing costs

Housing – Misc. Info

- Bulky furniture may be too large to fit into the quarters, especially if stairwell quarters
- Storage bins may be available in the basement
- Washers & dryers shared in basement of stairwell quarters & in housing off installation
- Waterbeds are not allowed
- German electrical current operates at 220 volts; USA 110 volts. Higher voltage means you can blow up your Xbox if you don't use a transformer.

Housing – Misc. Info

- Government support furniture is limited
- A request for furniture support can be signed when signing for housing (check quarters for existing furniture)
- Shop the Thrift Shop before the PX. They may have transformers (see note about blowing up your Xbox)
- ACS Lending Closet – FREE lending of basic items such as pots, pans, dishes, strollers, car seats, etc.

Education & Child Care

- Education

- The schools are Department of Defense (DoD). Some students may have to be bused depending upon assignment.
- Visit Military Installations for designated installation for detailed information (ie: location, requirements, school calendar)
www.militaryinstallation.dod.mil
- Distant learning opportunities are available for some stateside colleges. You can still qualify for financial aid overseas.

- Child Care

- Child Development Services are available in Germany, with the same basic services, including Center care and Family Child Care.

Restricted Dog List for Import to Germany

- Alano
- American bulldog
- Bullmastiff
- Cane Corso
- Dogo Argentino
- Dogue de Bordeaux
- Fila Brasileiro
- Mastiff
- Mastin Espanol
- mastino Napoletano
- pitbull bandog
- perro de presa Canario
- perro de presa Mallorcin
- Rhodesian ridgeback
- Tosa Inu
- Pitbull Terrier
- American Staffordshire terrier
- Staffordshire bull terrier
- Bull Terrier

Driving in Germany

- Driving
 - You must have a current and valid U.S. drivers license to obtain a USAREUR license.
 - USAREUR drivers license is required to drive in Germany. <http://www.usareurpracticetest.com/>
 - International drivers licenses can be obtained by AAA in the States
 - Driving will be different there. Be careful when driving on the Autobahn!
 - Your vehicle will have to pass German inspection before registration.
 - Use your registration or gas coupons when purchasing gas.

Cultural Info....

- Germany hosts several world renowned festivals and carnivals annually.
- Visit the Armed Forces Recreation Centers located in Germany. Visit their website as <http://www.armymwr.com/installation/europe.aspx>
- Attend the Newcomers Orientation upon arrival.
- Enjoy the culture!

