MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS EAST-MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE ORDER 1700.6B

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: CAMP LEJEUNE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Ref: (a) MCO 1700.22G
(b) MCO P1700.27B Ch 1
(c) MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJO 11100.5
(d) 10 U.S.C. 47

Encl: (1) Sample Letter for Request for Waiver for Personnel Under 21 Years of Age to Consume Alcohol at Unit Functions Aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune

1. Situation. To publish supplemental regulations relating to alcoholic beverages applicable to all personnel within the limits of Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune (MCB CAMLEJ), per references (a) through (d).

2. Cancellation. MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJO 1700.6A.

3. Mission. To outline the policy regarding alcoholic beverage control (possession, consumption, and sale of alcoholic beverages) aboard MCB CAMLEJ and the policy relating to the administration of alcoholic beverages in retail outlets.

4. Execution

   a. Commander's Intent. To clarify the regulations regarding the administration of alcoholic beverages in retail outlets, the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages, and the possession and introduction of alcoholic beverages aboard this Installation.

   b. Concept of Operations

      (1) The possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in family quarters, Bachelor Officer Quarters, and Staff Noncommissioned Officer (SNCO) Bachelor Quarters by military personnel age 21 and older residing in such quarters is authorized.

      (2) The possession and consumption, in amounts consistent with personal use, of alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or spirits) in all Bachelor Enlisted Quarters and contiguous areas by personnel age 21

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and older is authorized. Commanders may revoke such authorization at any time for individuals who abuse the privilege; the power of revocation is non-delegable.

5. Administration and Logistics

a. Package Sales

(1) Package sales of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption is authorized at the Package Store in the Main Exchange Mall (Building 1231) and at all Marine Marts to authorized customers ages 21 and older. Appropriate identification must be presented to purchase alcoholic beverages.

(2) Alcoholic beverages may be purchased in case lots at activities identified above by military personnel, military family members, and retired service personnel 21 years of age and older. Appropriate identification must be presented prior to the purchase of alcoholic beverages.

(3) Purchase of alcoholic beverages is authorized only for personal consumption and normal social occasions. Purchase for resale or promotion of business interests is not authorized.

(4) Reservists on active duty for training are authorized to purchase alcoholic beverages for use during that active duty period only.

b. Alcohol Dispensed For Sale by the Drink

(1) The dispensing of alcoholic beverages for sale by the drink, for consumption on the premises, is authorized for the Paradise Point Officers’ Club, MCB CAMLEJ SNCO Club, and designated Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS), Lejeune-New River activities.

(2) Alcoholic beverages may be sold Monday through Friday during the luncheon hour (1100 to 1300) with meals. However, sales will not be made to military personnel in uniform or civilian employees in a working status.

(3) Appropriate alcoholic beverages—including, but not limited to champagne, champagne punch, or Bloody Marys—may be sold on Sunday mornings and holidays in conjunction with brunch.

(4) The snack bars of the Bonnyman Bowling Center and Paradise Point Golf Course may sell alcoholic beverages to authorized patrons during operating hours.

(5) Alcoholic beverages may be served during working hours for organizational, association, or private functions such as military-
civilian meetings, meetings of official private organizations, or receptions.

(6) All alcoholic beverages sold or dispensed by the drink for consumption on the premises will be served in opened containers. No alcoholic beverages are to be removed from any club, recreational area, or special event except where package sales or privately owned alcoholic beverages are authorized.

(7) Alcoholic beverages at MCCS, Lejeune-New River events or at unit functions located at a MCCS, Lejeune-New River facility shall be dispensed only by trained, qualified MCCS, Lejeune-New River employees.

c. Privately Provided Alcoholic Beverages at Parties. Privately provided alcoholic beverages are not permitted in catering facilities or areas where alcoholic beverages are served on a regular basis (e.g., clubs or recreation centers). Privately provided alcoholic beverages are permitted only for private parties sponsored by individuals or official private organizations and only in facilities not typically used for catered events.

d. Unit and Family Readiness Funds (U&FRF) for Purchase of Alcoholic Beverages During Unit Parties and Recreation Events

(1) Alcoholic beverages may be sold, or provided via U&FRF, at unit parties or recreation, athletic, and special events for consumption.

(2) Per reference (b), alcoholic beverages will be served only through services provided by MCCS, Lejeune-New River. Under no circumstances will alcoholic beverages in glass containers be permitted in the possession of spectators at these events.

(3) These events must be approved by the battalion level Commander and the appropriate Area Commander as defined by reference (c).

e. Unofficial Unit Social Events. Alcoholic beverages may be consumed at unofficial unit social events upon approval of the battalion level Commander of the unit concerned and the express approval of the appropriate Area Commander as defined by reference (c). The party must be supervised by a commissioned officer who will be responsible for the conduct of personnel attending and the proper police of the area upon completion.

(1) Waiver of Legal Drinking Age

(a) Per reference (a), the Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations East (MCIEAST)-MCB CAMLEJ may waive the required
drinking age of 21, but not set it below the age of 18, if he
determines the exception is justified by special circumstances. Those
infrequent, non-routine military occasions when the entire unit, as a
group, marks at a military installation a uniquely military occasion,
such as the conclusion of arduous military service or the anniversary
of the establishment of a military service or organization, qualify as
special circumstances. Enclosure (1) shall be utilized to request
waivers and should arrive at this headquarters 14 days prior to the
event. Requests may be either hand-carried or scanned to the MCIEAST-
MCB CAMLEJ Adjutant for action.

(b) The event must be held on MCB CAMLEJ. The Unit
Commander must ensure appropriate operational risk management and
controls are in place to prevent endangering military Service members
or the surrounding community.

(c) The limited, case-by-case approval to consume alcohol
at age 18 is a privilege, not a right. This paragraph is a lawful
general order and applies to all military personnel. Violations may
result in disciplinary action under Article 92 of reference (c) and
other adverse administrative actions. For civilians, to include
Department of Defense (DoD) civilian personnel, violations may result
in civilian criminal prosecution and other adverse administrative
action up to and including termination.

(2) Alcoholic beverages may be consumed in the enlisted dining
facilities for special occasions during non-duty hours, upon approval
by the Commander of the organization concerned. Each such occasion
will be supervised by the Commander of the organization concerned or
their designated representative.

f. Minors (to include Family Members and Guests)

(1) In compliance with the laws of the State of North
Carolina, no person under 18 years of age shall be employed in any
activity to dispense or serve alcoholic beverages.

(2) No person under 21 years of age will purchase or consume
alcoholic beverages in clubs or messes aboard this Installation.

(3) No person under 21 years of age shall be in the possession
of alcoholic beverages aboard this Installation.

(4) Diversion of alcoholic beverages purchased by authorized
patrons in authorized sales outlets to unauthorized patrons, to
include persons under those ages as specified above, is prohibited.

g. Athletic Events at Dependent Schools. Alcoholic beverages
will not be permitted at any athletic event involving student
participants from the DoD Education Activity.
h. Conduct and Decorum. Overindulgence at any club, mess, barracks, recreation party, or activity will not be condoned. Although direct responsibility for conduct and decorum rests with the individual, management and supervisory personnel, as well as employees directly involved in the serving of alcoholic beverages at clubs, messes, and parties, or personnel involved in the sale of packaged alcoholic beverages in Marine Marts, are directed to terminate service or sales of alcoholic beverages to individuals where such action is in the best interests of the individual. Reasonable discretion shall be used in exercising this authority.

i. **Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages**

(1) Persons transporting alcoholic beverages beyond the limits of MCB CAMLEJ become subject to laws of the State of North Carolina. A notice to this effect shall be prominently posted in installation outlets and case lot sales activities.

(2) Alcoholic beverages in an open container may be transported in a motor vehicle aboard the Installation only if transported in a compartment that is inaccessible to the driver and passengers of the vehicle. In vehicles with no separate compartments, such as trucks, sport utility vehicles, or hatchbacks, open alcoholic beverages must be transported out of reach and in a manner which does not facilitate ease of consumption. An open container is defined as any container, the seal of which has been broken and/or the cap/tab/stopper removed, whether or not any of the contents therein have been removed.

(3) Transportation of alcoholic beverages, in quantities and conditions not otherwise prohibited, is permitted between places on and off the Installation where the possession of such beverages is authorized.

j. **Seizure and Disposition.** Alcoholic beverages improperly possessed by any person on this Installation are subject to seizure. Such items, when removed from the possession of any person on this Installation, shall be tagged immediately with the name of the person or persons from whom taken; time, date, and place of seizure; and the name of any witnesses; and shall be placed in a secure place as evidence. At that time, appropriate disposition thereof shall be made.

k. **Actions.** All organizational commanders and staff officers involved in the sale, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages aboard this Installation will give wide dissemination to, and will conscientiously enforce, the provisions of this Order.
6. **Command and Signal**

   a. **Command**

      (1) This Order is applicable to personnel of all MCB CAMLEJ tenant commands and anyone operating a motor vehicle aboard MCB CAMLEJ.

      (2) This Order is punitive in nature, and violations of this Order are punishable under reference (d). Violators who are not subject to reference (d) may be subject to adverse administrative processes.

   b. **Signal.** This Order is effective the date signed.

   [Signature]

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   Deputy Commander

**DISTRIBUTION: A/C**
From: Commanding Officer, (Unit/Organization)
To: Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations East-Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune
Via: Chain of Command

Subj: REQUEST FOR WAIVER FOR PERSONNEL UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE TO CONSUME ALCOHOL AT UNIT FUNCTIONS ABOARD MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP LEJEUNE

Ref: (a) MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJO 1700.6B

Encl: (1) Roster of Personnel Under the Age of 21

1. Per the reference, it is requested that the Marines and Sailors under the age of 21 of (Unit) be authorized to consume alcohol. The enclosure is a listing of all Marines and Sailors under the age of 21.

2. The unit will be conducting a (Warrior Night) (Mess Night) (Marine Corps Ball) on (date) from __________ to __________ at (location).

3. During this function the executive officer, company gunnery sergeant, and two corpsmen will not be consuming alcohol. All Operational Risk Management steps and measures will be in place.

4. Point of contact for this matter is _______________ at 451-xxxx.

I. M. COMMANDER