



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
2ND BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
3RD BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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Welcome to the Cacti Ohana!

Aloha and congratulations on your assignment to the 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment. On behalf of the Soldiers, non-commissioned officers, and officers of "Cacti," we would like to welcome you to the best Light Infantry Battalion in the Army; a prestigious Battalion with a distinguished history. We are sure you will find your assignment here in Hawaii both professionally and personally rewarding.

You will soon be assigned a sponsor who will contact you in the near future. Your sponsor's primary duty is to help welcome you to the Cacti Battalion and ensure seamless integration. It is important to keep in contact with your sponsor so they may help facilitate your needs during your transition to Schofield Barracks. This is especially important if you are traveling with dependent Family members. Your sponsor will contact you for your travel arrangements before you depart your current duty station. They will meet you at the airport, assist you in getting temporary lodging, and provide you with information on what to expect when you arrive to Schofield Barracks. In order for us to effectively assist you in your arrival, please fill out sections 1, 2, 4 and 5 of the DA Form 5434 in the ACTNow online system. Your sponsor will fill out section 3. Please contact the Battalion Adjutant, 1LT Gabrielle Tally at (808) 655-9051 or gabrielle.m.tally.mil@mail.mil should you have any questions concerning the form or about your assignment.

Prior to your arrival, you should make reservations with the Inn at Schofield Barracks at (808) 624-9650 or Tripler Guest House at (808) 839-2336. If both locations are unable to accommodate you, the Inn at Schofield Barracks will provide you with a Statement of Non-Availability (SNA) upon arrival and a list of authorized alternate locations. You have the option to stay at alternate government housing or local hotel lodging. ***You will need a SNA prior to choosing alternate lodging, or you may be limited in the amount you will be reimbursed for travel.*** If you are an unaccompanied Sergeant (E5) or below, you will be provided a barracks room on Schofield Barracks. When you arrive at the Honolulu International Airport, please sign in with the Replacement Detachment desk located between Baggage Claim areas F and G. You will need your leave form and five copies of your orders.

Please make sure to communicate your arrival time and travel accommodations to your sponsor. It is our intent that all new Cacti Soldiers be met at the airport by their sponsors.

Your assignment to Hawaii will be one of your most memorable military tours. The 25th Infantry Division enjoys a distinguished reputation and legendary heritage. We balance our tough and demanding training calendar with quality of life initiatives. Hawaii is truly a tropical paradise with countless opportunities and adventure for everyone. Please take advantage of these unique opportunities while you are here.

The following are helpful web pages you can view for information that will help with your move to Hawaii:

HOUSING

You are able to sign up for housing before you arrive at the website below. Click on "Become a Resident." Depending on your orders, you will need to FAX a copy of your orders and other documents to the regional office closest to your assignment – Schofield Barracks (North Region).

<http://www.armyhawaiiifamilyhousing.com/>

<http://www.fcnavyhawaii.com/> - Housing Service Office – Government Off-Post Housing

<http://www.ahrn.com/> - Housing Service Office – Off-Post Housing

Most rentals do not allow pets. Pet regulation for On-Post housing stipulates that pitbulls and any type of pitbull breeding combinations, such as American Pitbull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier or Staffordshire Terrier are strictly PROHIBITED on installation.

INSTALLATION INFORMATION

Click on "Military Installations" on the left of the menu bar. Once there, you will see a map. Click on "Hawaii" and select "Schofield/Shafter."

<http://www.militaryhomefront/>

COMMAND

<http://25idl.army.mil> – 25th Infantry Division & US Army Hawaii

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/2-35-Infantry-Battalion/128001283913956> - 2-35 IN Cacti Facebook Page

<http://www.tamc.amedd.army.mil/> - Tripler Army Medical Center

LODGING FACILITY

<http://innatschofield.com/> - Inn at Schofield – Temporary Lodging

<http://www.25idl.army.mil/dpw/housing/chrrs.htm> - Housing Services Office (HSO) can provide information about Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) and Hawaii Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)

tamcbillet@shafter.army.mil – email address for Tripler Lodging

MWR HAWAII

Use this website to monitor upcoming events, specials, and services offered through MWR Hawaii.

<http://mwrarmyhawaii.com> – MWR Hawaii webpage

PET QUARANTINE

The state of Hawaii has an animal quarantine law.

http://www.hawaiiag.org/hdoa/ai_aqs_info.htm

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Relocation/Information & Referral Team (RRT) looks forward to meeting you at their Newcomers' Orientation. Please call the RRT at (808) 655-4227 if you have any questions or need assistance.

Again, welcome to the 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment! We are looking forward to you arrival. If there is anything we can do to help you during your PCS move, please feel free to contact us.

Battalion Staff Duty Desk: (808) 655-5059
Battalion Adjutant, 1LT Gabrielle Tally: (808) 655-9051

"Take Arms!"

Sincerely,



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