

OTHER IMPORTANT Inclement Weather Information

Overall Road Conditions

Since USAG Kaiserslautern covers a large geographical area, color coded road conditions only provide general conditions of primary roads. The overall road conditions do not always apply to all areas of the KMC. Exercise caution when traveling and use your better judgment.

Smaller roads and higher elevation areas could be in worse condition, such as:

- Road connecting Hutchenhausen with Miseau
- Road connecting Bann with Landstuhl
- Roads connecting Enkenbach-Alsenborn with Sembach
- Roads connecting Husterhoeh with Pirmasens
- Higher elevation areas of Sembach
- Higher elevation areas of Landstuhl
- Higher elevation areas of Pirmasens

Late Reporting and Early Release

- Late Reporting are normally made no later than 4:30am
- Early Release are normally made by 10:30 am
- However, commanders may consider early release or late reporting when road conditions call for it.

Road Condition Status Terminology – IAW USAREUR Regulation 385-55

Road Condition	Road Surface	Snow	Ice	Snow Depth	Visibility	Temperature
GREEN	Dry	None or blowing powder	None	None	More than 50 meters	Above 35F (+2C)
AMBER	Wet	Packed slush	Patches of black ice and slush	Less than 4 inches	Between 20 and 50 meters	Between 30F (-1C) and 35F (+2C)
RED	Flooded	Drifting	Sheet ice	Between 4 and 8 inches	Between 15 and 20 meters	Between 10F (-12C) and 30F (-1C)
BLACK	Heavily flooded	Heavy drifting	Extreme sheet ice	More than 8 inches	Less than 15 meters	Less than 10F (-12C)



ROAD CONDITIONS POLICY FOR MILITARY VEHICLES



GREEN : UNRESTRICTED VEHICLE DISPATCHES ARE AUTHORIZED. IDEAL ROAD, VISIBILITY AND TEMPERATURE CONDITIONS EXIST.

AMBER : ROAD SURFACE IS WET, SLUSHY, SNOW LESS THAN 4 INCHES, VISIBILITY BETWEEN 20 AND 50 METERS AND TEMPERATURES ARE BETWEEN 30F AND 35F DEGREES.

RED : ONLY MISSION ESSENTIAL AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES ARE AUTHORIZED. ROAD SURFACE IS FLOODED, SNOW DRIFTS AND BETWEEN 4 AND 8 INCHES DEEP, VISIBILITY IS BETWEEN 15 AND 20 METERS AND TEMPERATURES IS BETWEEN 10F AND 30F DEGREES.

BLACK : ONLY EMERGENCY-ESSENTIAL VEHICLES ARE AUTHORIZED ROAD SURFACE IS HEAVILY FLOODED, HEAVY DRIFTS OF SNOW, 8 OR MORE INCHES OF SNOW, VISIBILITY IS LESS THAN 15 METERS AND TEMPERATURE IS LESS THAN 10F.

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Road, Weather and School Closure Information



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Road Condition GREEN

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- Ideal road, visibility, and temperature conditions exist.
- Unrestricted vehicle dispatches are authorized.
- Drivers should observe normal precautions and speed limits.

Road Condition RED

R

- Very hazardous road conditions.
- More than 4 inches of snow, ice and low visibility.
- Only mission-essential and emergency vehicle dispatches authorized.
- Limit your driving
- Battalion-level commanders authorized dispatch and risk assessment must be completed.

Road Condition AMBER

A

- Mild to severe road, temperature, and visibility conditions.
- Road surface is wet, slushy, less than 4 inches of snow, or possibility of black ice.
- Late reporting or early release of personnel and school buses could be authorized.
- Unit commanders will authorize dispatches of Government vehicles.

Road Condition BLACK

B

- Extremely dangerous roads.
- May be more than 8 inches of snow, sheets of ice and very low visibility.
- Only emergency – essential vehicles authorized, Garrison and brigade-level commanders authorize dispatches.
- Risk Assessment must be completed.
- Privately owned vehicle should not be out.

Inclement Weather Information Sources

The community's primary sources for this report are AFN television, radio broadcasts and 480-COLD.



By calling the weather hotline at 480-2428/3262 or commercial at 06371-47-COLD, callers will receive a brief recorded message describing current conditions and reporting status within the community.



AFN television reports appear regularly as subtitles on the bottom of the television screen during inclement weather.

In addition, AFN Radio broadcast reports three to four times per hour. People can turn to one of these broadcasts to receive the latest road condition, school and reporting information from the following Radio Stations:

AREA	RADIO FREQUENCIES	
Kaiserslautern	100.2 FM	1107 AM
Mannheim	107.3 FM	1143 AM
Heidelberg	104.6 FM	1143 AM
Frankfurt	98.7 FM	873 AM
Stuttgart	102.3 FM	1143 AM



INTERNET SITES:

Check "hot topics" at www.kaiserslautern.army.mil

Check road conditions and school closures at www.imcom-europe.army.mil/webs/sites/staff_org/safety/road_conditions/index.asp

Check road conditions and weather reports at <http://www.afneurope.net>

Check for the latest Weather Watches & Warnings at 21st TSC Web page: www.21tsc.army.mil