

Program Information

The Kosovo R&R Leave Program was implemented to provide eligible Soldiers and DA civilians serving in the Kosovo area of operation (AO) an opportunity for R&R leave. This consists of up to 15 days (including travel time) of chargeable leave away from the AO.

Although personnel may be eligible for R&R leave, not every eligible member will be able to use it due to mission constraints, personnel strength, and re-deployment activities.

All R&R leave personnel will travel by channel flights to Ramstein Airbase in Germany. Personnel traveling to the continental United States (CONUS) will stay overnight at Rhein Ordnance Barracks, then go to Frankfurt International Airport the following day for departure. Personnel remaining in Europe will coordinate their own travel after leaving Ramstein Airbase.

Travel is funded using the city-pair airfare to Frankfurt, Germany (outside CONUS destination), or Baltimore, Maryland (CONUS destination), in accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations, appendix U (ref A). If an R&R traveler desires to fly to an additional location, the traveler is responsible for the additional costs. Contact your unit's commercial booking agent to coordinate your leave travel.

Travel Requirements

Passports and Visas. R&R participants who choose to travel to foreign countries for their R&R leave are responsible for complying with each country's requirements regarding passports and visas. Refer to the following websites for specific country requirements:

- State Department
<http://travel.state.gov/travel/>
- Foreign Clearance Manual
<https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm>

Health and Safety. There also may be health and safety requirements pertaining to the region where you plan to travel. For more information on country travel health and safety requirements, check out the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at <http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/>.

Flight Changes. If you have missed or delayed flights, illness, or emergencies, contact your chain of command immediately. Soldiers should not contact the overseas replacement center (ORC); units are responsible for contacting the ORC directly.

Tours and Recreation

The following list of organizations offer assistance for R&R leave personnel:

Armed Forces Recreation Centers

- Edelweiss Lodge & Resort
<http://www.edelweisslodgeandresort.com/>
- Cape Henry Inn and Beach Club
<http://www.capehenryinn.com/>
- Shades of Green
<http://www.shadesofgreen.org/>
- Dragon Hill Lodge
<http://www.dragonhilllodge.com>
- Hale Koa Resort
<http://www.halekoa.com/>

USO Tours

- USO Europe Regional Office
Kaiserslautern Center
uso.europe@t-online.de
<http://www.uso.org/europe/>

Armed Forced Vacation Club

- <http://www.afvclub.com/>

Space-A Travel

- <http://www.spaceatravel.com/>

Medical Care on Leave

Your medical needs will be taken care of by going to the nearest military hospital or clinic, or by using a civilian medical facility, doctor, or pharmacy.

Do not delay in getting emergency or urgent medical care. You do not need anyone to authorize or approve emergency or urgent medical care.

For all emergencies, contact the International SOS organization 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, at 44 20 8762 8133 (you may call collect or ask to have them call you back), or go to <http://www.internationalsos.com>.

If you decide to take your R&R leave in Europe and your home unit is in CONUS, you need to get in contact with your TRICARE region in order to get your billing properly handled in case you need to seek medical care.

You can access information for your TRICARE region at <http://www.tricare.mil>. Go to the 'My Benefit' link to obtain relevant information for your region.

Mission Statement

USAREUR coordinates and conducts R&R operations in support of the Kosovo R&R Leave Program in order to ensure that personnel return to the area of operation (AO) safely, reenergized, and mentally prepared to carry out their duties for the remainder of their tour.

For more information,
please visit our website at
[http://www.per.hqusareur.army.mil/
RnR_Home.htm](http://www.per.hqusareur.army.mil/RnR_Home.htm)

Or contact us at
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