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## Transportation and Travel

### Container Policy

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**Summary.** This regulation prescribes policy for managing USAREUR-owned containers.

**Applicability.** This regulation applies to the following organizations for which the CG, USAREUR/7A, has movement responsibility:

- DOD agencies and elements.
- U.S. Army units, agencies, and elements of USEUCOM.
- Military assistance advisory groups.
- Offices of defense cooperation.
- Consulates and embassies.

**Supplementation.** Organizations will not supplement this regulation without USAREUR G4 (AEAGD-P) approval.

**Forms.** AE and higher-level forms are available through the Army in Europe Publishing System (AEPUBS).

**Records Management.** Records created as a result of processes prescribed by this publication must be identified, maintained, and disposed of according to AR 25-400-2. Record titles and descriptions are available on the Army Records Information Management System website at <https://www.arims.army.mil>.

**Suggested Improvements.** The proponent of this regulation is the USAREUR G4 (AEAGD-P, DSN 370-6950). Users may suggest improvements to this regulation by sending DA Form 2028 to the USAREUR G4 (AEAGD-P), Unit 29351, APO AE 09014-9351.

**Distribution.** D (AEPUBS).

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### 1. PURPOSE

This regulation prescribes—

- a. Policy and responsibilities for maintaining USAREUR-owned commercial containers.
- b. Preventive maintenance and repair procedures for USAREUR-owned commercial containers.
- c. Marking requirements, storage policy, and control procedures.

### 2. REFERENCES

- a. AR 11-2, Management Control.
- b. AR 25-400-2, The Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS).
- c. Guide for Container Equipment Inspection, Fifth Edition (IICL-5) (available from the Institute of International Container Lessors <http://www.iicl.org>).
- d. DA Form 2028, Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms.
- e. DA Form 2404, Equipment Inspection and Maintenance Worksheet

### 3. EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS

#### a. Abbreviations.

1st TMCA	1st Transportation Movement Control Agency
21st TSC	21st Theater Support Command
200th TSC MMC	200th Theater Support Command Materiel Management Center
ABF	availability balance file
CG, USAREUR/7A	Commanding General, United States Army, Europe, and Seventh Army
DOD	Department of Defense
HQ USAREUR/7A	Headquarters, United States Army, Europe, and Seventh Army
LIN	line item number
USAREUR	United States Army, Europe
USEUCOM	United States European Command

#### b. Terms.

##### storage activities

Area support groups and reserve storage activities where USAREUR-owned commercial containers are inventoried, marked, issued, maintained, and stored (only those not issued).

##### USAREUR-owned commercial containers

Commercial containers that have been inventoried by serial number and recorded on the 200th Theater Support Command Materiel Management Center availability balance file (ABF) under ownership purpose code A.

#### **4. RESPONSIBILITIES**

- a. The USAREUR G4 will—
  - (1) Establish container policy for USAREUR-owned containers.
  - (2) Determine the number of containers to be assigned to each unit.
- b. The Commanding General, 21st Theater Support Command (21st TSC), will—
  - (1) Establish container-storage activities to store USAREUR-owned commercial containers not required by units.
  - (2) Ensure funds are available for the maintenance and repair of USAREUR-owned commercial containers.
- c. The Commander, 200th Theater Support Command Materiel Management Center (200th TSC MMC), will—
  - (1) Inspect containers.
  - (2) Collect and store inspection records of USAREUR-owned commercial containers.
- d. The Commander, 1st Transportation Movement Control Agency (1st TMCA), will—
  - (1) Serve as the executive agent for procedures to control and move commercial containers.
  - (2) Maintain an inventory by serial number to control every USAREUR-owned commercial container entering, leaving, or moving in the USAREUR area of responsibility.
  - (3) Ask the Commanding General, 21st TSC, to select container-storage activities.
  - (4) Ask the Commander, 200th TSC MMC, to assign a management-control number (similar to a national stock number) and line item number (LIN) for each USAREUR-owned commercial container. These numbers will help organizations keep control of containers between property book holders and help HQ USAREUR/7A when assigning containers to unit modification tables of organization and equipment.

#### **5. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS**

- a. Containers will be inspected to ensure they meet the standards in the Guide for Container Equipment Inspection, Fifth Edition (IICL-5), on return to USAREUR.
- b. After an initial inspection, unit containers will be inspected at least once every 2 years. Empty containers at storage activities will be inspected at least once every 5 years.

#### **6. MARKING REQUIREMENTS**

- a. The Commander, 1st TMCA, will publish marking requirements.
- b. On initial assignment to a USAREUR unit and after the container is unstuffed (emptied), the container will be processed through USAREUR container-storage activities for inspection, repair (if needed), and marking.

#### **7. CONTAINER ASSIGNMENT**

Units will store surplus empty containers at storage activities designated by the Commanding General, 21st TSC.

#### **8. MAINTENANCE**

- a. Preventive maintenance and repairs at the unit- and direct-support level will be according to the inspection standards in the Guide for Container Equipment Inspection, Fifth Edition (IICL-5), and in commercial manuals. Supporting activities will maintain USAREUR-owned commercial containers at storage activities.

b. The expenditure limit for maintaining USAREUR-owned commercial containers is \$2,000. The maintenance activity will send a copy of a completed DA Form 2404 to the Commander, 1st Transportation Movement Control Agency (AERTMC-OC), Unit 25502, APO AE 09227-5502, after maintenance. The Commander, 1st TMCA, will use DA Form 2404 to give disposition instructions to units for USAREUR-owned commercial containers that exceed the \$2,000 repair limit.

c. Depot-level maintenance on USAREUR-owned commercial containers is not authorized.

d. Commanders will plan, program, and budget to pay for their level of container maintenance.