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Summary. This publication prescribes procedures for issuing and terminating Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) identification in Germany.

Summary of Change. This revision—

- Defines the conditions under which noncommand-sponsored Family members may be issued SOFA identification ([para 6b](#)).
- Changes references to the “United States Army Installation Management Command, Europe Region,” to the “United States Army Installation Management Command Directorate–Europe” throughout.

Applicability. This publication applies to—

- Members of the civilian component ([glossary](#) and as defined in the NATO SOFA) assigned to or employed by the U.S. Forces in Germany.
- Accredited employees of DOD contractors under Articles 71, 72, and 73 of the German Supplementary Agreement to the NATO SOFA.
- Family members (defined as dependents ([glossary](#)) in the NATO SOFA) in Germany of accredited employees of DOD contractors, members of the civilian component, and members of the U.S. Forces.

Records Management. Records created as a result of processes prescribed by this publication must be—

- Identified, maintained, and disposed of by Army in Europe units according to AR 25-400-2. Record titles and descriptions are on the Army Records Information Management System website at <https://www.arims.army.mil/>.
- Identified, maintained, and disposed of by CNE-CNA-C6F organizations according to Navy records-management policy.
- Maintained by USAFE/AFAFRICA units in accordance with Air Force Manual 33-363, Management of Records, and disposed of in accordance with the Air Force Records Disposition Schedule located in the Air Force Records Information Management System at <https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af61a/afirms/afirms/rims.cfm>.

Supplementation. Organizations will not supplement this publication without approval of the SOFA Office, Garrison Support Element (GSE), United States Army Installation Management Command Directorate–Europe (ID-E).

Forms. This publication prescribes [AE Form 600-77A](#) and AE Form 600-77C. AE and higher level forms are available through the Army in Europe Library & Publishing System (AEPUBS) at <http://www.eur.army.mil/aepubs/>.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this publication is the SOFA Office, GSE, ID-E (mil 496-5804/544-1540). Users may suggest improvements to this publication by sending DA Form 2028 to ID-E (IMEU-GBS), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103.

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Glossary

1. PURPOSE

This publication—

- a. Implements the NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA), Article III, paragraph 3 (that is, that “Members of a civilian component and dependents shall be so described in their passports.”).
- b. Prescribes procedures for issuing and terminating SOFA identification in Germany.
- c. Must be used with applicable Service directives on individual logistic support ([glossary](#)) and passports.

2. REFERENCES

[Appendix A](#) lists references.

3. EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS

The [glossary](#) defines abbreviations and terms.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. The Commander, CNE-CNA-C6F, and the Commander, USAFE/AFAFRICA, will—
 - (1) Designate and oversee SOFA identification-issuing authorities (SIAs) for their respective commands.
 - (2) Control SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) materials and issue certificate materials ([para 12](#)) to their designated SIAs.
 - (3) Provide the following information to the SOFA Office, Theater Personnel Services Support Branch, Garrison Support Element, United States Army Installation Management Command Directorate–Europe (ID-E) (IMEU-GBS), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103:
 - (a) The name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the POC at their headquarters for SOFA-identification matters.

(b) A list of SIAs designated in accordance with (1) above. This list must have the complete organizational address for each unit, including the unit number or community mailroom number. As changes occur, the Service component will immediately send updates to the SOFA Office (IMEU-GBS).

(4) Establish controls to ensure people under their jurisdiction comply with this publication.

b. The Director, ID-E (IMEU-GBS), will—

(1) Develop procedures for issuing SOFA identification in Germany.

(2) Designate and oversee Army in Europe SIAs in Germany.

c. USAREUR major subordinate and specialized commands and HQ USAREUR staff offices will establish controls to ensure subordinate-unit administrators comply with this publication.

d. United States Army garrison (USAG) commanders in Germany will establish procedures to ensure—

(1) Eligible persons under their jurisdiction (para 6) have SOFA identification.

(2) SOFA identification is terminated when the entitlement for that person ends (para 11).

e. Heads of offices maintaining personnel records or contracts of sponsors (glossary) (for example, civilian and military personnel offices; DOD Contractor Personnel Office (DOCPER), Civilian Personnel Directorate, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G1, HQ USAREUR) will do the following:

(1) When the office is not a designated SIA, the office will—

(a) Verify each person's status and entitlement to SOFA identification.

(b) Complete AE Form 600-77A, sections I through III.

(c) Provide the individual with the location and operating hours of the designated SIA, along with instructions to take or send their AE Form 600-77A and passport to the passport-acceptance agent (PAA) at the SIA. If an individual wants to send the request and passport (rather than hand-carry them), the office should advise the individual to use U.S. registered mail, local host-nation registered mail, or a military courier.

(2) When the office is also the designated SIA, the office will—

(a) Verify each person's status and entitlement to SOFA identification.

(b) Take the actions in g below.

f. Commanders of designated SIAs will—

(1) Establish a passport service at their agency to issue SOFA identification.

(2) Procure and control SOFA ID certificates (AE Form 600-77C) according to paragraph 12.

(3) Ensure only persons appointed as PAAs issue SOFA ID certificates.

(4) Before PAAs are appointed, ensure they are trained on SOFA-identification administration and appointed only at the agency and location assigned.

g. PAAs will—

(1) Complete and file AE Form 600-77A when appropriate.

(2) Enter the issuance of SOFA identification into the SOFA-tracking database. This is a permanent record of all SOFA identification issued in Germany.

(3) Issue and terminate SOFA identification according to paragraphs 8 and 11.

5. AUTHORITY

The NATO SOFA (art III, para 3) requires that dependents of members of the U.S. Forces and members of the civilian component and their dependents be identified as such in their passports. The SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) identifies the bearer as a person who is entitled to unrestricted entry into and exit from Germany and to benefits, privileges, and protection under the NATO SOFA and the German Supplementary Agreement to the NATO SOFA.

a. Persons issued a SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) should keep the form in their possession and with the applicable passport on all occasions of exiting and entering Germany, no matter whether at commercial airports, at U.S. Forces airfields and airbases, or at ground-based border crossings. Otherwise, they could encounter problems presenting a passport without SOFA identification. This is especially true when the person is a citizen or national of a country that requires a visa for entry into Germany (for example, Ethiopia, Philippines).

b. Persons who have no-fee passports ([glossary](#)) with SOFA identification in the form of a stamp in the passport by the U.S. State Department usually may use the passport for incidental travel to any NATO country. Persons who require a passport without SOFA identification stamped in the passport must get a tourist passport at their own expense.

6. ELIGIBLE PERSONS

a. Applicable Service directives (for example, [AE Reg 600-700](#)) prescribe who is eligible to receive SOFA identification as an accredited employee of a DOD contractor, a member of the civilian component, or a Family member (dependent of an accredited employee of a DOD contractor, a member of the civilian component, or a member of the U.S. Forces).

b. Noncommand-sponsored eligible Family members may be issued SOFA identification, provided their sponsor is assigned in Germany and they meet all other criteria for issuance of a SOFA ID certificate (<https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm>, under *USEUCOM, Germany*, sec I, para A2d). Criteria for eligibility are as follows:

(1) The Family member must be enrolled as a dependent in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

(2) The sponsor must have been assigned to or be on TDY orders to Germany.

(3) For citizens of countries that require a visa to enter Germany (identified as “third-country nationals” in the DOD Foreign Clearance Guide (DOD FCG)), eligibility criteria are defined in the DOD FCG at <https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm>, under *USEUCOM, Germany*, sec 1, para A5.

7. ISSUING AUTHORITIES

a. Department of State officials in the United States generally issue SOFA identification (in the form of a stamp in the passport) to the following people before they depart the United States:

(1) Appropriated-fund and nonappropriated-fund DOD, U.S.-citizen civilian employees recruited in the United States.

(2) U.S.-citizen, command-sponsored Family members of U.S. Forces military personnel.

(3) U.S.-citizen, command-sponsored Family members of DOD, U.S.-citizen civilian employees.

b. Army in Europe SIIAs in Germany will authorize SOFA identification and ensure that PAAs issue SOFA ID certificates (AE Form 600-77C) only to eligible persons who are under the administrative jurisdiction of that SIIA and who need the SOFA ID certificate. The Army in Europe SIIAs are—

(1) The Director, ID-E.

(2) USAG commanders.

c. The Commander, CNE-CNA-C6F, will designate CNE-CNA-C6F SIIAs.

d. The Commander, USAFE/AFAFRICA, will designate USAFE/AFAFRICA SIIAs.

8. ISSUING SOFA IDENTIFICATION

a. Requesters of SOFA identification will report with the passports of eligible persons to the office that maintains personnel records or contracts of their sponsors (for example, civilian, contractor, or military personnel offices for the sponsoring agency ([glossary](#))).

NOTE: DOCPER maintains personnel records for contractor employees holding SOFA identification through accreditation as technical expert, troop care, or analytical support personnel, and the Family members of these accredited-contractor employees. For non-DOCPER-managed contractors holding SOFA identification through appropriate accreditation by other authorized authorities (for example, the Director, ID-E; military banking facilities; military community youth ministries), the contracting officer’s representative or organizational management-support office maintains their personnel records or contracts.

(1) When the office that maintains personnel records or contracts is not the designated SIIA, the responsible official will take the actions in [paragraph 4e\(1\)](#).

(2) When the office that maintains personnel records or contracts is also the designated SIIA, the PAA will take the actions in paragraphs [4e\(2\)](#), [4g](#), and [b below](#).

b. In accordance with [paragraph 4g](#), the PAA at the designated SIIA will issue SOFA ID certificates (AE Form 600-77C) to each eligible person listed on AE Form 600-77A. If the eligible person is a—

(1) U.S. citizen entitled to a no-fee passport who holds only a regular-fee (tourist) passport, the PAA will issue SOFA identification in association with the regular-fee passport.

(2) U.S. citizen who holds both a no-fee and a regular-fee passport, the PAA will issue SOFA identification only in association with the no-fee passport.

(3) U.S. citizen entitled to only a regular-fee (tourist) passport, the PAA will issue SOFA identification in association with the regular-fee passport.

(4) Non-U.S. citizen who holds a valid passport from his or her home country, the PAA will issue SOFA identification in association with that passport unless the person holds a valid passport from one of the exception countries listed in the Department of Defense Foreign Clearance Guide and Manual (DOD 4500.54-G/M), under *Germany* (NOTE). If the passport is from a listed country, then (5) applies.

NOTE: DOD 4500.54-G/M is available at <https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/> [NIPRNET] and <http://www.fcg.pentagon.smil.mil/> [SIPRNET]. To view the current list of countries for which a SOFA identification action requires additional documentation, click on the “+” symbol by *Europe* on the left side of the screen and scroll down to select *Germany*, (sec I, para A5d lists the applicable countries).

(5) Non-U.S. citizen who holds a valid passport from one of the exception countries listed in DOD 4500.54-G/M under *Germany* (NOTE above), only the SOFA Office (IMEU-GBS) may issue any SOFA identification in association with that passport. In this case, the PAA will—

(a) Collect the person’s passport and official orders to Germany, AE Form 600-77A or DD Form 1056, and documentation substantiating the person’s U.S. permanent resident status or approval for U.S. immigration. [Figure 1](#) lists acceptable forms of this documentation.

- Copy of lawful permanent residence card (“green card”).

OR

- United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) stamp in a passport extending the validity of lawful permanent residence card.

OR

- USCIS document confirming an approved immigrant visa petition (for example, Department of State Form I-171 or I-797).

OR

- USCIS document confirming approval of a change in immigration status to Lawful Permanent Resident.

Figure 1. Additional Documentation Required for Select Non-U.S. Citizens

(b) Mail the applicable documents listed in [figure 1](#) to one of the following addresses:

1. U.S. Postal Service address:

U.S. Army Installation Management Command
Directorate–Europe
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G1
(IMEU-HB/SOFA)
Unit 23103
APO AE 09136-3103

2. German postal (*Deutsche Post*) address:

U.S. Army Installation Management Command
Directorate–Europe
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G1
(IMEU-HB/SOFA)
Sembach Kaserne, Bldg. 111
67681 Sembach-Heuberg
Germany

(6) Non-U.S. citizen who holds a valid travel document (for example, a U.S.-reentry permit, a U.S.-refugee travel document), the PAA will mail the documents required in [\(5\)\(a\) above](#) and [figure 1](#) to one of the addresses listed in [\(5\)\(b\) above](#). Only the SOFA Office (IMEU-GBS) may issue any SOFA identification in association with that travel document.

(7) Stateless person who holds a valid travel document (for example, a U.S.-reentry permit, a U.S.-refugee travel document), the PAA will mail the documents required in [\(5\)\(a\) above](#) and [figure 1](#) to one of the addresses listed in [\(5\)\(b\) above](#). Only the SOFA Office (IMEU-GBS) may issue any SOFA identification in association with that travel document.

c. The PAA must update the SOFA-tracking database before issuing a SOFA ID certificate.

9. COMPLETING SOFA ID CERTIFICATES

a. After the PAA adds the required information to the SOFA-tracking database, the PAA will print the SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) on approved cardstock.

b. The PAA will sign the printed form and then laminate the AE Form 600-77C with the special lamination and hologram. The PAA will provide the finished AE Form 600-77C to the passport holder. The passport holder should carry the AE Form 600-77C in the passport from where the passport holder can easily remove the SOFA ID certificate for presentation to appropriate officials when traveling.

10. REISSUING SOFA ID CERTIFICATES

a. The PAA will reissue an SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) to eligible persons only to—

(1) Replace a lost, stolen, or destroyed AE Form 600-77C. When requesting a replacement under any of these circumstances, the requester must send an affidavit of the loss, theft, or destruction or a copy of the police report.

(2) Correct an error.

(3) Replace a mutilated form.

(4) Change information that makes the identity of the holder questionable (for example, name, passport number).

(5) Replace a SOFA ID certificate that expired for one of the reasons in paragraphs 11a(1) through (5) (and 11a(6) if (7) is applicable as the new expiration date) when SOFA identification eligibility continues beyond the expiration date mentioned on the expired SOFA ID certificate.

b. The PAA will follow the procedures in paragraphs 4g and 8 to reissue an AE Form 600-77C.

11. EXPIRATION, TERMINATION, OR REVOCATION OF THE SOFA ID CERTIFICATE

a. Expiration. The expiration date on the SOFA ID certificate will be the earliest of the following:

(1) Four years after the date of issue.

(2) The tour-completion date for members of the civilian component and their Family members.

(3) The end-of-contract date for accredited-contractor employees and their Family members.

(4) The sponsor's date eligible for return from overseas for U.S. Forces Family members.

(5) The expiration date of the passport.

(6) The day before a dependent child turns 21.

(7) The day before a dependent child turns 23 if the child is attending a college or university full time in a course of study leading to an associate's degree or higher.

b. Termination. DOD civilian employees, accredited-contractor employees, and their Family members as well as U.S. Forces Family members lose their entitlement and must turn in their SOFA ID certificates to the PAA when one of the following happens:

(1) The sponsor's status or eligibility is terminated by reasons other than permanent change of station (PCS) from Germany (for example, military separation in Germany, termination of civilian employment without departure from Germany).

(2) The sponsor departs on a PCS from Germany. When the sponsor departs, the PAA will issue Family members who remain in Germany new SOFA ID certificates that expire 90 days after the sponsor's date of departure.

(3) The marriage is terminated by annulment, divorce, or death. If the sponsor dies and the Family members remain in Germany, the PAA must issue a new SOFA ID certificate with an expiration date that is 90 days after the date of the sponsor's death.

(4) A child under 21 years old gets married.

(5) A child turns 21 years old and is not mentally or physically handicapped or enrolled full-time in an institution of higher learning.

(6) The Family member no longer resides in the household of the sponsor (applies to Family members of DOD civilians and DOD contractors, but not to U.S. Forces Family members).

(7) The Family member takes on a new status that independently entitles the Family member to SOFA identification (for example, the Family member becomes a member of the civilian component). In this case, the PAA will issue a new SOFA ID certificate.

c. Revocation. For the Army in Europe, only the Director, ID-E, or the Director's designee may suspend or revoke SOFA identification. For CNE-CNA-C6F and USAFE/AFAFRICA, only the commanders or their designees may suspend or revoke SOFA identification. Revocation authorities may revoke SOFA identification when circumstances appear more likely than not that the individual who received SOFA identification was not eligible for SOFA identification on the date originally issued.

(1) The revocation authority or his or her designee will—

(a) Prepare a memorandum of intent to revoke SOFA identification that provides a reason for proposed revocation that is specific enough to permit the individual or sponsor to respond meaningfully.

(b) Notify the individual in writing and provide the sponsor with a copy of the memorandum.

(c) Confiscate or direct the appropriate PAA to confiscate the individual's SOFA ID certificate (AE Form 600-77C) and also, if applicable, the DOD ID card (in accordance with AR 600-8-14, para 1.14, or other Service-appropriate regulation) at the same time as the revocation authority, designee, or designated PAA provides the memorandum of intent to revoke the SOFA identification.

(2) The memorandum of intent to revoke will—

(a) Allow the sponsor or individual whose SOFA identification is pending revocation 14 days to present acceptable evidence that the individual is eligible for SOFA identification.

(b) State where, how, and to whom the individual or sponsor may present the evidence.

(c) State that the revoking authority will revoke the SOFA identification after 14 days if the office does not receive acceptable evidence by that time.

(3) The revoking authority may grant an extension to the 14-day limit in (2)(a) above to present acceptable evidence if the sponsor or individual whose status is in question requests this in writing. The authority must receive the extension request before the 14-day suspense has passed, and the request must state the reason why the requester needs more time. The authority will notify the requester in writing as to whether or not the request has been approved and, if approved, how much additional time the requester has been given to provide acceptable evidence.

(4) At the end of 14 days or the end of the extension ((3) above), the revoking authority will send written notification to the sponsor and the individual concerned of the final outcome of the action.

(a) If the revoking authority receives acceptable evidence, the authority will direct return of the confiscated SOFA ID certificate and the DOD ID card to the individual.

(b) If the revoking authority does not receive acceptable evidence, the authority (or his or her designee or designated PAA) will—

1. Dispose of the DOD ID card according to AR 600-8-14/AFI 36-3026_IP/BUPERS Instruction 1750.10C/MCO 5512.11D (para 1-16).

2. Destroy the SOFA ID certificate or, if the SOFA identification is in the form of a stamp in the passport, void the stamp to show that SOFA identification is revoked and ensure return of the passport to the individual.

3. Notify the appropriate host-nation authorities that the individual's SOFA identification has been revoked.

12. PROCUREMENT AND CONTROL

a. Procurement.

(1) **Forms.** Commanders of designated SIAs will ensure SIAs order DA forms, AE forms, and SOFA ID certificate materials (that is, the blank cardstock and lamination materials that SIAs use to produce the AE Form 600-77C) through normal publication supply channels.

NOTE: AE and higher level forms are available through the Army in Europe Library & Publishing System (AEPUBS) at <http://www.eur.army.mil/aepubs/>.

(a) SIAs receiving blank cardstock and lamination will sign the original DA Form 410, return the original to the Publications and Records Center of Excellence (P&R COE) and keep a copy for the SIA files. The address for the P&R COE is United States Army Garrison Kaiserslautern, Publications & Records Center of Excellence, Publications Distribution Warehouse, Unit 25310, APO AE 09090-5310.

(b) CNE-CNA-C6F and USAFE/AFAFRICA publications centers will use DA Form 410 to document transfers of blank cardstock and lamination to their designated SIAs.

(2) **Lamination.** Commanders of designated SIAs will ensure that SIAs order lamination for SOFA ID certificates through normal publication supply channels.

b. Control. Although blank cardstock and lamination materials that SIAs use to produce SOFA ID certificates are unclassified, the SIAs must store these materials in an approved General Services Administration safe in the same manner as classified material.

APPENDIX A REFERENCES

SECTION I PUBLICATIONS

NATO Status of Forces Agreement and German Supplementary Agreement

DOD 4500.54-G/M, Department of Defense Foreign Clearance Guide and Manual (available at: <https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm> [NIPRNET] and <http://www.fcg.pentagon.smil.mil/> [SIPRNET])

AR 25-400-2, The Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS)

AR 600-8-14/ AFI 36-3026_IP/BUPERS Instruction 1750.10C/MCO 5512.11D, Identification Cards for Members of the Uniformed Services, Their Eligible Family Members, and Other Eligible Personnel

AFM 33-363, Management of Records

[AE Regulation 600-700](#), Identification Cards and Individual Logistic Support

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Department of State Form I-171, Notice of Approval

Department of State Form I-797, Notice of Action

DD Form 1056, Authorization to Apply for a “No-Fee” Passport and/or Request for Visa

DA Form 410, Receipt for Accountable Form

DA Form 2028, Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms

[AE Form 600-77A](#), Request for Issuance of Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) Identification

AE Form 600-77C, Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) Identification

GLOSSARY

SECTION I ABBREVIATIONS

AE	Army in Europe
AEPUBS	Army in Europe Library & Publishing System
AFI	Air Force instruction
AFM	Air Force manual
AR	Army regulation
BUPERS	Bureau of Naval Personnel
CNE-CNA-C6F	Commander, United States Naval Forces Europe/Commander, United States Naval Forces Africa/Commander, United States Sixth Fleet
DA	Department of the Army
DOCPER	DOD Contractor Personnel Office, Civilian Personnel Directorate, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G1, Headquarters, United States Army Europe
DOD	Department of Defense
DOD FCG	Department of Defense Foreign Clearance Guide
<i>Geb</i>	<i>Gebäude</i> (building)
GSE	Garrison Support Element, United States Army Installation Management Command, Europe Region
HQ USAREUR	Headquarters, United States Army Europe
ID	identification
ID-E	United States Army Installation Management Command Directorate–Europe
mil	military
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
para	paragraph
PAA	passport-acceptance agent
PCS	permanent change of station
POC	point of contact
sec	section
SIIA	SOFA identification-issuing authority
SOFA	Status of Forces Agreement
SOFA Office	Status of Forces Agreement Office, Theater Personnel Services Support Branch, Garrison Support Element, United States Army Installation Management Command, Europe Region
U.S.	United States
USAFE/AFAFRICA	United States Air Forces in Europe/United States Air Forces Africa
USAG	United States Army garrison
USAREUR	United States Army Europe
USCIS	United States Citizenship and Immigration Services

SECTION II TERMS

civilian component

A term in the NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) for the civilian personnel accompanying the Force of a NATO SOFA Contracting Party who are employed by an armed service of that Contracting Party, and who are not stateless persons, nor nationals of any state that is not a Party to the North Atlantic Treaty, nor nationals of, nor ordinarily resident in, the state in which the Force is located

Contracting Party

A state that is a signatory to the North Atlantic Treaty Agreement (NATO) and therefore also agrees to the NATO Status of Forces Agreement

dependent

A term in the NATO Status of Forces Agreement for a Family member who—

- Is a lawful spouse, unmarried child (including an adopted child or stepchild), ward, or parent (including an adoptive parent, stepparent, parent-in-law, or adoptive parent-in-law)
- Meets dependency specifications in applicable Service directives (for example, AR 600-8-14/ AFI 36-3026_IP/BUPERS Instruction 1750.10C/MCO 5512.11D, [AE Reg 600-700](#))
- Is entitled to individual logistic support in Germany based on the sponsor's status (for example, accredited contractor employee, Airman, DOD civilian employee, Marine, Seaman, Soldier)

European Union member countries

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom

individual logistic support

Privileges and services the U.S. Forces provide to individuals, such as—

- Customs exemption
- Tax-free purchase of gasoline and oil products
- Use of Air Force, Army, and Fleet post offices
- Use of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Europe, stores; the Defense Commissary Agency commissaries; and the Department of Defense Dependents Schools school system
- Use of the value-added tax-relief document (*Abwicklungsschein*)
- Vehicle registration

no-fee passport

A U.S. passport provided at no charge to the passport applicant. The three types of no-fee passports are diplomatic (black), official (maroon or brownish-red—generally called “red”), and regular no-fee (blue or green) passports

sponsor

A person entitled to individual logistic support in Europe ([AE Reg 600-700](#)) because of service in or civilian employment with the U.S. Forces in Europe or as an accredited contractor employee

sponsoring agency

The employing unit or the unit that maintains the sponsor's personnel records or contract showing the person's entitlement to individual logistic support in Germany because of service in or employment with the U.S. Forces or a civilian component of the U.S. Forces, or as an accredited contractor employee.

stateless person

A person who is not a citizen of any country.