

Frequently Asked Questions

Do you take advance applications for housing?

Yes. If you have a DA 31 signing you out of your losing installation.

When can I apply for housing?

When you have a DA 31 signing you out of your losing installation or when you arrive to Fort Polk.

Can I select the area where I want to live?

No. Where you live is determined by your grade and bedroom requirement.

Can I live off-post?

Single E5s and below are required to reside on-post; however, single E5s and below may reside off-post if barracks quarters post-wide are at 95% occupancy (AR 420-1); pregnant Soldiers within 6 months of pregnancy; and service member (SM) married to SM within 1 hour commuting distance.

How long does it take to find housing?

Off Post Housing is available in the surrounding areas. The time it takes will depend on your individual situation and your finances.

What size are the houses (on-post, off-post) and where can I get/see the floor plan?

For On-Post floor plans/pictures please visit <http://polk.corviasmilitaryliving.com/housing-results>.

For available off post housing floor plans/pictures visit <https://www.homes.mil/> or visit the HSO.

Will military members still have the option to live off-post?

CONUS-Yes.

What are Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) entitlement and rent allotments?

BAH is an allowance to offset the cost of housing when you do not receive government-provided housing. Your BAH depends upon your location, pay grade and/or your dependent status. A rent allotment is a designated amount of money that is automatically distributed for you, from your pay. BAH rates can be viewed at this website:

<https://www.housing.army.mil/#!/pg=post&sp=housingallowance>

Are there any restrictions on bringing our pets?

For on post housing-Yes.

Restrictions on the number of pets?

For on post housing only 2 pets are allowed.

Restrictions on the type/breed of dog?

No aggressive breeds.

Restriction on the type of pet, i.e., “Can I have my pet snake/iguana/ferret/pot-bellied pig?”

Only dogs, cats, fish and birds are allowed on post.

Where do I stay while I wait for housing?

Depending on the waiting time, you may want to stay in lodging on post or a hotel off post. Please see the HSO for a list of available accommodations or <https://www.homes.mil>.

Do I get credit if I’m coming from a dependent restricted tour?

Yes.

How much credit (months) do I get from being on a dependent restricted tour?

Up to 14 months.

Do I need renters insurance for on-post, partner or private rental housing?

Personal property rentals insurance is provided for on-post housing. The insurance provided can be augmented to fully cover personal property. Renters insurance is strongly encouraged when renting off post. Your landlords insurance will only cover his property, not your personal belongings. The cost of renters insurance is minimal compared to the cost of replacing your belongings should they become damaged.

Who is eligible for Family housing?

Military personnel with accompanying family members, unmarried and unaccompanied married chaplains. Priority to occupy homes is given to Service members assigned to the installation. However, if there is not enough demand for housing from military personnel and, as a result, occupancy rates drop below a certain level for a defined period of time, the developer can rent to other personnel. The developer must follow a priority list of other possible tenants as defined by the tenant waterfall.

What is the waiting time for housing?

The waiting time differs depending on your housing requirement and grade.

What determines the list I am placed on and my placement on the list?

Your rank and bedroom requirement determines which list you are placed on.

What is a waiting list?

List generated of eligible applicants for assignment to Family Housing.

Once placed on the wait list, may I transfer to a different list?

Only if your bedroom requirement or rank changes.

What happens if someone has the same eligibility date as me?

Eligibility is determined by the highest ranking person; if rank is the same then date of rank is used to determine eligibility.