Torii Beach

A GUIDE TO FUN UNDER THE SUN

Community Recreation Division
10th Area Support Group

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Torii Beach Guests

SUBJECT: Torii Beach Recreation Facility

1. Welcome to Torii Recreation Facility, the finest military beach on Okinawa. The beach is located 4 miles Northeast of Kadena Air Base on Highway 6, outside the quiet village of Sobe, Yomitan, Okinawa. Make your way North on 58 through Kadena Circle and turn left onto Highway 6 at the second blue pedestrian overpass. Travel Highway 6 until you arrive at the Torii Station main gates, identified by two large white torii gates. Hidden by fields of sugar cane, cooled by northeasterly winds, warmed by southwesterly breezes, lies beautiful Torii Beach on the shores of the South China Sea. East China Sea - but no one's keeping score, Major

2. Whether it is camping, windsurfing, sailing, picnicking or just looking for seashells, we hope our constantly improving facility is to your liking. Please read and enjoy this brochure, as it acquaints you with the beach facilities and procedures for your and others safety. We hope each and everyone of you who visit the Torii Beach Recreation Complex enjoy the many activities provided.

JULIA B. STROEBELE
MAJ, AG
Directorate of Personnel and Administration

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COMMAND POLICY LETTER NUMBER 6-87

SUBJECT: Torii Beach Policy

SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. PURPOSE: To provide policy for the use of Torii Beach.

2. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to the use of Torii Beach. It will apply to anyone who uses the beach, the camping areas, the parking areas, and the facilities within the confines of the beach area which is defined as that area enclosed by a fence with access through gates 9 and 10A. There are no exclusions to this policy.

3. GENERAL: The Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities will develop, recommend, promulgate, and monitor the policies and procedures pertaining to the use of Torii Beach.

4. POLICY:
   a. No hard liquor is allowed.
   b. No glass containers are allowed.
   c. No pets are allowed.
   d. No loud abusive or vulgar language is allowed.
   e. Overnight sleeping is allowed only in designated camping areas.
   f. Radios and tape players will be kept at a volume which will not interfere with those of other patrons.
   g. All other rules promulgated by the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities will be observed. A packet of existing rules is enclosed.

5. Point of Contact for the headquarters is MAJ Stroebele, 631-4701

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AJGO-PM (310-2a)  

12 January 1988

COMMAND POLICY NUMBER 2-88

MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Authority to Enter Torii Station for MWR Facilities Utilization

SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. PURPOSE: To establish policy and procedure within the 10th Area Support Group (ASG) to authorize Army MLC employees and/or their families and guests to enter Torii Station for the purpose of patronizing MWR facilities.

2. APPLICATION: This policy is applicable only to entry on Torii Station and not other U.S. facilities on Okinawa.

3. PROCEDURES:

   a. The following procedures are established for entry to Torii Station to patronize MWR facilities:

      (1) Army MLC employees: Individuals will produce a valid MLC Identification Card (FM SD B/PMO 5830/10) upon entry at Gate #1, Torii Station and MWR facilities upon request.

      (2) Family members of Army MLC employees: Army MLC employees will submit a written application to the Directorate of Personnel and Administration (DPA) for the issuance of "MWR Identification Cards" to immediate family members. Family members will be required to report to the PMO, 10th ASG, and/or the USMC Pass and ID section, Camp S.D. Butler, for the actual issuance of the pass. The pass will be presented when entering Gate #1, Torii Station, and MWR facilities upon request. Passes will expire the same date as sponsoring MLC employee's Identification Card.

      (3) Community officials: The Cdr, 10th ASG, will designate selected community officials to be issued "MWR Identification Cards". Selected officials will be required to provide two (2) 1-inch x 1-inch frontal, facial photographs of themselves prior to the issuance of the pass. Passes will be presented at Gate #1, Torii Station, and MWR facilities upon request. These passes will remain valid for a two (2) year period.
(4) Guests: The above three (3) categories of personnel may "sponsor" other guests onto Torii Station. Sponsors will sign guests onto Torii Station at Gate #1. Proof of guest's identification (minimum of one (1) form of identification with picture) is conditional for entry (nicknames, stage names, etc. are prohibited). Guests must remain under the direct supervision of the sponsor at all times while on Torii Station. Sponsors will sign all guests out at Gate #1 when exiting Torii Station. When the total number of guests exceeds five (5) personnel, sponsors will submit a "guest list" for approval to the Provost Marshal, 10th ASG, a minimum of 24 hours prior to planned entry.

b. Violations of entry procedures and/or MWR facilities' rules may result in withdrawal of these privileges and/or other administrative sanctions. Violations of a misdemeanor or criminal nature may be referred to appropriate Japanese law enforcement officials.

4. Point of Contact for this headquarters is the Provost Marshal/PM Operations Sergeant, 631-4700/4718.

JAMES H. GRIFFIN
COL, OD
Commanding

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配布欄参照

主題：MWR施設（福祉厚生施設）の利用に関するトライ・ステーションへの入場許可

1. 目的：MWR施設（福祉厚生施設）を利用的目的で米陸軍MHC従業員、その家族及び招待客に対しトライ・ステーションへの入場を認可する第10支援群（ASG）の方針及び手順を設定する。

2. 適用：本方針はトライ・ステーションへの入場に限定し、他の在沖米国施設には適用されない。

3. 手順：

a. MWR施設利用のためトライ・ステーションへの入場に関し、下記の手順を設定する。

   (1) 米陸軍MHC従業員：個々の従業員はトライ・ステーション・ゲート1での入場に際し又はMWR施設の要求に応じ有効な身分証明書（FM SD B/PHO 5830/10）を提示する。

   (2) 米陸軍MHC従業員の家族：米陸軍MHC従業員はその家族に対するMWR身分証明書の発行に関し、申請書を人事管理局（DPA）へ提出する。家族はパスの発行に関しPHO、1st ASG（第10地域支援群陸兵隊）又はUSMC Pass and ID Section、Camp S.D. Butler（米海兵隊パス／身分証明書事務所）に提出しなければならない。パスはトライ・ステーション・ゲート1を通じる際、又はMWR施設の要求に応じて提示する。パスの有効期間は保証人であるMHC従業員の身分証明書に準ずる。

   (3) 地域指導者：MWR身分証明書が発行される地域指導者は第10地域支援群司令官が選定する。選定された指導者はパスの発行前に各自の写真（顔写真、1インチx1インチ）2枚を提供しなければならない。パスはトライ・ステーション・ゲート1に於いて、又はMWR施設の要求に応じて提示する。パスの有効期間は2年とする。

   (4) 招待客：上記3項に記す個人はトライ・ステーションに於いて他の招待客の保証人となることが出来る。保証人はゲート1で署名し、招待客をトライ・ステーションへ入場させる。入場には招待客の身分証明（少なくとも一通の写真付き身分証明書）を条件とする（受取又は署名は禁止される）。招待客はトライ・ステーションに於いて常に保証人の指示に従わなければならない。保証人は招待客を出場する際にゲート1で署名し、すべての招待客を出場させる。招待客が5人を超える場合、保証人は少なくとも入場24時間前に招待客名簿を第10地域支援群陸兵隊へ提出し、認可を得なければならない。

b. 入場手順又はMWR施設規定の違反はこの特典の取消し、又は他の管理上の制限を受ける結果となる。不届行又は刑罰違反は日本国警察に引き渡される場合がある。

4. 本司令部の連絡先は陸軍隊長／陸兵隊務下士官、電話631-4700/4718とする。

ジェームス H. グリフィン
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司令官

配布：B
OUTDOOR RECREATION PARK COMPLEX

Operational Hours

Tori Beach is open year round for your recreational and aquatic pleasure; however, the Equipment Center operational hours do change according to the season. You can confirm operational dates and times by calling 631-4520 (Beach) or 631-4495 (Community Recreation Administration).

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Authorized Users (Ref: AR 215-2)

1. Active duty military personnel and their families assigned to the installation or directly supported by it.

2. Active duty Army personnel or their families not assigned to the installation.

3. Active duty military personnel of other services and their family members not assigned to the installation.

4. Retired military personnel and their families.

5. DoD APF and NAF civilian employees and their family members.

6. Foreign nationals employed on the installation with authority of the installation commander.

7. Community officials and special guests designated by Commander, 10th ASG as indicated in Command Policy 2-88.
TORII BEACH

Torii Beach is the Army's recreation showplace. The only one of its kind, the recreational complex boasts a full array of recreational equipment for use, as well as extensive newly constructed facilities to make your day at the beach enjoyable and memorable. This handbook is intended to provide basic information about your facility and to acquaint you with specific procedures required for some of the more popular facilities. Whether you're here for extensive recreational facilities or for a quiet walk along the beach at sunset, you'll find that Torii Beach is your place for recreation. The following listed facilities and equipment items are available for your enjoyment.

AAFES FOOD MODULE/BEACH SOUVENIR ITEMS
INDOOR/OUTDOOR SHOWERS AND RESTROOM FACILITY
BIG TOY PLAYGROUND
SWIMMING AND BOATING AREA
BOAT LAUNCHING DOCK AND RAMP
EQUIPMENT RINSE RACK
BARBEQUE PITS
PICNIC TABLES
BEACH FRONT CABANAS (FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE)
PICNIC AREA CABANAS (RESERVATION REQUIRED)
TENT CAMPING SITES (RESERVATION REQUIRED)
3 SAND VOLLEYBALL COURTS
6 HORSESHOE PITS
SYNTHETIC SURFACED REGULATION BASKETBALL COURT
SCUBA AIR STATION
SCUBA RESALE SHOP
AQUA TRICYCLES
PADDLE BOATS
GLASS BOTTOM BOAT
SKI BOAT
SAILBOATS/ROWBOATS
WIND SAILING BOARDS (BEGINNER-INTERMEDIATE-ADVANCE)
BEACH LOUNGE EQUIPMENT
SNORKELING EQUIPMENT
CAMPING EQUIPMENT
DIVING EQUIPMENT
TORII BEACH
&
OUTDOOR RECREATION
COMPLEX

1. Gate 10A
2. Military Police/Video Games
3. Boat & Equipment Storage
4. Bath House
5. SCUBA Locker (Rent/Sales)
6. Outdoor Recreation Facility
7. Basketball Court
8. Food Module
9. Portable Toilet/Shower
10. Gate 9A
- Sea Table
- Covered Terrace
- Volleyball Court
- Stage Area
BEACH RULES

General

1. Glass containers are prohibited in all areas.
2. Pets of any kind are not allowed on the facility.
3. Open fires or bonfires are not authorized. Fires are permitted only in designated BBQ and fire pits.
4. Be considerate and courteous to those around you and insure your area is kept clean throughout use and upon departing.

Equipment

1. Equipment is on a first come, first serve basis. No reservations will be accepted.
2. Inspect issued equipment prior to use and report any deficiencies to the attendant at time of check out.
3. Wash or clean equipment as necessary prior to returning. Return at the time specified.
4. Abide by all instructions given as to boat load limits, reef boundary limits, and specific use of equipment.
5. Reimbursement for any equipment damaged or lost will be the responsibility of the individual signing for the equipment. Notify the Equipment Center immediately.
6. Always use safety first.
AVAILABLE RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Boats/Watercraft
- Rowboats
- Sailboats
- Aqua Tricycle
- Water Tube
- Pedal Boats
- Surf Cat
- Windsurf Board
- Ski Boat

Beach and Camping
- Large Cooler
- Small Cooler
- Tents (8x8, 8x10, 10x10, 10x14, 10x12 Dome, Dome)
- BBQ Grill
- Sleeping Bag
- Sand Chair
- Reclining Chair
- Beach Umbrella
- Hibachi
- Lantern
- Canopy
- Picnic Table

SCUBA
- Tanks (80cf or 50cf)
- Regulator w/Octopus
- Buoyancy Compensator Jacket
- Buoyancy Compensator Horse Collar
- Wet Suits
- Tank Back Pack
- Depth Gauge
- Weight Belt w/30 lbs. of Weight
- Snorkel
- Face Masks
- Fins

Resale
- Tanks (80cf and 50cf)
- Regulators
- Buoyancy Control Devices (BCD’s)
- Depth Gauges
- Weight Belt and Weights
- Dive Lights
- Dive Knives
- Snorkels
- Fins
- Face Masks
- Dive Booties
- Dive Gloves
- Game Bags
- Other Dive Accessories
- Beach T-Shirts/Hats
EQUIPMENT CENTER CHECKOUT PROCEDURES

1. All equipment is available on a first come, first serve basis. A user fee is charged for some items. Check with the Equipment Center for a list of current user fees.

2. The individual signing for the equipment is responsible for each item in case of damage or loss, and is expected to adhere to all instructions given for proper use and return of equipment. This will insure equipment safety and condition for each patron.

3. Special licensing is required for use of sailboats, intermediate surfboards, and dive equipment. Check with the Equipment Center attendant to verify your certification.

RESERVATION PROCEDURES

Cabanas/Picnic Area - Group and Individual Reservations

1. Alphabet-lettered umbrella cabanas are available on a first come, first serve basis. These cabanas are those lining the beachfront and scattered throughout the camping area.

2. All other numbered cabanas, leantos and pavilions can be reserved up to 40 days in advance and must be paid for in full within 72 hours after making the reservation.

3. Cabanas not paid for within the time limit will be reopened for reservation.

4. Cancellations must be made 24 hours before reservation date.

5. Refunds will be given if cancellation is within above guidelines.

6. Reservations and payments are made at the Equipment Center. Phone reservations can be made by calling 631-4520.

7. Rain checks will not be given after 11 A.M. on the date of reservation.

8. Group functions of 150 people or more may reserve areas to 60 days in advance with full payment due within 72 hours after making the reservation.
Water Craft

1. Observe boating, windsurfing, and sailing boundaries and warnings as instructed and posted.

2. Reef fees will be assessed to anyone outside boundaries if they require towing.

3. Life vests are required and will be worn for all boating and windsurfing activities.

4. All rowing, sailing, and windsurfing equipment will be rinsed by user and placed in proper racks after use.

5. Alcohol will not be permitted on boats or other watercraft equipment.

6. Footwear is recommended on water craft. Deck or tennis shoes are preferred.

7. Water condition caution flags will be flown and advisory should be followed for all water activities.
   a. Green - All activities authorized
   b. Yellow - Water activities caution
   c. Red - No water activities authorized.

Swimming/Beach

1. Swim at your own risk when no lifeguards are on duty. Swimming outside roped areas is discouraged and will be at the individuals own risk.

2. Use the buddy system when swimming, diving, or snorkeling. Tides and currents change rapidly.

3. Footwear of some kind is encouraged for all water activities in the area.

4. Electronically produced music will be maintained at a level which is not disturbing to the lifeguards or to others.

5. Parents are responsible for their children at all times.

6. BBQ's on the beach are prohibited except in the pits provided.
7. Horseshoes and frisbee or similar activities are prohibited on the beach proper. Such activities disturb other patrons and present a danger to children.

8. Emergencies or rescue operations will take priority over all other activities.

9. Camping in beach cabanas or overnight sleeping on the beach is prohibited.

Camping and Picnic

1. Glass containers prohibited in all areas.

2. Pets not allowed on the property.

3. Camp in designated areas only and at least 30 feet away from any cabana or facility structure.

4. Barbecuing and fire building is allowed in designated BBQ and fire pits only. Bonfires are prohibited.

5. Prior to departing, camp area must be policed and all trash placed in cans. Camp area will remain free of trash at all times.

6. Quiet hours are between 10 P.M. and 8 A.M. Curfew for young adults will be observed: 10 P.M. to 4 A.M. for youths under 18 years of age.

7. All basketball, volleyball, and horseshoe areas are open facilities and cannot be reserved.

8. Camping or sleeping in cabanas is prohibited.

9. Camp areas must be inspected by beach staff prior to departure of the camper.

10. Camp areas are on a first come, first serve basis and require a usage fee payable at the Equipment Center. Prior to setting up your tent, make certain you have checked in with the Equipment Center and have received a camping ticket.
11. All number cabanas, pavillons, and leantos require usage fees and may be reserved 40 days in advance.

12. Picnic area must remain policed at all times.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Glass Bottom Boat Tours

1. Conducted daily during the summer season depending upon demand and the tide, this tour makes it possible to view the underwater beauty off Torii Beach without getting wet.

2. A sign up list will be posted with departure times in the rental check out facility. A small fee is payable in advance.

3. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

4. The tour lasts approximately one-half hour and accommodates 12 persons.

5. If the tour is cancelled because of changing weather or mechanical conditions, fees will be refunded. If desired, patrons may sign up for the next tour.

6. No alcoholic beverages are permitted on the tour boat.

Waterski Boat

1. A ski boat is available during adequate tide conditions. A sign up list is maintained in the Equipment Center on a first come, first serve basis.

2. Use of the boat will be for one-half hour. Water skis and a life vest are issued at the Equipment Center when the fee is paid. Life vests are mandatory. Boat will be driven by MWR staff members only.

3. For safety reasons, a maximum of three skiers will be allowed on board.
PROGRAM NOTES

1. Sailing and windsailing lessons are offered periodically throughout the summer. Classes will be advertised and posted on the beach bulletin boards. There is a small fee for these courses. The course fee includes instruction and all equipment used during the course.

2. Bands and D.J.'s are contracted to perform weekend concerts throughout the summer months. Watch the beach bulletin boards for all upcoming entertainment dates.

3. The Islandwide Friendship Festival is an annual event scheduled during June. Don’t miss the fun, contests, food and entertainment. The 1988 Friendship Festival is scheduled for 3-4-5 June; anyone interested in operating a vendor booth should contact Mr. Rondina at 631-4495.

MARINE LIFE HAZARDOUS TO SWIMMERS AND WADERS

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<td>Paddle-Tailed Snake</td>
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TORII BEACH TREASURES

1. Seashells are one of the wonders of nature. Torii Beach is a would-be shell collector's paradise. The tides and natural coral formations make it an excellent habitat for hundreds of species of mollusks.

2. Sea shells of all sizes, colors, and shapes can be found while diving, snorkeling, swimming, or just wading along the beach during low tides. Some of the following types of shells can be found at Torii Beach:

   - Cowries (Map, Gold Ringer, Snakehead, Poached Egg, Money)
   - Triton Trumpets (Protected)
   - Keyhole Limpets
   - Top Shells
   - Periwinkles
   - Turban Shells
   - Murex Shells
   - Helmet Shells
   - Cone Shells
   - Giant Clam
   - Spider Conch

3. Small tropical fish can be seen in the tidal pools at low tide. These colorful tropical fish can be caught but will not survive in captivity unless a properly maintained salt water aquarium is available.

4. Glass ball floats used on commercial fishing nets can sometimes be found along the beach during low tide. Best time to search for them is immediately after a storm.

5. Another Torii Beach "treasure" found all over Okinawa are World War II artifacts. Many continue to be discovered along the half mile shoreline of Torii Beach. All are VERY DANGEROUS. All should be left alone and reported to the Military Police or the Equipment Center Manager.

6. Finally, the greatest treasure we all have is the Recreational Beach Complex. With your help we can improve and protect this wonderful asset for the enjoyment of military members now and for years into the future. Everyone must do their part. We solicit your help. By following the basic rules and procedures outlined in this booklet, your beach facility will continue to be a place for wholesome recreation and relaxation.

ENJOY!!