



New Jersey



**NATIONAL GUARD
FAMILY PROGRAMS**

FAMILY READINESS READY FOR DEPLOYMENT

SPECIFIC TOPIC: AN EMERGENCY AT HOME

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FAMILY READINESS - READY FOR DEPLOYMENT

As a Reserve Component (RC) (Army Reserve or National Guard) A Soldier is ALWAYS to be Mission Ready.

Which means the Service Member (SM) Family needs to be ready as well.





We must accept the fact that we live in a world where difficult circumstances and tragedy could strike at any moment.



You are directly and solely responsible for your own personal and legal affairs





- **Who are immediate Family Members**
- **What do I need to be “READY”**
- **What is considered an emergency**
- **Where do I keep the documents**
- **When do I prepare**
- **Why do I need to prepare**
- **Procedure**
- **What are the Army / NG Policies on Emergency Leave**





WHO ARE IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS:

The immediate family includes the following family members of either the Soldier or the Soldier's spouse:

- (1) Parents, including stepparents.
- (2) Spouse.
- (3) Children, including stepchildren.
- (4) Sisters, including stepsisters.
- (5) Brothers, including stepbrothers.
- (6) Only living blood relative.
- (7) A person in loco parentis.





WHO ARE IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS:

- (7) A person in loco parentis. A person in loco parentis is one who stood in place of a parent to the soldier or the soldier's spouse for 24 hours a day, for at least a 5-year period before the soldier or the soldier's spouse became 21 years of age. The person must have provided a home, food, clothing, medical care, and other necessities as well as furnished moral and disciplinary guidance and affection.



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WHO ARE IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS:

- **A GRANDPARENT, or other person, normally is not considered to have stood in place of a person when the parent also lived at the same residence.** A person is not considered in loco parentis for performing baby-sitting or providing day care services.





WHAT DO I NEED TO BE “READY”

- A Copy of the Soldiers Orders
- Know the Soldiers Social security Number (Also on the Orders)
- Know the Unit Identification (Also on the Orders, IF deployed – if not deployed WHERE are they drilling?)
- Where is the Soldier Located (Home of Record during Drilling status, or STATE or Country Deployed to)
- What is the Emergency to be verified?
- American Red Cross Number: **877-272-7337**
- FRG Contact person





WHAT DO I NEED TO BE “READY”

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS WILL NEED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Service member's:

- Full name ***DANIEL SMITHLING***
- Rank/rating ***SPECIALIST***
- Branch of service (***Army-overseas, NATIONAL GUARD =home station***)
- Social Security ***Number123-45-6789*** or Date of Birth ***Oct 10, 1987***
- Military address ***APO AE XXXXX overseas / OR ARMORY***
- Information about the deployed unit and home base unit (for deployed service members only) ***508TH MPCSC(NJ GUARD)***
- ***Information regarding the Emergency, Hospital, Physicians, Funeral Director , Contact person, phone number, Fax number, etc***



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When a military family experiences a crisis, the American Red Cross is there to help. Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, the Red Cross relays urgent messages containing accurate, factual, complete and verified descriptions of the emergency to service members stationed anywhere in the world, including on ships at sea and at embassies and remote locations.

Once the Family Member provides the American Red Cross (ARC) with the necessary information, the Family Member will be assigned, by the ARC a **CASE Number** – write it down.

The ARC Contacts the Commander (Home Station or Overseas) the Ultimate decision to call back a Soldier home is the Commanders decision.





Family emergencies requiring the presence of a military service member begin back home with the death/serious illness of a family member. Once the local Red Cross has verified all details relating to the emergency, information is sent to the service member who may be stationed anywhere worldwide. The family may want this information shared with military commands who will decide if the service member should be granted emergency leave to come home. Commands frequently require Red Cross verification before emergency leave is granted.





Military leaders rely on the American Red Cross to provide objective, timely, confidential, factual, complete, and verified information on emergency family situations. Without this verification, the service member may not be able to come home during a family crisis.

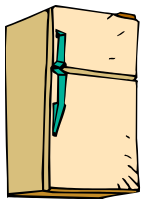




WHERE DO I KEEP THE DOCUMENTS:

Family Members may consider keeping a copy of their Service members ORDERS, the ARC phone number, FRG Contact information, FAC contact, Rear Detachment (if deployed)

- (1) Copy on the refrigerator (with your FRG contact list)**
- (2) Copy in your vehicle's glove compartment**
- (3) Copy in your purse or attaché case**
- (4) With a neighbor / or family relative/ and at your Work location**



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- **WHAT IS CONSIDERED AN EMERGENCY**

Red Cross emergency communications services keep military personnel in touch with their families **following the death or serious illness of an immediate family member, the birth of a service member's child or grandchild or when a family faces other emergencies** (Floods, earthquakes, tornados,)





WHEN DO I PREPARE:

As a Reserve Component (RC) (Army Reserve or National Guard) A Soldier is ALWAYS to be Mission Ready. Which means the Service Member (SM) Family needs to be ready as well.

Guard Soldiers are always ready and always there.

Do NOT wait for an emergency to prepare, Do it NOW while thinking is clear. Guard Families need to be Ready 24/7.





WHY PREPARE :

The versatility of the National Guard enables its troops to respond to domestic emergencies, combat missions, counterdrug efforts, reconstruction missions and more—all with equal speed, strength and efficiency.

THE KEY IS ALWAYS BEING PREPARED!





Emergency Notification Information

**SEE FORM ATTACHED
INCLUDING SECFOR POC INFORMATION**





HANDOUT



**Emergency Notification Information
50th MPCSC FAMILY GUIDE**

ARC: 877-272-7337
 FRG POC: Joe Florito 973 839 4304 Home 201 396 2726 cell
 FAC: Bernard Sims: 609- 668-5282

Soldier's Correct Full Name:

Soldier's Rank and Pay Grade:

Soldier's Social Security Number:

Soldier's Unit:

Soldier's Unit Address:

Name of Exercise Soldier is on: Operation Enduring Freedom

Full Name of Ill, Injured, or Deceased Person:

Relationship of Person Shown Above to Soldier:

What Hospital or Funeral Home is Person in:

Who is the Doctor Treating the Person:

Family Member who can Provide Additional Information:

Telephone Number:

Family/Doctor Wants Soldier to: Be Notified Only Come Home

Leave Address Soldier Should Go To Is:

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone Number:

The Soldier will Need About Days to Resolve the Problem.

DATE: _____ SPOKE WITH: _____ CASE NUMBER _____

THE ABOVE INFORMATION MAY HELP SPEED THE SERVICE MEMBER'S RETURN AS YOU CONTACT A LOCAL RED CROSS OFFICE, BE SPECIFIC!

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PROCEDURE – Point Of Contacts (POC) SECFOR DEPLOYMENT HOME STATION SUPPORT 24/7

ARC: **877-272-7337**

FRG POC: PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR ASSIGNED FRG POC

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ARMY / NG REGULATIONS :

Applicability. This regulation applies to the Active Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U.S. Army Reserve unless otherwise stated.

- **Army Regulation 600–8–10 Effective 15 March 2006 Chapter 6
Emergency Leave**
- The unit commander is the approval authority. The unit may request verification through the Field Director, American Red Cross.
- **Section V Task: Taking Administrative Action for Emergency Leave Authorized Erroneously Because of False Information**
- **DoDI 1327.06, June 16, 2009 Leave and Liberty Policy and Procedures**



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QUESTIONS?



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