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NAVSUPPACT NAPLES INSTRUCTION 1746.19L

From: Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Support Activity, Naples, Italy

Subj: REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE SALE OF PACKAGED LIQUOR AND OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT U.S. AND NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION PACKAGE STORES

Ref: (a) DoD Instruction 1330.21 of 14 July 2005

Encl: (1) Guidelines on Regulations, Policies, and Procedures

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To outline regulations for sales of packaged liquor and other alcoholic beverages at U.S. or North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Package Stores in Italy.

2. Cancellation. NAVSUPPACTNAPLESINST 1746.19K

3. <u>Background</u>. Because packaged liquors enter Italy tax-free, strict controls ensure adherence to U.S. and NATO regulations and Italian laws. Per references (a) through (d), U.S. Naval Support Activity (NAVSUPPACT), Naples, Italy, is responsible for coordination and control of procedures concerning tax-free liquor sold to U.S. and NATO personnel in Italy. Representatives of NAVSUPPACT Naples and the Italian Ministry of Defense will make periodic inspections of U.S. and NATO activities in Italy to ensure tax-free policy compliance.

4. <u>Action</u>. Activity Commanders will issue local instructions to implement these policies and will maintain internal control procedures to prevent abuses. Enclosure (1) contains the applicable guidelines for NAVSUPPACT Naples.

5. <u>Point of Contact</u>. For assistance or information, activity liquor products managers should contact the Tax-Free Products Administrator at DSN: 314-626-5439 or COMM: +39-081-568-5439.

6. Records Management

a. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of format or media, must be maintained and dispositioned per the records disposition schedules located on the Department of the Navy Assistant for Administration, Directives and Records Management Division portal page at: https://portal.secnav.navy.mil/orgs/DUSNM/DONAA/DRM/Records-and-Information-Management/Approved%20Record%20Schedules/Forms/AllItems.aspx.

b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this instruction or the records disposition schedules, please contact the local records manager or the OPNAV Records Management Program (DNS-16).

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7. <u>Review and Effective Date</u>. Per OPNAVINST 5215.17A, NAVSUPPACT Naples will review this instruction annually on the anniversary of its effective date to ensure applicability, currency, and consistency with Federal, Department of Defense, Secretary of the Navy, and Navy policy and statutory authority using OPNAV 5215/40 Review of Instruction. This instruction will be in effect for 10 years unless revised or cancelled in the interim and will be reissued by the 10-year anniversary date if it still required, unless it meets one of the exceptions in OPNAVINST 5215.17A, paragraph 9. Otherwise, if the instruction is no longer required, it will be processed for cancellation as soon as the need for cancellation is known following the guidance in OPNAV Manual 5215.1 of May 2016.

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GUIDELINES ON REGULATIONS, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES

1. Definitions

a. <u>Hard Liquor</u>. Regardless of alcohol content, the following products are considered hard liquor: Scotch, Irish, Rye, Blended, Bourbon, and Canadian Whiskeys; also, Gin, Vodka, Brandy, Rum, and Cognac, and other spirits containing 33 percent or more alcohol by volume.

b. <u>Imported Liqueurs (excluding wines</u>). After-dinner liqueurs containing less than 33 percent alcohol by volume.

c. <u>Grain Alcohol</u>. While not specifically a rationed item, retail outlets will limit sales of grain alcohol to six liters per authorized patron per month.

d. <u>Ration Unit</u>. One-fifth of a U.S. gallon and one-quarter of an Imperial gallon, or no more than 1.75 liters in volume, is one ration unit. Half-gallon and one-gallon bottles (either U.S. or Imperials) shall be considered two ration units and four ration units, respectively. Three-liter bottles are considered two ration units. Miniature bottles will, if stocked, be sold in units that are at least one ration unit as computed by the contents of individual containers.

e. Eligible Personnel

(1) U.S. military and civilian employees who have international status and are attached to any U.S. or North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) military activity in Italy.

(2) NATO military and civilian personnel per Articles 8 and 13 of the Italy-SACEUR Agreement.

(3) Authorized dependents of the foregoing, restricted to one adult dependent, 18 years of age or older, residing in the household of the sponsor.

(4) Personnel not falling within the above categories but for whom special authorization to make purchases at the outlet has been granted by the Commanding Officer (CO), U.S. Naval Support Activity (NAVSUPPACT), Naples, Italy.

f. Local Commander. The CO of the U.S. or NATO activity in Italy operating one or more liquor package stores.

2. <u>Authorization</u>. Packaged liquors purchased at U.S. or NATO outlets are solely for the use of authorized patrons. To sell, barter, or exchange these items for money, goods, or services is strictly forbidden. Purchases must be made by the authorized patron in person.

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3. <u>Ration</u>. Maximum quantities of packaged liquors that may be purchased by authorized patrons and adult dependents on station are set forth below. Liquor ration entitlement is restricted to the sponsor and one adult family member residing in the household of the sponsor.

<u>MONTHLY HARD</u> LIQUOR RATION UNIT	IMPORTED LIQUEURS IN BOTTLES (CONTAINING LESS THAN 33 PERCENT OF ALCOHOL BY VOLUME)
6	Reasonable quantities as established by local Commander

a. The above rations are intended for issue to individuals. Sales of liquor to authorized clubs and messes sponsored by the command are not subject to rationing, provided such liquor stocks are intended for consumption within the club or mess.

b. Any portion of a ration not purchased in any one month may not be carried forward to succeeding months.

c. On a case-by-case basis, CO may authorize members, in writing, to purchase reasonable quantities in excess of the normal ration entitlement for occasional private social functions. This function may be delegated to subordinates.

d. On presentation of orders, personnel on temporary duty not holding a valid ration card may be permitted to purchase one ration unit of hard liquor per week.

4. <u>Age Restrictions</u>. The sale, purchase, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on NAVSUPPACT Naples shall be restricted to those who meet the age limits set forth in this paragraph. The drinking age for active duty military personnel is <u>18 years</u>. The drinking age for all other personnel, including dependents, is <u>18 years</u>. Alcohol shall not be purchased on behalf of or provided to ineligible personnel.

5. <u>Sales and Control Procedures</u>. Ration issues will be controlled through the use of ration cards carried by the individual, and sales slips or a sales log maintained at the sales outlet. Per reference (c), the following information will be recorded on the sales slips or sales log: date, name of the patron, ration card number, list of rationed items purchased, quantity, and receipt signature of the patron.

6. <u>Punitive Actions</u>. The CO directs strict compliance with this instruction by all persons within his jurisdictional area. Violators may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and/or be subjected to administrative action, including civilian misconduct boards, as deemed appropriate and necessary by the CO, NAVSUPPACT Naples, Italy.

Enclosure (1)