

**United States Army Garrison Hohenfels (USAGH) and
Joint Multinational Readiness Center (JMRC)
Joint Environmental Policy
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The US Army Garrison Hohenfels (USAG Hohenfels) and Joint Multinational Readiness Center (JMRC) joint environmental policy goal is to actively promote mission sustainability and readiness by continually upgrading environmental performance across the USAG Hohenfels and JMRC. The USAG Hohenfels and JMRC Commanders are committed to meet this goal.

USAGH MISSION

U.S. Army Garrison Hohenfels provides premier installation management support and services that enhance the readiness of US Army Joint and Multinational forces, ensures the highest level of quality of life in a secure and sustainable environment, and enables Soldiers to soldier, Leaders to lead, and Families to grow.

JMRC MISSION

The JMRC provides tough, realistic, and challenging joint and combined arms training. Focuses training on improving readiness by developing Soldiers, their leaders and units in support of the Global War on Terrorism, and for success on current and future battle fields. Provides simulated combat training exercises for task organized Brigade Combat Teams (BCT) / training Heavy BCT, Stryker BCT, Airborne BCT and Functional Brigades across the full spectrum of operations. Plans, coordinates, and executes Combat Training Center (CTC) and Exportable Training Capability (ETC) Rotations / Mission Rehearsal Exercises to prepare units for full spectrum operations:

- Major Combat Operations (MCO)
- Counter-Insurgency (COIN) Operations
- Security Operations Stability Operations (SOSO)

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Hohenfels Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) is the organization tasked with managing the installation Environmental Management System (EMS). The EQCC members representing the USAG Hohenfels and JMRC operations are critical to integrating mission and environment concerns.

The DPW Environmental Division is tasked with providing environmental technical expertise. The Hohenfels safety, occupational health, and fire programs are separate, but complementary to the Hohenfels environmental program and must be active participants. This mission focused environmental policy must be maintained and reviewed on annual basis and submitted to the USAG Hohenfels and JMRC Commanders with recommended revisions. The EQCC will provide quarterly reports on progress meeting the annual environmental performance targets. Environmental stewardship is the responsibility of all USAG Hohenfels assigned personnel, tenants, and residents.

EXECUTION

This policy confirms Hohenfels' commitment to continuous improvement by reducing risk, preventing pollution, ensuring compliance, and maintaining long-term sustainability of the mission critical maneuver training areas. Systematic environmental management must be an integral part of day-to-day decision-making in all core business areas and long-term planning processes across all missions, activities, and functions. To accomplish this, an annual command review will be done to identify any mission changes, new environmental impacts/aspects, and progress meeting environmental performance targets. Based on this review new integrated goals and targets will be set annually for reducing environmental impact and supporting mission priorities. Internal Environmental Performance Assessment System (EPAS) audits and other environmental inspections will be conducted to help ensure compliance. Compliance standards include the current German Final Governing Standards, Bavarian regulations, USAREUR regulations, Army regulations and any other requirements to which the installation subscribes.

APPLICABILITY AND COMMUNICATION

This policy applies to all units and agencies operating within USAG Hohenfels and JMRC: units, activities, programs, tenants, contractors, family members, and visiting units. This includes geographically separated areas such as Amberg LTA and organizations such as DoDEA, AAFES, DECA, MEDDAC, and DENTAC. Integrated environmental communications and documentation must be maintained with all units and agencies. Environmental awareness training, including this policy, must be provided to all stakeholders. This environmental policy will be made available to the public through the Public Affairs Office, as well as the USAG Hohenfels and JMRC websites.

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)

To improve environmental management support for the USAG Hohenfels and JMRC missions, the installation adopted the internationally recognized Environmental Management System (EMS) standard, ISO 14001. The implemented EMS standard meets the requirements of Executive Order 13148, "Greening the Government Through Leadership in Environmental Management", the Executive Order 13423, "Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management" and US Army EMS guidance. Hohenfels met the Army goals of establishing an EMS NLT December 2009 and achieved full conformance with the ISO 14001 standard as a self-audited program on 3 June 2009.

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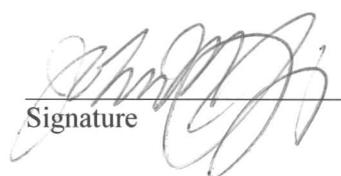


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