405th Army Field Support Brigade
Logistic Readiness Center, Vicenza
Transportation Motor Pool

Official Use of Non-tactical Vehicles (NTVs)

When a government vehicle is used for reasons other than official government business it is costly as well as illegal. Misuse/unofficial use of non tactical vehicles (NTVs) continue to chip away at the core of our support base (vehicles and money) and violate Public Law U.S.C. Section 1344 (b), DOD, and Army regulations. Additionally, the more vehicles are driven (for un-official purposes) increases the potential for (inexcusable) accidents; On Fy14 we spent $ 141,500.00 for NTV accident repairs. Our inability to function effectively and efficiently is mostly affected because vehicles are being used for unofficial reasons and a high accident rate. Below are examples of how NTVs may not be used:

❖Domicile to duty (vehicles can not be parked at dormitories, in housing areas on base or off base)

❖Transportation to PX, PX concessionaires, Shoppette, food courts or drive through, MWR facilities, Gyms, Bank, Post Office or APO (exception MP patrols are allowed to eat at PX Food Courts, Army dining facilities only)

Temporary duty status does not necessarily justify the use of a DOD motor vehicle. However, the vehicle shall be operated between places where the person's presence is required for official business or between such places and temporary lodgings. When public transportation is not available or its use is impractical, the use of DOD-owned or leased vehicles is authorized between places of business or lodging and eating establishments, drugstores, barber shops, places of worship, cleaning establishments, and similar places required for the comfort or health of the member. The use of NTVs (owned or leased) for transportation to or from entertainment or recreational facilities are prohibited.

The determination as to whether a particular use is for official purposes is a matter of administrative discretion to be exercised within applicable law and regulations. In making such determination, consideration shall be given to all pertinent factors, including whether the transportation is the following:

❖Essential to the use of completion of a DOD function, activity, or operation

❖Consistent with the purpose for which the motor vehicle was acquired The use of DOD motor vehicles shall not be authorized for transporting DOD or other personnel over all or any part of the route between their domiciles and places of employment except as authorized in DOD 4500.36R, Chapter 4 and 5.

Commanders, managers and supervisors are encouraged to take corrective action when suspected vehicle misuse is brought to their attention to eliminate un-official use of NTVs