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<td>✓ Post office; receive mailbox information and setup</td>
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<td>✓ Buy cell phones</td>
<td>✓ Provide transportation to any necessary location New Arrival desires; commissary, exchange, etc.</td>
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<td>✓ Basic tour of important locations on island</td>
<td>✓ Finish/turn in any remaining paperwork for child care (CYTP) and school enrollment</td>
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** Check-in with the CO and/or SgtMaj will be conducted in Alphas
~ For more details or further information, please contact the MWHS-I Family Readiness Officer (FRO) your Sponsor or the MWHS-I Adjutant.

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**MWHS-1 Okinawa Transition Smart Pack**

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- Unit, Personal & Family Readiness Programs
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Welcome to Okinawa! We can’t begin to tell you what an awesome experience you will have on island. In order to help you prepare and have a successful move and experience on Okinawa, we’ve created some good to know information that’s easy to access. We want to make sure that you and your family “Thrive, not just Survive” on Okinawa! The following pages include some quick reference information with phone numbers and websites for you to visit, along with a base map.

Welcome Aboard Booklet: This booklet contains information about moving to Okinawa and important phone numbers you may need. Please visit the following website to review the Welcome Aboard Booklet (PDF):


Lodging: We recommend that if you are coming to Okinawa on accompanied orders that you stay at the Westpac Inn. You can visit the following website for more information or just call DSN: 315-645-2455.


Please make sure that you call well in advance for reservations, especially if you’re arriving during peak PCS season (May-Aug).

Newcomer’s Orientation Welcome Aboard (NOWA): This orientation should already be set up by your sponsor, and is required within two weeks of your arrival on island. You will also have to complete NOWA prior to picking up your driver’s license. Childcare is available for the event, ask your sponsor reserves a spot early. You may bring your children if you are unable to reserve a spot for your child; however, it is not recommended as there will be some information, not suited for children. You can learn more at www.mccsokinawa.com or you can call DSN: 645-8395 for more information.

Loan Locker: Essential items are available for short-term use with your PCS orders. Please select the following link to review what items are available to for check-out as well as the terms and conditions of use.


DoDD Schools: There are 12 DODD Schools on Okinawa, please visit the website at:

http://www.okinawa.pac.dodea.edu/

Also, the link below will provide you information on the required documentation checklist for school registration. This is a very handy piece of information!

http://www.okinawa.pac.dodea.edu/ParentStudent/registration%20forms/Registration%20Checklist%2009-10.doc

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Contact Info:

Family Readiness Officer:

DSN: 315-645-7660
Off-base: 098-970-7660
Int’l: 011-81-98-970-7660
Cell: 080-2716-9104
Website: http://www.imaw.usmc.mil/index.asp?unit=%27MWHS-1%27

Useful Websites:

Autos & Other useful Items:
- Okinawa Yards Sales: www.okinawayardsales.com
- Japan Update: www.japanupdate.com
- MCCS Okinawa: www.mccsokinawa.com
- Okinawa Hai: www.okinawahai.com

Activities:
- Weather Underground: www.wunderground.com (*Just type in “Okinawa, Japan” in the search box)

Other Information:
- Military OneSource: www.militaryonesource.com
Telephone Information:

**Calling Okinawa:** The bases on Okinawa are now direct call capable. Direct Inward Dial (DID) provides the capability to dial directly to DSN numbers from commercial and cell phones. This service is available for military base telephone numbers with prefix 622, 623, 645 or 646.

622, from Off Base dial (098) 954-LAST 4
623, from Off Base dial (098) 969-LAST 4
645, from Off Base dial (098) 970-LAST 4
646, from Off Base dial (098) 971-LAST 4

If your On Base telephone number in Okinawa is 645-1111, then the person in off base calling would dial (098)-970-1111.

**INTERNATIONAL CALLS (originating outside Japan) to On Base using DID**
International prefix from the United States: **011**
Country Code: **81**
Area Code: **98**
~ For example if the number in Okinawa is 645-1111, then you would dial 011-81-98-970-1111.

The prefix NOT LISTED above, the call from outside of Japan must start by dialing an international prefix **011.** The next set of numbers is used to route the call to the proper telephone exchange which is 81-98. The final set of numbers are the last seven (7) digits of the number you are calling.

**INTERNATIONAL CALLS (originating outside Japan) to On Base not using DID**
International prefix from the United States: **011**
Country Code: **81**
Area Code: **611**
Specific Exchange/number: **7XX-XXXX**

If your On Base telephone number in Okinawa is 645-1111, then the person in the U.S. calling would dial **011-81-611-745-1111.**

**Base Operator Commercial Phone Numbers**
If you are off base in Okinawa you must dial the number below followed by the on-base number you are calling. **If you are calling from Cellular phone, make sure to dial "098" then the number below.**

Note: When you first connect with the base you will hear another dial tone, you can dial the base extension (seven digits) at that time (see Base Information Number Table to the right).

Driving: Driving on Okinawa poses a fun and sometimes unique challenges. Please visit the below website to access the Driver's Manual and Road Sign Information.

http://www.okinawa.usmc.mil/Living%20on%20Okinawa/Driving%20on%20Okinawa%20Page.html#Anchor%2080

Driving tests are done Monday through Friday starting at 0800 at the Safety Office on Camp Foster (Bldg 5831). The entire course should only take about an hour to complete the course. Please note, that even though you can take your driving test prior to completing NOWA, you will not be able to pick up your actual license until the completion of NOWA.

**Housing Office:** Once you’ve arrived on island your sponsor should have already set you up with a Housing Brief at the Kadena Housing Office (DSN:634-0582/0583). It’s also a good idea to submit an Advance Housing Application DD Form 1746 prior to arriving; otherwise you could be assigned an Application Date on the date of walk-in. Please visit the website below to access DD Form 1746.


**TRICARE:** Transferring your TRICARE coverage is easy, and all you need to do is to contact TRICARE at 643-7539. They are located on the first floor at the Camp Lester Naval Hospital. Make sure that you have a copy of your orders and area clearance. Lester MFM Clinic Phone: 011-81-611-743-7509 – DSN 643-7509

**Links:**
- U.S. Naval Hospital Okinawa: [http://www.oki.med.navy.mil](http://www.oki.med.navy.mil)

**Dental Care:** Dental care for Family members of active duty personnel is provided on an appointment basis. Please make sure that you bring all existing dental records to the clinic, along with your orders and area clearance.

**Dental Clinics & Contacts:**
- Camp Foster: Phone 011-81-611-745-7381/7382 – DSN 645-7381/7382
- MCAS Futenma: Phone 011-81-611-736-3171 – DSN 636-3171
- Kadena AFB: Phone 011-81-611-734-6420 – DSN 634-6420
- Camp Kinser: Phone 011-81-611-737-2828 – DSN 637-2828
- Camp Courtney: Phone 011-81-611-722-7569 – DSN 622-7569
- Camp Schwab: Phone 011-81-611-725-2603 – DSN 625-2603