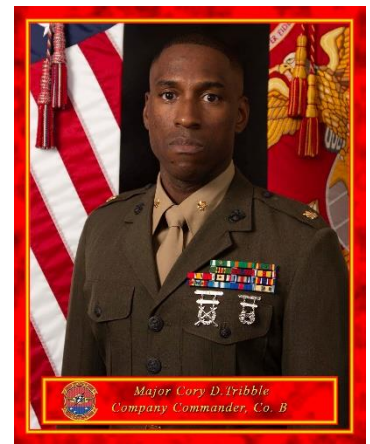


Welcome to Marine Wing Communication Squadron 18 "THE" Bravo Company





Company Commander's Welcome Aboard Message



Congratulations on your recent assignment to Company B, Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18, also known as THE Bravo Company "Krakens"! I am thrilled to have you join our team.

First and foremost, I want to extend a warm welcome and express my excitement about meeting you in person. I believe that personal connections are essential in building a strong and cohesive team, and I look forward to getting to know you better.

At Company B, we pride ourselves on fostering a sense of family and camaraderie within our unit. We call it the Kraken "Ohana", which means family in Hawaiian. We believe that by supporting and looking out for one another, we can achieve great things together. As a member of the Kraken Ohana, you can expect a supportive and inclusive environment where everyone's contributions are valued.

One of the many perks of being stationed in Hawaii is the opportunity to experience the beauty and wonders of this incredible state. From pristine beaches to breathtaking hikes, Hawaii offers a wide range of outdoor activities and cultural experiences. We encourage you to take full advantage of everything this paradise has to offer during your time here. Whether it's exploring the vibrant local cuisine, immersing yourself in the rich Hawaiian culture, or enjoying the stunning natural landscapes, Hawaii has something for everyone.

To ensure a smooth transition into our unit, you will be assigned a Sponsor who will provide guidance and support throughout the process. Your Sponsor will be there to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have, helping you settle into your new role and the local community.

Once again, welcome to Company B, Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18, the Krakens! We are excited to have you on board and look forward to creating lasting memories together as part of our Kraken Ohana.

Major Cory D. Tribble
Company Commander

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For more information regarding MCBH please visit:

www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil

To get a complete list of frequently dialed numbers please visit:

www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/UnitHome/ContactUs/FrequentlyDialedNumbers.aspx

About Kaneohe Bay Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Marine Corps Base Hawaii is located on Mokapu (Mo-kah-poo) Peninsula on the eastern shore of Oahu. The peninsula has been inhabited since the 13th Century and has been used for military purposes since the mid-1700s. In 1918, President Woodrow Wilson designated 322 acres of land on Mokapu Peninsula as an Army reservation. In 1939, the Navy adapted the area as a base for seaplane operations. From these beginnings Naval Air Station Kaneohe Bay emerged. On December 7, 1941, Naval Air Station Kaneohe Bay was attacked approximately 9 minutes prior to the attack on Pearl Harbor. 18 Sailors and one civilian were killed in the attack, plus 24 of its 36 aircraft were destroyed. A commemorative plaque on Reed Road now marks the site of the first crash of a Japanese airplane flown by the highest- ranking Japanese officer killed during the attack. Another distinction earned at Kaneohe that day was the first Medal of Honor awarded for Heroic Action in the Pacific, presented to Kaneohe Sailor John Finn for whom the new Naval Administration building on Mokapu Road is named. Following WWII, Mokapu Peninsula was left in a caretaker status until 1951 when the Marine Corps identified it as the ideal site for air/ground combat training. On January 15, 1952, Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay was commissioned. Then on April 15, 1994, the Marine Corps consolidated all its installations in Hawaii to form a new command- Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH). Today, MCBH is home to more than 9,000 active-duty Marines and Sailors engaged in the U.S. Pacific Rim strategy.

Transition Assistance

www.militaryonesource.mil

www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil

www.himilitary.com

Transportation from airport to lodging.

Below are a few recommended taxi services. These are known companies that will have on base access. **Please note that not all Uber/Lyft drivers are allowed on base and pricing can be expensive.** There are other services available for your use, just recommend verifying that they are allowed on base.

You will need to book the below taxi services ahead of time, pricing may vary based on amount of luggage.

Save your receipts! These are reimbursable.

808 Express

<https://go808express.com/military-pcs/>

(808) 489-0000

Charley's Taxi

<https://ecab.charleystaxi.com>

(808) 233-3333

Temporary Lodging Facilities

Temporary Lodging on base for PCS season can get full very quickly and there is limited space available for families with pets. Service members with dependents must attempt to make reservations at the Inns of the Corps. If no rooms are available for the requested dates, service members need to obtain a Certificate of Non-Availability (CNA) and may pursue other lodging options on the authorized TLA facilities list. Updated lists can be obtained from the TLA office at IPAC. **Recommended contacting temporary lodging for reservations up to 3 months in advanced!**

The Inns of the Corps

6534 G Street
Kaneohe Bay, HI 96863
(808) 254-2806

www.innsofthecorps.com

The Five Palms

503 Nimitz Rd.
Kailua, HI 96734
(808) 257-2409

For those who opt to stay off base, the Hale Koa Hotel in downtown Waikiki is a military exclusive resort (active and retiree's) that provides temporary lodging for transitioning service members as well. The Queen Kapiolani Hotel in Honolulu also offers an escape with TLA approved rates. If you prefer to stay on the Windward side of the island (closer to base) there is one hotel in Kaneohe that offers temporary lodging at a discounted rate, the Paradise Bay Resort. This is roughly 12 miles away from MCBH. Keep in mind that Waikiki resorts can be about 20 miles away from MCBH or further. Without any traffic that can be a 45-minute drive.

Also, most Marines will **NOT** have their POV on island for the first few weeks, depending on when it was shipped.

Hale Koa Hotel

2055 Kalia Rd
Honolulu, HI 96815
(808) 955-0555

Queen Kapiolani Hotel

150 Kapahulu Ave
Honolulu, HI 96815
(808) 922-1941

On-Base Housing

The MCB Hawaii Family Housing Office and Ohana Military Communities by Hunt provide housing to families of Marines assigned to duty on Oahu and members of other services assigned to MCBH. Both offices are in the Family Housing Building on MCBH. It is highly suggested that you contact their offices to schedule an appointment as well as apply for housing before you arrive on island. **Make sure to check in with the housing office within 72 hours of arriving on island. You will need to make an appointment.**

Hawaii Housing Office

1571 Lawrence Road, 1st deck Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri: 0730-1530
Wed: 0730-1530
(808) 257-2676

Ohana Military Communities by Hunt

1571 Lawrence Road, 2nd deck
M, T, Th, F: 0730-1530,
W: 0730-1400
(808) 839-8720

www.ohanamarinecorpscommunities.com

Off-Base Housing

Most rental properties on Oahu are found online. Below is a list of popular rental sites to aid you in your search. If you find a rental home you like, be prepared to submit an application and put a deposit down immediately. Most homes are rented within a couple days of being advertised.

- www.craigslist.com
- www.ahrn.com
- www.zillow.com
- www.militarybyowner.com
- www.hawaiiislandhomes.com/rental
- www.realtor.com
- www.homes.mil/rentals

DISTANCE/DRIVE TIMES TO MCBH		
City	Miles from city center to MCBH	Est drive during peak hours (in minutes)
Kailua	4	10+
Kaneohe	5	10+
Aiea	18	25+
Waimanalo	10	30+
Honolulu	15	45+
Hawaii Kai	24	45+
Pearl City	20	60+
Waikiki	17	60+
Mililani	28	75+
Ewa Beach	30	75+
Kapolei	30	75+

Television/Internet/Home Phone Services

There are four major television/internet providers on Oahu:

Dish Network- (855) 587-0783 or www.dishnow.com

Direct TV- (855) 802-3473 or www.directstartv.com

Spectrum- (888) 406-7063 or www.spectrum.com

Hawaiian Telcom- (808) 643-3456 or www.hawaiiantel.com

Note: Should you decide to have a satellite dish installed on base within base housing, you must get permission from housing to do so. And remember that the satellite is NOT allowed to be installed on the home, it must be installed on the ground, and you may be responsible for providing the materials to have it installed properly.

Vehicle Information

Insurance Requirements:

A current, valid, and original insurance card, which must be printed on paper with a security document background, must always be kept in your vehicle. For those with an electronic proof of insurance; in the event you need to show proof of insurance, you must log in to your insurance company's mobile application and show your insurance card. The name on the insurance card must match the registered vehicle owner. If you wish to obtain an official watermark proof of insurance card, you may receive one from your insurance company out in town.

Hawaii is also a no-fault state. This means if you are in an accident, your insurance will pay for your injuries and any injuries suffered by your passengers up to the personal injury protection (PIP) limit, regardless of fault. The required insurance minimums are as follows:

PIP- \$10,000 (not required for motorcycles)

Bodily Injury- \$20,000

Total Bodily Injury- \$40,000

Property Damage- \$10,000

Vehicle Shipment:

If you plan on shipping a vehicle, note that only **ONE VEHICLE PER HOUSEHOLD** is paid by the Marine Corps. Any additional vehicles must be paid out of pocket. Price ranges to ship a vehicle can be from \$1,500 up to \$3,000 depending on the location you are shipping your vehicle from. It can take **3 to 6 weeks** for your vehicle to arrive on island. Plan accordingly when shipping your vehicle to the island. You will have to schedule an appointment to pick up your vehicle from the Vehicle Processing Center (VPC). Appointments can be booked from 1-3 weeks out depending on time of year (PCS season will have an impact on this). Walk-ins at the VPC can be seen on a case-by-case bases. It will depend on how many walk-in customers are there that day. As a walk-in they can **NOT** guarantee that you will receive your vehicle that day!

Honolulu VPC info: **ALL APPOINTMENTS HAVE TO BE MADE ONLINE.**

Hours: 0700-1500

Phone: (808) 670-3095

Location: 242 Forrest Ave Pier 1, Honolulu, HI 96813 (10.9 mi away from base)

Website: www.pcsmypov.com

Car Shipment Websites:

www.HawaiiShipping.com (888) 991-8998

www.pashagroup.com (808) 523-8625

www.matson.com (808) 848-1211

Safety Inspection:

The state of Hawaii requires that all vehicles get a safety inspection before being registered and must be inspected annually thereafter. Take your vehicle to an approved vehicle service station or repair shop. You will need your current vehicle registration and proof of Hawaii no-fault car insurance. This must be done within 10 days of you gaining possession of your vehicle on island. Safety inspections cost less than \$40. The inspection technicians will determine if your vehicle is safe enough to be registered in Hawaii. If you pass the inspection, you will be given an inspection certificate, and the results will be sent to the DMV. Please note that it can take up to 48 hours for the system to reflect updated inspection expirations. They will then check the box saying you need to provide a permit making the inspection incomplete but complete enough to obtain the permit. Which then means you will have to take your incomplete vehicle inspection slip to a Satellite City Hall who will issue the permit then you must take all your documents back to the vehicle maintenance destination to get your vehicle cleared for inspection. It is a timely task so plan accordingly, the public lines on base and at Satellite City Hall can be unexpectedly busy.

Registration with the State of Hawaii:

If you are shipping a vehicle to MCBH that has out of state license plates you have two options:

1. Out of State Permit- You may choose to keep your out of state plates, but you must get a vehicle permit. The vehicle permit is good for one (1) year, and you must renew it annually. For an Out of State Permit you must have the following:

- a. Current out of state registration
- b. Shipping Document (Bill of Landing) with date vehicle arrived on island.
- c. Fill out CS-L (MVR) 27 form (out of state permit application which you obtain from PMO)
- d. Current Hawaii Vehicle Safety Inspection Certificate
- e. \$5.00 fee (cash or check only)

2. In Lieu of Out of State Permit- Registered owner must produce the following for a vehicle currently registered out of state:

- a. Out of state Title (if available)
- b. Current Hawaii Vehicle Inspection Certificate
- c. Current out of state registration
- d. Shipping Document (Bill of Landing) with date vehicle arrived on island.
- e. Fill out an Application for Registration, Form CS-L (MVR) 1, which must be signed by you, the registered owner(s)

f. Pay the license plate and emblem fee. The Hawaii expiration date will be the last day of the full month that the out of state registration expires.

For more information, please visit www.honolulu.gov/csd/mvinformation.html

Additional Requirements for Motorcycles:

All motorcycles need to be inspected by a motorcycle shop (i.e., Harley Davidson) and have a safety inspection before they can be registered. If your motorcycle was shipped in your household goods, then you also need to make an appointment at the DMV to have your motorcycle inspected by customs. Motorcycle riders must also have a valid Basic Riders Course certificate.

For a list of Satellite City Halls please visit: <http://www.honolulu.gov/cms-csd-menu/site-csd-sitarticles/26204-services-and-locations>

If you have questions, please call (808) 257-0183 or visit PMO's Website:
<https://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Offices-Staff/Provost-Marshals-Office/>

Notes:

- If you are a spouse obtaining the vehicle permit/plates without the service member present, you must present a current Power of Attorney.
- It does become a little tricky when obtaining the permit and inspection. You cannot get one without the other, you will need to get your inspection done first.

Firearm Registration

All firearms, whether usable/unusable, serviceable/unserviceable, modern or antique, must be registered with the state of Hawaii within five (5) days after arrival of the person or firearm (whichever arrives later). For out-of-state residents you must take all firearms, in person, to the Firearms Office at the Main Police Station. There is a 14-day waiting period for out-of-state registration. You will need to bring the following with you when you register your firearm(s):

- A \$16.50 FBI fingerprinting fee. Cash only. Must be exact change.
 - *No matter how many times you've been fingerprinted before, you must have them done again when you're registering firearms in Hawaii.
- Valid photo identification
- The firearm(s) for inspection
- If you were born outside of the United States you will need to bring proof of citizenship.

For more information visit Honolulu PD's Website, or call (808) 723-3190.

If living on base, all weapons (rifles, shotguns, handguns, bows, etc.) must be registered with the Provost Marshal's Office (PMO). This can be done at building 1096.

ID/DEERS

The DEERS/RAPIDS office is in Bldg. 1044 and can be reached at (808) 257-2077. They are open Monday-Friday. Walk-ins are accepted from 0715-0900. Appointments only from 0900-1500, Thursday's appointments are from 0900-1400. For information or to make an appointment please visit: DEERS Appointments.

IPAC

The Installation Personnel Administration Center (IPAC) is in Bldg. 1043. For more information please visit: IPAC Website or call (808) 257-2400.

Legal Services

The Legal Services Support Team enhances the readiness of active duty and reserve personnel by providing quality legal services regarding criminal and administrative law matters as well as legal assistance to service members (both active duty and retired) and their dependents.

Base Legal is located at Bldg. 215 next to the base flagpole. They are open Monday- Friday from 0730-1700. They can be reached at the following numbers:

Legal Assistance: (808) 257-6738

Defense: (808) 257-7088

Trial Services: (808) 257-6749/6750

Administrative Law: (808) 257-6744/6743

For more information visit: <https://www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Offices-Staff/Legal-Services/Legal-Services-Support-Team/>

Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS)

Established in 1999, MCCS combines former Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs with Family Services programs to enhance the “Quality of Life” of the Marine Corps and Navy Family by providing quality services and activities. MCCS consists of Food & Hospitality, Semper Fit/Recreation, Retail and Services, Marine and Family Programs, and Support Divisions. Programs are offered to active-duty military personnel, retirees, family members, and DoD and NAFI employees. Use of MCCS programs and activities is limited to authorized patrons only. To see all that MCCS has to offer please visit www.mccshawaii.com

Information, Tickets, and Tours

Before you pay for any activity on island make sure you check out the Information, Tickets, and Travel Office (ITT) on MCBH, Camp Smith, Pearl Harbor, Hickam, Schofield Barracks or Fort Shafter. These offices offer discount tickets for military to activities such as dinner cruises, luaus, concerts, festivals, water activities, and even off island trips.

Information on each office is listed below. www.mccshawaii.com/itt

<https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/tickets-travel/tickets-tours>

<https://hawaii.armymwr.com>

Things to Do:

www.gohawaii.com

www.aloha-hawaii.com

www.hawaii-guide.com

www.honolulumagazine.com

Commissaries

MCBH Bldg. 6088, (808) 257-1463

Tues-Sun: 0900-1900, Mon: Closed

Pearl Harbor

4725 Bougainville Drive, (808) 471-8402

Daily: 0900-2100

Hickam

20 Hickam Ct, (808) 449-1363

Mon- Sun: 0800-2000

Schofield

698 Trimble Rd, (808) 655-5066

Mon-Sun: 0900-2000

Military Exchanges

MCBH:

Main MCX: Bldg. 6109, (808) 254-3890

Services: Clothing, housewares, jewelry, electronics, sporting goods

Pearl Harbor:

The Mall at Pearl Harbor: 4725 Bougainville Drive, (808) 423-3330

Services: Clothing, housewares, jewelry, cosmetics, electronics, sporting goods, office supplies

Home Gallery: 4888 Bougainville Drive, (808) 423-3375 Services: Furniture, mattresses

Major Appliance Center: Namur Drive, Bldg. 70, (808) 421-3583

Services: Washer, dryers, refrigerators, stoves, portable air conditioners Outdoor Living/Pet Stop: Bougainville Drive, (808) 423-3342

Services: Garden, patio, plastic storage, pets

Hickam:

Hickam Exchange: Bldg. 1232, (808) 423-1304

Services: Clothing, electronics, housewares, furniture, cosmetics, sporting goods, appliances, outdoor

Schofield:

Schofield Barracks Exchange: Bldg. 694, (808) 622-1773

Services: Clothing, electronics, housewares, furniture, cosmetics, sporting goods, appliances, outdoor

Church Facilities

If you are interested in attending church services, there are a wide variety of options for you on or near MCBH. The Base Chapel is located near the Commissary in Bldg. 6677.

The following worship services are offered:

Roman Catholic Mass: Sunday at 0930 and 1700

Christian Contemporary Service: Sunday at 1100

For more information call or for a list of local churches visit:

www.mcbhawaii.marines.mil/Departments/Chaplain.aspx

Hospitals/ Clinics

Naval Health Clinic Hawaii-

For more information, please visit the website at www.med.navy.mil/SITES/NHCH

Kaneohe Bay Clinic (MCBH)

Bldg. 6905- D Street. Central Appointment Line: (808) 257-3365

Makalapa Clinic (Pearl Harbor)-

Bldg. 1407, 1253 Makalapa Rd. Appointment Line: (808) 473-1880

Tripler Army Medical Center-

1 Jarrett White Road Honolulu, Hawaii Appointment Line: (808) 683-2778

For more information, please visit the website at www.tamc.amedd.army.mil

Castle Medical Center-

640 Ulukahiki Street Kaliua, HI 96734

(808) 263-5500 www.castlemed.com

Queens Medical Center-
1221 Punchbowl St. Honolulu, HI 96813
(808) 691-1000 www.queensmedicalcenter.net

Civilian Employment

There are several websites to aid civilians in finding a job in Hawaii.

www.usmc-mccs.org/careers
www.nafjobs.org
www.greatlifehawaii.com/jobs
www.usajobs.gov
www.hawaiijobsondemand.com
www.careerbuilder.com

Spouses who are listed on their sponsor's orders and are on island with them may be eligible for 'Spouse Preference' for certain positions with MWR/MCCS. For more details visit www.usmc-mccs.org/careers.

School Information

School Liaison Program:

The School Liaison Program (SLP) is in place to support and facilitate school transitions for Marine Corps families with school age children. They provide current information on educational service to help families make the best education decisions for their children. SLP can help answer questions related to the Hawaii Department of Education (DOE), Private Schools and Home Schooling. For more information about this program call (808)-257-2019 or visit www.mccshawaii.com/slp

Public School Information www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/MilitaryFamilies

Private School Information
www.hais.org (Hawaii Association for Independent Schools)

Children and Youth Programs

For all childcare facilities located on base you must enroll your child in the Children and Youth Program (CYP). CYP provides part-day and full-day childcare, and education for children six weeks through twelve years of age. Vacancies are filled by Resource and Referral from the MilitaryChildCare.com waiting list which varies in length by age and program. Families must register on the MilitaryChildCare.com waitlist for placement. For additional information on all programs, contact Resource and Referral at (808) 257-7430 or visit www.mccshawaii.com/cyp. Some programs include:

- Laulima Child Development Center (LCDC)

LCDC provides childcare for children six (6) weeks to five (5) years of age. Hours are 0600-1800 Monday – Friday. For more information call (808) 257-2038.

- Kupulau Child Development Center (KCDC)

KCDC provides full-day programs for children six (6) weeks to five (5) years of age and part-day programs for children three (3) years to five (5) years of age. The centers hours are 0600–1800, Monday – Friday. Call (808) 257-1388 for more information.

- Family Child Care (FCC)

FCC providers are certified individuals who provide care in their homes on base. They provide full-day, part-day and hourly childcare. The childcare providers are required to adhere to CYTP Standard of Operating Procedures and the Marine Corps Order. For a list of current providers call (808) 257-7430/7240. If you are interested in becoming a provider call (808) 257-7030.

- Kulia Youth and Teen Center

This building is home to the School Age Care (SAC) Program and The Teen Center. The SAC Program provides before and after school care to children from kindergarten through 6th grade. SAC also provides full day care on non-school days (excluding weekends and holidays). The Teen Center offers outstanding facilities and programs for base youth ages 10-17. For more information, please call them at (808) 257-7430 or visit them in Building 6753.

Note: Marine families have the same priority placement for the childcare waitlist at Pearl Harbor and Hickam Air Force Base. For more information call (808) 448-4396.

Pet Information

Bringing your pets to Hawaii can be very complicated. Below is information to guide you through this process. If you have questions, please contact your sponsor.

Hawaii's Pet Quarantine Process:

If you are relocating and you have pets state side and wish to bring them to MCBH you should know that there are stipulations to bringing pets on island. Hawaii is rabies-free, and its quarantine law is designed to protect residents and pets from potentially serious health problems associated with the introduction and spread of rabies. All dogs and cats, regardless of age (puppies and kittens included) or purpose, must comply with Hawaii's dog and cat import requirements. ALL pets will require a FAVN (Fluorescent Antibody Virus Neutralization) test which measures the response of an animal's immune system to the rabies vaccine. Their 2nd vaccination cannot be more than 30 days from your pet's arrival on island. They will also require flea and tick medication.

Under the quarantine program, pets must be quarantined for 30 days before they are released to their owner in Hawaii. This process can be completed entirely on the mainland if you follow the proper steps therefore allowing you to qualify for a 5-day-or-less quarantine program (which includes direct airport release). If your dog or cat does not meet the requirements for the 5-day-or-less program, they may have to be quarantined for up to 30 days upon arrival in Hawaii. If you complete all required paperwork/checklist items on time you will be able to have a direct airport release for your pet. The fee for that is \$185-\$244. Owners are responsible for paying all costs during the quarantine process (over \$400 for 30-day quarantine on island). Documents required for your pets include (but not limited to) the Domestic Travel Certificate and the Dog & Cat Import Form. If you are completing a PCS from a major Marine Corps installation (Camp Pendleton, Camp Lejeune, etc...) you can receive these from the base animal clinic. If you go to a clinic off base, ensure the veterinarian who signs off on these documents is a USDA accredited veterinarian. Ensure it is signed off in blue ink.

Prohibited Animals: Non-domestic dogs and cats and hybrids (such as wolf, wolf cross, Dingo, Bengal, Savannah, etc.) are prohibited under Plant Quarantine (PQ) law. Refer to Plant Quarantine's animal guidelines for importation.

Puppies and Kittens: Due to the minimum amount of time needed to prepare a puppy or kitten to meet the requirements of the 5-Day-Or-Less program, a puppy or kitten will be about 10 months of age by the time the preparations are completed. Puppies and kittens not able to meet all the requirements for the 5-Day-Or-Less program will be quarantined for up to 30 days.

Contact Info:

Hawaii Department of Agriculture Animal Quarantine Station

99-951 Halawa Valley Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701-5602

E-mail: rabiesfree@hawaii.gov

Website: <http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/aqs/animal-quarantine-information-page>

Transporting Pets to Hawaii:

Many airlines will allow you to bring your pet onboard as long as they can fit in a carrier under your seat or are a service animal. Larger animals must be flown in the cargo section. Make sure your animal carrier meets FAA requirements, your animal has all necessary information along with food/water attached to their carrier, and that you have a copy of your pet's current Health Certificate. Ensure the size of your kennel is the correct size. Airlines will not allow your pet to fly in a kennel that is too small. Most will verify this by having your pet lay down completely. Their paws are not allowed to touch the edges of the kennel. If any questions on this, contact your airline (some airlines will allow you to bring the kennel to the airport to verify the correct size). While you may want to sedate your pet during travel, most airlines advise against it. Check with your veterinarian to see if it is a good option for you.

Certain airlines may enforce pet embargos to Hawaii. If the temperature at the origin, transit or destination is forecasted to be 85 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer they may not transport your pet or they may limit the number of animals allowed on each flight. Each airline is equipped to handle pets differently. Some may put them in basic cargo while others are equipped with climate-controlled areas specifically for animals. Do your research to see which airline is best for you. It is important to call the airline directly to book a flight for your pet--do not book it online. Also, if you are qualifying for Direct Airport Release your flight must arrive to Honolulu (HNL) before 2pm.

Many service members utilize pet moving companies like Island Pet Movers or PCS My Pet, who move pets to Hawaii for a fee. While these services can be expensive, it may be a good option to reduce the stress of moving animals through airline and government regulations.

- Island Pet Movers- info@islandpetmovers.com
- PCS My Pet-PCSMYPET.COM

Pets While in Temporary Lodging:

The Lodge aboard MCBH and the Navy Lodge both have a few rooms that are designated "pet rooms," allowing your pet to stay with you in the room.

The Lodge on MCBH- (808) 254-2806

Navy Lodge- (808) 440-2290

The Inn at Schofield allows no aggressive breeds under 100 pounds for a daily fee (based off the animal's weight). Their number is (808) 624-9650.

Only a few hotels on Oahu allow pets. If you must stay in a hotel with your pet, check with the hotel at the time of booking to confirm their pet policy. It is recommended that you book these rooms over the phone as their websites may no longer be accurate.

Pets on MCBH:

Pit Bull, Rottweiler, canid/wolf hybrid, or any canine breed with dominant traits of aggression present an unreasonable risk to the health and safety of personnel are prohibited in family housing areas. Consequently, full or mixed breeds of Pit Bull, Rottweiler, and canid/wolf hybrids are prohibited aboard Marine Corps installations. In the absence of formal breed identification (e.g., certification by a civilian organization such as the American Kennel Club) a determination of "majority breed" will be made by a Veterinary Corps Officer (VCO) or a civilian veterinarian.

Breeding of dogs or cats, whether intentional or accidental, is expressly prohibited aboard Marine Corps installations. No more than two (2) pets are allowed per household on MCBH.

All pets must be registered with the Base Game Warden within two days of arrival on base. You must have your pet registered with the City and County of Honolulu before you can complete registration with the Game Warden. For more information, please visit www.mccshawaii.com/veterinary.

Veterinary Clinics:

Veterinary Treatment Facilities are offered on MCBH, Fort Shafter, Hickam and Schofield Barracks. These facilities offer routine vaccinations, annual exams, minor sick calls, and also sell preventative medication for pets within their care. Call one of their offices to schedule an appointment.

MCBH- (808) 257-3643

Fort Shafter- (808) 438-5231

Hickam- (808) 449-6481

Schofield Barracks- (808) 655-5893

For information for off-base vet clinics, pet lodging and registering you pets on base visit www.mccshawaii.com/veterinary.

Kenneling your Pet:

Army MWR operates a Pet Kennel on Oahu. They offer 174 covered dog kennels, 19 cat kennels, grassy lawns and large exercise areas. Rates start at \$14 per night. Call (808) 368-3456 or visit <http://www.himwr.com/recreation-and-leisure/fmwr-pet-kennels> for more information.

Mall Directory

Ala Moana Center- www.alamoanacenter.com

1450 Ala Moana Boulevard Honolulu, HI 96814

Monday-Saturday: 0930-2100, Sunday: 1000-1900

Kahala Mall- www.kahalamallcenter.com

4211 Waialae Avenue, Suite 33 Honolulu, HI 96816

Monday-Saturday: 1000-2100, Sunday: 1000-1800

Pearlridge Center - www.pearlridgeonline.com

98-1005 Moanalua Rd, Aiea, HI 96701

Monday-Saturday: 1000-2100, Sunday: 1000-1800

Ward Center- www.wardvillageshops.com

1240 Ala Moana Blvd. Ste 601 Honolulu, HI 96814

Monday-Thursday: 1000-2200, Friday & Saturday: 1000-2100, Sunday: 1000-1800

Windward Mall- www.windwardmall.com

46-056 Kamehameha Highway, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Monday-Saturday: 1000-2100, Sunday: 1000-1800

Waikale Premium Outlets- www.premiumoutlets.com

Lumiaina Street, Waipahu HI 96797

Monday-Saturday: 0900-2100, Sunday: 1000-1800

Tips on the Hawaiian Language

The Hawaiian alphabet is as follows: A, E, I, O, U, H, K, L, M, N, P, and W

There are four basic rules in the Hawaiian Language:

- All words end in a vowel
- Every consonant is followed by at least one vowel
- Every syllable ends in a vowel
- Two consonants never appear next to each other

To pronounce the word, break each word into single syllable chunks. For example, *hula* is pronounced 'who-lah'.

Traditionally the W in Hawaiian sounds like a V. For example, the traditional pronunciation of *Hawai'i* is 'huh-vi-ee' rather than 'huh-why-ee'. *Ewa* Beach is pronounced 'eh-vah' not 'ee-wah'.

You will often notice what appears to be a backward apostrophe in the middle of a word. This marking is known as an *okina*. An *okina* denotes a glottal stop, meaning you pronounce both vowels it is sandwiched between. For example, when pronouncing the island of Lana'i, you would verbalize both the 'a' and the 'i' for a pronunciation of 'lah-na-ee'. An *incorrect* pronunciation is 'lah-nai', which in the Hawaiian language means porch and is spelled *lanai*.

Aloha (ah-LOW-ha) Hello, goodbye, or an expression of affection

Haole (HOW-ley) A mainlander, or Caucasian

Hula (WHO-lah) The dance of Hawaii

Kama'aina (Kah-ma-EYE-na) Native islander

Kane (KAH-knee) A man or boy

Kapu (KAH-poo) Sacred, taboo, forbidden, no trespassing

Keiki (KAY-key) Child, offspring, or children

Lanai (lah-NIGH) A porch, patio, or balcony

Lei (lay) A necklace of flowers, leaves, shells, feathers, etc

Luau (LEW-ow) Means young taro tops but used for a Hawaiian feast

Mahalo (mah-HAH-low) Thanks, gratitude

Malihini (mah-lee-HEE-knee) A stranger, foreigner, tourist, etc.

Mele (MAY-lay) song, chant, to sing

Ohana (oh-HAH-nah) Family or relative

Ono (OH-no) Delicious or tasty, also a large mackerel type fish

Pali (PAH-lee) Cliff, a steep hill or slope

Poi (poy) A paste made from pounded taro root

Pupu (poo-poo) Snacks or appetizers

Wahine (wah-HEE-nay) Woman, lady

Aloha Ahiahi (Aloha ahee ahee) Good evening

E komo mai (Ee-ko-mo-my) Welcome, come in

Hau'oli la hanau (How-oh-lee la haw-now) Happy Birthday

Hau'oli la ho'omana'o (how-oh-lee la ho-oh-ma-na-oh) Happy Anniversary

Mahalo nui loa (mah-HAW-low new-ee-lowa) Thank you very much