

**MARINE CORPS AIR STATION IWAKUNI, JAPAN
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT
MILITARY HOUSING DIVISION**

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subj: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNACCEPTABLE REASONS FOR REFUSING HOUSING (ON OR OFF BASE HOUSING) FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONTINUING TLA

Reference: III MEF/MCIPAC-MCBBO 7220.1A

1. The following list provides some common reasons cited for refusing available housing. These reasons are not acceptable for the purpose of continuing TLA entitlement. This list consists of only the most common unacceptable reasons cited in previous claims; therefore, it is not all encompassing.
 - a. Housing is too small. Most local housing is smaller than American homes. **The qualifying factor is if the dwelling has an adequate number of bedrooms for the size of the family.** Bedroom requirement are detailed below:

Number of Dependents (Excluding Spouse)	Bedrooms
None	1
Two, except as follows:	2
One 10 years or older	3
One 6 years or older; other two of the opposite sex with one 6 years or older	3
Three, except as follows:	3
Two of the three are 10 years or older	3
One 10 years or older; other two of the opposite sex with one 6 years or older	4
Four, except as follows:	3
One 10 years or older	4
One 6 years or older; other three opposite sex with one 6 years or older	4
Two 6 years or older, of opposite sex, and other two same sex	4
Two 10 years or older, other two opposite sex, with one 6 years or older	4
Five, except as follows:	4
Two or more 10 years or older	5
One 10 years or older, one 6 years or older and opposite sex of the other three	5
Notes:	
1. Assign one bedroom to member or member with spouse. Dependent family members married to each other (dependent parents of member or member's spouse) are entitled to one bedroom.	
2. If inventory permits, assign one child per bedroom.	
3. No child may share a bedroom with parents.	
4. No more than two children may share a bedroom, except with the CO, MCAS Iwakuni approval.	
5. A child 6 years or older may not share a bedroom with a child of the opposite sex.	
6. Children over 10 years old may not share a bedroom.	
7. Dependents attending high school and college full-time away from member's duty station are counted as dependents for bedroom requirements only if listed on PCS orders.	

- b. Housing not located near a DoD school bus stop.
- c. Housing too far from a spouse's place of employment.
- d. Housing is dirty. The government (on-base) or the landlord (off-base) is required to clean the dwelling to the standard that it will pass the Housing Office's inspection. If the home does not meet cleanliness standards it should be reported to the Housing Office.

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- e. Housing is too far from the Service Member's place of work. See commuting distance definition.
 - f. Too noisy. If it is government housing or off-base housing that passed the Housing Office inspection, it is considered adequate.
2. *I hereby acknowledge that I have been advised of and read the above conditions with regard to the entitlement to unacceptable reasons for refusing housing (on or off base) for the purposes of continuing TLA.*

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