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NAVBASE SAN DIEGO INSTRUCTION 5565.1A

Subj: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES PROHIBITING OFFENSIVE BUMPER STICKERS OR OTHER INAPPROPRIATE VEHICULAR DISPLAYS WHILE ON BOARD NAVAL BASE SAN DIEGO (NBSD)

Ref: (a) DOD Directive 1325.6
(b) Navy Regulations (1990)
(c) U.S.C Title 18, Section 1382
(d) OPNAVINST 11200.5D

1. Purpose. To promulgate and implement policies and procedures to prohibit offensive bumper stickers or other inappropriate vehicular displays while on board NBSD per reference (a).
2. Cancellation. NAVSTASDIEGOINST 5565.1.
3. Scope. This instruction is applicable to all individuals, military and civilian, who enter or attempt to enter NBSD.
4. Policy. Military installations have a responsibility to present a proud and professional appearance that will reflect positively on the Navy, our community and country. To this end, a service members' inherent right of expression must be balanced with the Installation Commanding Officer (ICO) need to ensure good order and discipline.
5. Responsibilities. Per references (a) through (c), the Commanding Officer may act to avert what is perceived to be a clear and present danger to the loyalty, discipline or morale of troops on the base under his/her command. Proper enforcement of these interests will require the support of tenant Commanding Officers, Officers in Charge and Directors.
6. Action. In meeting this objective, prohibition of offensive bumper stickers or other vehicular displays will be governed by the following considerations:
 - a. Bumper stickers or other vehicular displays that are prejudicial to good order, discipline and morale, or are of a nature deemed by the ICO to bring discredit upon the Naval service are prohibited. For example, bumper stickers or other vehicular displays that are sexually explicit, and/or advocate

unlawful discrimination based on sex, race, religion, ethnic or national origin are prohibited. In addition, bumper stickers or other vehicular displays that symbolize affiliation with gangs, supremacist or extremist groups, or advocate illegal drug use are prohibited.

b. Vehicles displaying such bumper stickers or other displays on or in their vehicle will not be allowed access to NBSD.

c. Individuals who have such items displayed on or in their vehicle may, if they wish, remove or adequately cover the offensive display to gain access to installation.

d. Vehicles found on board NBSD in violation of this prohibition may be cited and impounded per reference (d).

7. Authority. Violators of this instruction may be issued a base traffic citation, administratively barred from entering NBSD and subject to other appropriate administrative actions. This instruction is not punitive in nature.



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