



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE**  
HEADQUARTERS 7TH BOMB WING (ACC)  
DYESS AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

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MEMORANDUM FOR DYESS AFB PERSONNEL

FROM: 7 BW/CC

SUBJECT: Dyess AFB Youth Supervision Procedures Letter (S/S Previous Memo Dated: 28 Sep 12)

1. The Department of Defense requires all military departments to develop policy under which children residing on or in a DoD facility or installation can be left alone to care for themselves. The attached Dyess AFB Youth Supervision Policy applies to all children of Active Duty Military assigned to Dyess AFB. If your family resides off-base, please refer to the Texas State Law at the following web site: [https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Child\\_Protection/About\\_Child\\_Protective\\_Service](https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Child_Protection/About_Child_Protective_Service)
2. It is imperative that all Dyess AFB personnel and family members understand their responsibilities under the base Youth Supervision Policy. The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) will utilize this policy as a guideline for evaluating allegations of supervisory neglect. Reported failure to comply with Youth Supervision Policy will result in a child maltreatment assessment by the FAP. All violations are to be reported to the 7 SFS at 696-2131 or FAP at 696-5380.
3. Curfew hours on Dyess AFB for juveniles aged 17 and under is 2300 (11 p.m.) to 0500 (5 a.m.) everyday. Exception: for juveniles departing the Dyess Youth Center or any other location hosting a DAFB-sanctioned function concluding after 2300. Individual(s) will proceed directly to place of residence. Any deviation will constitute a violation. See DAFB Supplement 1 to AFI 31-201, *Security Police Standards and Procedures*, for detailed guidance.
4. Please assist us in providing the appropriate supervision to ensure a safe environment for your child. Questions concerning the policy on baby-sitting and home alone training should be directed to the Dyess Youth Center at 696-4797. Questions concerning the Dyess AFB Youth Supervision Policy should be directed to Mr. Douglas Carey, Chief, Airman and Family Services Flight, 696-4301.

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## DYESS AFB Youth Supervision Policy

Age of Child	Left without Sitter in Quarters for 2 Hours or Less	Left Without Sitter in Quarters for More than 2 Hours	Left Alone Overnight	Outside Unattended (to include playing)	Left in Car Unattended	Child Sit Sibling	Child Sit Others
Newborn - Age 4	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age 5 – Age 6	No	No	No	Yes; playground or yard with immediate access (visual sight or hearing distance) to adult supervision. *** At age 6, children may walk to and from school.	No	No	No
Age 7 – Age 9	No	No	No	Yes; with access to adult supervision*** Except children may walk to and from school.	No	No	No
Age 10 – Age 11	Yes; with ready access (phone number to an adult supervisor). */***	No	No	Yes	Yes; except in hot weather; keys removed and handbrake applied.	No	No
Age 12 – Age 14	Yes*	Yes; until midnight with ready access (phone number to an adult supervisor).*/***	No	Yes	Yes	Yes**	Yes**
Age 15 – Age 17	Yes	Yes	Yes; minors age 16 may be left alone when parent is in local area (on duty, on base, working off base in local area) with ready access to adult supervision; phone number to parent or adult supervisor.	Yes	Yes	Yes**	Yes**
Age 18	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Note: The ages specified are the minimum ages and are based on the child's level of maturity and ability to demonstrate age-appropriate behavior. Children who do not consistently demonstrate age-appropriate behavior should not be given the same level of responsibilities as children who do. In all instances above where a "yes" is indicated, the parent is responsible for using reasonable judgment. Additional consideration should be given for children who have special needs (physical, emotional or educational). The parent still retains responsibility for any preventable incident or mishap.

\*Home-alone training by youth center source or source required / \*\*Red Cross baby-sitting training or equivalent is required  
\*\*\*Adult supervision: defined as someone who has, or assumes, responsibility for the child, e.g., parent, guardian, care provider or friend.

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