

**Q1.) Why is the Navy eliminating the requirement for vehicle decals?**

**A1.)** Since Sept. 11, 2001, 100 percent I.D. card checks have been implemented at all DoD installations. Authorization to access any DoD installation is based on verification of a valid credential or I.D. card. Vehicle decals were used to ensure vehicles on Navy installations complied with state requirements for vehicle registration and insurance. State programs have become more uniform and efficient and uniform, eliminating one of the main reasons for vehicle decals.

Other issues prompting the change in policy include: Expense in administering the program; decals being moved from vehicle to vehicle and are easily counterfeited and cars sold to non-DON personnel with current decal still attached, all posed additional security risks to Navy installations.

**Q2.) Will this elimination change the requirement for proper licensing and registration for personnel entering the installation?**

**A2.)** Persons using privately- owned vehicles on Navy installations will still be required to meet state and local requirements including valid insurance, vehicle safety inspections, registration, proof of motorcycle safety training (where applicable), etc.

**Q3.) When will the elimination of these decals take place?**

**A3.)** The elimination of the requirement for base decals will be effective 1 July 2013.

**Q4.) How will this affect contractors coming on the base?**

**A4.)** Contractors are managed separately. Contractors either receive a temporary pass for a one trip visit or they register under the Navy Commercial Access Control System that provides background checks and periodic reviews to allow them to be issued an annual valid credential for access to Navy installations for official business.

**Q5.) Will this affect visiting procedures?**

**A5.)** No. Visitors will continue to use the normal visitor procedures established by the installation commanding officer.

**Q6.) What should drivers do with the decals currently on their cars once the change is implemented?**

**A6.)** For frequent visitors to installations requiring decals, the current decal may be left on the vehicle until the expiration date. Otherwise, it is recommended that the decal be removed.

**Q7.) How will the elimination of decals affect security on Navy installations?**

**A7.)** In addition to our policy of conducting random Anti-terrorism checks, we will conduct command authorized administrative checks, similar to the way security departments conduct Driving-Under-the-Influence checks. These administrative checks will check identification, vehicle licensing, etc. We will also continue to rely on the assistance of the military community to report suspicious or abandoned cars, etc.

**Q8.) Without the vehicle decal, how will security identify individuals who are eligible to park in reserved parking spaces (CO, CMC, 06, Flag Officer, etc.)?**

**A8.)** Parking will be managed at the local level using a CNIC- generated template based on current color coding system (Blue: Officers; Red: Enlisted; Green: DON Civilians). The template provides for some standardization at all CNIC installations, but allows for minor changes to accommodate unique local circumstances.

**Q9.) How will I be able to enter military bases that require decals if I don't have a vehicle decal?**

**A9.)** This depends on the requirements of that particular service. You may be required to obtain a visitor's pass. If you frequently visit installations that still require decals, you may wish to check and see if that installation will allow you to register your vehicle (and obtain a decal) for that particular base.

**Q10.) Will commissioned officers still be saluted?**

**A10.)** Yes. After checking the I.D. card, the active duty Sailor gate sentry will render the proper salute, assuming traffic conditions and force protection conditions permit. As done currently, Navy Civilian Police and Guards will render appropriate respect and deference.

**Q11.) How will Clean Air Act Requirements for Privately Owned Vehicles be verified?**

**A11.)** Compliance with Clean Air Act requirements for Privately Owned Vehicles will be verified upon registration of the vehicle on-base in the Consolidated Law Enforcement Operations Center (CLEOC). The length of registration is determined by the length of time the state the installation is physically located in requires emission checks. At the end of that time the individual and their supervisor will be sent an e-mail notice for the individual to re-register their vehicle with their emissions certificate. Additionally Clean Air Act requirements will be verified by periodic administrative checks utilizing the Selective Traffic Enforcement and Random Antiterrorism Programs (STEP and RAM) where it will be verified that they are registered in CLEOC.