

FORT LEE ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE
FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Guide to Supervise Your Child

Guidance from the FORT LEE (FL) REGULATION 608-1, April 2017

**** Children defined as having special needs as defined in AR 608-75, their disability is the primary factor in determining the need for supervision. Age is a secondary factor.**

HOME ALONE?

Birth to 5th Grade - NEVER (Direct supervision at all times)

Grades 6 - (must be at least 11 yrs old) 2 consecutive hours (monitored)

Grades 7 & 8 - Up to 4 consecutive hours (self-care)

Grades 9 & 10 - Up to 6 consecutive hours (self-care)

Grades 11 & 12 - Up to 10 consecutive hours (Ages 16 & 17) (self-care)

***Children age 16 - 17 may be under self-care overnight in their assigned quarters

Overnight defined - 2200-0600 Sunday-Thursday & 2300-0500 Friday and Saturday

BABYSITTING?

Birth - 12 years old - NEVER

Age 13 and over (child's maturity level determined to be adequate by parent)

For additional guidance, Please refer to Appendix A of FL Regulation 608-1

UNATTENDED OUTSIDE?

A finding of neglect is usually appropriate in any situation where a child, under the age of 11, is left unattended (or left attended by a child under the age of 13) for an inappropriate amount of time.

•**Direct supervision at all times:** Adult supervision on a regular basis during out of school hours during parental duty day.

•**Monitored:** An adult is aware of child's location and activities during out of school hours. An emergency contact is available at all times.

•**Self-Care:** Parents assess child's ability to be in self-care.

For more information about the Home Alone Policy, contact your local Army Community Service, Family Advocacy Program at (804)734-7585/6381 or DSN 687-7585/6381.

