

Deployment Checklist-Tips for Military Spouses

Deployment Checklist

General

- ✓ Attend mobilization meetings and take notes
- ✓ Know the exact name of unit
- ✓ Know the names and ranks of chain of command
- ✓ Have a copy of your service member's orders
- ✓ Know service member's travel itinerary
- ✓ Know service member's full name, social security number, and complete military address
- ✓ Have emergency plans in place

Your Finances

- ✓ Plan ahead
- ✓ Discuss what and when bills are due, where receipts are kept, etc.
- ✓ Have enough saved
- ✓ Create family budget

Around the House

- ✓ Extra set of car keys
- ✓ List of repair persons to call
- ✓ Location of utility (water/electricity/gas) shut off valves
- ✓ Know your neighbors

Family Matters

- ✓ Child care plan
- ✓ Elder care plan
- ✓ Emergency plan for pets

Legal Affairs

- ✓ Have Will
- ✓ Have Power of Attorney
- ✓ Have Military I.D.

Communications

- ✓ Pre-addressed, stamped post cards, pens
- ✓ Seek counseling if necessary

Red Cross

- ✓ Know how to contact your local American Red Cross
- ✓ Know name of local Red Cross
- ✓ Know address of local Red Cross
- ✓ Know telephone numbers

Duty hours

After-duty hours