**Parking Permit**

The current agreement between the Government of Japan (GOJ) and U. S. Forces Japan (USFJ) are as follows:

Anyone who lives within 2 km of any military installation, including tank farms and communication sites, may claim their custody parking spot as “on base” and therefore will not require parking certification.

*“Effective 1 Sep 2004, in accordance with Japanese law, SOFA personnel living off-base, in certain townships are required to have “Parking Certification” in order to register a vehicle. Anyone who has a vehicle registered prior to 1 Sep 2004 is not required to have parking certification. Not all townships require the parking certification. All cities (Shi), towns (Cho), and villages (Son) Kitanakagusuku, Nakagusuku, and Ozato require a parking certification and permit sticker. The law states that a vehicle owner, in a town that requires it, must certify a custody parking space within 2 km of their “base of usage” (normally their residence).”*

Be aware that if you live in a township that requires parking certification and you live within 2 km of a military installation and you choose to claim your residence as your custody parking space, then you must obtain parking certification.

For help in determining if you live within the 2 km zone or obtaining parking certification, see your local housing office.

If you desire more information and/or clarification on if you need a parking certification, you can contact the Kadena AFB Housing Office at DSN (315) 634-0582/3.

Contact the Joint Services Vehicle Registration Office at DSN (315) 645-7481/3963 or e-mail to [jsvro.mcbb.fct@usmc.mil](mailto:jsvro.mcbb.fct@usmc.mil).