

YOUTH SUPERVISION GUIDELINES FOR MCCONNELL AFB

Note: The ages specified are the maximum ages and are based on the child’s development and level of functioning. Children who do not consistently demonstrate age-appropriate behavior or have a medical condition that affects capability or decision making should not be given the same degree of responsibilities. In all instances below where a “yes” is indicated, the parent is responsible for using reasonable judgment based on child development and for any incident or mishap (not considered preventable) which occurs.

Age of Child	Left w/o sitter in quarters for 2 hours or less	Left w/o sitter in quarters for more than 2 hours	Left alone overnight	Outside unattended (to include playing)	Left unattended in car	Child sit siblings	Child sit others
Newborn thru Age 4	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Age 5 Thru Age 6	NO	NO	NO	YES: ***Playground or yard with immediate access (visual sight or hearing distance) to adult supervision	NO	NO	NO
Age 7 Thru Age 9	NO	NO: *Age 9 may walk alone to and from school / youth programs	NO	YES: *** With access to adult assistance.	YES: Except in hot weather; keys removed and handbrake applied; 15 min in other weather, adult within sight	NO	NO
Age 10 Thru Age 11	YES: *With ready access to phone number of an adult supervisor	NO: Age 10 * Age 11 only with access to adult assistance for no more than 2 hours	NO	YES	YES: Keys removed and parking brake applied	YES: Age 11 */**or 6 th grade minimum, 2 hours maximum	NO
Age 12 Thru Age 14	YES	YES: *During daytime hours before curfew, NO after curfew	NO: */**Children 14 or freshman in high school may be left alone overnight; without access to adult supervision; sponsor must be in local area	YES	YES	YES*	Yes: ** 12 yrs of age or a 7 th grade minimum
Age 15 Thru High School Graduation	YES	YES	YES: */** Minors age 16 or older may be left alone for short TDY or leave, not to exceed 5 consecutive days. Must have some type of adult supervision available to make periodic checks	YES	YES	YES**	YES**

*Home Alone tip sheet can be provided by Family Advocacy Office or Youth Center.

**Baby-sitting training or equivalent can be received through American Red Cross or other source.

***Adult supervision is defined as someone who has or assumes responsibility for the child: e.g., parent, guardian, care provider, or friend.