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Gift Guide

With the holiday season fast approaching, it is important to remember that special rules apply to gift-giving in the military. Here are some guidelines about what qualifies as a gift, how much a gift can cost, and when you can accept a gift.

What Is A Gift?

What counts as a gift?

Gifts are any gratuity, favor, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other item having monetary value. It also includes services, like training, transportation, local travel, and lodgings and meals, whether they are provided in kind, by ticket, payment in advance, or reimbursement.

What does not count as a gift?

- Coffee, donuts and similar modest items of food and refreshments when they are not part of a meal.
- Greeting cards and items of little intrinsic value (plaques, certificates, etc.).
- Rewards and prizes in contests open to the public.
- Commercial discounts available to the public or to all government or military personnel. It does NOT apply to any discounts based on rank or position.

General Rules About Gift Acceptance

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You can accept:

- Gifts of \$20 or less (and no more than \$50 worth of gifts from any one source per year).
- Gifts based on a personal relationship.

Bottom line: Always ask yourself — would accepting this gift undermine, or appear to undermine, government integrity?

Reminder About Social Media and Politics

You **MAY**:

-Express your personal opinions through social media platforms. If, when expressing your personal opinion, you are identifiable as a military member, then you must clearly and prominently state that the views you express are your own and not the views of the Air Force/Defense Department.

-“Like” or “follow” a political party or candidate.

You **MAY NOT**:

-comment, post, or link to material that violates the UCMJ, DoDD 1344.10, AFI 51-902, etc. This includes, but is not limited to, contemptuous speech or material harmful to good order and discipline.

-Post or make links to a political party, partisan candidate, etc. because it is the equivalent of distributing literature on behalf of those entities or individuals.

-Post or comment on the Facebook pages or “tweet” at the Twitter accounts of a political party, partisan candidate, etc. because it is engaging in a partisan political activity through a medium sponsored or controlled by said entity.

-Suggest that others “like,” “friend,” or “follow” the political entity.

BE SAFE FOR THE HOLIDAYS!!!

Avoid putting yourself in a compromising situation! **Always** have a plan if you decide to drink. **Always** have a designated driver in your group. **Always** look out for your Wingmen!

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