§ 635.31 Lost, abandoned, or unclaimed property.

This is personal property that comes into the possession, custody, or control of the Army and is unclaimed by the owner. Property is considered to be abandoned only after diligent effort has been made to determine and locate its owner, the heir, next of kin, or legal representative. A military person who is ordered overseas and is unable to dispose of their personal property should immediately notify their chain-of-command. The commander will appoint a board to rule on the disposition of the property. If a law enforcement agency takes custody of the property it will be tagged and a record made as shown in paragraph (a) of this section. A report will be made to the installation commander who will take action in accordance with DOD 4160.21–M, chapter 4, paragraph 40, Defense Materiel Disposition Manual. Pending board action under DOD 4160.21–M, the law enforcement agency having physical custody is responsible for the safekeeping of seized property. The following procedures should be used:

(a) Property will be tagged using DA Form 4002 (Evidence/Property Tag) or clearly identified by other means, inventoried, and made a matter of record. These records are kept by the custodian of the property.

(b) Lost, abandoned, or unclaimed property will be kept in a room or container separate from one used to store property held as evidence. Records or logs of property not held as evidence will be separated from those pertaining to evidence. However, all property will be tagged, accounted for, and receipted for in a similar manner as evidence.

(c) Property that has been properly identified through board action under DOD 4160.21–M as having an owner will be segregated and tagged with the name of that person.

(d) Abandoned or unclaimed property will be held until its status can be determined. In many instances, lost property can be returned to the owner upon presentation of proof of ownership.

(e) In all cases, a receipt should be obtained at time of release.

Subpart D—Army Quarterly Trends and Analysis Report

§ 635.32 General.

(a) This subpart prescribes policies and procedures for the coordination and standardization of crime statistics reporting with HQDA. Crime statistical reports and trends provided to HQDA and other agencies and those related to special interests inquiries, the media, and the public must reflect uniformity in terminology, methods of presentation, and statistical portrayal to preclude misinterpretation of information.

(b) Any report containing Army-wide aggregate crime data or statistics addressed to the Secretary of the Army, Chief of Staff of the Army, or Vice Chief of Staff of the Army will be coordinated and cleared with HQDA, Office of the Provost Marshal General (DAPM–MPD–LE). Correspondence and reports will be coordinated with HQDA, Office of the Provost Marshal General (DAPM–MPD–LE) prior to release to any agency, activity, or individual.

(c) HQDA staff agencies ACOM, ASCC and DRU authorized by regulation or statute to conduct independent investigations, audits, analyses, or inquiries need not coordinate reported information with HQDA, Office of the Provost
Subpart E—Victim and Witness Assistance Procedures

§ 635.34 General.

(a) This subpart implements procedures to provide assistance to victims and witnesses of crimes that take place on Army installations and activities. The procedures in this subpart apply to—

(1) Every victim and witness.

(2) Violations of the UCMJ, including crimes assimilated under the Assimilative Crimes Act reported to or investigated by military police.

(3) Foreign nationals employed or visiting on an Army installation OCONUS.

(b) Provost Marshal/Director of Emergency Services personnel should refer to AR 27–10, Chapter 18, for additional policy guidance on the Army Victim/Witness Program.

§ 635.35 Procedures.

(a) As required by Federal law, Army personnel involved in the detection, investigation, and prosecution of crimes must ensure that victims and witnesses rights are protected. Victim’s rights include—

(1) The right to be treated with fairness, dignity, and a respect for privacy.

(2) The right to be reasonably protected from the accused offender.

(3) The right to be notified of court proceedings.

(4) The right to be present at all public court proceedings related to the offense, unless the court determines that testimony by the victim would be materially affected if the victim heard other testimony at trial, or for other good cause.

(5) The right to confer with the attorney for the Government in the case.

(6) The right to restitution, if appropriate.

(7) The right to information regarding conviction, sentencing, imprisonment, and release of the offender from custody.

(b) In keeping with the requirements listed in paragraph (a) of this section, Provost Marshals/Directors of Emergency Services must ensure that—