



War Relocation Authority

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Myer Announces Rules Covering
Permits to Leave WRA Centers

Procedures through which individual American citizens of Japanese ancestry and their families may obtain permits to leave relocation centers to accept jobs have been announced by Dillon P. Myer, National Director of the War Relocation Authority.

The procedures were announced through an official instruction sent to WRA officials.

Permission to leave relocation centers will be granted only to American-born persons who never have lived in Japan or attended School there.

A resident of a relocation center who has a definite offer of a job outside of the center and outside of the Western Defense Command—which includes Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Idaho and Montana—may apply to the director of the center for a permit.

If there are dependent members of the family the applicant will state what plans have been made for taking care of those who will accompany him and for those who will remain in the relocation center.

Permission to leave the relocation center will be granted by the National Director of WRA, after obtaining full information as to the loyalty of the person applying and the nature of the employment offered. The national director will make necessary arrangements with the prospective employer to insure satisfactory working conditions, and also will communicate with local officials in the community where the applicant will live.

The permit to leave the relocation center will be issued by the director of the center. Under the terms as outlined, the war relocation authority will provide transportation to the nearest railroad or bus station, and the traveler will arrange for and pay for all other transportation required.

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Persons interested in such permits should submit a written application and one copy of the application, in accordance with the terms set forth in the foregoing, to their block manager, who will transmit requests to W.R. Smith, Director of the Gila River War Relocation Project.