

DISPOSITION OF ARMY EQUIPMENT

Technically the ARMY owns all equipment veterans organizations have in their possession...FOREVER!

That includes but is not limited to...all former Army/Military equipment - Sherman tanks, UH-1 helicopters, etc - not just ceremonial rifles.

If you have questions about disposition of any equipment from closed or merged VFW Posts is Rebecca Chodynieski; her telephone number is 586-574-6182.

To All Departments,

We have had a few inquiries from Departments on what to do with rifles and other donated equipment that was obtained through the United States Army TACOM Life Cycle Management Command once a Post charter is revoked. Below is some information that may be of assistance to you and the Post.

DISPOSITION OF DONATED RIFLES

- a. If for any reason it may become necessary for the Post to dispose of or to return donated rifles, disposition instructions must be requested, in writing, from the *Post Commander, Adjutant, or Quartermaster*, to TACOM, Attn: AMSTA-LC-LSMD, M/S: 419, 6501 East 11 Mile Road, Warren, Michigan 48397-5000. NEVER return any weapons to TACOM.
- b. Shipping costs for the return of rifles is at the expense of the Post.
- c. The Post is provided with the information to return the rifles with receipt requested to Anniston, Alabama. Two known carriers who can ship weapons are the U.S. Postal Service or UPS. Please contact them to get their requirements for returning the rifles. The organization may have to go through a licensed gun dealer to have the rifles packaged and sent to Anniston Army Depot. Let the carrier know the rifles are Army property and are being returned to an US Army depot. NEVER return any weapons to TACOM. The Army does not endorse any specific mail carrier. Therefore, you can choose any, but please ensure you comply with local and state laws.
- d. A copy of the serial numbers for the rifles along with a document number assigned by TACOM should be listed and packed in the box. If the rifles are split into more than one box, this information should be included in all of the boxes.
- e. After Anniston receives the rifles, and they return the receipt to you, make a copy and send the receipt along with a list of the returned rifles to TACOM. They will send a letter to your organization to clear the Post of all liability for the returned ceremonial rifles.

In addition, TACOM has supplied us with an email address: DAMI_Donations@conus.army.mil . This email address is for use by Department Headquarters to notify TACOM when a post within their jurisdiction is preparing to go defunct or to answer questions regarding