

**Headquarters
Western Defense Command
and Fourth Army**

Presidio of San Francisco, California

May 5, 1942

Civilian Exclusion Order No. 43

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Public Proclamations Nos. 1 and 2, this Headquarters, dated March 2, 1942, and March 16, 1942, respectively, it is hereby ordered that from and after 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., of Monday, May 11, 1942, all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, be excluded from that portion of Military Area No. 1 described as follows:

All of that portion of the City of Los Angeles, State of California, within that boundary beginning at the intersection of Vermont Avenue and Los Feliz Boulevard; thence easterly on Los Feliz Boulevard to the middle of the Los Angeles River; thence southeasterly and southerly, on a line following the middle of the Los Angeles River to Figueroa Street; thence southwesterly on Figueroa Street to First Street; thence easterly on First Street to Main Street; thence southwesterly on Main Street to Washington Boulevard; thence northwesterly and westerly on Washington Boulevard to Vermont Avenue; thence northerly on Vermont Avenue to Beverly Boulevard; thence easterly on Beverly Boulevard to Silver Lake Boulevard; thence northeasterly on Silver Lake Boulevard to Sunset Boulevard; thence northwesterly on Sunset Boulevard to Vermont Avenue; thence northerly on Vermont Avenue to the point of beginning.

2. A responsible member of each family, and each individual living alone, in the above described area will report between the hours of 8:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., Wednesday, May 6, 1942, or during the same hours on Thursday, May 7, 1942, to the Civil Control Station located at:

360 South Westlake Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

3. Any person subject to this order who fails to comply with any of its provisions or with the provisions of published instructions pertaining hereto or who is found in the above area after 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., of Monday, May 11, 1942, will be liable to the criminal penalties provided by Public Law No. 503, 77th Congress, approved March 21, 1942, entitled "An Act to Provide a Penalty for Violation of Restrictions or Orders with Respect to Persons Entering, Remaining in, Leaving or Committing any Act in Military Areas or Zones," and alien Japanese will be subject to immediate apprehension and internment.

4. All persons within the bounds of an established Assembly Center pursuant to instructions from this Headquarters are excepted from the provisions of this order while those persons are in such Assembly Center.

J. L. DEWITT
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commanding

**WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY
WARTIME CIVIL CONTROL ADMINISTRATION**

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**INSTRUCTIONS
TO ALL PERSONS OF
JAPANESE
ANCESTRY**

LIVING IN THE FOLLOWING AREA:

All of that portion of the City of Los Angeles, State of California, within that boundary beginning at the intersection of Vermont Avenue and Los Feliz Boulevard; thence easterly on Los Feliz Boulevard to the middle of the Los Angeles River; thence southeasterly and southerly, on a line following the middle of the Los Angeles River to Figueroa Street; thence southwesterly on Figueroa Street to First Street; thence easterly on First Street to Main Street; thence southwesterly on Main Street to Washington Boulevard; thence northwesterly and westerly on Washington Boulevard to Vermont Avenue; thence northerly on Vermont Avenue to Beverly Boulevard; thence easterly on Beverly Boulevard to Silver Lake Boulevard; thence northeasterly on Silver Lake Boulevard to Sunset Boulevard; thence northwesterly on Sunset Boulevard to Vermont Avenue; thence northerly on Vermont Avenue to the point of beginning.

Pursuant to the provisions of Civilian Exclusion Order No. 43, this Headquarters, dated May 5, 1942, all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, will be evacuated from the above area by 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., Monday, May 11, 1942.

No Japanese person living in the above area will be permitted to change residence after 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., Tuesday, May 5, 1942, without obtaining special permission from the representative of the Commanding General, Southern California Sector, at the Civil Control Station located at:

360 South Westlake Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Such permits will only be granted for the purpose of uniting members of a family, or in cases of grave emergency.

The Civil Control Station is equipped to assist the Japanese population affected by this evacuation in the following ways:

1. Give advice and instructions on the evacuation.
2. Provide services with respect to the management, leasing, sale, storage or other disposition of most kinds of property, such as real

estate, business and professional equipment, household goods, boats, automobiles and livestock.

3. Provide temporary residence elsewhere for all Japanese in family groups.

4. Transport persons and a limited amount of clothing and equipment to their new residence.

THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE OBSERVED:

1. A responsible member of each family, preferably the head of the family, or the person in whose name most of the property is held, and each individual living alone, will report to the Civil Control Station to receive further instructions. This must be done between 8:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. on Wednesday, May 6, 1942, or between 8:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. on Thursday, May 7, 1942.

2. Evacuees must carry with them on departure for the Assembly Center, the following property:

- (a) Bedding and linens (no mattress) for each member of the family;
- (b) Toilet articles for each member of the family;
- (c) Extra clothing for each member of the family;
- (d) Sufficient knives, forks, spoons, plates, bowls and cups for each member of the family;
- (e) Essential personal effects for each member of the family.

All items carried will be securely packaged, tied and plainly marked with the name of the owner and numbered in accordance with instructions obtained at the Civil Control Station. The size and number of packages is limited to that which can be carried by the individual or family group.

3. No pets of any kind will be permitted.

4. No personal items and no household goods will be shipped to the Assembly Center.

5. The United States Government through its agencies will provide for the storage, at the sole risk of the owner, of the more substantial household items, such as iceboxes, washing machines, pianos and other heavy furniture. Cooking utensils and other small items will be accepted for storage if crated, packed and plainly marked with the name and address of the owner. Only one name and address will be used by a given family.

6. Each family, and individual living alone, will be furnished transportation to the Assembly Center or will be authorized to travel by private automobile in a supervised group. All instructions pertaining to the movement will be obtained at the Civil Control Station.

Go to the Civil Control Station between the hours of 8:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., Wednesday, May 6, 1942, or between the hours of 8:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., Thursday, May 7, 1942, to receive further instructions.

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