



European  
Joint  
Support Unit

# Living in Wesel

Wesel





## WELCOME TO WESEL

This handbook is designed to give you as much advice, help and information as possible about the local area. Though by no means exhaustive, its intent is to help you prior to your arrival and during your time here in Germany.

Your tour here in Germany will offer you lots of great opportunities with regards to travel, recreation and a whole lot more. The customs, culture and way of life here are significantly different from what you may be accustomed to and shopping, driving and dining are all a different experience. Some people may find this a little daunting at first but embracing the culture, food and people you meet will help ease the transition.

We understand that moving yourself and your family to a new country can be extremely stressful so our EJSU staff are here to help you adjust and get settled. You will also be allocated a sponsor before your arrival who is there to aid your arrival and help orientation to the local areas.

### Wesel

Wesel is a city in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany. It lies along the Rhine and Lippe rivers and the Lippe-Seiten Canal, northwest of the Ruhr. Because of its location near the rivers Rhine and Lippe, Wesel gained significance for its trade with the Netherlands and Westphalia and became almost as important as Cologne. Its location was also the reason why Wesel was destroyed almost completely during the Second World War. Wesel is located approximately 43.2Km from Düsseldorf Airport. In and around the local area you will hear the phrase Tschüss (bye) this is a local phrase from the surrounding area. A simple Guten Tag (good day) or Morgen (morning) will go a long way. It can be considered impolite not to say 'good day' or 'goodbye' when entering or leaving shops or establishments. Shaking hands is also seen as an expression of politeness.

### Schill Kaserne

The Schill barracks is a barracks for NATO units in Wesel . It is named after Ferdinand von Schill (1776-1809). From 1965 it housed the rocket artillery battalion 150 and other units of the Bundeswehr. Schill barracks is located 6.6kms from the MQ's.

### Sponsorship

Your line manager will allocate a sponsor to assist with your arrival. Your line-manager will try to allocate someone who lives nearby, whether married or single, and they will be able to show you the local amenities to help you settle in more quickly.

### Host Nation Liaison Officer

We are lucky enough to have a Host Nation Liaison Officer (HNLO) who is available to do translations of documents you receive in German and will also translate English into German where necessary.

LOCAL AREA MAP

