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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF RECENT RAPID ACTION REVISION (RAR) CHANGES TO THE ARMY SAFETY PROGRAM

A. REFERENCE AR 385-10, THE ARMY SAFETY PROGRAM, 23 AUGUST 2007/RAR 4 OCTOBER 2011, PARAGRAPHS 11-7 AND 11-9.

1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO NOTIFY THE FIELD OF RECENT CHANGES TO ARMY TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM (ATSTP), MOTORCYCLE SAFETY, AND ELABORATE ON THE INTENT OF THE NEW REQUIREMENTS.

2. ARMY TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM (ATSTP).

2.A. CLASSROOM TRAINING.

2.A.1. ATSTP IS REQUIRED FOR ALL SOLDIERS AND DESIGNED TO REINFORCE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD DRIVING, INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND CORRECT RESPONSE TO ROUTINE AND EMERGENCY DRIVING SITUATIONS. EACH PROGRESSIVE TRAFFIC-SAFETY TRAINING COURSE BUILDS ON THE PREVIOUS MODULE TO REINFORCE THE ARMY'S EXPECTATIONS FOR A SAFE ARMY DRIVER.

2.A.2. DURING INITIAL MILITARY TRAINING, ALL SOLDIERS WILL RECEIVE THE ONE-HOUR INTRODUCTION TO DRIVERS TRAINING COURSE. ALL NEWLY ASSIGNED PERSONNEL TO AN ARMY INSTALLATION WILL RECEIVE THE 30 MINUTE LOCAL HAZARDS BRIEFING. THIS BRIEFING IS THE ONLY PORTION OF ATSTP THAT APPLIES TO ANYONE OTHER THAN SOLDIERS. ALL NEWLY ASSIGNED SOLDIERS LESS THAN AGE 26 WILL ATTEND THE 2.5 HOUR INTERMEDIATE TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING COURSE. COMBINED, THIS TRAINING MEETS DOD REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE 4 HOURS OF DRIVERS TRAINING FOR ALL PROPERLY LICENSED SOLDIERS UNDER AGE 26.

2.B. REMEDIAL DRIVERS TRAINING.

2.B.1. REMEDIAL DRIVERS TRAINING IS BEHAVIORAL BASED AND DESIGNED TO REINFORCE POSITIVE DRIVING.

2.B.2. REMEDIAL DRIVERS TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED FOR MILITARY AND DOD CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WHO, WHILE OPERATING A GOVERNMENT MOTOR VEHICLE (GMV), HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATION OR HAVE BEEN

FOUND AT FAULT IN AN ACCIDENT ON THE INSTALLATION.

2.B.3. COMMANDERS MAY DIRECT SOLDIERS TO ATTEND REMEDIAL DRIVERS TRAINING BASED ON A DETERMINATION OF HIGH RISK ACTIVITY OR ACCUMULATION OF TRAFFIC POINTS OVER A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD.

2.B.4. STATE APPROVED DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS MAY BE USED TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENT WHERE AN ARMY STANDARDIZED COURSE IS NOT PROVIDED.

2.C. TRACKING ATSTP TRAINING.

2.C.1. O/A 1 APRIL 2012, TRACKING OF ATSTP TRAINING WILL TRANSITION FROM THE ARMY IMCOM REGISTRATION SYSTEM (AIRS) TO THE DIGITAL TRAINING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DTMS).

2.C.2. A SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE WILL BE SENT TO FIELD TO ADDRESS THIS NEW CAPABILITY AND TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF HOW TO SCHEDULE AND TRACK TRAINING USING THE MILITARY AND POV LICENSING TABS.

3. MOTORCYCLE SAFETY.

3.A. MOTORCYCLE TRAINING.

3.A.1. MOTORCYCLE TRAINING IS MANDATORY FOR ALL SOLDIERS WHO DESIRE TO RIDE A MOTORCYCLE REGARDLESS OF RIDING IT ON OR OFF THE INSTALLATION. TRAINING FOR SOLDIERS WILL NOW FOLLOW A PROGRESSIVE TRAINING MODEL THAT INCLUDES THREE DISTINCT COURSES DETERMINED BY THE TYPE MOTORCYCLE OWNED OR OPERATED.

3.A.2. ALL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE BASIC RIDERS COURSE (BRC) PRIOR TO OPERATING A MOTORCYCLE. THE BRC IS A ONE-TIME REQUIREMENT.

3.A.3. EFFECTIVE 1 OCT 11, ALL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE ADVANCED MOTORCYCLE TRAINING CONSISTING OF EITHER THE EXPERIENCED RIDERS COURSE (ERC) OR THE MILITARY SPORT BIKE RIDERS COURSE (MSRC) WITHIN 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE BRC. SOLDIERS MAY TAKE THE CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS IN LIEU OF THE ARMY PROVIDED ERC OR MSRC, AT NO EXPENSE TO THE GOVERNMENT, WITHIN 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE BRC.

3.A.4. THE CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS INCLUDE THE BASIC RIDER'S COURSE II (BRC-II) SYNONYMOUS WITH THE ERC AND THE ADVANCED RIDER'S COURSE (ARC) SYNONYMOUS WITH THE MSRC.

3.A.5. MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE ADVANCED MOTORCYCLE TRAINING OPTIMALLY 60 DAYS AFTER THE BRC BUT MUST COMPLETE TRAINING WITHIN 12 MONTHS.

3.A.6. CIVILIANS AND CONTRACTED LABORERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO RECEIVE SERVICE SPONSORED TRAINING NOR ARE THEY REQUIRED TO PROVIDE PROOF OF TRAINING FOR ENTRY TO ANY DOD INSTALLATION.

3.A.7. SERVICE SPONSORED TRAINING IS NOT REQUIRED FOR PROPERLY LICENSED/ENDORSED DOD CIVILIAN OPERATORS. HOWEVER, TRAINING IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS. AN EXAMPLE OF SPACE AVAILABLE WOULD BE WHEN A SOLDIER WHO IS ON AN APPROVED CLASS ROSTER FAILS TO SHOW FOR TRAINING. THE VACATED SEAT WOULD THEN BECOME AVAILABLE FOR A DOD CIVILIAN AWAITING TRAINING AT THE TRAINING RANGE AT THE START TIME.

3.B. MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FOUNDATION (MSF) COMPLETION CARDS.

3.B.1. INSTALLATIONS SHALL ACCEPT THE ORIGINAL OR CERTIFIED COPY OF THE COMPLETION CARD OF ANY MSF BRC OR STATE APPROVED COURSE. THE TERM STATE APPROVED MEANS ANY COURSE FOR WHICH THE STATE OR HOST NATION WAIVERS THE RIDING SKILLS PORTION OF THE MOTORCYCLE LICENSE OR ENDORSEMENT TEST.

3.B.2. COMPLETION CARDS ISSUED AT NON-MILITARY TRAINING SITES MAY DIFFER IN APPEARANCE (NO MSF LOGO) THAN THOSE ISSUED AT ARMY TRAINING SITES. THE OMISSION OF THE TRADEMARK MSF LOGO IS NOT SUFFICIENT REASON TO DISCOUNT THE CARD. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT THE USACR/SC DRIVING TASK FORCE AT 334 255-2744/2892/3039 DSN 558-2744/2892/3039.

3.C. MOTORCYCLE REFRESHER TRAINING (MRT).

3.C.1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS REFRESHER TRAINING IS TO REVIEW TRAINING, LICENSING, INSURANCE, PERSONAL PROTECTIVE GEAR, SERVICEABILITY OF SOLDIER'S MOTORCYCLE AND THEIR ABILITY TO CONDUCT BASIC MANEUVERS ON THEIR OWN MOTORCYCLE.

3.C.2. MRT IS MANDATORY FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) WHO HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED FOR MORE THAN 180 DAYS.

3.C.3. THE INTENT OF MRT IS TO CONDUCT A LEADERS REVIEW OR "SHAKEOUT" OF SOLDIER RIDING PREPAREDNESS. TRAINING IS INTENDED TO BE CONDUCTED BY A LEADER IN THE ORGANIZATION PREFERABLY ONE THAT RIDES A MOTORCYCLE

BUT IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO BE A RIDER TO RUN TRAINING.

3.C.4. THE MRT GUIDE IS AVAILABLE FROM THE US ARMY COMBAT READINESS CENTER BY CONTACTING THE DRIVING TASK FORCE AT 334 255-2744/2892/3039 DSN 558-2744/2892/3039 AND DOWNLOADABLE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK.
<HTTPS://SAFETY.ARMY.MIL/MOTORCYCLE-REFRESHER-TRAINING>

3.C.5. RANGES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO CONDUCT MRT. HOWEVER, CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO ANY SITE SELECTED TO ENSURE TRAINING IS CONDUCTED SAFELY.

3.D. MOTORCYCLE SUSTAINMENT TRAINING.

3.D.1. MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE MOTORCYCLE SUSTAINMENT TRAINING EVERY THREE YEARS FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THE ERC OR MSRC AND CANNOT BE WAIVED.

3.D.2. THE INTENT OF SUSTAINMENT TRAINING IS TO CONTINUE THE LIFE-LONG LEARNING PROCESS, SHAKE LOOSE ANY BAD HABITS THAT A RIDER MAY HAVE DEVELOPED OVER THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD, SUPPORT ANY THREE YEAR PERIOD OF INACTIVITY, THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW OR CHANGE IN MOTORCYCLE(S), OR A MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC RELOCATION.

3.D.3. AT A MINIMUM, SUSTAINMENT TRAINING WILL REQUIRE THE SOLDIER MOTORCYCLE RIDER TO RETAKE THE ERC OR MSRC, BASED ON TYPE MOTORCYCLE OWNED AND OPERATED.

3.D.4. MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) MAY ACCOMPLISH SUSTAINMENT TRAINING, AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, BY ATTENDING AN ADVANCED LEVEL TRAINING COURSE.

3.D.5. THE USACR/SC WILL MAINTAIN A LIST OF SUCH COURSES AND PROVIDE OVERSIGHT AS NEEDED.

3.E. DETERMINING REQUIREMENTS.

3.E.1. EARLY PROJECTION OF REQUIREMENTS IS CRUCIAL TO PROVIDING TRAINING IN A TIMELY MANNER. REDEPLOYING UNITS SHOULD IDENTIFY POTENTIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO ACTUAL REDEPLOYMENT TO ALLOW ADEQUATE SCHEDULING OF COURSES TO MEET UNIT NEEDS.

3.E.2. COMMANDERS WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) COMPLETE TRAINING ONCE SCHEDULED TO HELP ELIMINATE NO-SHOWS AND PREVENT TRAINING BACKLOGS.

3.F. TEMPORARY MOTORCYCLE TRAINING RANGES.

3.F.1. THE RANGE PORTION OF ALL MOTORCYCLE TRAINING WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED ON EITHER A PERMANENT OR TEMPORARILY MARKED STANDARD OR NON-STANDARD RANGE THAT MEETS ALL THE NECESSARY MSF REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE RIDER EDUCATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM (RERP). A TEMPORARY RANGE MAY BE MARKED USING SPRAY CHALK.

3.F.2. TEMPORARY RANGE RERP(S) WILL BE ISSUED USING THE SAME PROCESS AS A PERMANENT RANGE, FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PROCESSING RERP(S) CONTACT THE USACR/SC DRIVING TASK FORCE AT 334-255-2892.

3.G. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT.

3.G.1. COMMANDERS WILL ENSURE ALL MOTORCYCLE OPERATORS (SOLDIERS) WEAR APPROPRIATE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) WHILE RIDING MOTORCYCLES AND ATVS.

3.G.2. SERVICE SPECIFIC PPE REQUIREMENTS MAY NOT BE USED AS A CRITERION FOR ACCESS TO ANY DOD INSTALLATION FOR ANY PERSON WHOSE EQUIPMENT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS IN DODI 6055.04 AND AR 385-10. TO MEET REGULATORY INTENT, COMMANDERS SHOULD ELIMINATE ADDITIONAL PPE REQUIREMENTS SUCH AS THE PT BELT OR REFLECTIVE VESTS.

3.G.3. COMMANDERS WILL ENCOURAGE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS (SOLDIERS) TO SELECT PPE DESIGNED WITH ABRASION RESISTANT MATERIALS AND IMPACT-ABSORBING PADDING THAT INCORPORATES FLUORESCENT COLORS AND RETRO REFLECTIVE MATERIAL AND EMPLOY OTHER VISIBILITY-ENHANCING EQUIPMENT SUCH AS HEADLIGHT MODULATORS, BRAKING ALERTS, ETC. THE INTENT IS TO HAVE RIDERS IN GEAR DESIGNED FOR RIDING THAT PROVIDES THE RIDER AS MUCH VISIBILITY AS POSSIBLE AND ELIMINATES ACCESS ISSUES ACROSS DOD INSTALLATIONS.

4. POC FOR ANY POLICY ISSUES IS MR. WALTER BECKMAN, USACR/SC DRIVING TASK FORCE AT EMAIL: WALTER.BECKMAN@US.ARMY.MIL COM: 334-255-2744/2892/3039 DSN 558-2744/2892/3039

5. THIS HQDA MESSAGE WILL EXPIRE ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2014.