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FORT LEE POLICY NO 3-08

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Fort Lee Motorcycle Safety Policy

1. This policy supersedes Fort Lee Policy No. 3-08 dated 13 November 2008.
2. Purpose: Motorcycle operations are high-risk activities that if not planned and safely executed can significantly degrade our readiness. Service Members continue to be killed or injured in preventable motorcycle accidents. I expect all leaders to implement this safety policy.
3. References:
 - a. DODI 6055.04, DOD Traffic Safety Program, 20 April 2009, Change 1, 2 April 2010.
 - b. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 23 August 2007, Rapid Action Review (RAR), 4 October 2011.
4. Applicability: This policy applies to all Service Members operating motorcycles, three-wheelers, ATVs, mopeds, and/or scooters that can go 35 mph and higher. Operators must be licensed and their vehicles must be registered and insured by the appropriate state civilian authority.
5. Training: In accordance with Army Regulation 385-10, The Army Safety Program, motorcycle training is mandatory for all Service Members who ride a motorcycle on or off of the installation. Commanders and leaders will identify all Service Members who ride motorcycles and track their training according to the primary type of motorcycle ridden.
 - a. All military motorcycle riders must complete the Basic Rider Course (BRC) prior to operating a motorcycle. This is a one-time requirement.
 - b. All military motorcycle riders must complete advance motorcycle training consisting of the Experienced Rider Course (ERC) and/or the Military Sport Bike Rider Course (MSRC) based on type of motorcycle ridden. Motorcycle riders are encouraged to take advance motorcycle rider training 60 days after the BRC, but must complete training within 12 months.

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c. Motorcycle Refresher Training (MRT) is mandatory for military motorcycle riders who have been deployed for more than 180 days. The MRT will be conducted on the individual's own motorcycle to confirm ability to safely handle their motorcycle. Training may be conducted at the unit level preferably by a motorcycle rider. The MRT guide is available from the US Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center, <https://safety.army.mil/>. Ranges are not required for this training.

d. Motorcycle Sustainment Training is to continue the life-long learning process. The training is required every three years following the completion of the ERC or MSRC and cannot be waived. Military motorcycle riders may accomplish sustainment training at their own expense.

e. Motorcycle riders (Family members, Civilians and contract personnel) who are properly licensed and insured shall not be required to receive Army-sponsored training or show proof of motorcycle training to operate a motorcycle on the installation.

6. Personal Protective Equipment.

a. Commanders will ensure all military motorcycle operators wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while riding motorcycles, three-wheelers, ATVs, mopeds, and/or scooters.

(1) Helmets. Helmets shall be certified to meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Standard 22-05, British Standard 6658, or Snell Standard M2005. All helmets shall be properly fastened under the chin.

(2) Eye Protection. Eye protection must meet or exceed American National Standard Institute Standard Z87.1-2003 for impact and shatter resistance including goggles, wraparound glasses, or a full-face shield.

(3) Foot Protection. Foot protection includes sturdy over-the-ankle footwear that provides protection for the feet and ankles.

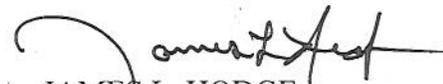
(4) Protective Clothing. Protective clothing includes long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long trousers, and full-fingered gloves or mittens made from leather or other abrasion-resistant material. Motorcycle jackets and pants constructed of abrasion-resistant materials such as leather, Kevlar, or Cordura and containing impact-absorbing padding are strongly encouraged. Riders are also encouraged to select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro-reflective material.

(5) Tactical Motorcycles and ATV Rider Protection. The PPE for Government-owned motorcycle and ATV operators during off-road operations should also include knee and shin guards and padded gloves.

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7. Documentation and Licensing. Commanders will develop and/or update inprocessing and rear detachment procedures to ensure compliance with all aspects of this policy when receiving and inprocessing new Service Members. Commanders must complete the required interviews and related documentation in accordance with component requirements. Commanders will ensure that the Travel Risk Planning System (TRiPS) Tool, found at the U.S. Army Combat Readiness/ Safety Center website <https://safety.army.mil/home/>, is utilized prior to a motorcycle, moped, or scooter being used while on leave, pass, TDY or PCS outside the local area as determined by the commander.
8. Commanders will support and promote unit level motorcycle mentorship programs. Mentors will be selected based on their motorcycle experience and maturity. Mentoring new riders fosters skill development and reinforces safe riding practices. The benefits of pairing novice riders with experienced riders cannot be understated. These skills, when combined with wearing the proper personal protective equipment and this policy will maximize safety while operating motorcycles either on or off-post.
9. The proponent for this policy is the Installation Safety Office.


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