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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #7: Fort Carson Motorcycle Safety Policy

1. References:

- a. DODI 6055.04, DoD Motor Vehicle and Traffic Safety Program, 27 August 2021.
- b. AR 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, 22 May 2006.
- c. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 24 February 2017.
- d. AR 600-55, The Army Driver and Rider Standardization Program (Selection, Training, Testing, and Licensing), 17 September 2019.

2. Purpose: To mitigate the risks associated with the operation of motorcycles.

3. Applicability: This policy applies to all Fort Carson military personnel operating a motorcycle both on and off post using the definition of a motorcycle in DoDI 6055.04 and AR 385-10. The word Soldiers in this policy refers to all military members assigned to Fort Carson regardless of service component. This policy does not apply to minibikes, pocket bikes, electric bicycles or any other vehicle that does not meet federal highway safety standards. Such vehicles are prohibited from being operated on installation roads. However, the wearing of personal protective equipment (PPE) as listed in this policy, the use of vehicle safety equipment, and safe operation standards IAW AR 190-5 still apply in all instances of use of any of the above-referenced vehicles.

4. Policy:

a. Implementation: Commanders at all levels are responsible for implementing motorcycle mentorship programs at echelon, not lower than company level, and will ensure all Soldiers in their command are in compliance. All units will include this policy as part of their Unit Safety Program and will post in the company area or on the unit safety board.

b. Licensing: All motorcycles must be properly registered and riders properly licensed IAW state and local law in order to operate on Fort Carson. Riders must apply for and obtain a Fort Carson Motorcycle License through their unit motorcycle mentor. The license is prepared by Brigade Level Mentors (or separate Battalion Mentors) upon

confirmation of a completed rider packet and endorsed by the rider's O6 Commander on the installation. At the discretion of the O6 Commander, the rider's Fort Carson Motorcycle License will be fully processed within 72 hours of submission. IAW AR 385-10, prior to the operation of a motorcycle on or off the installation, military riders will complete Level I training (the Motorcycle Safety Foundation's (MSF) Basic RiderCourse™ (BRC), state-approved curriculum for motorcycle operator's safety training, or licensing equivalent) and will have a motorcycle endorsement on their license.

c. Mandatory Progressive Training: All military riders will complete the progressive training outlined in Enclosure 1, paragraph 4a. The required courses can be taken on or off post. Installation MSF training courses are provided to active duty military at no cost to the Service Member IAW Enclosure 3 of DODI 6055.04.

d. Motorcycle Safety Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE): PPE will be worn at all times by riders and passengers while operating/riding a motorcycle. PPE wear will be IAW AR 385-10. Riders are required to wear PPE when seated upon any motorcycle, on or off post, on or off duty. Wearing PPE over the military uniform is permitted provided it is specifically designed for motorcycling. If in military uniform, PPE must be removed before departing the motorcycle's parked position. PPE is covered in Enclosure 1, paragraph 6.

e. Prohibited Gear: Motorcycle club jackets, vests, and other non-military uniform outer-garments (i.e. "patches", "colors", or "cuts"), are not permitted for wear while in any military uniform. The wear of any garment that displays the operator's affiliation with a motorcycle organization or other non-federal entity is strictly prohibited while in military uniform.

f. Responsibilities: See "Enclosure 1, paragraph 5" for specific responsibilities of commands, unit motorcycle mentors, and individuals.

g. Penalties: Any Soldier who, while operating a motorcycle, is issued a summons for, and convicted of, a moving violation (as defined by Enclosure 1) may have their on-post motorcycle driving privileges suspended by the Garrison Commander up to six-months. Commanders should consider "no-ride" orders until sufficient remedial training is completed.

h. Duty to Report: Soldiers have a duty to report to their chain of command any summons, citation, arrest, or criminal charge for any motorcycle moving violations (as defined in Enclosure 1) alleged to have occurred either on or off post.

i. The above duty to report is required to monitor and maintain the personnel readiness, welfare, safety, and deployability of the force. Disclosure of a summons, citation, arrest, or criminal charge is not an admission of guilt and may not be used as

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such, nor is it intended to elicit an admission from the Soldier self-reporting. No person subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) may question a Soldier self-reporting a summons, citation, arrest, or criminal charge about any aspect of the self-report, unless the would-be questioner first advises the Soldier of his/her rights under Article 31(b), UCMJ.

5. This policy is punitive in nature. Violators are subject to punishment under the UCMJ, and/or other appropriate adverse action.

6. This policy remains in effect until such time as it is rescinded or superseded.

7. The proponent for this policy is the 4th Infantry Division and Fort Carson Safety Office at, 719-503-0934 or usarmy.carson.4-id.list.4id-safety@mail.mil.


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Encls:

1. Mentorship Program SOP
2. Training Sequence
3. Rider Information Sheet
4. Rider Contract
5. Rider Support Documents
6. Rider Roster
7. Check Ride Evaluation Checklist
8. Safety Inspection – Tires, Controls, Lights, Oils, Chassis, Stands (TCLOCS)