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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) and Fort Polk Policy 27 -Ammunition Draw from Ammunition Supply Point (ASP)

1. References:

a. Army Regulation (AR) 385-64, Ammunition and Explosive Safety Standards.

b. Army Material Command Regulation (AMC) 700-77 Installation Ammunition Support.

c. Training Circular (TC) 3-23.30 Grenades and Pyrotechnics Signals

d. Department of the army Pamphlet (DA PAM) 385-30, Risk Management

e. Ammunition Information Notice (AIN) 017-22, Safety of Use Message (SOUM) Joint Mission Command (JMC) Control No. 20-002 Operational Use of Grenade, Hand, smoke, visual, restricted terrain, M106 GG25, Screening Obscuration Device-Visual Restricted (SOD-Vr).

2. Purpose. To establish a requirement for a safe utilization of ammunitions and explosives by uniformed personnel and Civilians assigned or attached to JRTC and Fort Polk, including Rotational Training Units (RTU) and other training units.

3. Applicability. This policy applies to all uniformed personnel and Civilians assigned, attached, or training at JRTC and Fort Polk.

4. Background. Leaders must be cognizant of the safety requirements of personnel while training with ammunition and explosives. Personnel training and employing the M106 SOD-Vr Grenade have sustained serious bodily injuries due to grenade misidentification, improper gripping and arming procedures, and improper employment techniques. Injured Personnel often sustain permanent or partial disabilities to the hand, eyes, and other parts of the body due to poor implementation of guidance outlined in TC 3-23.30, Grenades, and Pyrotechnic Signals before training with the M106 SOD-Vr Grenade.

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5. Policy. Update Signature Authority to Draw M106 SOD-Vr Grenades. Units will provide a separate Signature card, DA1687 by O5/LTC or above to draw the M106 SOD-VR. This signature card must be separate from all other Ammunition and Explosive (A&E) signature cards on file and must attached proof of training requirements outlined in AIN 017-22. Individuals that draw the M106 will be briefed by the Command Safety Office regarding their authorization to issue the grenade to individuals who have also completed required training. Utilize this same separate signature card system to authorize draw of any other munitions under SOUM / AIN advisory.

6. Regarding the M106 SOD-Vr, DODIC GG25 and GG20 GRENADE, Hand Diversionary MK13-0 BTV-1 EL, Smoke Grenade. Use of these grenade requires training and a signed acknowledgment Memorandum of trained Personnel from an O6/ COL. Without the Memorandum the JRTC and Fort Polk G3 ammo section cannot order DODIC GG25 and or GG20 from JMC, nor can the G3 process and DA form 581 requesting DODIC GG25 and/or GG20. The ASP will not issue either of these munitions without the Memorandum for Record signed by an O6/ COL. Range Control will not approve any land request without the Memorandum.

7. Prior to issuance of munitions, units are required to provide an approved DD Form 2977 Deliberate Risk Assessment Worksheet to the Command Safety Office.

8. This policy will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.

9. The provisions contained in this Policy Letter constitute a punitive order for Servicemembers. Violations may be punished with appropriate administrative, nonjudicial, and/or judicial action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Civilian employees may be subject to employment action should knowing violations of the provisions of this policy letter be violated.

10.The point of contact for this policy is Mr. Rico A. Williams, Installation Safety Director, Command Safety Office at (520) 672-8641 or rico.a.awilliams.civ@army.mil.

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