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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL US ARMY GARRISON RHEINLAND-PFALZ (USAG RP) PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum #4, United States Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz (USAG RP) Ammunition and Explosives (A&E) Amnesty Program

1. REFERENCES:

a. Army in Europe Regulation 385-64, Explosives Safety, 17 November 2006

b. DA PAM 710-2-1, Using Unit Supply System (Manual Procedures), 1 December 2016

c. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 24 February 2017

d. DA PAM 385-64, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, 24 May 2011

2. PURPOSE: The A&E Amnesty Program is intended to ensure maximum recovery of military ammunition and explosive items outside the supply system. It is not intended to circumvent normal turn-in procedures. The A&E Amnesty Program provides an opportunity for individuals to return found, stolen, or misplaced without fear of prosecution.

3. APPLICABILITY: Procedures and responsibilities established herein are applicable to personnel assigned or attached to the USAG RP Military Community.

4. POLICY:

a. A&E outside the supply system must be recovered and controlled. Ammunition may be turned-in at amnesty collection points by individuals on a no-questions basis without fear of reprisal or prosecution from leadership.

b. Military police responding to a call to investigate A&E found on a military installation will coordinate all activities with the supporting Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team.

c. Ammunition collected from amnesty boxes will be handled and transported as Hazardous Cargo by HAZMAT 11 qualified personnel only.

d. Ammunition larger than .50 caliber shall be handled by qualified explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) personnel. If ammunition larger than .50 caliber is found, take the following actions:

(1) Contact Military Police at DSN 314-483-7070, Cell/Civilian 0631-536-7070 for Kaiserslautern Military Community or DSN 314-531-2677 Cell/Civilian 0611-143-531-2677 for Baumholder Military Community.

(2) Rope-off and mark the location of the ammunition to preclude access and unnecessary exposure to explosion hazards for other personnel.

(3) Provide description and location of the ammunition item to the military police.

(4) Explosive items found outside the installation must be reported to local authorities first, followed by the military police.

e. A&E recovered through the amnesty program will be inspected by qualified DOD personnel, EOD or Quality Assurance Specialist Ammunition Surveillance, to determine whether it is safe to handle.

f. Personnel assigned to collect and/or transport amnesty ammunition should be designated in writing and have the required training to transport/handle items.

g. Amnesty containers are authorized outside of the Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) and will meet the following criteria. Amnesty containers that are locally fabricated are not designed nor expected to prevent an explosion. They should, to the maximum extent possible:

(1) Prevent unauthorized removal of ammunition.

(2) Prevent removal of the container.

(3) Provide protection from weather exposure.

(4) Prevent items from accumulating, drop (ping) or falling in such a way that might cause inadvertent initiation.

h. Amnesty containers should be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for the recovery of amnesty ammunition.

5. PROCEDURES:

a. Unit Commanders with elements that use A&E will develop an Amnesty Program and:

(1) Maintain and operate ammunition Amnesty Collection Point in the unit.

(2) Include a staffed and signed hazard analysis to mitigate risk in the SOP.

(3) Schedule ammunition Amnesty day at least once quarterly and after each field exercise/range, for collection of abandoned or unauthorized ammunition.

(4) Control and inspect amnesty points at least weekly.

(5) Package and store the recovered Small Arms Ammunition in the assigned Arms Room until it is turned in to the ASP 9 at Gate #6, in Miesau Ammunition Depot.

(6) Request assistance from EOD if ammunition belonging to HAZ Class 1.1, 1.2, or 1.3 is found in the container. This ammunition will not be stored in the Arms Rooms.

(7) Brief military personnel assigned duties associated with A&E (transporting, storing, using, accounting for) every 180 days on the amnesty program and prior to operations exercises or training events. Army Civilians, foreign nationals, and contract personnel with A&E duties, will be briefed semi-annually on the amnesty program.

(8) Establish and implement a unit A&E Amnesty Program that supports the Garrison program IAW DA Pam 710-2-1 and this policy letter.

6. PROPONENT: The proponent for this policy memorandum is USAG RP Safety Office, DSN 541-2300/2301, commercial 0611-143-531-2300/2301.

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