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Policy Memorandum 385-10-8

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning Motorcycle Safety Policy

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Department of Defense Instruction 6055.04 (DoD Traffic Safety Program), Change 4, 31 August 2018.
- b. Army Regulation 190-5 (Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision), 22 May 2006.
- c. Army Regulation 385-10 (The Army Safety Program), 24 February 2017.
- d. IMCOM Regulation 385-10 (Safety Program), 5 April 2013.
- e. Georgia Code (2010), 40-6-315.
- f. Highway Safety Program Guideline No. 3, November 2006.
- g. Army Directive 2018-07-8 (Prioritizing Efforts – Readiness and Lethality (Update 8)), 4 June 2018.

2. PURPOSE. This policy establishes the Fort Benning Motorcycle Safety Program's standards, concept, and implementation, which promotes and fosters a safe motorcycle (MC) riding environment for riders both on and off duty.

3. POLICY. Army-wide MC accidents continue to be a leading cause of Soldier fatalities and serious injuries. The MC riders can increase accident probability by indiscipline, overconfidence and aggressive riding. Conversely, riders can decrease accident probability through proper training and conservative riding techniques. Safe MC operations require personal leader involvement at all levels. Training, leader involvement, standards enforcement, leader and Soldier mentorship, and integrated risk management provide the Fort Benning MC Safety Program's foundation. This policy integrates the Progressive MC Program for all Fort Benning's assigned military personnel who own and/or operate a MC on or off duty and on or off post. Properly licensed retirees, civilians and contracted laborer MC riders do not require service-sponsored training nor do they need proof they have taken other MC training to operate a MC on Fort Benning.

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4. PROCEDURES.

a. Concept of Operations: This policy includes mandatory training required for Uniformed Service Members. All active duty Soldiers and National Guard/Reserve personnel, while on orders to Fort Benning, must complete training IAW Army regulatory standards and will receive no-cost MC training by signing up through the Army IMCOM Registration System (AIRS) website. This policy also includes the licensing process, leader mentorship responsibilities, and reinforces all MC riders' personal responsibility to ride safely. All civilians must meet their home state's MC driver's license requirement's intent, have a current driver's license MC endorsement (M) and MC insurance.

b. Active Duty Soldier Mandatory Training: The Basic Rider Course (BRC), Basic Rider Course 2/Experienced Rider Course (BRC2/ERC), Military Sportbike Rider Course (MSRC), and Motorcycle Refresher Training (MRT) constitute mandatory MC training. Training can be scheduled on-line at https://imc.army.mil/airs/usg_disclaimer.aspx.

(1) The BRC: All service member MC riders must complete this course before operating a MC on or off post. Upon completing this course, the rider may ride on and off post as long as they have a Fort Benning Motorcycle Contract signed by the rider and Company Commander/Commandant. Riders must obtain a Motorcycle Automated Installation Entry (MAIE) card within 30 days after completing the BRC to continue riding.

(2) The BRC2/ERC: Within 12 months after completing the BRC, non-sportbike MC riders must complete the BRC2/ERC. Riders will attend the training with their own privately owned motorcycle (POM). Operators must retake the BRC2/ERC every 5 years as a refresher to continue riding their POM while assigned to Fort Benning.

(3) The MSRC: Within 12 months after completing the BRC, sportbike MC riders must complete the MSRC. Riders will attend the training with their own privately owned MC (POM). Operators must retake the MSRC every five years as a refresher to continue riding their sportbike POM while assigned to Fort Benning.

(4) The MRT: All redeployed Soldiers (180 days or greater deployment) must complete MRT with their unit MC mentor before they start riding again. Riders will attend using their own POM.

(5) The MC Sustainment Training. Based on the MC type Soldiers own or operate, Soldiers must complete MC sustainment training within 5 years of completing an BRC2/ERC or MSRC, which consists of, at a minimum, retaking the BRC2/ERC or

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MSRC. A Soldier can meet the sustainment training requirement, at no expense to the Government, by taking an Army-approved advanced level MC course. The USACR/Safety Center Web site (<https://safety.army.mil>) lists courses meeting the criteria.

c. Licensing Process:

(1) Active duty Soldiers must complete the appropriate required courses listed in 4.b. (1-4) of this policy. After completion, Soldiers must bring the following documents to the Fort Benning Safety Office (Bldg. 18) for verification. A copy of:

(a) A current BRC/ERC/BRC2/MSRC or MRT certification.

(b) A copy of their driver's license with their state of residence MC endorsement (M), a MC license, or a separate card or letter stating the endorsement. Each state is different for licensing.

(c) A copy of the Statement for Tricycle/ MC/Moped/Scooter Operator Responsibilities signed by the Soldier's Commander/Commandant (Enclosure 1).

(d) Proof of insurance and registration.

(e) After the Safety Office has received all documents, the Safety Office will verify all training and licensing meets regulatory standards, and provide a stamped MAIE Approval Form (Enclosure 2). The stamped MAIE approval form must be taken to building 19 to obtain an official MAIE card.

(2) Military retirees, civilian employees and contracted employees will not be required to obtain a MAIE card.

(3) Visitors will comply with the State of Georgia or their licensing state MC licensing requirements and DoD personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements, using whichever is most restrictive.

d. Aggressive Driver Course (Road Rageous): Anyone receiving a reckless riding citation must attend the Road Rageous course. Training can be scheduled on-line at https://imc.army.mil/airs/usg_disclaimer.aspx. Commanders, NCOA Commandant, and Directors are accountable for ensuring all Soldiers and/or employees under their direction cited for reckless riding attend the Road Rageous course within 90 days after receiving the citation. Anyone that is cited for reckless riding that does not complete Road Rageous within 90 days will forfeit on post MC riding privileges.

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(1) Road Rageous is an 8-hour classroom course addressing the root causes of aggressive driving for privately owned motorcycles. Produced by the American Institute for Public Safety, the training helps drivers acknowledge their negative driving habits and attitudes through combined instruction, skits, games, videos, student-instructor interaction and student-student interaction. The goal is to give Soldiers a tool kit to change their behavior and decision-making process behind the wheel.

(2) The purpose is providing military and civilian employees convicted of a moving violation or determined to be at fault for a traffic mishap while operating a MC with driver improvement/remedial training.

e. Commanders/Commandant/Leaders will:

(1) Identify all unit MC riders and ensure face-to-face counseling between first line supervisors and Soldiers who ride.

(2) Support and promote unit level MC safety activities that reinforce positive training, mentorship, and riding within regulatory limits.

(3) Establish MC Mentorship Programs suitable to every command echelon and incorporate it into your organization's Safety Standard Operating Procedures. The Staff Inspection Program will evaluate the organization's MC Mentorship Program.

(4) Establish an incentive awards program as part of the mentorship program for accident-free riders.

(5) Ensure all appointed MC mentors are the grade E-6 or above, be an experienced rider (5 years or more), and be in good rider standing. The MC mentors should be a mature rider with designated appointment orders by the Commander/Commandant.

(6) Ensure all Soldiers have been counseled by their first line supervisor, and have a signed MC agreement on file (Enclosure 1).

(7) Educate all riders and non-riders on MC awareness as part of the POV and POM accident prevention program.

(8) Provide Soldiers the time to take all necessary training courses to comply with this policy before riding a MC.

f. The MC Mentors will:

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(1) Foster positive conduct and behavior of all MC riders and serve as an integral part of the Commander/Commandant's accident prevention program by implementing a MC Mentorship Program.

(2) Promote all riders' awareness, education, and training without regard to experience level.

(3) Ensure each rider has an individual file containing the following items:

(a) Copy of valid driver's license and insurance card.

(b) Copy of approved MC Safety Card (BRC, BRC2/ERC or MSRC).

(c) A Fort Benning Statement for MC Operator Responsibilities Agreement signed by the Soldier's Commander/Commandant (Enclosure 1).

g. The military MC rider will:

(1) Maintain a valid state driver's license with a MC endorsement to operate a MC and a valid insurance card meeting state minimum requirements.

(2) Obtain a MAIE card by bringing proof of training to the safety office (Bldg. 18) and providing DES (Bldg. 19) with a safety certified MAIE approval form (Enclosure 2).

(3) Uniformed Service members will complete an approved MC Safety Foundation course and carry the issued MC safety foundation card when operating the MC.

(4) Ensure the following procedures and PPE standards are followed.

(a) Passenger PPE requirements: All passengers are required to wear the appropriate PPE as described in paragraphs d-h below.

(b) Mirrors: The MCs will be equipped with both a left-hand and right-hand rearview mirror mounted on the handlebar or fairing.

(c) Brakes: The MCs will be equipped with operational front and rear brakes.

(d) Helmets: Department of Transportation approved helmets that meet the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 218 or Snell Standard M2005 will be worn and properly fastened at all times.

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(e) Eye Protection: Eye protection designed to meet or exceed ANSI Z87.1, reference (z) for impact and shatter resistance (includes goggles, wraparound glasses, or a full-face shield properly attached to a helmet) must be worn at all times. A windshield or fairing does not constitute eye protection.

(f) Foot Protection: Proper foot protection must be worn while riding. Foot protection includes sturdy over-the-ankle footwear that affords protection for the feet and ankles (durable leather or ballistic-type cloth athletic shoes that cover the ankles may be worn).

(g) 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. The MC jackets and pants constructed of abrasion-resistant materials (such as leather, Kevlar®, or Cordura®) containing impact-absorbing padding are strongly encouraged. Riders are encouraged to select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro-reflective material.

(h) Soldiers in uniform may not wear vests or jackets that have patches or insignias other than military specific.

h. Retirees, civilians, contractors, dependents, and visitors will comply with PPE requirements listed in paragraph 4g(4) of this policy.

i. Directorate of Emergency Services will:

- (1) Enforce this policy's provisions for all MC operators who violate the policy.
- (2) Conduct cursory checks of MC operators entering access control points.

j. The United States Army Garrison (USAG) Safety Office will:

- (1) Oversee the Army Traffic Safety Training Program (ATSTP).
- (2) Ensure MC Safety Foundation courses are being offered in a timely manner for all Fort Benning Soldiers who ride MCs and assist with any ATSTP contractor issues.

5. Powered nonenclosed three wheelers will be considered a MC. A modified MSF-BRC (three-wheeled MC) curriculum is not currently available, therefore three-wheeled operators will be allowed to complete one of the following: the BRC (using a two-wheeled trainer MC) or a State-sponsored Sidecar and Trike Education Program course that can help generally associate them with the risks and handling characteristics of three-wheeled vehicles. All PPE requirements applicable to MCs remain applicable to three-wheeled variants.

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6. SUPERSESSION: This policy memorandum supersedes MCoE Policy Memorandum 385-10-5, 1 May 2019, and all other MC policies prior to date of this Policy Memorandum.

7. PROPONENT: The MCoE Safety Office, 706-545-3278/0742, and USAG Safety Office, 706-545-4844/3676.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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1. MC Operator Agreement
2. MC automated Installation Entry Card (MAIE) approval form


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Fort Benning Motorcycle Safety Policy: Enclosure 1

Statement for Tricycle / Motorcycle / Moped / Scooter Operator Responsibilities (Soldier)

1. I am a Soldier in the U.S. Army or military service member from another service or country assigned to a Fort Benning unit/organization. I have identified myself as a potential motorcycle rider (current or future). I understand my responsibilities as an operator of a motorcycle to do so in a safe manner and IAW the provisions of local laws, DOD and Army regulations, directives, and local policies.

2. I understand that before I operate a motorcycle (either street or off-road) on or off a DOD installation and on or off duty, I will be appropriately licensed and insured. I will successfully complete a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (or a Motorcycle Safety Foundation based state approved) course, and comply with all PPE requirements stated in paragraph 3.

3. As an operator of a government and/or privately owned motorcycle (either street or off-road versions) I understand that all motorcycle safety equipment will be fully operational and the headlight turned on at all times. Responsibility, awareness, and adherences of all applicable regulations, codes and requirements are my responsibility. I am aware the minimum PPE requirements to operate a motorcycle and adhere to the PPE requirements for riders and passengers whenever I ride to include: shatter-resistant eye protection (glasses, goggles or face shield), leather boots or over-the-ankle shoes, full finger gloves, long trousers and long sleeve shirt or jacket. Fluorescent PPE colors or retro-reflective material is encouraged.

4. Local, State, and Installation:

a. I, _____ am stationed at Fort Benning, GA and have completed the mandatory Installation motorcycle requirements to gain base access with my motorcycle. I will adhere to the requirements of taking the Basic Riders Course (BRC) prior to riding, completion of the BRC2 within 1 year or completing BRC and completion of sustainment training every 5 years after completing BRC2.

b. I have completed the motorcycle requirements for my state or record located in the State of _____.

5. Cautions and hazards. I fully understand my responsibility to comply with all the requirements for motorcycle operations and that these requirements apply to me on and off duty, on or off post. I will never ride while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. I will be extra cautious while riding over difficult terrain.

6. For Benning's goal is to ensure that I am fully aware of the hazards and risk associated with motorcycle operations and that I fully and freely accept the responsibility for operating IAW the laws, regulations, and policies listed above. I acknowledge I have been briefed on and understand the information provide above.

Written Name

Written Name

Soldiers Signature/Date

Commanders Signature/Date

ENCLOSURE 1



Fort Benning
Motorcycle Automated Installation Entry card Approval Form

Name: _____

Unit: _____

BRC BRC2 MSRC State Endorsement

Expiration Date: _____

Verifier: _____



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