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SUBJECT: US Army Garrison Wiesbaden Command Policy Letter #28, Motorcycle Safety Program

1. References:

- a. DOD Instruction 6055.4, DoD Traffic Safety Program, 20 Apr 2009, Change 2, 23 Jan 13.
- b. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 27 Nov 13.
- c. AE Reg 190-1, Driver and Vehicle Requirements and the Installation Traffic Code for the U.S. Forces in Germany, 13 Aug 10.
- d. AR 210-22, Private Organizations on the Department of Army Installations, 22 Oct 10.

2. Purpose: To establish the USAG Wiesbaden commander's motorcycle safety program.

3. Applicability: This policy applies to all military commands and civilian employees (excluding local national employees) within the USAG Wiesbaden community. All organizations attached or physically located within its area of responsibility (AOR) should follow the intent of this policy.

4. Policy: Motorcycle accidents continue to be a leading cause of Soldier fatalities and serious injuries Army wide. Composite Risk Management (CRM) is the acronym for including safety in all we do. It is imperative that our motorcyclists develop good riding habits that may save their lives. I challenge all leaders to ensure our motorcyclists apply risk assessment to their sport. Leaders must work closely with their riders to ensure they use the risk management process to predict and manage risks associated with riding a motorcycle. Prior to long weekends, leaves and passes, all Soldiers, to include our motorcyclists, must complete a risk assessment using Travel Risk Planning System (TRiPS). The risk assessment module can be found on the United States Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center website at <https://safety.army.mil>. All military commands and organizations attached or physically located within the USAG Wiesbaden community should implement a Motorcycle Mentorship Program.

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a. Motorcycle Mentorship Program (MMP)

(1) The Army Chief of Staff has endorsed the concept of motorcycle mentorship. The establishment of MMP is one way leaders can engage riders and combat the rise in motorcycle mishaps. There is more than one approach to setup a MMP such as, unit level one-on-one mentorship program, unit level riding group mentorship program, or establishing a private organization (motorcycle club) IAW AR 210-22. The purpose of a MMP is to establish an organization where less-experienced riders and seasoned riders can create a supportive environment of responsible motorcycle riding and enjoyment. Such an environment leads to positive conduct and behavior, serves as a force multiplier, and supports motorcycle accident prevention programs. A sample club charter is available on the USARC/Safety Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/mmp/documents.aspx>.

(2) The MMP allows veteran riders to pass on their knowledge, training, experiences and safety skills to beginning motorcycle riders. Motorcycle mentors will have an opportunity to get to know their Soldiers and, by practicing their leadership, teaching and coaching skills, will become better leaders. We will rely on these individuals to show our inexperienced riders what "right" looks like.

(3) I am committed to ensuring the establishment of a successful MMP and will provide my utmost support in promoting motorcycle clubs as allowed in AR 210-22. The roles and responsibilities of organizations within my command are as follows:

(a) The Garrison Safety Office will communicate with motorcycle mentors and club leadership on local risk areas and encourage them to participate in the traffic safety program by being a conduit for positive education, mentorship, publicity and awareness for the riding community.

(b) Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR) will IAW AR 210-22 provide information on requirements to establish voluntary clubs and actively support established clubs.

(c) Public Affairs Office (PAO) will help promote the MMP via internal information, media relations and community relations, based on Garrison Commander's approval.

(d) Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) will review garrison level efforts initiatives, and club by-laws for legal sufficiency.

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5. Successful mishap reduction requires the support of commanders, first sergeants, supervisors, motorists and the military and civilian communities at large. The establishment of an MMP is one way leaders can engage riders and combat the rise in motorcycle mishaps. All commands should appoint on orders a senior and an alternate volunteer motorcycle mentor. Mentors will assist commanders in identifying, tracking, educating and training motorcycle operators. They will help identify the inexperienced riders and team them with an appropriate seasoned rider. These mentors at all levels will work together to ensure the success of the mentorship program.

6. I challenge everyone to work together towards a common goal of having zero accidents.

7. The point of contact for this command policy letter is the Safety Manager, at DSN: 548-2300, CIV: 0611-143-548-2300.



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