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- A. DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION REGULATION (DTR) DOD 4500.9-R-PART I PASSENGER MOVEMENT, CHAPTER 103/SEPT 2007//
- B. DTR DOD 4500.9-R-Part-II CARGO MOVEMENT, CHAPTER 205/SEP 2007//
- C. ARMY REGULATION (AR) 190-11 PHYSICAL SECURITY OF ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EXPLOSIVES, CHAPTERS 7/15 NOV 2006//
- D. AR 190-14, CARRYING OF FIREARMS AND USE OF FORCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY DUTIES/12 MAR 1993//
- E. AR 190-45 LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTING/30 MAR 07//
- F. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HR) BILL 2115, AMENDMENT TO TITLE 49 UNITED STATES CODE (USC) AVIATION AND TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ACT, SECTION 132/12 JUNE 2003//
- G. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DIRECTIVE 5210.56, USE OF DEADLY FORCE AND THE CARRYING OF FIREARMS BY DOD PERSONNEL ENGAGED IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY DUTIES/24 JANUARY 2002//
- H. TRANSPORTING FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (TSA) WEBSITE, [HTTP://WWW.TSA.GOV/PUBLIC/OCTOBER 2005//](http://www.tsa.gov/public/october)  
(U) REF A. PROVIDES PROCEDURES FOR STANDARD METHOD OF TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON SCHEDULED SERVICE AND CHARTER SERVICE COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS. REF B. OUTLINES PROCEDURES FOR TRANSPORTING GOVERNMENT-OWNED AMMUNITION AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ABOARD COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT IN SCHEDULED AND CHARTER SERVICE FLIGHTS. REF C. DEFINES THE REPRESENTATIVE RISK CATEGORIES OF WEAPONS SYSTEMS AND THE SECURITY PROCEDURES NECESSARY FOR TRANSPORTATION. REF D. IDENTIFIES PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO CARRY FIREARMS WHILE ABOARD COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT AND PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON PROPER STORAGE OF WEAPONS WHEN NOT REQUIRED IN FLIGHT. REF E. DELINEATES RESPONSIBILITY OF MILITARY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS TO ENTER STOLEN OR MISSING UNITED STATES (U.S.) PROPERTY INTO THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) DATABASE. REF F. CREATES PROVISION IN TITLE 49, AVIATION AND TRANSPORTATION ACT, ALLOWING EXEMPTIONS FOR ARMED FORCES CHARTERED AIRCRAFT FROM SUBSECTIONS A AND B, AND CHAPTER 449, AVIATION SECURITY RELATING TO TRANSPORTING OF WEAPONS ON COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT. REF G. AUTHORIZES DOD PERSONNEL TO CARRY FIREARMS WHILE ENGAGED IN LAW ENFORCEMENT OR SECURITY DUTIES, PROTECTING PERSONNEL, VITAL GOVERNMENT ASSETS OR GUARDING PRISONERS. REF H. PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR MILITARY MEMBERS AND DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WHO WILL BE TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ABOARD A SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL FLIGHT.  
RMKS/1. (U) ON OCCASION, MILITARY PERSONNEL AND DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ARE REQUIRED TO TRANSPORT WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ABOARD COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT TRANSITING TO AND FROM THE CONTINENTAL TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES (CTUS) IN THE EXECUTION OF ASSIGNED DUTIES. MILITARY MEMBERS AND DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WILL ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY FEDERAL LAW, DOD AND DA REGULATIONS, AND TSA POLICY TO ENSURE WEAPONS ARE NOT FRUSTRATED, LOST, OR STOLEN DURING TRANSPORT ON COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.  
1.A. (U) THIS MESSAGE DOES NOT SUPERSEDE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED REGULATORY GUIDELINES OR POLICY FOR TRANSPORTING MILITARY WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ON COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT. IT IS INTENDED TO CONSOLIDATE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES INTO A SINGLE REFERENCE SOURCE. THIS MESSAGE WILL HIGHLIGHT PROCEDURES FOR THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:  
1.A.1. (U) TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.  
1.A.2. (U) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.  
1.A.3. (U) TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON CHARTERED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.  
1.A.4. (U) TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION ON SCHEDULED AND CHARTERED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.  
1.A.5. (U) PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO CARRY FIREARMS DURING SCHEDULED AND CHARTERED

COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

- 1.A.6. (U) REPORTING WEAPONS THAT ARE FRUSTRATED, LOST, OR STOLEN WHILE IN TRANSIT ABOARD COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.
2. (U) TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.
  - 2.A. (U) TRANSPORTING INDIVIDUAL OR UNIT WEAPONS ON SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.
    - 2.A.1. (U) FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND FIREARMS PARTS MAY ONLY BE TRANSPORTED IN CHECKED BAGGAGE. FIREARMS, AMMUNITION AND FIREARM PARTS ARE PROHIBITED IN CARRY-ON BAGGAGE.
    - 2.A.2. (U) COMMANDERS MUST AUTHORIZE REQUESTS OF MILITARY MEMBERS AND DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES TO TRANSPORT WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ON COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.
    - 2.A.3. (U) A MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD SIGNED BY THE UNIT COMMANDER WILL BE PREPARED STATING WEAPON TYPE, SERIAL NUMBER AND TYPE AND QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION. THE MEMORANDUM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:
      - 2.A.3.A. (U) UNIT COMMANDER.
      - 2.A.3.B. (U) UNIT ARMORER.
      - 2.A.3.C. (U) TSA PERSONNEL.
      - 2.A.3.D. (U) AIR CARRIER REPRESENTATIVE DURING CHECK-IN.
      - 2.A.3.E. (U) SERVICE MEMBERS WILL MAINTAIN COPIES OF THE MEMORANDUM AND PROVIDE THEM AS REQUESTED TO AIR CARRIER OFFICIALS.
    - 2.A.4. (U) REVIEW THE TSA WEBSITE FOR SPECIFIC AIR CARRIER POLICIES AS THEY MAY DIFFER SOMEWHAT BETWEEN CARRIERS.
    - 2.A.5. (U) WEAPONS WILL BE CARRIED IN A LOCKED HARD-SIDED CARRYING CONTAINER THAT WILL REMAIN LOCKED EXCEPT WHEN INSPECTED.
    - 2.A.6. (U) WEAPONS CARRYING CONTAINERS MUST HAVE A LOCK SUFFICIENT TO WITHSTAND ATTEMPTS TO PRY OPEN. VISIT [WWW.CASESBYPELICAN.COM](http://WWW.CASESBYPELICAN.COM), [WWW.MILITARYCASES.COM/MOBILEARMORY.HTML](http://WWW.MILITARYCASES.COM/MOBILEARMORY.HTML) OR [WWW.GSAADVANTAGE.GOV](http://WWW.GSAADVANTAGE.GOV) FOR EXAMPLES OF GOVERNMENT APPROVED HARD-SIDED CARRYING CASES THAT CONFORM TO MILITARY STANDARDS.
    - 2.A.7. (U) APPLICABLE MILITARY STANDARDS FOR HARD-SIDED WEAPONS CARRYING CONTAINERS ARE:
      - 2.A.7.A. (U) MILITARY STANDARD 2073, DOD STANDARD PRACTICE FOR PACKAGING MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.
      - 2.A.7.B. (U) MILITARY STANDARD 648, DESIGN CRITERIA FOR SPECIALIZED SHIPPING CONTAINERS.
      - 2.A.7.C. (U) MILITARY STANDARD 304, MILITARY STANDARDIZATION HAND BOOK, PACKAGE CUSHIONING DESIGN.
      - 2.A.7.D. (U) MILITARY STANDARD 130, IDENTIFICATION MARKING OF U.S. MILITARY PROPERTY.
    - 2.A.8. (U) WEAPONS WILL BE UNLOADED AT ALL TIMES DURING TRANSIT.
    - 2.A.9. (U) DURING THE CHECK-IN PROCESS, THE PRESENCE OF A WEAPON WILL BE DECLARED VERBALLY AND IN WRITING TO AIR CARRIER AND TSA SECURITY PERSONNEL AND ALSO THAT THE WEAPON IS UNLOADED.
    - 2.A.10. (U) IT IS PREFERRED THAT THE CONTAINER KEY OR COMBINATION BE PROVIDED TO THE SECURITY SCREENER IF IT IS NECESSARY TO OPEN THE CONTAINER. PERSONNEL SHOULD REMAIN PRESENT DURING THE SCREENING, ENSURE THE CONTAINER IS RELOCKED, AND THEN RETAIN POSSESSION OF THE KEY AFTER THE CONTAINER IS CLEARED.
    - 2.A.11. (U) FEDERAL REGULATIONS PROHIBIT WEAPON CONTAINERS FROM BEING TRANSPORTED ONTO AIRCRAFT IF THE CONTAINER LOCK IS BROKEN.
    - 2.A.12. (U) TSA AND AIR CARRIER OFFICIALS WILL CONFIRM THE WEAPON TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER.
    - 2.A.13. (U) ONCE SCREENED, A FORM VERIFYING THE CONTENTS OF THE CONTAINER IS COMPLETED; ONE COPY IS PLACED IN THE CARRYING CASE, AND ONE PROVIDED TO THE TRAVELER.
    - 2.A.14. (U) THE WEAPONS CARRYING CONTAINER WILL BE PLACED IN CHECKED BAGGAGE AS A SEPARATE ITEM. WEAPONS WILL NOT BE STORED WITH OTHER CHECKED BAGGAGE; FOR EXAMPLE, PUTTING WEAPONS INTO A DUFFEL BAG WITH CLOTHES AND OTHER ACCESSORIES IS NOT ALLOWED.
    - 2.A.16. (U) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 190-11 (REPRESENTATIVE RISK CATEGORY IV), SERVICE MEMBERS WILL CONFIRM PROPER SECURITY PROCEDURES ARE BEING UTILIZED BY TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL WHEN HANDLING WEAPONS WITHIN THE AIRPORT TERMINAL.

2.A.16.A. (U) WITHIN THE TERMINAL, WEAPONS WILL REMAIN UNDER THE GENERAL SURVEILLANCE OF TERMINAL OR CONTRACT EMPLOYEES WHO ARE MOVING THE WEAPONS. WEAPONS WILL REMAIN WITHIN SIGHT OF THESE EMPLOYEES UNTIL STOWED ON AIRCRAFT. AIRPORT PERSONNEL ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE GUARD PATROL CHECKS IF THE AIR CARRIER NEEDS TO PLACE WEAPONS IN A STORAGE FACILITY PRIOR TO PLACING ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT.

2.A.16.B. (U) WHERE THE AIRPORT TERMINAL AREA IS PHYSICALLY SEPARATED FROM A LONG-TERM STORAGE AREA, MOVEMENT OF WEAPONS BETWEEN THE TWO AREAS WILL BE UNDER CONTINUOUS SURVEILLANCE OF AT LEAST ONE TERMINAL EMPLOYEE OR SELECTED CONTRACT EMPLOYEE FOR EACH CONVEYANCE.

2.A.17. (U) THE FOLLOWING WILL OCCUR DURING CONNECTING FLIGHTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND OCONUS LOCATIONS.

2.A.17.A. (U) PASSENGER WILL VERBALLY DECLARE WEAPONS TO APPROPRIATE AIRPORT SECURITY PERSONNEL AND NEW AIR CARRIER PERSONNEL TO PREVENT LOSS OR FRUSTRATION OF CARGO.

2.A.17.B. (U) ADDITIONAL SECURITY PERSONNEL AT OTHER TERMINALS ALONG THE FLIGHT ROUTE MAY HAVE TO INSPECT THE CONTAINER. IF THE TRAVELER TRANSPORTING THE WEAPONS ARE UNAVAILABLE AND A SCREENER MUST OPEN THE CONTAINER, TSA AND/OR THE AIR CARRIER WILL MAKE A REASONABLE ATTEMPT TO CONTACT THE TRAVELER. IF UNABLE TO CONTACT THE TRAVELER, THE WEAPONS CONTAINER WILL NOT BE PLACED ON THE PLANE.

3. (U) TRANSPORTING WEAPONS ON CHARTERED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

3.A. (U) UNLOADED WEAPONS ARE ALLOWED IN THE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT OF CHARTERED AIRCRAFT ONLY WHEN THE TOTAL CABIN LOAD OF THE AIRCRAFT CONSISTS EXCLUSIVELY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) SPONSORED FORCES IN SUPPORT OF TRAINING EXERCISES OR CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS AND WHEN AUTHORIZED IN THE OPERATIONS PLAN OR MISSION DIRECTIVE.

3.B. (U) WEAPONS STOWED IN THE CARGO COMPARTMENT MUST BE ASSEMBLED, UNLOADED, AND CONTAINERIZED.

3.C. (U) CREW-SERVICED WEAPONS WILL BE TRANSPORTED IN THE CARGO COMPARTMENT.

3.D. (U) WEAPONS (SHOULDER-FIRED AND PISTOLS) CARRIED IN THE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT WILL COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE.

3.D.1. (U) WEAPONS WILL HAVE THE BOLT REMOVED IF IT IS READILY REMOVABLE. THE BOLT WILL BE PLACED IN A SUITABLE PROTECTIVE COVER AND STORED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S PERSON OR IN A CARRY-ON BAG.

3.D.2. (U) IF THE BOLT IS NOT READILY REMOVABLE, IT WILL BE LOCKED TO THE REAR TO ALLOW FOR VISUAL INSPECTION.

3.D.2. (U) PISTOLS WILL HAVE SLIDES LOCKED TO THE REAR TO ALLOW FOR VISUAL INSPECTION.

3.D.3. (U) WEAPON SAFETY SWITCHES OR DECOCKING LEVERS WILL BE IN THE SAFE OR DECOCKED POSITION.

3.D.4. (U) THE AMMUNITION MAGAZINE WILL BE REMOVED.

3.D.4. (U) BAYONETS WILL NOT BE FIXED TO WEAPONS.

3.D.5. (U) PRIOR TO BOARDING AND DEPARTURE, THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE WILL ENSURE WEAPONS ARE LOADED INTO THE CARGO COMPARTMENT OF THE AIRPLANE BY MAINTAINING VISUAL CONTACT WITH THE WEAPONS CONTAINER AS LONG AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE UNTIL THE CARGO DOOR IS SECURED.

3.D.6. (U) AT DESTINATION, THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE WILL ENSURE WEAPONS ARE OFF LOADED AND PLACED IN THE CUSTODY OF UNIT PERSONNEL FOR TRANSPORT TO THE FINAL DESTINATION.

3.E. (U) HANDLING AND STOWAGE OF HAND-CARRIED WEAPONS.

3.E.1. (U) A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OR SENIOR ENLISTED MEMBER TRAVELING ON THE FLIGHT WILL BE DESIGNATED AS THE TROOP/FLIGHT COMMANDER IN CHARGE. THIS PERSON WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH MILITARY REGULATIONS AND ALSO SERVE AS THE SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT AND LIAISON WITH AIR CARRIER FLIGHT STAFF.

3.E.2. (U) THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER WILL DESIGNATE REPRESENTATIVES TO OBSERVE THE LOADING OF BAGGAGE AND TROOPS, AS NECESSARY.

3.E.3. (U) THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER WILL ALSO ENSURE HAND-CARRIED BAGGAGE DO NOT CONTAIN HAZARDOUS OR PROHIBITED ITEMS BY A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF ALL CONTENTS OF ALL HAND-CARRIED BAGGAGE.

3.E.4. (U) PRIOR TO BOARDING, THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER WILL VERBALLY INSTRUCT

THAT WEAPONS WILL BE HANDLED WITH EXTREME CARE WHEN BEING MANEUVERED AROUND THE AIRCRAFT TO AVOID DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT COMPONENTS.

3.E.5. (U) FOR WEAPONS BEING CARRIED ON BOARD INTO THE AIRCRAFT PASSENGER COMPARTMENT, THE FLIGHT/TROOP COMMANDER OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE POSITIONED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PASSENGER BOARDING STEPS TO ENSURE EACH WEAPON IS HANDLED IN COMPLIANCE WITH TRANSPORTATION GUIDANCE.

3.E.6. (U) WEAPONS WILL BE PLACED FLAT ON THE FLOOR OF THE AIRCRAFT UNDER THE SEATS IN FRONT OF EACH PASSENGER. PASSENGERS SITTING IN BULKHEAD SEATS WILL STOW WEAPONS UNDER THEIR SEATS OR PLACE THEM IN AN APPROVED CABIN STORAGE AREA.

4. (U) TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION ON SCHEDULED AND CHARTER COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

4.A. (U) TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION ON SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

4.A.1. (U) AMMUNITION WILL BE TRANSPORTED IN A HARD-SIDED LOCKED CONTAINER WITH ALL GUIDANCE APPLICABLE TO TRANSPORTING WEAPONS APPLYING FOR TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION.

4.A.2. (U) AMMUNITION WILL BE TRANSPORTED AS CHECKED BAGGAGE, NOT CARRIED IN THE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT.

4.A.3. (U) AMMUNITION WILL BE DECLARED VERBALLY AND IN WRITING TO TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL AND AIR CARRIER PERSONNEL WHEN CHECKING IN.

4.A.4. (U) AMMUNITION INSIDE A LOCKED HARD-SIDED CONTAINER WILL BE SECURELY PACKED IN FIBER SUCH AS CARDBOARD, WOOD OR METAL BOXES OR OTHER PACKAGING SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR SMALL AMOUNTS OF AMMUNITION.

4.A.5. (U) AMMUNITION MAGAZINES AND CLIPS DO NOT SATISFY PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS UNLESS THEY PROVIDE A COMPLETE AND SECURE ENCLOSURE FOR THE AMMUNITION; FOR EXAMPLE, BY SECURELY COVERING THE EXPOSED PORTION OF THE MAGAZINE OR BY SECURELY PLACING THE MAGAZINE IN A POUCH OR HOLSTER.

4.A.6. (U) AMMUNITION MAY BE LOCATED IN THE SAME HARD-SIDED CONTAINER USED FOR A WEAPON IF THE AMMUNITION IS PROPERLY PACKED AS LISTED ABOVE AND IF THE WEAPON IS TRANSPORTED AS CHECKED BAGGAGE.

4.B. (U) TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION ON COMMERCIAL CHARTER AIRCRAFT.

4.B.1. (U) WHEN CONCURRENT SHIPMENT OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION IN THE CARGO COMPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT TRANSPORTING TROOPS IS DETERMINED MISSION ESSENTIAL, SPECIFIC TYPE AND QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION WILL BE PROVIDED HEADQUARTERS, AIR MOBILITY COMMAND (AMC).

4.B.2. (U) AMMUNITION IS PROHIBITED IN THE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT.

4.B.3. (U) AMMUNITION WILL BE DECLARED VERBALLY AND IN WRITING TO TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL AND AIR CARRIER PERSONNEL WHEN CHECKING IN.

4.B.4. (U) AMMUNITION INSIDE A LOCKED HARD-SIDED CONTAINER WILL BE SECURELY PACKED IN FIBER SUCH AS CARDBOARD, WOOD OR METAL BOXES OR OTHER PACKAGING SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR SMALL AMOUNTS OF AMMUNITION.

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5. (U) UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, PERSONNEL MAY BE AUTHORIZED TO CARRY LOADED FIREARMS ABOARD SCHEDULED AND CHARTERED COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

5.A. (U) AUTHORIZATION TO CARRY FIREARMS ABOARD COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT MAY BE GRANTED TO DOD EMPLOYEES AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTLY ENGAGED IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES.

5.A.1. (U) LAW ENFORCEMENT OR SECURITY DUTIES.

5.A.2. (U) PROTECTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, HIGH RANKING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, DOD PERSONNEL, OR FOREIGN DIGNITARIES.

5.A.3. (U) COURIERS PROTECTING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION, SYSTEMS, OR EQUIPMENT VITAL TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

5.A.4. (U) DOD EMPLOYEES GUARDING AND TRANSPORTING PRISONERS.

5.B. (U) WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION WILL BE DECLARED VERBALLY AND IN WRITING TO TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL, AND AIRLINE PERSONNEL WHEN CHECKING IN.

5.B.1. (U) A LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION FROM THE COMMANDER TO CARRY FIREARM AND AMMUNITION ON AIRCRAFT WILL BE PROVIDED TO TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL AND AIR CARRIER PERSONNEL.

5.B.2. (U) OFFICIAL ORDERS MUST INCLUDE AUTHORIZATION FOR CARRYING A WEAPON AND AMMUNITION ON BOARD THE AIRCRAFT.

5.B.3. (U) NOTIFY THE AIR CARRIER OR PASSENGER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE THE AIRCRAFT DEPARTS THAT A WEAPON AND AMMUNITION WILL BE CARRIED ON THE AIRCRAFT.

5.B.4. (U) PRESENT OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT IDENTIFICATION AND WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION THAT CONTAINS SIGNATURE AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE AUTHORIZING ORGANIZATION, TO THE AIR CARRIER STAFF MEMBERS.

5.B.5. (U) PERSONNEL WILL NOT CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES EIGHT HOURS BEFORE THE FLIGHT OR DURING THE FLIGHT.

5.C. (U) THE ARMING STANCE WHILE ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT IS GOVERNED BY AIR CARRIER OFFICIALS, AIRCRAFT CREW, AND THE NATURE OF THE MISSION BEING CONDUCTED.

5.C.1. (U) PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO CARRY WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ABOARD COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT MUST BE PREPARED TO RELINQUISH WEAPON AND AMMUNITION UPON REQUEST FROM THE AIRLINE OR UPON COMPLETION OF THE MISSION.

5.C.2. (U) UPON COMPLETION OF A MISSION REQUIRING PERSONNEL TO CARRY WEAPONS ON THE AIRCRAFT, AIRLINE PERSONNEL MAY REQUIRE THE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION TO BE PLACED IN THE CARGO AREA AS CHECKED BAGGAGE. IF SO, THEN PERSONNEL WILL ADHERE TO CHECKED BAGGAGE WEAPON AND AMMUNITION GUIDANCE.

6. (U) REPORTING FRUSTRATED, LOST, OR STOLEN FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION WHILE IN TRANSIT ABOARD COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS.

6.A. (U) WHEN WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ARE DISCOVERED MISSING, THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE.

6.A.1. (U) IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY AIR CARRIERS AT ALL LOCATIONS THROUGH WHICH THE WEAPON WAS TRANSPORTED.

6.A.2. (U) NOTIFY AIRLINE TSA/SECURITY PERSONNEL.

6.A.3. (U) IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE BAGGAGE AND CLAIMS DEPARTMENT FOR EACH AIR CARRIER.

6.A.4. (U) PROVIDE MEMORANDUM DETAILING WEAPONS TYPE, SERIAL NUMBERS, AND QUANTITY OF WEAPONS MISSING TO THE AIR CARRIERS AND TSA/SECURITY INVOLVED.

6.A.5. (U) NOTIFY ALL RELEVANT COMMANDS TELEPHONICALLY.

6.A.6. (U) SUBMIT SPOT REPORT TO ALL COMMANDS CONCERNED.

6.A.7. (U) UNITS WILL INITIATE, COMPLETE, AND SUBMIT SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORTS (SIR) PER LOCAL UNIT, INSTALLATION, AND COMBATANT COMMAND POLICY TO DEPARTMENT OF ARMY PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL OPERATIONS (DAPM-MPP-LE) AND THE ARMY OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC) NO LATER THAN 24 HOURS AFTER THE DISCOVERY OF ACTUAL THEFT, ALLEGED THEFT, OR LOSS OF WEAPON.

6.A.8. (U) AS NEW INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE INFORMATION WILL BE SUBMITTED AS ADD-ON OR CORRECTION REPORTS FOR FORWARDING TO DA.

6.A.9. (U) LOSING UNIT WILL ENSURE WEAPONS INFORMATION IS ENTERED INTO THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER DATABASE BY LOCAL PMO OR DIRECTOR OF NCIC IN OVERSEAS AREAS.

7.A. (U) SIR REPORTING

7.A.1. (U) ACTUAL OR ALLEGED INCIDENTS INVOLVING THE THEFT, LOSS, SUSPECTED THEFT, UNACCOUNTED OR RECOVERED ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EXPLOSIVES (AA&E). IN THE FOLLOWING QUANTITIES PER AR 140-11 WILL GENERATE A CATEGORY TWO SIR.

7.A.2. (U) WHEN IT IS UNKNOWN WHERE THE LOSS OF WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION OCCURRED WHILE IN TRANSIT, THE UNIT OR INSTALLATION THAT COMPLETES THE SIR WILL FORWARD ALL INFORMATION AND REPORTS TO APPLICABLE MAJOR ARMY COMMANDS (MACOM), INSTALLATIONS, AND UNITS, ALONG THE ROUTE THE WEAPONS MAY HAVE TRAVELED WHILE IN TRANSIT.

7.B. (U) NCIC SYSTEM.

7.B.1. (U) ALL U.S. GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATELY OWNED WEAPONS REPORTED LOST, STOLEN, OR RECOVERED WILL BE ENTERED INTO THE NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER (NCIC) GUN FILE, REGARDLESS OF VALUE.

7.B.2. (U) PROVOST MARSHALS WITHIN THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES, ALASKA, AND HAWAII WILL ENTER INFORMATION INTO THE NCIC.

7.B.3. (U) DIRECTOR, U.S. ARMY CRIME RECORDS CENTER, ENTERS STOLEN PROPERTY AND GUN REPORTS FOR PROVOST MARSHAL OFFICES IN OVERSEAS AREAS.

7.B.4. (U) LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES NOT LOCATED ON AN ARMY INSTALLATION OR HAVING ACCESS TO A TERMINAL MAY ENTER INTO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH AN INSTALLATION PROVOST MARSHAL TO HAVE THE INSTALLATION PROVOST MARSHAL OFFICE ENTER RECORDS AND ACT AS THE ORIGINATING AGENCY IDENTIFIER (ORI).

7.C. (U) DA FORM 3056, REPORT OF MISSING/RECOVERED FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND EXPLOSIVES, WILL BE COMPLETED AND DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFER C.

8. THIS IS A DCS G-4 AND PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL COORDINATED MESSAGE.

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