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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL Parks Reserve Forces Training Area Personnel, Tenant Organizations and Training Units

SUBJECT: Parks RFTA Policy #44, Motorcycle Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

1. REFERENCE.

- a. DODI 6055.04, Subject: DOD Traffic Safety Program, 20 April 2009.
- b. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, 23 August 2007/RAR 4 October 2011.

2. PURPOSE. This policy establishes the motorcycle PPE requirements for Parks Reserve Forces Training Area (PRFTA) affiliated personnel while operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle/moped/three wheeled motorcycle.

3. APPLICABILITY. This is applicable to all military and Civilian personnel (including contractors and visitors) operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle/moped on PRFTA.

4. POLICY. The Installation Commander has overall responsibility to protect life and property caused by accidental mishaps. This policy identifies the mandatory PPE requirements in accordance with Department of Defense (DOD) and Department of the Army (DA).

5. Motorcycle PPE is mandatory for all persons any time on or off Parks RFTA while operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle/moped/three-wheeled motorcycle IAW AR385-10, CH 11-9.

6. The following is the minimum motorcycle PPE required for all persons.

a. **Helmet.** All helmets must be certified to meet Department of Transportation (DOT) standards and properly fastened under the chin.

b. **Eye Protection.** Impact or shatter resistant goggles, wraparound glasses, or a full face shield properly attached to the helmet must meet or exceed American National Standards Institute ANZI Safety code Z87.1-2003, for impact and shatter resistant. A windshield or fairing alone is not proper eye protection.

c. **Foot and Ankle Protection.** Sturdy footwear; leather boots or over the ankle shoes must be worn that affords protection for the feet and ankles.

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d. **Protective Clothing.** A long sleeved shirt or jacket; long trousers and full fingered gloves made from leather or other abrasion-resistant material must be worn.


e. **Additional PPE Requirements.** To meet regulatory intent of DODI 6055.04 and AR385-10, PPE requirements such as the standard Army physical training belt or reflective vests are eliminated.

(1) **NOTE.** Military uniforms do not meet this criterion (AR385-10, CH 11-9d). The protective clothing shall be made of leather or other abrasion-resistant material and not covered.

(2) Items may be worn on top of the protective clothing (backpacks and camelbacks etc.), but they must meet the same leather or other abrasion-resistant material requirements of protective clothing.

(3) Motorcycle riders (Soldiers) are encouraged to select PPE designed motorcycle jackets and pants constructed of abrasion-resistant materials such as leather, Kevlar or Cordura and impact-absorbing padding that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro reflective materials and employ other visibility enhancing equipment designed to provide as much visibility as possible.

7. **PROPONENT.** The proponent for this policy is the PRFTA Installation Safety & Occupational Health Office at (925) 875-4681.


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