MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Prohibited Substances

1. REFERENCES:


   c. AR 600-63, Army Health Promotion (Rapid Action Revision 002, 7 September 2010).

   d. AR 600-9, The Army Weight Control Program, 27 November 2006.

2. BACKGROUND. There is a disturbing trend of increased abuse of substances which are capable of producing profound psychotropic and other harmful effects on the body. The use of these substances is detrimental to good order and discipline, mission readiness, and the overall effectiveness of this command and its Soldiers and Civilians.

3. APPLICABILITY. This policy applies at all times and in all locations to all service members and Civilians assigned to, attached to, or performing duties in units or activities assigned, attached, stationed, based, or otherwise located on the Fort Hood military reservation. This includes, but is not limited to, units, service members, and Civilians conducting maneuvers, training, maintenance, or other duties on the Fort Hood military reservation. It also applies to all military personnel and Civilians present on the Fort Hood military reservation. All service members and Civilians assigned to, attached to, or performing duties in units or activities over whom Commander, III Corps and Fort Hood, exercises Senior Commander (SC) authority are also subject to this policy.

4. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.

   a. Army Regulation 600-85, paragraph 4-2p, prohibits using the following substances for the purpose of inducing excitement, intoxication, or stupefaction of the
central nervous system: controlled substances analogues such as synthetic cannabis and other tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) substitutes ("Spice"); derivatives of 2-aminopropanal ("Bath Salts"); synthetic cocaine ("RTI-126"); or any other substance similarly designed to mimic the effects of a controlled substance on the human body without an approved medical use in the United States; chemicals, propellants, or inhalants (huffing); dietary supplements that are banned by the United States Food and Drug Administration; prescription or over-the-counter drugs and medications (when used in a manner contrary to their intended medical purpose or in excess of the prescribed dosage); and naturally occurring substances (to include, but not limited to, Salvia Divinorum, Jimson Weed, and so forth).

b. The actual or attempted possession, use, sale, distribution, manufacture or introduction onto the Fort Hood military reservation of any of the following substances is prohibited.

(1) Any controlled substance analogue or homologue such as "Spice" or similar substances containing synthetic cannabis, any THC substitute, or any synthetic cannabinoid (e.g., Genie, K2, Skunk, Spice Diamond, Spice Gold, Spice Silver, Yucatan Fire, and Zohai).

(2) Salvia Divinorum or any substance containing it (e.g., Diviner’s Sage; Magic Mint, Maria Pastora, Sage of the Seers, Sally D).

(3) Mitragyna Speciosa Korth or any substance containing it (e.g., Kratom, Thang, Kakuam, Ketum, and Biak).

(4) Amanita Muscaria mushrooms or any substance containing them.

(5) Convolvulaceae Argyreia Nervosa in concentrated, powdered, or seed form (e.g., Hawaiian Baby Woodrose).

(6) Datura or any substance containing it (e.g., Jimson Weed, Devil’s Apple, Torn Apple, Stinkweed, Moonflower, Malpitte, and Toloache).

(7) Mephedron, 3,4 Methylene dioxyamphetamine (MDPV), and Methylone or any substance containing any of these substances (e.g., Bath Salts, Ivory Wave, MDPK, MTV, Magic, Maddie, Black Rob, Super Coke and PV).

c. The actual or attempted possession of any substance with intent that it be used in a manner that does or would violate paragraph 4-2p of Army Regulation 600-85 is prohibited.
d. The actual or attempted sale, distribution, manufacture or introduction onto the Fort Hood military reservation of any substance with the intent that it be used, or with the knowledge that it will be used, in a manner that violates paragraph 4-2p of Army Regulation 600-85 is prohibited.

e. The actual or attempted possession, use, sale, distribution, manufacture, or introduction onto the Fort Hood military reservation of any items or paraphernalia intended to facilitate the use, manufacture, or refinement of any substance prohibited by Article 112a, Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), paragraph 4b, above, or of paragraph 4-2p of Army Regulation 600-85 is prohibited.

f. The actual or attempted possession, use, sale, distribution, manufacture, or introduction onto the Fort Hood military reservation of human growth hormone (hGH) for any reason other than the treatment of a disease or other recognized medical condition, where such use has been authorized by the Secretary of Health and Human Services and pursuant to the order of a physician.

g. Notwithstanding subparagraph f above, persons subject to this policy may not participate in a diet or other weight loss program that uses human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) and/or hGH.

5. EXCEPTIONS. This policy does not apply to:

a. The otherwise lawful use of alcohol, tobacco, or caffeine.

b. The use of controlled substances by any person for whom they have been lawfully prescribed in accordance with applicable state and federal law, so long as such substances are used in a manner consistent with their intended medical purpose and the instructions of the prescribing physician.

c. The possession of otherwise lawful devices and substances (not listed in paragraph 7 of this memorandum) with the intent to use them for their intended lawful purpose (i.e., in a manner that does not violate paragraph 4-2p of AR 600-85).

6. Punitive Provisions. Paragraph 4 of this policy memorandum is punitive and is intended to be a lawful general order and regulation within the meaning of Article 92, UCMJ, and 18 USC 1382. Violations of paragraph 4 may result in punitive action under the UCMJ, adverse administrative action, or both. Civilian government employees and civilians who violate paragraph 4 of this policy letter may be subject to prosecution in the United States Magistrate Court, barred from post, referred to civilian authorities, or subject to disciplinary and administrative action according to appropriate civilian personnel regulations.
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7. EXPIRATION: This policy memorandum supersedes the Commanding General's Policy Letter # 13, SJA-03, dated 11 April 2013, and will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.

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