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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
UNITED STATES ARMY SERGEANTS MAJOR ACADEMY
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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL ASSIGNED/ATTACHED PERSONNEL, US ARMY SERGEANTS MAJOR ACADEMY, FORT BLISS, TX 79918

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum # 05, **Motorcycle Safety/Certification**

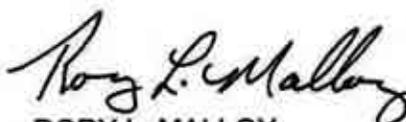
1. Reference: Army Regulation 385-10, The Army Safety Program, Rapid Action Revision (RAR), 7 Nov 08.
2. Purpose: To outline the Commandant's policy on motorcycle safety and certification.
3. Effective immediately, all Soldiers assigned or attached to the US Army Sergeants Major Academy (USASMA) and licensed family members who own and operate a motorcycle with the intention of operating it on Fort Bliss/Biggs Army Airfield will participate in the Motorcycle Driving Certification Course (MDRC). Family member will be required to pay for the course. Personnel will complete the MDRC within 30 days of arrival or within 30 days of purchase.
4. Upon completion of MDRC, Soldiers will provide documentation to their respective Faculty Advisors, First Sergeant, or Company Commander. A copy will be provided to the Academy Safety Officer.
5. Motorcycle Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): PPE is mandatory for all personnel including: Active Duty, National Guard, and Reserve service members, DOD civilians, contractors, retirees, and dependents operating motorcycles, mopeds, or ATVs on the Fort Bliss installation. Soldiers and Family members must notify the SS&F Commander within 48 hours of purchasing a motorcycle, moped, or ATV.
 - a. Reflective Upper Garments: Operators and passengers must wear reflective outer "upper" garments (vests or jackets) that are clearly visible and not covered. If the operator or passenger wears a backpack, the rear of the backpack will be conspicuously marked with reflective material.
 - b. Helmets: Certified helmets that meet DOT standards - chinstrap must be properly fastened under the chin.
 - c. Eye Protection: Impact or shatter-proof goggles, wrap around glasses, or a full-face shield attached to the helmet are the approved methods of eye protection for PPE.
 - d. Footgear: Leather (over ankle) boots.
 - e. Clothing: Long sleeved shirts or jackets, long trousers, and full fingered gloves or mittens.
6. Motorcycle Mentorship Program: The USASMA Safety Officer will identify a unit Senior Motorcycle Mentor for the Academy and ensure the individual receives training to be certified as a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) instructor.

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7. Supervisors will provide the USASMA Safety Officer a DA Form 4856 focusing on Motorcycle Safety Awareness for each Soldier that owns and operates a motorcycle.

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