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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

ATZJ-CG

29 April 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum 6-27 -- Risk Management Integration and Risk Decision Authority

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Memorandum, U.S. Army Accessions Command, 23 July 2003, subject: US Army Accessions Command Risk Management Integration and Risk Decision Authority.
- b. Memorandum, HQ TRADOC, 12 June 2003, subject: Risk Management Integration and TRADOC Risk Decision Authority.
- c. FM 100-14, Risk Management, April 1998
- d. AR 385-10, Army Safety Program, 29 February 2000

2. PURPOSE: To provide guidance to all Unit Commanders conducting training on Fort Jackson on risk management integration and risk decision authority.

3. POLICY:

- a. Risk management and accident prevention are inherent command functions. Risk management serves as the most effective tool in protecting the force by providing a systematic framework for identifying and controlling risks in all environments and operations. The process is continuous and cyclic in nature and applies from initial planning through after-action review.
- b. Commanders will accept no risk unless the potential benefit outweighs the potential loss and that risk decision must be made at the appropriate level.
- c. Ensure all Commanders, Command Sergeants Major, and First Sergeants complete the Commander's Safety Course.

4. The following are the approved risk assessment approval authorities by level of risk:

- a. Extremely High Risk - Fort Jackson Commanding General.

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b. High Risk Ranges (Night Infiltration Course, Omaha, and Remagen IAW FJ 350-14): Brigade Commander (0-6) or equivalent (Fort Jackson Deputy Commanding Officer or TRADOC School Commandants).

c. Moderate Risk (Anzio, Bastogne, Victory Tower, Bayonet Assault Course, Confidence Obstacle Course, Event Trail, and NBC IAW FJ 350-14): Battalion Commander (0-5) or equivalent and Command Sergeant Major (CSM) serving in the capacity of Drill Sergeant School Commandant.

d. Low Risk (Teamwork Development Course, Fit to Win Endurance Obstacle Course, Chip-Yong-Ni, First Aid, Map Reading, and all BRM Ranges IAW FJ 350-14): Company Commander or as designated by the Battalion Commander.

5. IAW paragraph 4 above, Unit Commanders are the approving authorities for daily risk assessments on Fort Jackson ranges. Once the unit steps on the range they own it from start to finish. Daily risk assessments are developed by evaluating existing conditions against the baseline risk assessment present in the Range TSP. The Deputy Commanding Officer, Victory Brigade Commander, Range Control Officer, and Post Safety Officer will review the baseline risk assessments annually. Any recommended changes to baseline risk assessments will be approved by the CG.

6. This policy is applicable to any and all units conducting training on Fort Jackson training areas and ranges without exception.

7. Risk management worksheets will be developed for all training/operations. Company commanders will develop and use daily risk assessment worksheets that will address factors such as environment/weather, number of Soldiers in training, number of cadre, cumulative effect factors over the last three training days, and other factors that may have changed from the original risk assessment. Risk management worksheets will be read and briefed to all range personnel and other using unit cadre. Daily briefbacks by cadre to commanders on safety concerns will be utilized to the maximum practical extent.

8. Proponent for this policy is the G3, 751-6937, in coordination with Post Safety, 751-7553.



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