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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: ERMIC Summer Safety Campaign

1. **REFERENCES.** TAB A contains a list of references.

2. **PURPOSE.** This memorandum outlines the ERMIC Summer Safety Campaign. The campaign will run from 1 May 2004 through 30 September 2004. The goals of the Summer Safety Campaign are to:

- a. Be proactive in identifying and implementing control measures for off duty hazards and risks.
- b. Ensure risk mitigation measures are in place to ensure the safety of our personnel.
- c. Achieve no loss of life and minimal injuries and equipment damage during the summer season, supporting the Secretary of Defense's goal of 50% accident reduction.

Commanders and leaders in the Europe Regional Medical Command (ERMIC) must now focus on anticipating the common hazards associated with summer in the European theater. My goal is to ensure all Soldiers, civilians, and family members assigned to ERMIC are properly armed with the most current information to assist them in summer accident and injury prevention.

3. **RESPONSIBILITIES.**

- a. **The ERMIC Public Affairs Office (PAO) will:** Develop and execute a media/information campaign plan in support of the ERMIC Summer Safety Campaign.
- b. **The ERMIC Safety Office will:** Coordinate with appropriate staff sections to ensure that all specified elements listed within this plan are accomplished and units that execute innovative and excellent safety initiatives during the campaign are recognized for their achievements.
- c. **The ERMIC Training Office will:** Maintain and manage an accurate listing and percentage of Soldier compliance with the summer safety campaign training requirements.
- d. **MTF Commanders will:**

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(1) Ensure summer safety accident prevention training is scheduled and conducted by 1 May 2004 for all Soldiers.

(2) Ensure hot weather injury prevention training is scheduled and conducted by 1 May 2004 to all personnel subject to working or training in environments that could result in hot weather injuries. Utilize the film "Heat Injury Risk Management" (TVT8-460, PIN #711659). Training must include information on the recognition, prevention and prompt treatment of heat injuries.

(3) Ensure refresher risk management concentrating on the unit mission essential task list (METL) and unique summer hazards is scheduled and conducted by 1 May 2004 for all Soldiers.

(4) Ensure all Soldier and civilian employees receive water safety training on authorized swimming locations, hazard recognition and preventive measures. Training must be scheduled and conducted by 1 May 2004. The water safety video "Reasons People Drown" may be used and is available from the local BSB/ASG Safety Office.

(5) Ensure a noncommissioned officer development program (NCODP) and officer professional development (OPD) program that train leaders for successful implementation of the summer safety campaign is conducted by 1 June 2004. Such OPD sessions should be combined during a timeframe reserved for a "Safety Standown."

(6) Ensure all Soldiers who are licensed to operate a motorcycle in USAREUR have attended a refresher class conducted by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation within the last 6 months. These refresher classes are sponsored by local area support groups (ASG) or base support battalions (BSB). Ensure this requirement is met by 15 May 2004.

e. MTF Public Affairs Offices will: Develop and execute a media/information campaign plan in support of the ERM Summer Safety Campaign Plan.

f. MTF Safety Offices will: Coordinate with appropriate staff sections to ensure that all specified elements listed within this plan are accomplished and individuals that execute innovative and excellent safety initiatives during the campaign are recognized for their achievements. Coordinate with Preventive Medicine and the Staff Development and Training Office to conduct required summer safety training.

g. MTF Staff Development and Training Offices will: Maintain and manage an accurate listing and percentage of Soldier compliance with the summer safety mandatory training requirements and provide necessary classroom training materials as needed.

h. MTF Preventive Medicine Offices will: Assist both unit commanders and hospital personnel in providing the Heat Injury Risk Management training. Provide assistance to unit

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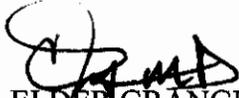
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commanders in conducting heat injury prevention classes to include the use of water intake, Work/Rest/Water Consumption Table and the requirement for conducting pre-planning for rigorous training that includes warning Soldiers against the use of performance enhancing supplements or medications. Training materials can be found at the following website: <http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/heat/>.

4. After the completion of Summer Safety Campaign, units can submit for the ERMCM Commanders Safety Award. Nominations should include specific details on accident prevention strategies, success in achieving zero accidents and fatalities, Soldier training and education initiatives, coordination and outreach to tactical units in the deployment/redeployment process, success stories in implementing Risk Assessment and Risk Management principles, and overall safety initiatives accomplished within your unit.

5. The effectiveness and success of this campaign depends on caring and compassionate leaders who take ownership of their Soldiers' safety and who utilize the Risk Management process in the execution of our daily mission requirements.

6. The point of contact for this plan is Carol Fontanese, ERMCM Safety Manager, DSN: 371-3350 or Commercial 06221-17-3350.


For ELDER GRANGER
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TAB A

REFERENCES

ARMY REGULATIONS

AR 40-5, Preventive Medicine

AR 215- 1, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Activities and Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentalities

AR 385-55, Prevention of Motor Vehicle Accidents

AR 385-40, Accident Reporting and Records

AR 600-63, Army Health Promotion

AR 600-85, The Army Substance Abuse Program

AR 608-18, The Army Family Advocacy Program

ARMY PAMPHLETS

DA PAM 600-24, Suicide Prevention and Psychological Autopsy

DA Pam 600-70, U.S. Army Guide to the Prevention of Suicide and Self-Destructive Behavior

OTHER DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PUBLICATIONS

FM 4-25.12 (21-10-1), Unit Field Sanitation Team

FM 21-1, Foot Marches

FM 21-10, Field Hygiene and Sanitation

FM 21-11, First Aid for Soldiers

FM 21-20 w/Change 1, Physical Fitness Training

FM 21-305, Manual for the Wheeled Vehicle Driver

FM 100-14, Risk Management

TB Med 507, Prevention, Training, and Control of Heat Injury

TC 21-305, Training Program for Wheeled Accident Avoidance

ARMY IN EUROPE/USAREUR REGULATIONS

AE Reg 190-1, Registering and Operating Privately Owned Vehicles in Germany

AE Reg 385-40, Accident Reporting and Records

AE Reg 600-55, Driver and Operator Standardization Program

USAREUR Reg 40-6, Referring Soldiers for Mental Health Evaluations

USAREUR Reg 385-2, USAREUR Recreational Water Safety Program

USARUER Reg 385-55, Prevention of Motor Vehicle Accidents

ARMY IN EUROPE/USAREUR PAMPHLETS

AE Pam 190-34, Drivers Handbook and Examination Manual for Germany

AE Pam 385-15, Leaders Operational Accident Prevention Guide

USAREUR Pam 385-17, Leaders Guide to Force Protection in Physical Training Running Formations

OTHER ARMY IN EUROPE/USAREUR PUBLICATIONS

AE Command Policy Letter 3, Safety, 4 May 2003

AE Command Policy Letter 28, Suicide Prevention, 4 May 2003

BELL SENDS #1, Deployment Safety, 31 January 2003

BELL SENDS #4, SAFETY ALERT – Fatalities, 13 May 2003

BELL SENDS #5, SAFETY ALERT – Motorcycle Fatalities, 17 June 2003

BELL SENDS #7, Motorcycle Carnage Continues, 8 July 2003

BELL SENDS #9, Motor Vehicle Safety – Auto Crash Kills Soldier, 1 August 2003

BELL SENDS #10-04, Soldier Reintegration on Return From OIF, 9 January 2004

BELL SENDS #12-04, USAREUR 2004 Summer Safety Campaign, 29 January 2004

Memorandum, HQ USAREUR/7A, AEAGA-S, 5 March 2003, subject: Risk Assessment Tools for Preventing Accidents

Memorandum, HQ USAREUR/7A, AEAGA-S, 3 February 2004, subject: USAREUR 2004 Summer Safety Campaign