SUBJECT: VDF Command Policy on the applicability of National Guard and Army regulations, publications, manuals, and pamphlets; United States Codes as applicable.

1. All VDF personnel shall adhere to the following guidelines.


3 Virginia Defense Force regulations and policy letters should be read and fully understood by all VDF personnel. "Knowledge is Power" and it is critical that VDF personnel be thoroughly informed and knowledgeable on all aspects of military service in order to effectively fulfill their responsibilities of serving and defending Virginia and the Nation.

4 The information contained within these regulations and policy letters has been taken directly from applicable National Guard, Army Regulations and Virginia law. From time to time you will see instructions or the words “shall”, “must” or “will” you should consider the information to be mandatory and to be backed by the full force and measure of Regulations. Similarly, any time you see the words “may not”, “shall not” or “will not” you should consider that information to be mandatory. In addition, any time you see the word “should” you are to consider this a strong recommendation and any reason to deviate must be based on good cause.

5. Pursuant to Virginia Code Title 44-54.7, The National Guard and Army regulations, publications, manuals, and pamphlets are meant to supplement the VDF regulations and policy to provide further detailed guidance where VDF regulations or policy may be lacking. They are meant to be read in tandem and in the event that VDF regulations are not sufficient, then the National Guard and Army regulations, publications, manuals and pamphlets will apply and control so long as reasonable.
6. The rules and regulation for government of the U.S. Army or National Guard will control so far as they are not inconsistent with the rights reserved to the Commonwealth of Virginia. Thus, except where the VDF has its own regulation in place, all Army and National Guard regulations which apply to the Virginia National Guard apply to the Virginia Defense Force.

7. Therefore, I have attached an appendix of miscellaneous Army and National Guard regulations and publications that are routinely used in administrative and operational matters. I have not included all applicable rules or regulations as this is not an exhaustive or exclusive list, but merely to provide guidance for commanders and all VDF personnel.

8. POC is the Chief of Staff, (540) 760-3603; G-1 or Judge Advocate General.

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APPENDIX A
(SELECTION OF APPLICABLE ARMY AND NATIONAL GUARD RULES AND REGULATIONS)

1. Army Publishing Directorate @ WWW.apd.army.mil (Army Regulations & Policy)
2. National Guard bureau, publication forms library @ WWW.ngbpdc.ngb.army.mil
3. Army Regulations (AR) 600-20 (Army Command Policy);
4. Commander’s Legal Handbook 2013 (Army);
5. AR 27-10 (Military Justice); Uniform Code of Military Justice;
6. Army National Guard Social Media Policy
7. National Guard Pam 600-4 “Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Guidelines for Commanders, Managers & Supervisors”;
9. AR Pam 600-20 “Relationships Between Soldiers of Different Rank”;
10. NG Pamphlet 25-30; table of contents for all Administrative NGR;
11. AR series 135 Army National Guard & Reserve;
12. AR series 600 Personnel-General;
13. NGR 600-100 (Commissioned Officers Personnel Actions);
14. NGR 600-101 (Warrant Officers);
15. NGR 600-200 (Enlisted Personnel Management);
16. NGR 10-4 (State Defense Force & National Guard Interaction);
17. NGR 37-104-3 (Military Pay & Allowances policy & Procedures ANG)
18. NGR 310-10 (Military Orders);
19. NGR 600-21 (Equal Opportunity Program);
20. NGR 25-1 (All States Memorandum);
21. NGR 600-12 (Family Program);
22. NGR 600-63 (Army National Guard Health Promotion Program);
23. AR 600-25 (Salutes, Honors Visits of Courtesy);
24. AR 600-8 (Military Personnel Management);
25. AR 600-37 (Unfavorable Information in Military Personnel Record Jacket)
26. Army Directive 2013-17 (Sexual Harassment);
28. AR 600-8-104 (Military Personnel Information Management /Records;
29. NGR 600-63 (Army National Guard Health Promotion Program);
30. AR 600-100 (Army Leadership);
31. The Armed Forces Officer, printed by U.S. Dept. Of Defense;
32. Title 10 US Code, Section 5947 (Requirement of Exemplary Conduct);
33. Title 10 US Code, Section 3583, 85831 (Requirement of Exemplary Conduct);
34. Soldier’s Manual of Common Tasks, Warrior Skills Level 1;
35. Army Soldiers Creed;
36. Army NCO Creed;
37. Army Core Values: Loyalty; Duty; Respect; Selfless Service; Honor; Integrity; Personal Courage;
38. Army Code of Conduct;
39. Army General Orders;
40. Army Field Manuals: First Aid, Survivibilty, Cold weather Survival Manual;
41. Army Field Manuals: Operations, leadership; MP Leadership, DNC, Land Nav;
42. Army Field Manuals: Soldiers Guide; Traffic; Guard Duty; Public Affairs.