



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 442D SIGNAL BATTALION
FORT GORDON GEORGIA 30905

COMMAND POLICY LETTER

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Commander's Policy Memorandum #6 – Drug and Alcohol Use and Abuse

1. **PURPOSE:** This memorandum establishes policy on alcohol use and prohibits the misuse and/or possession of drugs and non-controlled substances. The policy applies to all Soldiers and civilians assigned or attached to the 442d Signal Battalion.
2. Reference: AR 600-85, The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP), 28 December 2012
3. Drug and alcohol abuse is detrimental to the individual, affects the morale and welfare of the unit and adversely impacts our unit's mission. Drug use and any abuse of prescription drugs are illegal within both the Uniform Code of Military Justice and our civilian court system. Neither type of abuse will be tolerated within this organization.
 - a. Commanders will foster a positive command climate that discourages alcohol and drug abuse and is supportive of those who need assistance for drug abuse or alcohol related problems. This chain of command is committed to assisting any person who has a substance abuse problem and voluntarily seeks help. These individuals are highly encouraged to self-refer themselves to the Community Counseling Center. Self-referrals will be treated with privacy and will not be subject to punishment.
 - b. Urinalysis testing is an accurate identifier of offenders and serves as an effective deterrent against experimentation. Individual referrals after taking a command direct urinalysis will not be considered self-referrals and may be subject to punishment under the provisions of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and will also be subject to administrative action IAW existing regulations.
4. **Under Age Drinking.** The legal drinking age for the state of Georgia and the Fort Gordon installation is twenty-one. Therefore, no one under the age of twenty-one will consume alcohol and persons of legal drinking age will not provide alcohol to underage individuals (military or civilian).
5. **Driving Under the Influence (DUI).** Every Soldier and civilian has the civic duty not to drive while under the influence of alcohol. Driving while impaired jeopardizes your life and the lives of everyone around you. It is also everyone's duty to prevent others from driving under the influence of alcohol - especially a fellow member of the battalion. The most effective way to prevent this is to develop a "designated driver plan" prior to any event that involves alcohol or by planning an alternative means of transportation.

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6. EFFECTIVE DATE: This policy replaces Commander's Policy Memorandum #6, dated 9 January 2014

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