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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Directive 2018-07-15 (Prioritizing Efforts—Readiness and Lethality (Update 15))

1. References. A complete list of references is at enclosure.
2. Purpose. This directive revises Army policy on safety briefings, the Army's Aviation Safety Management program, and clarifies the Army radiation safety program.
3. Applicability. This directive applies to the Regular Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U.S. Army Reserve. It also applies to Department of the Army civilian employees, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Civil Works activities, tenants, and volunteers.
4. Policy.
 - a. Safety Briefings. Risk management is the Army's principle risk reduction methodology and ensures regulatory and statutory compliance. Commanders and leaders at all levels must incorporate hazard awareness and risk management into their daily processes and mission planning. Accordingly, supervisory and operating personnel who direct the actions of others are required to conduct safety meetings (such as safety awareness, training, and procedures reviews) with the Soldiers and Department of the Army (DA) civilians they supervise. AR 385-10 will be updated to reflect the following:
 - b. Aviation Safety Management. The following changes will be made to AR 385-10.
 - (1) Army aviation commanders are not required to establish a written commander's safety philosophy or to include that philosophy in the unit's training guidance.
 - (2) Commanders of all aviation units and aviation support facilities will incorporate safety meetings into the overall training plan for the unit. The frequency of aviation safety meetings is at the discretion of the commander.
 - (3) Army aviation units no longer require a unit foreign object damage prevention officer or noncommissioned officer as a distinct and separate duty position from the unit aviation safety officer. Implementation of the foreign object damage prevention program may be delegated and combined into the unit aviation safety officer responsibilities.

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c. Radiation Safety Management. DA Pam 385-24 implements applicable federal and DoD radiation safety rules and regulations Army wide. DA Pam 385-25 implements the personnel dosimetry element of the federal and DoD occupational radiation protection rules and regulations Army-wide. Managers at all levels of the Army who supervise operations involving sources of radiation are required to follow the policies and procedures published in AR 385-10 and DA Pam 385-10. However, because these policies and procedures were published in DA Pamphlets as opposed to an AR, they have not been consistently followed. To eliminate confusion about this requirement, the Director of the Army Staff as the principal official for safety will—

(1) Incorporate the policies, assignment of responsibilities, and prescribe the procedures currently published in DA Pam 385-24 into AR 385-10. Prescribe the use of DA Form 3337 in AR 385-10. Incorporate the implementing instructions and guidance currently published in DA Pam 385-24 into DA Pam 385-10 as a precursor to elimination of DA Pam 385-24.

(2) Incorporate the policies, assignment of responsibilities, and prescribe the procedures currently published in DA Pam 385-25 into AR 385-10. Prescribe the use of DA Form 7689 in AR 385-10. Incorporate the implementing instructions and guidance currently published in DA Pam 385-25 into DA Pam 385-10 as a precursor to elimination of DA Pam 385-25.

(3) After the revised DA Pam 385-10 has been published, DA Pam 385-24 and DA Pam 385-25 should be rescinded.

5. Proponent. The Director of the Army Staff is the proponent for this policy and will revise the affected references to implement these changes as soon as possible.

6. This directive is rescinded upon publication of the revised regulations.



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REFERENCES

- a. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 6055.01, "DOD Safety and Occupational Health (SOH) Program," 14 October 2014.
- b. DoDI 6055.08, "Occupational Ionizing Radiation Program," 15 December 2009 (incorporating Change 1, 17 November 2017).
- c. DoDI 6055.11, "Protecting Personnel from Electromagnetic Fields," 19 August 2009 (incorporating Change 1, 10 October 2017).
- d. DoDI 6055.15, "DoD Laser Protection Program," 4 May 2007.
- e. DoDI 6055.19, "Aviation Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment Programs (AHIRAPs)," 11 April 2017.
- f. Army Directive 2018-07-13, "Prioritizing Efforts—Readiness and Lethality (Update 13)," 4 September 2018 (hereby cancelled).
- g. Army Regulation 385-10 (The Army Safety Program), 24 February 2017.
- h. Department of the Army (DA) Pamphlet 385-10 (The Army Safety Program), 23 May 2008.
- i. DA Pamphlet 385-24 (The Army Radiation Safety Program), 30 November 2015.
- j. DA Pamphlet 385-25 (Occupational Dosimetry and Dose Recording for Exposure to Ionizing Radiation), 2 October 2012.
- k. DA Form 3337 (Application for Army Radiation Authorization), 1 September 2011.
- l. DA Form 7689 (Bioassay Information Summary Sheet (BISS)), 1 September 2012.