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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Traffic Safety Training Program (ATSTP) and Motorcycle Safety Foundation Cards Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic

1. The COVID-19 pandemic forced the suspension of the Army Traffic Safety Training Program for motorcycle riders and attendance to the local hazards briefings such as the Intermediate Drivers (IDC) and the Remedial Drivers Training (RDT) courses. ATSTP training has been suspended by local commanders making prudent risk management decisions. Through no fault of the Soldiers who were scheduled for the training, many of them will have their training cards expire during this timeframe. With an uncertain timeline for starting training again, it may become necessary to waive certain requirements of the progressive motorcycle training program and other aspects of the ATSTP. We do not want to prevent drivers or motorcycle riders who have completed the Basic Riders Course, and who are properly licensed and endorsed by their home state, from riding or operating their private motor vehicle.
2. All Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) training cards that have expired or will expire due to the cancellation of training should be considered valid, and riders allowed to continue to ride, through 01 October 2020 or until their next level of training can be scheduled. All local registration systems should be adjusted to recognize this memorandum as an authorized extension. Please note that this extension applies only to those Soldiers who have completed the Basic Rider Course. This is not a waiver of initial training requirements of the BRC. New riders must complete the training before riding. This means new riders must wait until training is available through the ATSTP or they can attend a civilian course if available in their area.
3. Once training restarts, it will be imperative that all Soldiers on an extension of their existing MSF card be given priority to complete required intermediate level training (Level II) or requiring either the IDC or RDT. We anticipate a significant backlog at most installations once training starts again. Once a Soldier has been scheduled for training, please revert to the commander's option in chapter 12, section 12-17b of AR 385-10, which allows the commander to authorize properly licensed or permitted operators that have completed initial training and are scheduled for intermediate training within 30 days to ride on or off the installation subject to any restrictions imposed by such a permit.
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