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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL

- 1-1. **PURPOSE.** This regulation establishes procedures, rules, and responsibilities for flying at Fort Rucker, Alabama.
- 1-2. **REFERENCES AND FORMS.** References are listed in appendix A.
- 1-3. **APPLICABILITY.** This regulation applies to all aviation activity at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

CHAPTER 2

AVIATION MANAGEMENT

2-1. **LOCAL FLYING AREA.** Fort Rucker local flying area is described in Fort Rucker Reg 95-2.

2-2. **LOCAL FLYING RULES.** The Fort Rucker local flight rules are published in Fort Rucker Reg 95-2.

2-3. **USE OF AIRPORTS AND HELIPORTS.** Use of airports and heliports will conform with procedures stated in Fort Rucker Reg 95-2.

2-4. **INADVERTENT INSTRUMENT METEOROLOGICAL CONDITION (IMC) PROCEDURES INSTRUMENT RECOVERY PROCEDURE.** Flight operations will not be conducted below the minimums listed for visual flight rules (VFRs) in chapter 4, paragraph 4-2. Individual units, however, should not discount the possibility of unforecast weather and include appropriate procedures in their standing operating procedures (SOPs) for instrument recovery to the most appropriate facilities.

2-5. **AIRCRAFT MOORING.** See Fort Rucker Reg 95-2.

2-6. **FLIGHT EVALUATION BOARDS (FEBs).**

a. FEBs are convened to examine the qualifications of an officer for aviation service, evaluate potential for continued aviation service, and to make recommendations to higher authorities.

b. Appointing authorities and reasons for convening an FEB are addressed in AR 600-105. FEBs will be conducted IAW AR 15-6.

c. To ensure accurate and timely administrative processing of FEBs, the following routing will apply for all FEB actions initiated at United States Army Garrison, and Fort Rucker:

FROM: Company Commander

THRU: Battalion Commander
Installation Commander

FOR: CG, United States Army Garrison, and Fort Rucker

d. When an FEB is convened, the Command Aviation Officer (CAO) will provide the Board President with an initial briefing and will be available to provide advice and counsel during the FEB proceedings. The CAO will review board findings prior to submission for CG, United States Army Garrison, and Fort Rucker approval.

CHAPTER 3

OPERATIONS AND SAFETY

3-1. OPERATIONAL SUPPORT AIRLIFT (OSA) MISSIONS.

a. Travel Eligibility. Military personnel and DOD civilian employees with official business travel requirements may request OSA support through their unit authorizing official at least four duty days prior to the desired day of travel. DOD Regulation 4515.13R and AR 95-1 provide specific guidance for travel eligibility. Priority logistics movement requirements are also submitted through the unit authorizing officials.

b. Unit authorizing official will submit mission requests through the OSA Validator, DPTMSEC. The requester will use the standard validator/requester worksheet and provide the following information:

- (1) Unit requesting support.
- (2) Departure/arrival travel dates and times to facilitate the 2-hour window requirement IAW AR 95-1 and DOD Directive 4500.43.
- (3) Specific reasons as to why departure/arrival times cannot be altered.
- (4) Passenger manifest is mandatory and must designate the senior passenger's name, rank, and SSN. OSA requests will not be scheduled without complete manifests for all passengers.
- (5) The POC at the point of departure and arrival. A duty phone number and after duty hours number for the designated POC is required to ensure passenger notification of any mission change or cancellation. The designated POC is not a passenger on the requested mission and is not the same POC for departure and arrival.
- (6) Description of cargo, to include type, length, height, width, and weight. Requester must also indicate whether cargo handlers are provided at departure and arrival locations and whether special cargo certification requirements are met.

d. Operational Support Airlift. The OSA mission changes or cancellations require direct communication with POMD, DPTMSEC, for rotary wing requests or the designated validator for fixed wing requests. Failure to notify POMD or the DPTMSEC validator may result in the misuse of OSA assets through an unnecessary execution of an airlift mission.

e. Coordination Before Flight. Requesters must ensure exact manifest requirements are communicated to the POMD or validator and ensure civilian employees are traveling on orders issued by a valid issuing authority. Coordinate civilian and very important person (VIP) flight through Protocol Division to ensure individuals are on valid orders.

f. Unit Authorizing Official. The unit authorizing official is designated at the local level to review each OSA request from the requesting organization. The unit authorizing official determines whether the request constitutes a valid requirement for official business travel, signs the request, and forwards the request to POMD for rotary wing support or the DPTMSEC validator for fixed wing support.

3-2. **PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.** Refer to AR 95-1.

3-3. **SEAT BELTS AND RESTRAINTS.** Refer to AR 95-1.

3-4. CREW ENDURANCE.

a. The provisions of AR 95-1, table 3-1, apply to all aviators assigned at Fort Rucker. Commanders will establish written crew endurance policies and monitor the crew endurance status of crewmembers in their command. All personnel assigned to Fort Rucker performing a tour of duty as staff duty officer or noncommissioned officer of the day, or similar duties, will have a minimum of eight hours off prior to any scheduled flight duties.

b. Aviation units based at Fort Rucker will establish a crew endurance policy that conforms as closely as possible to the guidelines of AR 95-1, paragraph 3-17.

CHAPTER 4

FLIGHT PROCEDURES AND RULES

4-1. PUBLICATIONS.

a. In addition to the requirements of AR 95-1, paragraph 2-5, all aircraft operating in the Fort Rucker local flying area will carry the appropriate maps required to navigate the corridor structure to and from their assigned area of operations. These maps will identify authorized training routes and applicable noise avoidance areas. IPs will ensure that solo students conducting navigation/tactical training exercises carry a map appropriately marked.

b. Aircraft conducting instrument training will carry the appropriate instrument flight rules (IFR) publications. IFR publications should be made available to aviators conducting VFR operations during weather conditions that are less than 1000-3.

4-2. WEATHER REQUIREMENTS.

a. Special VFR ceiling and visibility minimums for Fort Rucker operated airfields and heliports are--

	Ceiling	Visibility
Rotary Wing		
Daytime	300	1/2 Mile
Night/NVD	500	1 Mile
Multi-Aircraft Operations		
Daytime	300	1/2 Mile
Night	700	1 Mile
Fixed Wing		
Daytime	300	1 Mile
Night	500	2 Miles

b. Night/night vision goggle/night vision system training may be conducted at basefield hover areas with 1 mile visibility.

c. The minimum instrument and navigational equipment required for flight, in less than VFR conditions, must be addressed in unit SOPs.

The proponent agency of this regulation is the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements to the U.S. Army Garrison Command, Fort Rucker, ATTN: ATZQ-DPT-P, Fort Rucker, AL 36362-5105.

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Appendix A

DISTRIBUTION:

Distributed in accordance with requirements for Fort Rucker Reg 95-1 as indicated on Fort Rucker Form 524.

APPENDIX A

REFERENCES

Appropriate ATM

AR 15-6	Procedures for Investigating Officers and Boards of Officers
AR 95-1	Flight Regulations
AR 95-2	Air Traffic Control Airspace, Airfield, Flight Activities, and Navigation Aids
AR 95-20	Contractor's Flight and Ground Operations
AR 600-105	Aviation Service of Rated Army Officers
DA Pam 738-751	Functional Users Manual for the Army Maintenance System - Aviation (TAMMS-A)
FM 1-300	Flight Operations Procedures
TC 1-210	Aircrew Training Program Commander's Guide to Individual and Crew Standardization
Fort Rucker Reg 95-2	Directory of Aviation Training Facilities and Procedures