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SUBJECT: CHANGES TO THE WEAR POLICY FOR THE IDENTIFICATION BADGES OUTLINED IN AR 670-1, (WEAR AND APPEARANCE OF ARMY UNIFORMS AND INSIGNIA), PARAGRAPH 29-18.

1. THE CHANGES TO THE IDENTIFICATION BADGES OUTLINED IN AR 670-1, PARAGRAPH 29-18 ARE EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2010.

2. SOLDIERS WHO HAVE TAKEN THEIR OFFICIAL DA PHOTO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT WEAR POLICY OUTLINED IN ALARACT MESSAGE 202-2008 (ARMY SERVICE UNIFORM WEAR POLICY) ARE GRANDFATHERED FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS MESSAGE.

3. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES AN OPTIONAL WEAR LOCATION FOR THE ARMY STAFF IDENTIFICATION BADGE AND OTHER BADGES PRESCRIBED FOR WEAR ON THE RIGHT SIDE, THAT ARE OF LOWER PRECEDENCE THAN THE ARMY STAFF BADGE. THIS OPTION WILL PROVIDE SOLDIERS FLEXIBILITY TO WEAR THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BADGES ALLOWED BY REGULATION, AND STILL HIGHLIGHT THEIR FORMER WARTIME SERVICE.

A. SOLDIERS MAY MOVE BADGES NORMALLY WORN ON THE WEARER'S RIGHT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE, TO THE WEARER'S LEFT SIDE, WHEN WORN WITH THE COMBAT SERVICE IDENTIFICATION BADGE (CSIB). THIS OPTION ALLOWS THE CSIB TO STAND ALONE ON THE RIGHT SIDE OR BE WORN WITH OTHER, HIGHER OR LOWER PRECEDENCE RIGHT SIDE BADGES. ONLY THOSE BADGES INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 5 BELOW (AS RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE BADGES) ARE INCLUDED IN THIS OPTION.

B. WHEN NO COMBAT SERVICE IDENTIFICATION BADGE IS WORN, SOLDIERS WILL CONTINUE TO WEAR THE ARMY STAFF IDENTIFICATION (ID) BADGE ON THE RIGHT SIDE AS WELL AS THOSE LOWER PRECEDENCE BADGES INDICATED IN PARA 5 BELOW.

4. EXAMPLE OF OPTIONAL WEAR: A SSG IS AUTHORIZED TO WEAR THE CSIB, ARMY STAFF ID BADGE, AND DRILL SERGEANT ID BADGE. OPTIONS FOR WEAR (IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. CSIB (RIGHT SIDE). ARMY STAFF ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE). DRILL SERGEANT ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE).

B. CSIB (RIGHT SIDE). ARMY STAFF ID BADGE (RIGHT SIDE). DRILL SERGEANT ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE).

5. THE FOLLOWING OUTLINES THE ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF U.S. MILITARY IDENTIFICATION (ID) BADGES AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR ON ARMY SERVICE AND MESS UNIFORMS AND THE LOCATION WORN. THE POSITION OF EACH ID BADGE IS WORN EITHER ON THE WEARER'S RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE, AS INDICATED BELOW.

(1) PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE ID BADGE (RIGHT SIDE)

(2) VICE PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE ID BADGE (RIGHT SIDE)

(3) SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE)

(4) JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE)

(5) COMBAT SERVICE ID BADGE (RIGHT SIDE)

(6) ARMY STAFF ID BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

(7) THE GUARD, TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER ID BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

(8) DRILL SERGEANT ID BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

(9) RECRUITER ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE)

(10) CAREER COUNSELOR ID BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

(11) RECRUITING AND RETENTION ID BADGES (ARNG) (LEFT SIDE)

(12) UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMANDER ID BADGE (LEFT SIDE)

(13) NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY ID BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

(14) MILITARY POLICE BADGE (LEFT SIDE)

(15) DOD/JOINT AGENCY ID BADGES (EITHER POCKET SIDE, AS LONG AS THEY DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE POSITIONING OF OTHER ID BADGES)

(16) SECRETARY OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE BADGE (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE IAW PARA 3 ABOVE)

6. SOLDIERS AUTHORIZED TO WEAR MORE THAN FOUR ID BADGES HAVE THE OPTION OF CHOOSING THE BADGES WORN, AS LONG AS THEY COMPLY WITH THE WEAR POLICY. THE SOLDIER MUST WEAR THE BADGES ON THE SIDE AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR AND IN THE ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OUTLINED IN THIS MESSAGE.

7. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 670-1 GUIDANCE ON IDENTIFICATION BADGES, THE CSIB IS AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR ON THE ARMY BLUE UNIFORM, ARMY SERVICE UNIFORM, ARMY BLUE MESS UNIFORMS, AND ARMY WHITE MESS UNIFORMS.

8. PERSONNEL ARE AUTHORIZED TO WEAR FULL-SIZE IDENTIFICATION BADGES WITH MINIATURE IDENTIFICATION BADGES ON THE MESS AND EVENING MESS UNIFORMS WHEN THE BADGES ARE NOT AVAILABLE IN MINIATURE SIZE.

9. THE CHANGES TO THE IDENTIFICATION BADGES APPLY TO THE CLASS B VERSION OF EACH SERVICE UNIFORM.

10. HQDA POC FOR UNIFORM POLICY IS SGM K. EASLEY, DSN 664-0620, COMM (703) 604-0620.

11. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DCS, G-1.

12. EXPIRATION DATE CAN NOT BE DETERMINED.

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