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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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RECREATION DIVISION STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP)

INTRAMURAL SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. PURPOSE. To provide policies and procedures for the implementation of all Family and MWR Intramural Sports Code of Conduct.
- 2. OBJECTIVE. To ensure Family and MWR Intramural Sports staff, contractors, and patrons understand the Code of Conduct.
- 3. SCOPE. This SOP applies to all employees of the United States Army Garrison (USAG) West Point Recreation Division, Family and MWR Contractors and participants of Intramural Sports.

4. REFERENCES:

a. AR 215-1, Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs and Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities, dated 24 September 2010.

5. PROCEDURES:

- a. Participants and their Families, Friends, and Fans
- (1)Intramural Sports takes fighting and aggressive behavior from teams, players, and fans very seriously.
 - (2) Swearing and abusive remarks:
- a. Whether directed towards opponents, team members, officials, fans or supervisors or indirect frustration about self-performance, these behaviors create a negative atmosphere over intramural play and may lead to more serious problems.
 - (3)Officials will penalize such behavior and all cussing with an ejection.
- a. The first unsportsmanlike conduct received by a player will result in an ejection from the game and a warning being filed.

- b. The second ejection in the season will result in a meeting with the Sports Director for a possible suspension.
 - c. The third ejection will result in an automatic ejection from the league.
- d. Team member, captain, coach, spectator or the entire team may be asked to leave the playing area if displaying unsportsmanlike conduct or abusive language.
- e. Any contest may be forfeited by the official and/or supervisor of the activity when a team, a team participant, captain or coach exhibits unsportsmanlike conduct or disruptive behavior during the contest.
- f. Team captains or coaches may be warned prior to forfeiting the contests; however, it will be at the discretion of the officials to forfeit that contest if deemed necessary to avoid a violent confrontation.
- g. Alcohol, smoking or use of chewing tobacco is NOT permitted on the playing field or in the dugouts. Any player or coach under the influence of alcohol will not be permitted to enter the playing area.
- h. Extreme unsportsmanlike conduct during the 1st or 2nd or any other ejection can lead to ejection from all Adult Intramural programs.
- (4) Any player involved with a physical altercation or who has physically threatened another player, official, or spectator shall be suspended for an indefinite period. Such an occurrence will be investigated by West Point Family.
 - (5) The manager or coach is responsible for ensuring that:
- a. All members of the team are familiar with the contents of this Code of Conduct/Misconduct Policy .
 - b. The conduct of the team is in accordance with this Code of Conduct/Misconduct Policy.
 - (6)Protests.
- a. Misapplication of rules will be the only grounds for protests. Judgment calls are final and not subject to protest.
- b. Protests involving a rule misapplication must be lodged at the time of the apparent discrepancy and before play is continued. Any protest involving a misapplication of the rules that is not resolved at the game site, must be annotated in the official scorebook by either an official or the site supervisor.
- c. All protests will be reviewed by Intramural Sports staff and a final decision will be rendered on the first duty day following the game in question.

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- b. For DFMWR Sports Office Employees, Including ON and OFF Field Game Officials
- (1)Officials shall conduct themselves in a professional and business-like manner in accordance with rules applicable for the sports events.
 - (2) Relationships with players and others must be beyond reproach.
- (3) Any official involved with a physical altercation or who has physically threatened another player, official, or spectator shall be suspended for an indefinite period. Such an occurrence will be investigated by West Point Family.
 - (4) The official shall perform on days and times scheduled for the Intramural Sports Office.
- (5) The official shall arrive at their scheduled sporting events with a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start time. If the Contractor cannot perform his duties as scheduled, he/she shall notify the POC a minimum of two (2) hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the game.
- (6) The official shall familiarize himself/herself with the rules, regulations and standards of conduct for West Point, and adhere to these standards while performing on the West Point installation.
- 6. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS: This SOP is reviewed annually and remains in effective until superseded.

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Stephen C. Remillard Chief, Recreation Division Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation