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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Directive 2018-07-18 (Prioritizing Efforts for Readiness and Lethality (Update 18))

References. A complete list of references is at the enclosure.

2. Purpose. This directive eliminates centralized records collection for command-directed training, improves maintenance and accountability of Army Prepositioned Stock (APS), and makes an editorial change to a safety policy.

3. Applicability. This policy applies to the Regular Army, Army National Guard/ Army National Guard of the United States, and U.S. Army Reserve.

4. Policy

a. Digital Training Management System (DTMS). While echelons below Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) can designate command-directed training, HQDA does not require the recording of command-directed training in DTMS.

b. Managing Army Prepositioned Stock Equipment. To simplify the 100-percent accountability of APS, the following procedures establish an "inventory by exception" process. The stock record officer (SRO) may use routine events such as maintenance, location changes, or disposal to maintain accurate accountability records to reduce the requirement to conduct a physical count of property on hand for each piece of APS equipment. The accountable officer will serve as APS SRO for all supply transactions. The SRO will complete a 100-percent inventory during a change in SROs.

c. Issued Personal Protective Equipment. The Army safety program policy regarding issued personal protective equipment is updated to state: "HQDA does not require the wear of the reflective physical training belt or vest during daylight hours, or while conducting physical training on closed roads or dedicated physical training routes."

5. Proponent. The Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 is the proponent for the provisions revising the management of Army training records. The Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4 is the proponent for the provision revising management of APS equipment. The Director of the Army Staff is the proponent for the provision revising the Army safety program policy. They will revise the applicable Army regulations to implement these changes as soon as possible.

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 This directive is rescinded upon publication of the revised regulations.



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REFERENCES

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 350-1 (Army Training and Leader Development), 10 December 2017.
- b. AR 385-10 (The Army Safety Program), 24 February 2017.
- c. AR 710-1 (Centralized Inventory Management of the Army Supply System), 28 November 2016.
- d. AR 710-2 (Supply Policy Below the National Level), 28 March 2008.
- e. AR 735-5 (Property Accountability Policies), 9 November 2016.
- f. AR 740-26 (Physical Inventory Control), 23 March 2017.