

ALARACT 117/2015

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SUBJ/ALARACT 117/2015 - HQDA EXORD 240-15 REQUIREMENT THAT ALL EXPLOSIVE DETECTOR DOG (EDD) HANDLERS HAVE AN OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT PASSPORT

THIS EXORD ALARACT MESSAGE HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED BY USAITA ON BEHALF OF HQDA DCS G-3/5/7/DAMO-OD/DAMO-ODP/OPMG//

(U) REFERENCES:

REF/A/ SECTION 3056 OF TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE (U.S.C.)//

REF/B/ PUBLIC LAW 94-524, AS AMENDED//

REF/C/ DEPARTMENT OF STATE MEMORANDUM, 21 APR 2015, SUBJ: OFFICIAL PASSPORTS FOR EXPLOSIVE DOG HANDLERS//

1. (U) SITUATION.

1.A. (U) THIS EXORD PROVIDES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY DIRECTION FOR ALL EDD HANDLERS, IN THE 31K CAREER FIELD TO PROCURE OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT PASSPORTS WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A SPECIFIC LOCATION OR DATE OF TRAVEL TO SUPPORT THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE (USSS) AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DOS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES A AND B ABOVE.

1.B. (U) ARMY EDD TEAMS ARE MANDATED BY LAW TO PROVIDE EDD SUPPORT TO THE USSS AND DOS FOR NATIONAL SPECIAL SECURITY EVENTS (NSSE), PRIMARILY IN SUPPORT OF FOREIGN TRAVEL FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (POTUS), VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (VPOTUS), FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES (FLOTUS) AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE (SOS). ADDITIONALLY, EDD TEAMS PROVIDE EXPLOSIVE DETECTION SUPPORT FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) HIGH RISK PERSONNEL AND FOREIGN DIGNITARIES. THESE MISSIONS ARE TASKED TO THE ARMY FREQUENTLY, ON A SHORT NOTICE BASIS, BY THE AIR FORCE SECURITY FORCES CENTER (MILITARY WORKING DOG EXECUTIVE AGENT (MWD EA)), IN ORDER TO MEET THESE SHORT MISSION REPORT DATE/REQUIREMENTS IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL EDD HANDLERS HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION A VALID US PASSPORT. THIS EXORD WILL PROVIDE OFFICIAL DIRECTION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR ALL EDD HANDLERS TO ATTAIN AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT PASSPORT TO MEET THE HIGH DEMAND/OPTEMPO IN SUPPORT OF THE USSS/DOS EDD REQUIREMENTS.

2. (U) MISSION. NLT 01 NOV 2015, ALL ARMY EDD HANDLERS, MOS 31K WILL HAVE AN OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT PASSPORT (BROWN) TO SUPPORT USSS/DOS EDD MISSION REQUESTS.

3. (U) EXECUTION.

3.A. (U) COMMANDER'S INTENT. THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY'S INTENT IS TO ENSURE THAT THE ARMY HAS THE ABILITY TO MEET ALL USSS/DOS EXPLOSIVE DETECTION SUPPORT MISSION REQUIREMENTS.

3.B. (U) CONCEPT OF THE OPERATION.

3.B.1. (U) NLT 01 SEP 2015 OR UPON REPORTING TO THEIR FIRST DUTY STATION, ALL EDD HANDLERS WILL SUBMIT THE DD FM 1056 APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR A "NO FEE" PASSPORT TO THEIR DETACHMENT LEADERSHIP.

3.B.2. (U) MWD DETACHMENTS WILL REVIEW DD FM 1056 AND SUBMIT THROUGH THE INSTALLATION PASSPORT OFFICE, UTILIZING THIS EXORD AND REFERENCE C OF THIS EXORD AS JUSTIFICATION AUTHORITY.

3.B.3. (U) CONTROL OF OFFICIAL PASSPORTS WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MWD DETACHMENT KENNEL MASTER. OFFICIAL PASSPORTS WILL BE ACCOUNTED FOR AS CONTROLLED ITEMS. KENNEL MASTERS WILL ENSURE DISPOSITION OF OFFICIAL PASSPORTS FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS FROM DOS REGARDING THE RELINQUISHMENT OF THEIR OFFICIAL PASSPORT UPON TERMINATION OF SERVICE OR PASSPORT EXPIRATION.

3.C. (U) TASKS TO ARMY STAFF.

3.C.1. (U) HQDA, OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL (OPMG).

3.C.1.A. (U) INTEGRATE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS HQDA EXORD INTO THE ARMY REGULATION (AR) 190-12 MWD REVISION.

3.C.1.B (U) COORDINATE WITH THE MWD EA ON NECESSARY REQUIREMENTS/UPDATES REQUIRED IN THE DOD INSTRUCTION.

3.D. (U) COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS.

3.D.1. (U) THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT.

3.D.2. (U) ARMY COMMANDS (ACOM), ARMY SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDS (ASCC), DIRECT REPORTING UNIT (DRU) PROVOST MARSHALS AND MP BRIGADE COMMANDERS WILL ENSURE THAT ALL EDD HANDLERS HAVE OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT PASSPORTS NLT 01 NOV 2015.

4. (U) SUSTAINMENT. APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL US GOVERNMENT PASSPORTS WILL BE AT NO COST TO THE SERVICE MEMBER OR UNIT.

5. (U) COMMAND AND SIGNAL. POINT OF CONTACT FOR THIS MESSAGE IS: MR. RICHARD VARGUS, OPMG, LAW ENFORCEMENT BRANCH, COMMERCIAL: (703) 695-8481, EMAIL: RICHARD.A.VARGUS.CIV@MAIL.MIL.

6. (U) EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS MESSAGE IS 16 JUL 2016.