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STATION ORDER 10110.10B

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: COMMUTED RATIONS

Ref: (a) MCO 10110.47

1. Purpose. To publish the policy for the authorization of the Commuted Rations (ComRats) allowance in lieu of subsistence when permission to subsist separately has been granted at this station.

2. Cancellation. Station Order 10110.10A

3. General. The reference publishes the Commandant of the Marine Corps policy on subsistence management and provides administrative procedures for field commanders in the authorization of the ComRats allowance. The intent of this command is to consider the health and economic welfare of the individual member as well as the efficient administration of the general mess in the determination of ComRats authorization.

4. Policy

a. The following military personnel are automatically authorized ComRats and do not require the installation commander's approval.

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2 (X) Those in pay grades E-7 and above.

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3 (X) All enlisted personnel residing with their dependents.

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4 (X) All enlisted personnel married to active duty service members and who reside together at the permanent station. CH-1

(5) SEE CHANGE (1)

b. All ComRats requests that do not fall within the parameters of paragraph 4.a above will be directed to the installation commander for determination. The criteria listed below will be used in determining eligibility to mess separately on a case by case basis.

(1) Individuals who are routinely in a TAD/TDY status more than 60 percent of the time.

(2) Individuals who are assigned continual shift work and government mess is not available to accommodate their schedule.

(3) Individuals assigned to food service duties.

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(4) Staff Sergeants and equivalent who have been determined by their Commanding Officer to have specialized supervisory responsibilities.

c. Should the Commanding Officer, MCAS Yuma, determine that the mess hall is not operating in an economical or efficient manner, due to lack of subsistence-in-kind participation, he may revoke all ComRats status authorization other than those authorized in paragraph 4.a above.

5. Action

a. Commanding Officers/Officer in Charge of units based at MCAS Yuma will implement the policy and procedures contained herein and will ensure all personnel in a ComRats subsistence status continue to meet the prescribed criteria.

b. Individual authorization for ComRats will be reviewed annually by unit commanders to ensure the basis for the authority has not changed. Military personnel who continue to reside with authorized dependents, as well as service members in pay grades E-7 and above, will be excluded from the annual review.

c. The administrative units of personnel authorized ComRats solely on the basis of work assignments not compatible with mess hall serving hours will terminate the ComRats status whenever the individual work assignments are changed.

d. The administrative units of military personnel in the pay grades of E-6 and below, whose sole basis for ComRats was residence with dependents, will terminate the ComRats status effective on the date of separation from dependents.

e. Any service member who may qualify for ComRats under the provisions of paragraph 4.b above must submit requests with the new basis of authorization.

6. Summary of Revision. This revision contains a substantial number of changes and should be completely reviewed.

7. Concurrence. The Commanding Officers of MAG-13, 1st LAAM Bn, MACS-7, MWSS-371, VMFT-401, MAWTS-1, and CSSD-16 concur in and make this Directive applicable to all their respective units aboard MCAS Yuma.



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By direction

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