ADMISTRATIVE & OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING

FORT BLISS – COMMANDER’S CUP BASKETBALL

# 28 JANUARY 2019

1. **REFERENCES:** a. AR 215-1, Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentalities and, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Activities, 24 September 2010.

 b. NCAA Men’s Basketball 2018/2019 Rules.

2. **WHAT:** Fort Bliss – Commander’s Cup Basketball League.

3. **WHEN:** Regular Season: 28 January – 28 March

 Regular season games are played Monday – Thursday starting at 1800.

Post Championship Tournament: 1 April - 4 April

4. **WHERE:** Independent League – Logan Heights Fitness Center

 1st Armored League – Soto Physical Fitness Center

 11th BDE League – Milam Physical Fitness Center

5. **DIVISION :** Each MSC Command will register in the following divisions **STRUCTURE** with the coordinator indicated below:

 11th BDE – Avery Guillermo 744-5792

 Independent – Paul Fernandez 568-6722

 1st Armored- Matt Orlowski 744-5793

6. **ELIGIBLITY:** a. Active-duty military personnel, Army Reserve, and National Guard Soldiers in an active status assigned or attached to Fort Bliss.

b. Team rosters will be limited to 12 players, and one non-playing coach. Rosters must be submitted prior to the first scheduled game. Rosters must be in memo form with members first and last name and a contact phone number of the coach or team representative. Rosters must be signed by Commander or First Sergeant of the battery/company. Rosters must be at every single game.

c. **BDE/BATTALLION teams are not acceptable and will result** **in a forfeit**. Soldiers must play for their company, and in the instance their company does not have a team, they must **contact their sports coordinator** in order to be placed on a team. If placed on another team, their Commander or First Sergeant must sign a memorandum releasing them to play for another company. The receiving company Commander or First Sergeant must sign a memorandum acknowledging that they accept the player onto their company team. To be eligible for Post Tournament play, no more than two non-company players can be placed on a team.

e. Players cannot play with multiple teams. Once they play for a team- they cannot change teams. This will result in a forfeit for the second team.

f. Military IDs will be checked against the roster prior to games. Lack of military ID will result in the player not being eligible to play that game.

7. **LEAGUE PLAY:** Play will be conducted in accordance with the 2018/2019 NCAA Basketball Rules unless otherwise covered by these by-laws:

a. Length of game will be two-20 minute halves with a running clock. The last two minutes of each half will be regulation clock. **Noted exception is during the last minute of the game, the clock will NOT stop after a made basket.** The only time the clock will stop during first eighteen 18 minutes of each half will be for injuries and time-outs.

b. Half-time is three minutes.

c. Each team will be allowed four 30 second time outs during the entire game and one 30 second time out for overtime.

d. Overtime will be three minutes in length. First minute is a running clock and the last two minutes will be played with a regulation clock. After the 2nd overtime a running clock will be used. No additional time outs are awarded for overtime.

e. If a team is up by 20 points the clock will continuously run with no stoppage.

f. Teams may start game with 4 players.

g. No dunking will be allowed during warmups, before a game, or at halftime. Dunking will only be allowed during game play.

h. Coaching box is restricted to the 28 foot line.

8. **FORFEITS:**  a. A forfeit will be declared if a team is not prepared to play at the scheduled time. No exceptions except for a 10 minute grace period for the 1800 game.

b. Forfeiture of two games during league play will result in disqualification from the league play and the Championship Tournament. All remaining league games will be considered a win for the opposing teams. Players from the disqualified team are not eligible to participate with any other team.

9. **EQUIPMENT:**  a. Leg/arm braces must be wrapped in tape (NO metal showing).

b. Only non-marking court shoes are acceptable.

c. No jewelry allowed. NO EXCEPTIONS.

d. Gym shorts with zippers/pockets are **NOT ALLOWED** to be worn during games**.** The use of military issued shorts are acceptable at all times. Military uniforms/boots are not allowed.

 e. Game jerseys will have an Arabic number visible on front and back of jersey and in contrasting color to the predominant color of the jersey at least 6 inches high and no less than ¾ inches wide. It is recommended that at least a 4 inch high and no less than ¾ inch wide number on the front of the jersey. If jerseys are in question players will be required to wear reversible jerseys provided by MWR. Numbered jerseys are to be worn and tucked in. Undershirts do not have to match. Also, sweat bands do not need to conform in reference to color (any color is legal), but all other restrictions apply (size, logos, shape and how worn).

f. An undershirt may be worn as part of the jersey but does not have to be of a similar color as the game jersey. These undershirts do not have to conform to the NCAA rules, but should be of a non-offensive manner as far as logos, decorations, trim, commemorative patches, etc.

10. **PROTESTS:** A protest concerning **eligibility** must be submitted in writing to the League Coordinator by 1300 hours the following working day. A ruling will be decided before the team’s next scheduled game

11. **POSTPONEMENTS:** Postponements will only be granted when unit duty commitments warrant. Notification must be submitted to the respective Sports Coordinator **48 hours** prior to scheduled game. There is no guarantee that postponed games will be rescheduled. Inclement weather postponements will be determined by the Sports Office Representative on site.

12. **SPORTSMANSHIP: Swearing and abusive remarks** directed towards opponents, officials, fans or supervisors are behaviors which casts a negative atmosphere over intramural play and may lead to more serious problems. Officials will penalize such searing and abusive remarks with a **technical and an ejection**. **Player that has been ejected must leave facility to include the parking lot.** 2 technical shots will be awarded.

The first ejection from the game will result with a warning being filed. The second ejection in the season will result in a meeting with the Sports Director for a possible suspension. The third ejection will result in an automatic ejection from the league.

Team member, captain, coach, spectator or the entire team may be asked to leave the playing area if displaying unsportsmanlike conduct or abusive language. 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. 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.

13. **DRINKING/SMOKING/** Alcohol, smoking or use of chewing tobacco is **NOT** permitted

**CHEWING TOBACCO:** on the court or facility parking lot. Any player or coach under the influence of alcohol will not be permitted to enter the playing area.

14. **PRE SEASON CLINIC:** A pre-season clinic will be held on 15 January 2019, Soldier Activity Center at 1800. This clinic is mandatory for all coaches (or team POC); players are encouraged to attend. The season will begin on 28 January 2019.

 15. **POST** The Post Championship Tournament Meeting will be held at

 **CHAMPIONSHIP:**  SOTO PFC on Friday, 29 March 2019 at 1200 hrs. The meeting is mandatory for all coaches of qualifying teams. All final team rosters must be turned in to the respective Sports Coordinator at this meeting. The Post Tournament will start on Monday, 1 April 2019.

16. **RESPONSIBILITIES:** During league play, the manager or coach is responsible for ensuring that:

(1) All members of the team are familiar with the contents of this MOI.

(2) The team is fully equipped and properly attired.

(3) The conduct of the team is in accordance with this MOI.

(4) No illegal players are entered on roster or participate in games.

(5) Team roster is present/updated at all games.

(6) Coach remains in designated area at all times during games.

17. **PARTICIPATION POINTS:**  Organizations will receive 10 points for each team that

participates in league play and completes season. Maximum of 50 points awarded.

18. **LEAGUE**

 **DIRECTOR:**  Avery Guillermo, 744-5792

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