

MEMORANDUM FOR Corps of Cadets

SUBJECT: Policy Letter #10, Basic Quality of Life Standards for Residents of Cadet Residence Halls

1. GENERAL. Cadet commanders are responsible for the maintenance of good order and discipline in the dormitories at all times. Dorm residents have the **right to study** and reside in a building which is reasonably free from disturbances. Specifically, the residents of residence halls will be provided a quiet, secure location for the purposes of (in priority): (a) studying, (b) sleeping/personal hygiene, (c) limited military activities, (d) limited recreation, primarily in the dorm lobbies.

2. STUDY ACTIVITIES. The cadet chain of command will ensure that the following conditions exist which allow their subordinates the maximum opportunity to study:

- a. Quarters will be observed and enforced in accordance with Quarters SOP. See Policy Letter #3.
- b. Upperclassmen will not disturb those on Quarters for any reason. Administrative announcements may be made once per night by the chain of command during authorized breaks.
- c. Noise will be kept to a minimum at all times, particularly during Quarters. Yelling/screaming on the hallways is not authorized. CQs who can hear noises coming from rooms will personally tell the occupant to be quiet, and/or to use headsets on radios, computers or stereos.
- d. All meetings will be conducted during company meeting hour, 1900-2000 nightly.
- e. The cadet chain of command will **control noise in the residence halls so that cadets may study in the morning, afternoon, or night**. Parties, talk-sessions, and loud meetings are not authorized.
- f. Sign out procedures will be strictly enforced by the CQs on duty.
- g. Cadets who misbehave or disturb others will be reported by the cadet chain of command for disciplinary action.
- h. Music should not be audible on the hallways at any time. Cadets who play music will keep the volume low, close their doors, and/or wear headsets.
- i. Individual study is the norm for dormitory residents. Group study sessions may be approved by the CQ in accordance with the Blue Book and visitation policies.
- j. All cadets have the right to study in an environment which upholds the honor code. Alleged honor code violations will be reported to the chain of command immediately.
- k. No cadet will be coerced to provide unauthorized academic information for another cadet (cheating).
- l. Cadets on Quarters are authorized to sign out for academic activities, scheduled classes/labs, study halls (other than civilian residence halls), and other functions authorized by the Blue Book. **Falsification of sign-out documents, including door cards, is an honor violation.**

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m. Academic advisors, cadet academic NCOs, and civilian staff/faculty are encouraged to conduct academic assistance visits or workshops in the residence hall lobby or day room.

n. Senseless activities such as “pinging the halls,” “shower formations,” “slow marching,” and “calling the halls” are expressly forbidden because they interfere with the maintenance of good order and discipline in an environment which protects one’s right to study.

o. Doors with automatic closure devices may not be propped open. This is mandated by fire code.

p. Visitation policies differ from residence hall to residence hall. Basically, men cannot enter the suites of women (and vice versa) in the new high-rise residence halls. Exception: cadet leaders conducting inspections of their subordinates or conducting official business may enter, regardless of gender.

3. SLEEPING CONDITIONS/PERSONAL HYGIENE.

a. “Late lights” is granted per Blue Book and will be strictly enforced by the chain of command. nightly, CQs will submit a list of all personnel on “late lights” to the night TAC officer prior to 2400 hours. Personnel on late lights must study. They may not watch TV, play video games, or socialize. TAC officers will inspect those who are observing late lights.

b. During Quarters and after TAPS, no cadet will be disturbed unless an emergency exists. See Quarters SOP.

c. Fire drills are authorized by the VP for Student Affairs once per semester. The Commandant’s Office will schedule all fire drills.

d. Loud music is not authorized as a means of waking up a cadet organization. Each cadet is authorized to set an alarm clock as he/she sees fit.

e. Cadets need no supervision when attending to personal hygiene. Further, they are authorized to use the latrine whenever they need to. Male and female latrines will be marked appropriately.

4. LIMITED MILITARY ACTIVITIES. Generally speaking, military training inside dormitories is non-tactical in nature and takes second priority to individual study. Military activities inside the dormitories include the following types of authorized training:

a. Inspections of rooms, clothing, CTA 50-901, and individual equipment by the chain of command or the Commandant’s Staff. During inspections, members of the cadet chain of command, Military Science Department personnel, and Commandant’s Staff will knock on a cadet’s door prior to entering the room. The cadet’s right to privacy will be safeguarded.

b. Individual non-tactical military skills may be trained in individual rooms or in lobby areas of either cadet dormitory (i.e. how to prepare a uniform, how to prepare a bunk, how to sign out, etc).

c. Some collective skills may be trained in the lobby areas with the permission of the cadet battalion commander (FTX planning, chalk talks, after action reviews, etc).

d. School of the Soldier inspections and classes may be conducted inside the residence halls under the supervision of the Cadet Sergeants-Major.

e. **Group physical readiness training will not be conducted indoors** unless authorized on a case-by-case basis by a cadet battalion commander during **inclement weather**. Individual cadets may do PRT in their rooms anytime they desire.

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*f. Beginning 2 August 2005, “corrective training” may be conducted under certain conditions by sergeants and above who are graduates of NCOA. **See Corrective Training SOP dated 1 July 2011.**

5. RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN LOBBIES. Cadets may use pool tables, table games, and large screen TVs for their intended purposes. Other indoor recreational activities require the permission of the cadet battalion commander.

6. **All cadets in Gaillard Hall, Donovan Hall, and Patriot Hall are authorized to use residence hall property and facilities provided to them by the university without restriction.** This includes all doors, stairwells, latrines, sidewalks, bicycle racks, trunk rooms, breezeways, computer rooms, lobby furniture, media rooms, kitchens, utility closets, vending machines, laundry rooms, and exterior steps.

7. SECURITY PROCEDURES All cadets will abide by dorm security procedures as directed by the Commandant’s Staff. Perimeter doors and alarms will be magnetically activated and inspected by the cadet chain of command as directed. Perimeter doors will not be propped open under any circumstances. The Commandant’s Office will periodically change the keypad access code in order to provide maximum security to dormitory occupants. Key codes will not be published nor transmitted by e-mail.

8. Company advisors assigned to the Military Science Department are requested to assist the Commandant’s Staff in enforcing this policy letter. The intent is to closely replicate the quality of life found in CONUS-based U.S. Army barracks. The Commandant’s Tactical NCOs will continue to occupy offices in Room 102, Gaillard Hall, 706-429-7969, and in Room 122, the TAC Office of Patriot Hall, 706-344-2746. Cadets may call or visit TAC NCOs anytime. After midnight, one tactical NCO can always be contacted by calling 706-344-2746.

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