MEMORANDUM FOR

AREA SPORTS COORDINATORS (ASC)

ATHLETIC AND RECREATION (A&R) PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Fort Bragg Sports Program, 2017 Unit Level Intramural Soccer League/Tournament

- 1. Reference. Army Regulation 215-1, 22 June 2010, Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs and Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities.
- 2. Purpose. To provide policies and procedures to assist ASCs and A&R personnel with the implementation of the Fort Bragg 2017 Unit Level Intramural Soccer League/Tournament.

3. General.

a. Unit level (detachment, company, troop, battery, battalion) intramural soccer league play is from 21 March - 12 May. To enter, teams must register by submitting the following information online at http://bragg.armymwr.com/us/bragg/categories/sports-and-fitness/. Team Name; Name of Team POC; Team POC email and phone number. Entry information must be submitted prior to COB, 15 March 2017.

b. Player eligibility.

- (1) All active duty military personnel assigned or attached to units physically located at Fort Bragg are eligible to participate. Personnel will participate with their assigned unit and must be so identified on the unit's Zero Balance Sheet.
- (2) If a protest results from the alleged use of an illegal player during league competition, and the protest is upheld, the offending team will forfeit the game in question. If a protest is upheld on a second eligibility offense during league competition, the team will be eliminated from further soccer competition in 2016. If a protest results from the alleged use of an ineligible player during the post tournament, and the protest is upheld, the offending team will be eliminated from the tournament.
- (3) For all games, team members must have their military identification (ID) card. All participants ID cards will be checked against the roster prior to every game to confirm player eligibility. Players who fail to present their military ID card will not be allowed to participate.

c. Protests.

(1) Player eligibility will be the only grounds for protests.

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- (2) During league play, eligibility protests not resolved satisfactorily at the game site, must be submitted in writing to the League Coordinator NLT 1000 the first duty day following the game. The League Coordinator will review all protests to determine whether or not further action is required.
- (3) During post tournament play, eligibility protests must be brought to the attention of game officials and/or the site supervisor prior to the conclusion of the game in question. At that time, game officials and/or the site supervisor will gather the pertinent data from the player or players in question (check ID card and confirm name, rank, and SSN).
- (4) An Appellate Committee, selected by the League Coordinator, will adjudicate any situation requiring due process. The Appellate Committee will be comprised of program participants not directly involved with the circumstance in question. Appellate Committee decisions will be considered final.
- d. A team not present at the scheduled league or post tournament game time will forfeit the game.
- e. It is the responsibility of all units participating in the intramural sports program to provide their own medical support.
- 4. 2016 Unit Level Intramural Soccer League Play:
- a. Unit organization. Units may merge prior to the start of league play provided they are within the same brigade or major subordinate command.
 - b. Team rosters.
- (1) In order to participate, personnel must be identified on a properly completed roster. Noncompliance will result in forfeiture of the game.
- (2) Team rosters, signed by the unit commander, must be submitted to the League Coordinator prior to league participation. Rosters must include the following: name, rank, unit, and team POC to include duty phone number and e-mail address. Units which fail to submit a properly completed roster prior to league participation will forfeit their initial game. A second forfeit will result in expulsion from the league. Team rosters are not limited to 18 players, therefore, all potential players should be listed. Rosters may be updated throughout the duration of the program but, after 15 April, players from other units cannot be added.

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- c. Once a player starts with a team, he/she must remain with that team during all intramural soccer competition. Should a team fold, players may not join another team. Should a player play for more than one team, he/she will be deemed an illegal player and will be disqualified from further participation in the 2016 Unit Level Intramural Soccer League/Tournament.
- d. Personnel who are assigned to units which will not be organizing a team in the 2016 Unit Level Intramural Soccer League/Tournament, and are desirous of participating, will be allowed to play with another team. They will also be required to furnish a letter of release from their commander as well as a letter of acceptance from the gaining unit's commander. These letters must be filed with the Intramural Sports Coordinator prior to participation. The cut-off date for such action is 15 April; requests submitted after this date will be disapproved. The Intramural Sports Director will sign and date each letter and then provide a copy of those letters to team coaches while retaining the original letters on file. Teams will only be allowed to add two players who are not assigned to the unit which has entered the program.
 - e. League competition will be round robin.
- f. Units failing to notify the League Coordinator of their unavailability to play prior to 1400 on the day of the scheduled game, will forfeit the game in question and the game will not be rescheduled.
- g. Units forfeiting two games during league play will be dropped from further competition.
- 5. 2017 Unit Level Intramural Post Soccer Tournament Play.
- a. For post tournament play, the most current team roster submitted during league play will be in effect. Team POCs are responsible for ensuring their roster has been accurately updated as of the start of the post tournament.
- b. For any tournament game, a team will be allowed 18 members. The 18 members may include 2 coaches who may or may not play, but must be designated as such on the tournament team roster. If a team has more than 18 members dressed for play, they will be told to remove extra players from the designated team area. Failure to comply with this rule will result in automatic forfeiture of the game.
 - c. Cancellation and rescheduling of post tournament games.

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- (1) Unit POCs are responsible for submitting any dates that their team will not be available to compete (due to a military contingency which does not exceed 24 hours in duration) to the League Coordinator NLT 1200, 15 April. For those units which comply with this deadline, every effort will be made to accommodate their military contingency when formulating the tournament schedule. After the deadline, rescheduling flexibility will be extremely limited and will require concurrence from all teams affected by any proposed rescheduling.
- (2) Post tournament games, with the exception of semifinal and championship games, not played because of military contingencies lasting longer than 24 hours will result in an automatic forfeit. To avoid a forfeit, a commander may substitute another team in cases where the original team will be unable to participate for periods lasting longer than 24 hours.
- (3) For semifinal and championship games, the Sports Branch will make every effort to accommodate units which will be involved with a military contingency lasting longer than 24 hours.
- d. Schedule of 2017 Unit Level Intramural Soccer Post Tournament Games will be published by this headquarters prior to the start of the tournament. Schedules will be e-mailed to team POCs.
- e. All teams, which do not forfeit two games during league competition, will qualify for the post tournament.
- 6. Rules. Current United States Soccer Federation Rules and the following amendments will govern all intramural play.
- a. The duration of the game shall be two periods of 25-minutes each. The clock will stop only in the event of serious injury or for any other appropriate circumstance at the discretion of the referee. The half time interval will not exceed 5-minutes.
- b. Teams shall consist of not more that 11 players, 1 of whom shall be the goalkeeper. A team will be allowed to start a game with 7 players. Any team not having at least 7 players at the start of the game will forfeit.
- c. Unlimited substitution will be allowed throughout the game with the exception of the final 2-minutes. Both teams, regardless of which team has possession of the ball, will be allowed to substitute during any stoppage of play. Stoppage of play occurs during injuries, goal kicks, corner kicks, and throw-ins. During the game's final 2-minutes, substitutions will only be allowed for an injured player.

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- d. When a game ends in a tie, teams will alternate taking three penalty kicks. Each kick will be attempted by a different player. If the game remains tied after the initial series of kicks, the game will go into sudden death. In sudden death, teams will alternate taking one kick each until a winner has been determined. Sudden death kicks will be attempted by those players who were not involved in the initial series of three kicks. Therefore, a player may not attempt a second penalty kick until each player who was on the field at the conclusion of regulation play has had an attempt.
- e. Only shoes with a smooth sole, or shoes with molded cleats of plastic or rubber with canvas, cloth, or leather uppers, will be allowed.
- f. Units are responsible for providing their own jerseys or shirts to be of the same color. Goalkeepers are to wear contrasting jerseys.
- g. During post tournament play, the home team will be determined by a coin toss administered prior to each tournament game.
- h. Consumption of alcoholic beverages or drugs by team members is prohibited before or during games.
- i. Any player or coach who intentionally makes physical contact with an official will be subject to immediate suspension for an indefinite period. Such an occurrence will be investigated by this headquarters and facts pertaining to the incident will be forwarded to the Garrison Commander for review.
- 7. Awards. The Sports and Fitness Branch will provide individual awards for members of both the first and second place post tournament teams.
- 8. Point of contact is Mr. Kurt Phoenix at 907-5438.

Theresa L. Smith
Intramural Sports Director

(OFFICE SYMBOL) (DATE)

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FORT BRAGG SPORTS OFFICE

SUBJECT: Unit Level Soccer Roster for 357th Medical Company

Rank/Name

SGT Michael Wynn

SPC Tom Smith

SPC Jarvis Redwine

SPC Jimmy Chitwood

PFC Joshua Kahu

PFC Roger Cota

SPC David Gray

SGT Kendall Bussey

PV2 Reginald Barclay

SPC Ralph Brown

PFC Carlos Polk

Team point of contact is SGT Michael Wynn, 323-764-9384; michael.lee.wynn@us.army.mil

The undersigned verifies that each Soldier listed on this roster is assigned to $357^{\rm th}$ Medical Company.

DAVID SAMPSON Commanding 357th Medical Company (OFFICE SYMBOL) (DATE)

MEMORANDUM FOR FORT BRAGG SPORTS OFFICE

SUBJECT: Authorization to Participate in the Unit Level Soccer Program

1. $364^{\rm th}$ Medical Company will not be entering a team into the unit-level soccer program. I do; however, authorize SPC John Smith, who is assigned to the $364^{\rm th}$ Medical Company, to participate in the unit level soccer program.

2. Point of contact is the undersigned at 396-1234.

CPT KURT ROBBINS Commander 364th Med Co

MEMORANDUM FOR FORT BRAGG SPORTS OFFICE

SUBJECT: Authorization to Participate in the Unit Level Softball Program

- 1. I authorize SPC John Smith, who is assigned to the $364^{\rm th}$ Medical Company, to participate in the unit level soccer program with HHC, $44^{\rm th}$ Med Bde.
- 2. Point of contact is the undersigned at 396-1234.

CPT DAVE SCHMIDT Commander HHC, 44th Med Bde