

APPENDIX D

SAFETY REGULATIONS

Section I. SAFETY PROCEDURES

1. General

All personnel armed with their individual weapon must be qualified with the weapon, including the safety regulations for the weapon. Weapons are not carried with cartridges in the chamber or receiver except on orders from the commanding officer. When loaded, weapons are carried locked.

2. Retreat Guns

Safety regulations for firing retreat guns are published by installation commanders and depend on the type of gun used. These regulations are to be understood and complied with by all personnel detailed to fire the retreat gun.

Section II. SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY

3. Post Commander

Installation commanders insure that any new regulations about safety as it applies to guard are made available to the guard immediately.

4. Company Commander

Company commanders are responsible for the weapons qualification, familiarization, and instruction on

applicable safety regulations of all personnel in their companies. Any man assigned to guard duty who is not qualified or familiar with the weapon he is to carry is replaced at once. He is not assigned to guard duty until he becomes qualified or familiar with the weapon used on guard, or until he can be equipped with a weapon with which he is already qualified. Qualification pertains to individual weapons. Personnel armed with weapons other than their individual weapon (shotguns (FM 19-60), riot clubs (FM 19-5)) should receive training on that weapon prior to going on guard.

5. Officer of the Day

It is the responsibility of the officer of the day to see that all violations of safety regulations that come to his attention are reported to the offender's company commander. If the violation is serious, he reports it to the commanding officer, who takes appropriate action.

6. Commander of the Guard

The commander of the guard insures that members of his guard observe safety regulations. In the event of a violation, he reports the incident to the officer of the day for appropriate action. The commander of the guard is responsible for accountability of live ammunition utilized by the guards during his tour of duty.

7. Sergeant of the Guard

The sergeant of the guard is responsible for the conduct of the guard and reports all violations of

safety regulations to the commander of the guard for appropriate action. Whenever possible, he is present at guard formations which involve loading and unloading weapons. He makes sure that all safety regulations are observed.

8. Commander of the Relief

The relief commander of the guard is responsible that safety precautions are observed by his relief. He reports any man in his relief who violates safety regulations, and if the violation is serious, requests the sergeant of the guard to replace the offender. The relief commander will personally supervise the loading, unloading, and clearing of weapons by guards being posted and relieved when live ammunition is used.

9. Sentinels of the Guard

Sentinels on guard observe all safety regulations. If the sentinel has any doubt about any of these regulations he requests instructions from the commander of his relief prior to being posted.