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GRUINST 5340

Subj: ADMINISTRATIVE INSPECTION OF MEMBERS RETURNING FROM PERIODS OF UNAUTHORIZED ABSENCE (UA)

Ref: (a) Urinalysis Testing Procedures, COMDTINST M5355.1F
 (b) Coast Guard Personnel Manual, COMDTINST M1000.6A

1. PURPOSE. This instruction establishes a mandatory urinalysis inspection for all unit personnel who return from an Unauthorized Absence (UA) period of longer than 24 hours.

2. ACTION. Commanding Officers and Officers in Charge of all Group Chesapeake Bay units shall ensure the provisions of this Instruction are followed.

3. DIRECTIVES AFFECTED. None.

4. BACKGROUND. The authority of a commander to inspect members of the command long has been recognized as an inherent power of command. An inspection is an examination of the whole or part of a unit conducted for the primary purpose of determining and ensuring military fitness and good order and discipline. I am particularly concerned about the military fitness of that subset of Group Chesapeake Bay consisting of service members returning from UA and have, therefore, implemented this Instruction as a way to gauge these individuals' readiness to safely perform all assigned missions.

5. POLICY & TASKING.

a. All personnel returning from a period of Unauthorized Absence from their duty station that exceeded 24 hours in duration shall be subject to a mandatory urinalysis inspection.

b. The urinalysis testing will be conducted in accordance with the standard procedures for administrative inspections outlined in reference (a) and (b).

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