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MEMORANDUM FOR Kansas Army National Guard

SUBJECT: ATAG Policy Letter #5, Transporting Personnel in the Back of Tactical and Cargo Vehicles

1. It is the policy of the Kansas Army National Guard that the transport of personnel in the back of tactical and cargo vehicles is prohibited.
2. Transportation of personnel in the back of tactical and cargo vehicles is classified as a "High" to "Extreme High" risk in accordance with FM 100-14 due to the increased risk to personnel (e.g., exposure and severity in the event that an accident occurs). As such, this practice is unacceptable in a training environment.
3. Use of the cargo beds or platforms in 2 ½ ton trucks, 5 ton trucks and other tactical vehicles to move soldiers historically has resulted in a significant increase in the deaths of soldiers when mishaps occur. Soldiers are our most precious resource and every effort must be exercised to safeguard them.
4. Questions regarding this policy will be directed to the State Safety Manager, CW3 Marvin Terhune at (785) 861-3876.
5. This policy supersedes ATAG Policy Letter #5, Transporting Personnel in the Back of Tactical and Cargo Vehicles, dated 21 April 2004.


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