

VIRGINIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD
Headquarters, 192d Tactical Fighter Group
Richmond International Airport
Sandston, Virginia 23150

SPECIAL ORDER
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16 February 1987

1. UP Sec 502, Title 32, USC Sec 206, Title 37, USC, ANGR 50-01 and 192TFGR 50-01. All members of the 192d Tactical Fighter Group and assigned units, are hereby ordered to attend all Unit Training Assemblies shown on this training schedule at Richmond IAP, Sandston, VA 23150.

UTAs

07 March 87 Flying & OJT in Sections
08 March 87 Flying & OJT in Sections

04 & 05 Apr 87
25 & 26 Apr 87

16 & 17 May 87 for CES ONLY
06 & 07 Jun 87

DEPLOYMENTS

11 & 12 Jul 87
08 & 09 Aug 87
12 & 13 Sep 87 02-16 May 87 - AFT (Except CE), Travis Field, Savannah, GA
03 & 04 Oct 87 12-28 Jun 87 - AFT (CE Only), Germany
07 & 08 Nov 87 13-27 Jun 87 - RED FLAG, Nellis AFB, NV
05 & 06 Dec 87

2. AM Assemblies will be 0800-1200 (Sat) 0700-1100 (Sun) and PM Assemblies will be 1300-1700 (Sat) 1200-1600 (Sun), with the following exceptions: Assembly for one flight of Food Service Personnel will be as follows: AM 0630-1030 (Sat) 0530-0930 (Sun), PM 1100-1530 (Sat) 1000-1430 (Sun). Additional duty hours to cover special work requirements such as pre-flight, post-flight, etc, will be scheduled by each unit as required. Each UTA will be no less than four hours duration excluding lunch periods.

3. Uniform will be lightweight blues or fatigues, unless otherwise indicated.

4. Excused absences from UTAs must be for reasonable cause and must be mutually arranged in advance by the individual and his/her commander. To be excused, an absence must be made up thru Equivalent Training (EQT) or Split Unit Training Assembly (SUTA). SUTAs must be performed for the convenience of the government and in the same month as the UTA. EQTs with pay must be performed within 60 days after scheduled UTA, but within the same fiscal quarter. Only four EQTs (1 weekend) with pay are permitted each Fiscal Year.

FOR THE COMMANDER


LAWRENCE A. COUSINS, Major, VaANG
Base Services Officer

DIST: "A" Plus 1 Ea: TAC/ADUBO; TAC/CRFG;
9th AF/CRFG & IG; NGB/XOS & TE; 1913th ISG/CC
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TFW/DA; 1st CSG/DPMD.





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TAC OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SAFETY AWARD

An A-7D aircraft ground aborted after the pilot discovered he did not have full forward travel of the control stick during flight control checks. While the crew chief was "feeling" the stick, the restriction broke free and no further restrictions could be felt.

MSgt Gerald G. Ellyson was assigned the task of troubleshooting the problem. After inspecting the control system through all normal access points, the binding problem could not be located and it could not be repeated. Not satisfied with these inspection results, Sergeant Ellyson then started removing other aircraft panels to expose covered route-of-control rods. This additional effort revealed the problem. The 90-degree cable clamp on the upper anticollision light cannon plug had made contact with the pitch control or connecting link. The rivet securing the arm assembly to the rod made enough contact to drastically bend the bracket.

Recognizing a potential flight mishap situation, Sergeant Ellyson initiated a fleet inspection of all assigned aircraft. This inspection revealed that 12 of 24 aircraft showed evidence of the problem.

Subsequent review of tech data revealed that installation procedures did not address the need to insure that the anticollision light cannon plug and wiring is installed to insure clearance for the pitch control link and cable located in

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SSG Vincent is shown receiving his commendation from the Henrico County Board of Supervisors.

SSG Vincent honored for heroism

By AIC Lynne Taylor

SSgt Vince Vincent has been cited for heroism during an apartment fire in Richmond last November.

Vincent, a 33-year-old weapons control systems technician, helped to pull an elderly man from his burning Monument Avenue apartment Nov 15.

In recognition of his actions, Vincent was commended publicly at the Jan 14 meeting of the Henrico County Board of Supervisors.

In a letter to Vincent, Board Chairman Anthony P. Mehfood said, "Also, the members of the Board want to recognize your performance in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation to Mr. George Morrissey, the victim in whose apartment the fire occurred."

Vincent said in an interview that he noticed smoke coming from an apartment complex on Monument Avenue as he was driving his wife and son home from Willow Lawn Shopping Center in western Henrico.

Slowing down to see which apart-

ment the smoke was coming from, Vincent noticed 10-foot-tall flames shooting up from one unit of the Keswick Gardens apartments.

"I was compelled to stop because I noticed that there was no rescue squad there yet," Vincent said. He parked his car, leaving his son and wife there.

He ran to the rear of the burning apartment, crouched down and entered. But Vincent said he couldn't see because of the smoke. He went next door, where he and another person moved an elderly woman from her apartment.

Back in the apartment where the fire had started, Vincent and two other rescuers came across George Morrissey, thought to be about 90 years old. The trio moved Morrissey outside onto the grass and Vincent administered CPR until paramedics arrived.

Vincent credited his CPR training to a course with the 192d CAMS, which requires that its members be certified in CPR.

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Batteries do explode

By SMS Gene Meek

Lead acid batteries, the kind used for starting cars, trucks, boats, lawnmowers, etc., can be potential bombs. The condition for explosion is ideal when your battery is discharged or "dead".

Dead batteries are not restricted to any particular season. Batteries have a mind of their own and can become discharged at any time for a number of reasons. Usually it happens at the wrong time in the wrong place, and the best approach to this situation is to use another battery for a "jump start". This method is well and good if you perform the connecting procedure properly and are aware of the consequences if done improperly.

The potential for an explosion exists when the battery is discharged and has a significant voltage differential from that of a charged battery. When voltage from the jumper battery is applied, this can cause arcing of the cells within the battery case. The battery generates hydrogen gas, which is normally vented out the vent plugs, but on some occasions, the gas gets trapped inside the battery. When there is a significant amount of gas and a spark, the mixture of the two is explosive. The resulting rapid buildup of pressure within the battery is so great that the battery case cannot contain the pressure. The case will rupture sending fragments and battery acid in all directions. Needless to say, but this is bad news for you or anyone else in the vicinity.

The proper and safest way to connect batteries for a jumper start is as follows:

Step 1. Connect one end of jumper cable (color coded RED) to the + positive terminal of the GOOD battery.

Step 2. Connect the other end

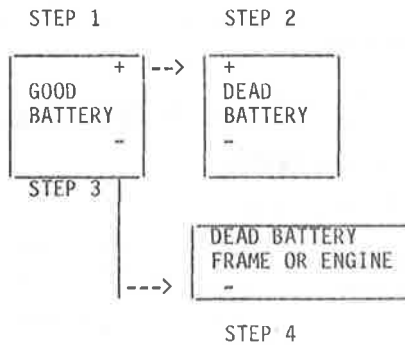
(color coded RED) to the + positive terminal of the DEAD battery.

Step 3. Connect one end of jumper cable (color coded BLACK) to the - negative terminal of the GOOD battery.

Step 4. Connect remaining end of cable (color coded BLACK) to a good ground on the DEAD battery car frame or engine block. **CAUTION:** Do not attempt to make the connection to the DEAD battery's negative terminal as the resulting spark could ignite the hydrogen gas venting from the battery.

Most businesses selling batteries have free decals that illustrate the safe jump starting procedure. It is recommended that you get one and attach it to a convenient spot near the battery. Most batteries in operation today have this information printed in small print on the battery itself. One problem is who reads small print and especially when it's grease covered.

The bottom line is, know and understand what you are doing when jumping batteries. If and when in doubt, call a professional. The eyes, injury, disability, or life you save may be your own.



To All Members

The DOD has directed all military members including the ANG, to obtain duplicate panoramic radiographs of their teeth. This is for the purpose of casualty identification.

The VaANG Dental Clinic has implemented a program to comply with this directive.

Any member that has had a photograph X-ray accomplished within the past two (2) years at his/her private dentist, please arrange with your dentist to mail it to us for your files. Address is indicated

below. We will duplicate this film and return it to your dentist. Please have him identify your film, name and date and where to return the film.

b. If you do not have a film to give us, we will accomplish it here at the ANG with your routine Periodic or Flying physical.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

192d TAC Clinic/SGD
P.O. Box 297
Sandston, VA 23150-0297

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Vincent...

"Because we work around a lot of high-voltage equipment, we need to know CPR in the event of shock, which can bring on cardiac or respiratory arrest," he said.

The story has a sad footnote. Despite the efforts of Vincent and his companions, Morrisey died of complications a few days after the fire.

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Ellyson...

the immediate area. An Emergency AFTO Form 22 was submitted and an interim TCTO and interim safety supplement were issued for all A-7 units to inspect their aircraft for this potential flight safety problem.

Sergeant Ellyson's dedication to professional excellence in performing his duties above minimum requirements has earned him this award.



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Senior Enlisted Advisor's Report

By CMS Dave Lutz

Senior Enlisted Advisor

As many of you are already aware, the Senior NCOs of the VaANG are making plans for a two-day conference to be held on 11-12 April (Saturday and Sunday) at the State Military Reservation (SMR) at Virginia Beach. Initial plans call for a series of briefings and work sessions to be attended by the VaANG's E-9s, E-8s, and selected E-7s. I use the term "selected" since lack of SMR housing, mandays, and funds will not permit all of the E-7s to attend. Those E-7s who are invited will depend on the expertise required to best brainstorm the problem-area itinerary items that, as I write this, are being assembled. This conference itinerary is being put together from items which our NCOs perceive as being the biggest hindrance to completion of their mission responsibilities. The work-session part of the conference is being designed to both help all attending to better understand each other's problems and to recommend to management some solutions or improvements to problems most common to all areas of responsibility. More information on this conference will be released as plans are finalized. Talk to your senior NCOs this UTA about any ideas you might have to improve our operations or to alleviate any problems continually encountered in your squadron or work section. Obviously, there is no way a two-day conference can cover, and recommend correction for, all perceived problem areas. It's not that we have such a large number of major problems, it's just that those we do have can be very complicated and solutions (if any) are not that easily derived. Those itinerary items not covered at this conference will, I hope, be the basis for formation of a Senior NCO Council with scheduled periodic meetings from now on.

An advanced copy of ANGR 35-2 (dated 16 Jan 87) covering personnel placement, just received by State Headquarters, shocked us with the statement that "all First Sergeants and Senior Enlisted Advisors appointed after 1 May 87 will be non-technicians!" On inquiry of the NGB on the rationale of such a restricting regulation, I was told that the objectionable paragraph of ANGR 35-2 was "issued in error and will be

reissued in the near future!!"

Over the past few months there have been several AFR 35-10 changes of which some of you are not aware: -The aircraft and munitions maintenance badge will be worn in the same relative position as the aviation badge. Its precedence will fall below the parachutist badge.

-Women may carry a clutch-type purse with all uniform combinations. It can be no larger than 6.5 by 11.5 inches, and no smaller than 5 by 9 inches. The purse must have a concealed zipper, snap or facile, and be plain black leather or simulated leather. Texture may be smooth or Scotch grain. No ornamentation nor high-gloss materials are authorized. The purse may have a wrist strap.

-Major command elite guard members and special mission people may wear a distinctive dark blue jacket with slash pockets and zipper closure.

-Command crews may wear distinctive blue flight suits when they are providing support to their respective commanders in chief.

-Badges and US insignia may be chrome or highly polished. Badges and insignia must be of the same finish-all highly polished or all satin finished.

-Enlisted people may wear the blue satin mess dress bow tie or necktab with the semi-formal uniform.

-Aircrews may wear flight suits off-base while eating at fast-food restaurants or during short convenience stops.

-Women may wear blue hose stockings with all uniform combinations.

-The new men's light blue short sleeve shirt with epaulets and standup or dress collars may be worn with or without a tie.

-Women may wear the new belted skirt.

-Brown t-shirts may be worn with the fatigue uniform on an optional basis.

-The new poly-cotton or poly-wool women's blouse is authorized for wear. On the blouse, the name tag is worn on the wearer's right, centered between the button and arm seam, not lower than the first button, and no higher than 1.5 inches above. Ribbons are worn on the wearer's left, centered between the button and arm seam, in line with the name tag.

Several of you have inquired about the start of the newly-approved

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News Briefs

STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE

Applications for State Tuition Assistance for the Summer Quarter/Semester must be submitted no later than April UTA. This is for courses beginning 15 May or beyond. Applications can be obtained from MSgt John Rollings, Base Career Advisor, in the single trailer next to the range. Red Horse personnel can obtain an application from MSgt Larry Harris, Headquarters Building.

SGLI REFUND/DIVIDEND

Extracted from HQ ARPC Lowry AFB CO/DPAE msg, R160730Z Jan 87

Several ANG/AFRES units have called regarding a special SGLI refund/dividend. We have contacted the office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance regarding this matter. They advised that they had checked with the VA and no such refund/dividend is or will be payable. The VA further states this is a hoax that continues to crop up in various parts of the country despite VA efforts to dispel the rumor. There are several National Service Life Insurance (NSLI) policies that do pay dividends and no application is needed for these dividends.

BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT

Anyone interested in fishing in a Virginia Air National Guard bass tournament please contact Dennis Hendricks (B: 222-8884, ext 340; H: 746-0074), or Jeff Davis (B: 222-8884, ext 373; H: 737-4117).

The tournament will be on 31 May at the Morris Creek landing on the Chickahominy River. Please call for more information.

VaANG RETIREE'S ASSOCIATION

** NEWS **


The Virginia Air National Guard Retired Association meeting will be held in the Dining Hall, 18 March 1987 at 1900. Mrs. Marise Bedgood, who is assigned to the Chief Patient Administration Division, Kenner Army Hospital, Fort Lee, VA, will be guest speaker at this meeting. Mrs. Bedgood will brief members on all aspects pertaining to CHAMPUS. Spouses of members are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting. Active members of the VaANG who plan to retire in the near future are also invited to attend.

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commissary privileges. The latest word I have from the NGB is that the control regulations for this new benefit will be issued in mid-March. Full details will be announced as soon as received.

All of you Enlisted Association members should plan to attend the state conference that will be held in Roanoke on 27-29 March. If you read Patti Stanley's article in the February VANGUARD, you know that it promises to be a good one, as usual. Army personnel at these conferences outnumber us 100:1, so we need all the representation we can get. If you have never attended one of these conferences, call Patti (X302) or me (X510) for details and information. If you haven't joined the Enlisted Association or renewed your membership for '87, contact Patti for application forms. The \$5.00 per year dues are more than covered each year by the savings realized in the purchase of your NG license plates at half-price - a privilege made possible by the efforts of EANGUS.

DRUGS • YOU 

Marijuana can adversely affect driving skills up to eight hours past the time the user perceives him or herself to be "high."

— Source: National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine

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CAMP PENDLETON

The State Military Reservation at Camp Pendleton in Virginia Beach is available for recreational use by active and retired Guard members, according to the State Adjutant General's Office.

Anyone wanting to use the cottages or trailers should submit their requests to the Virginia Adjutant General's Office for approval and scheduling.

Other buildings at Camp Pendleton also may be used by active and retired Guard members and their families. Requests for use of those facilities should be submitted to the VAOT office at 501 E. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23219, at least 60 days prior to the desired date. All reservations for the facilities are subject to immediate cancellation if the need arises for military training events.

Letters of thanks

This letter was received from LtCol Nat Williams, commander of the 200th Weather Squadron, and his wife. The Williams' daughter, Virginia Kirkland Prillaman, was a nurse who was killed last year during a bizarre shooting spree in the Richmond doctor's office where she worked.

The letter was addressed to LtCol Cecil Modlin, State Headquarters.

Dear Cecil:

Please convey our sincere appreciation to all members of the Virginia Air National Guard for their donations to the Radiation Therapy Machine Project at Medical College of Virginia in memory of our daughter, Virginia Kirkland Prillaman.

As you know, Ginger was in the health care field and your generous contributions will provide a lasting memorial to her that will benefit many others in the future. I know it will please you to know that she was an organ donor and because of this, there are two individuals, who were once blind, able to see today. This has been a real source of comfort to us, as has the care and concern of others such as your membership.

Again, our sincere thanks for the contribution and we pray God's blessing on all of you.

Sincerely,

Nat & Connie Williams

The following letter was received from the Eastwood family in appreciation for the help this unit gave them during Christmas 1986:

Dear Colonel Coke,

You have great people working with you.

I really appreciate all the work they went thru making it possible for my family to have a merry Christmas. All the collecting, getting food, going from store to store to find what they needed. All the wrapping and bringing it to my house.

I have three children and they made it possible for them to have a great Christmas. They loved all their gifts. They each wanted "My Buddy Doll", "Mr. Potato Head", the little girl wanted an umbrella and the boys, "Skeletor" and "He Man". You should have seen their faces light up each time. They got other gifts too and they loved them too.

So again, thank you so much, and Colonel Coke, you should be very proud of them for making three little kid's dream come true because without the help of the VaANG it wouldn't. My husband and I really needed the help this year.

Here are pictures of the three little kids the Guard helped this Christmas. Keep the pictures.

Sincerely,
Debbie Eastwood

(The pictures can be seen in the Club)

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Personnel News



Technical Sergeant Herbert Patterson is shown taking over the "reigns" from Senior Master Sergeant Childress

Combat Support gets new 1st Sergeant

The Combat Support Squadron has selected Technical Sergeant Herbert D. Patterson, Sr. to replace Senior Master Sergeant Herbert Childress as the 1st Sergeant.

Sergeant Patterson had been assigned to the Weapons System Security Flight since joining the Air Guard in July of 1978. He brings a total of 19 years military service to the job.

Employed by the county of Henrico as a police Captain, Sergeant Patterson resides with his wife Pat and their two children in Sandston.

Asked what he thought about his new assignment, Sergeant Patterson replied, "My main goal is to just be as much help as I can to both the commander and squadron personnel."

A REMINDER

A retirement ceremony for Brigadier General Heath will be held 4 April 1987. Personnel are reminded that the uniform for the ceremony will be:

MEN: Service uniform with wheel hat and low quarters.

WOMEN: Service uniform with slacks, beret, and low quarters.

Is your uniform ready?

OFFICER APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

The CBPO is currently accepting applications from individuals who are interested in obtaining a commission in the unit. The 192d TFG Commander's policy for filling vacant non-rated/non-professional positions within the unit is that a pool of applicants be established at the beginning of each fiscal year (1 October). The pool will consist of 6 individuals. These 6 individuals will be selected from all applications received, and those who meet the necessary qualification requirements. Individuals who are placed in the pool are reminded that should they not be selected for a vacant position during the year, they must reapply the following year. They are not automatically retained in the pool at the beginning of the new fiscal year. Some of the basic requirements for a commission are as follows:

1. **AGE:** Individuals approaching the maximum commissioning age must have their application initiated NLT their 34th birthday. Absolutely no age waivers will be considered.

2. **EDUCATION:** A bachelor's degree is desired. Waivers of education will be considered. Requirements for a waiver will be explained to you in detail by a CBPO representative.

3. **TEST REQUIREMENTS:** All applicants must take the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test. If you have previously tested, your test scores cannot be more than 2 years old. If so, you must retest. Please contact the CBPO immediately to schedule a time. Required qualifying score requirements will be explained by a CBPO representative. Deadline for submission of application is 1 July 1987. Applications received after that date will not be considered. If applicants qualify on the AFOQT, they will be required to furnish the

CBPO additional documents/information to be put before the selection board for review. Failure to furnish the required information within the specified date will result in the application not being considered.

For those individuals interested in becoming officers in the VaANG, contact Chief Norman, MSgt Brown, or SSgt Odom, ext 381/309.

PROMOTIONS

This is a reminder that all Deserving Airmen Promotion requests to the grades of E-6/E-7 must be submitted to the CBPO NLT 1 August 1987. Any requests received after that date will not be accepted.

Deserving Airmen Promotion requests to the grade of E-5 may be submitted monthly IAW ANGR 39-29. If you have any questions concerning promotions, please contact Chief Norman, MSgt Brown, or SSgt Odom, ext 309/381.

UPT POSITIONS

The CBPO is currently accepting applications from individuals who are interested in obtaining an Undergraduate Pilot Training (UPT) position for fiscal year 89. Applicants must complete AMS and enter undergraduate flying training before reaching age 27 1/2. Those individuals interested in applying, please contact Chief Norman, MSgt Brown, or SSgt Odom, ext 309/381 for further details. Deadline for submission of applications is 1 Jul 1987.

TRAINING RIBBON AUTHORIZED

All members of the Air Force who have completed basic military training, including Air Reservists and National Guardsmen, are now authorized to wear the Air Force Training Ribbon. A recent change to AFR 900-48 authorizes the training ribbon for all graduates of basic training, no matter which branch of the military and no matter when training was completed.

Previously, the ribbon was awarded only to members who completed Air Force basic training after 15 Aug 74.

Members who completed basic training in another branch are entitled to wear both the Air Force Basic Training Ribbon and the training ribbon from the other branch, if applicable.

Yate's last stand

This article is reprinted from the Jan 26, 1987, edition of "On the QT," the daily newspaper published by The Flying Yankees of the 103rd Tactical Fighter Group during January's "Quick Thrust" deployment to Savannah, GA.

Dear "Q.T."

For most of us, this exercise is called Quick Thrust '87. For the "Virginia Gentlemen" of the 192d TFG, VaANG, this deployment is entitled, "The Last Hoorah of SMSgt Cedric Yates." SMSgt Yates has visited the Savannah PFTS nearly every year since 1960, his first year with the ANG. He worked as a crew chief on the F-84, in Avionics during the years of the F-105 "Thud" and most recently as the A-7 AFCS/Instrument Shop supervisor. His 32 years of dedicated service made him one of the mainstays of the Virginia ANG.

When SMSgt Yates is not keeping the 192d TFG jets flying, he can be found in many of the local feeding spots and "watering holes," checking out the quality of the comestibles for his troops. By the way, "Q.T.", he also "collects and stores" TVs as a hobby. (He'd starve if he did it for a living).

On the occasion of his last Savannah deployment, and after harassing the locals for the past 25 years, the 192d TFG salutes one of their main men and officially dedicates this deployment to Cedric Yates and his last hoorah. Good luck on your retirement and thanks for the memories.

With deepest respect and fondest regards,

Your comrades-in-arms

P.S. Get a haircut!!!

A Child's World Is Full of Pretty Poisons
Poison Prevention Week—March 15–21

BIATHLON ANNOUNCED

The Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers will conduct a biathlon in Copenhagen, Denmark, in July. Competition is open to officers who hold reserve commissions in any branch of the Armed Forces.

Last year the Air National Guard was the only branch of the American military not represented on the US team.

Biathlon events include marksmanship, obstacle course run, swimming, orienteering, and combined military skills.

For further information, contact LtCol John E. Albair, Building 5, Camp Johnson, Winooski, VT 05404.



"The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition" reports that sorbitol, an artificial sweetener widely used in food and drinks, may reduce calcium absorption. Calcium is important to prevent bone problems that frequently affect women. Sugar has no effect on reducing calcium absorption.

VA loans harder to get

The Veterans Administration has raised the minimum amount of income veterans must have to qualify for home loans. Under the new procedures, the VA has established four geographical regions and set separate income requirements for each.

The VA looks at the veteran's credit history, ratio of monthly payments to gross income, amount for rental expenses, ability to save money, and amount of outstanding debts.

VA spokesmen say the new rules are not as ironclad as they may seem. "If a veteran has a minimum income below the standard, but there are other signs of ability to pay, he'll still get the loan," one official said.

Under the new guidelines, a family of two in the South would have to have a minimum disposable income of \$643 a month to qualify for a home loan. Disposable income is the amount of money available after an applicant pays fixed expenses such as rent, insurance, car payments and credit card payments.

The new standards were set to insure that families have enough money to buy food and pay other expenses after they purchase a new home.

A new bennie...

National Guardsmen are now entitled to use military commissaries for up to 14 days each year. Under previous regulations, reservists could use commissaries only while they were on active duty for training. Now, however, the new Defense Authorization Act lets members of reserve components use their privileges within 12 months of the time the privileges are earned. That allowance is similar to one already in place for base exchange use.

Although the commissary privilege was authorized to begin 1 Jan, implementation is being postponed until the Department of Defense establishes guidelines for admission to commissaries.

Two years ago, the Department of Defense allowed selected groups of reservists in New England, Los Angeles, and San Antonio to use commissaries on an experimental basis. Results of the test indicate that more than 25 percent of those authorized used the privilege and that most of the users lived near military installations.

Guidelines and instructions for implementation of commissary access for reservists and guardsmen should be completed in a few months.

WEAR AUTHORITY FOR NEW MESS DRESS BLOUSE AND CEREMONIAL/SEMI-FORMAL DRESS BLOUSE

Extracted from ANGSC/MP msg, dtd 131610Z Jan 87

Hq AAFES advises that the two new blouses previously approved by the AFUB are becoming available in clothing sales stores.

a. New short sleeve white 100 percent polyester "ultressa" mess dress blouse. This will replace the present white 65/35 poly/cotton mess dress blouse. There is no design change.

b. New short sleeve white ceremonial/semi-formal dress blouse. Design of this new blouse is similar to the light blue blouse (poly/wool or poly/cotton) with pointed collar and inverted V necktab. These will replace the present blouse which has rounded collar, ply front, and V necktab. The new blouse will be sold with two necktabs, one in poly/cotton blue and one in blue satin.