**Fact Sheet: Soldier Sex Offender Registration Requirements. V2**

A. References. Title 42, United States Code, Section 16901 (“Sex Offender Registration and Notification”); DoD Instruction 1325.7; AR 27-10

B. General Information. A Soldier who has been convicted of a sex crime or a crime against a minor must register with the appropriate authorities in the jurisdiction in which he or she resides, carries on a vocation, or attends school. Jurisdictions where this registration requirement applies include any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, the United States Virgin Islands, and Indian Tribal lands. Generally, registration must take place within three days of release from confinement or within three days of the conviction if the accused is not confined, regardless of whether the Soldier remains in the Army or is separated. If the Soldier remains in the military, registration with the installation Provost Marshal is also required.

C. Responsibilities of the Soldier. The fact that someone is a registered sex offender is available to the public. Soldiers may encounter substantial prejudice from being classified as a sex offender. Because each State has different laws, it is the Soldier’s responsibility to determine the registration requirements where he or she resides, carries on a vocation, or is a student. It is a violation of law to fail to register as a sex offender if the law requires a Soldier to do so. The offenses which commonly require registration as a sex offender are very broad and include, as a minimum, those listed in paragraph 24-2 of AR 27-10. State or territorial laws may be even broader.

D. As a general rule, the company command team has no responsibility for registration of Soldiers as sex offenders but should be aware of the law and the mandatory reporting requirements.

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