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CNIC INSTRUCTION 5090.2A

From: Commander, Navy Installations Command

Subj: OVERSEAS DRINKING WATER OPERATION AND OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS

Ref: (a) CNIC M-5090.2
(b) CNIC M-5090.3
(c) OPNAV M-5090.1D
(d) DASN(E) memo, Drinking Water Requirements at Installations Outside the United States of 31 Dec 15

1. Purpose

a. To establish criteria and requirements that overseas U.S. Navy installations must meet in order to properly operate drinking water systems and to ensure that personnel in charge of drinking water systems are, at a minimum, as competent and qualified as operators certified within the U.S. regulatory framework. Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC), as the Navy Executive Agent (EA) for Drinking Water Ashore, directs adherence with references (a) and (b) and the requirements contained therein as the standards for overseas installations to adopt and implement.

b. This instruction provides two standards, references (a) and (b), that meet the guidance and direction set forth in references (c) and (d) by the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV), and Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Environment (DASN(E)). This instruction also implements requirements to classify drinking water systems, evaluate drinking water system performance and ensure drinking water system Operators in Responsible Charge (ORC) and Assistant Operators in Responsible Charge (AORC) are qualified, competent and certified.

2. Scope and Applicability. This instruction applies to all overseas U.S. Navy Regions and installations, to include any special areas and non-contiguous properties that are part of the installation.

3. Policy

a. References (a) and (b) provide the requirements of this instruction. CNIC, as the Navy EA for Drinking Water Ashore, will utilize the Navy Overseas Water Quality Oversight Council (WQOC) as the entity responsible for monitoring and ensuring compliance with this instruction.

b. Navy Regions with installations overseas and overseas installations will comply with reference (a) to ensure the completion of recurring sanitary surveys and system auditing, and the issuance of a “Certificate to Operate” signed by the Region Commander (REGCOM).

c. Navy Regions with installations overseas and Navy installations overseas will comply with reference (b) to ensure operators in charge of drinking water systems are certified with an appropriate level of competency equivalent to that required in the U.S. regulatory framework, based on training, examination, experience, education and continuing education.

4. Actions

a. CNIC HQ will:

(1) Chair the WQOC.

(2) Enforce this instruction and provide additional guidance and interpretation to Navy Regions, as needed.

(3) Oversee implementation and compliance with this instruction, via the WQOC, which will:

(a) Conduct Sanitary Surveys utilizing Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Echelon III Commands.

(b) Plan, program and budget for Sanitary Surveys.

(c) Maintain and update, as needed, references (a) and (b).

(4) Prepare an annual report for the Vice Chief of Naval Operations (VCNO) which documents compliance with this instruction and associated guidance.

(5) Evaluate compliance with this instruction through the review of installation internal environmental audit results and CNIC external audit results.

b. REGCOMs will:

(1) Chair the Region Water Quality Board (RWQB).

(2) Implement and comply with this instruction through the RWQB in collaboration with NAVFAC and Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) personnel.

(3) Plan, program and budget for requirements to comply with this instruction.

(4) Evaluate compliance with this instruction through installation annual internal Environmental Management System/Environmental Quality Assessment audit results.

(5) Ensure training and qualification requirements for drinking water system ORC, AORC and operations and maintenance personnel are met per this instruction and the guidance contained in the referenced standards.

c. Installation Commanding Officers will:

(1) Chair the Installation Water Quality Board (IWQB).

(2) Implement and comply with this instruction through the IWQB in collaboration with NAVFAC and BUMED personnel.

(3) Evaluate compliance with this instruction through installation annual internal environmental audits.

(4) Document compliance with this instruction utilizing the Navy Overseas Drinking Water Data Repository.

d. NAVFAC Headquarters and Region Facility Engineering Commands (FECs) are responsible for supporting execution of this instruction in collaboration with IWQBs, RWQBs and WQOC.

5. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, must be managed per Secretary of the Navy Manual 5210.1 of January 2012.

6. Review and Effective Date. Per OPNAVINST 5215.17A, CNIC (N4) will review this instruction annually on the anniversary of its effective date to ensure applicability, currency, and consistency with Federal, DoD, SECNAV, and Navy policy and statutory authority. This instruction will automatically expire five years after effective date unless reissued or canceled prior to the five-year anniversary date, or an extension has been granted.


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