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Section I - General.

1. References.

a. AR 30-2290.

b. AR 700-105.

c. TM 19-250.

d. Section VIII, Circular 140, Department of the Army, 17 May 1948, subject: "Vehicular License Tags."

e. Circular 7, General Headquarters, Far East Command, 9 February 1949, subject: "Motor Vehicle Operation and Control."

f. Circular 48, General Headquarters, Far East Command, 8 September 1949, subject: "Petroleum Supply."

g. Section I, Circular 57, this headquarters, 18 August 1948, subject: "Traffic and Vehicle Regulations," as amended.

2. Purpose. This directive governs the purchase, sale, resale, lease, transfer by gift or otherwise (with or without consideration); the registration, marking, and operation of motor vehicles; and the issuance of petroleum permits.

3. Definitions.

a. Persons subject to this directive. Members of the occupation forces, commercial entrants, foreign missionaries; dependents of any of the foregoing persons; corporations, firms, partnerships, and associations or organizations licensed by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers to do business in Japan.

b. Members of the occupation forces are defined as persons in Japan on official business who are on duty

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with, attached to, or associated with governments (other than the Japanese Government), or official or quasi-official agencies thereof, which are accredited to or affiliated with the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers; and dependents of such persons.

c. Indigenous personnel. Persons who are citizens of Japan, and other persons in Japan who do not have legal access as individuals to United States Military Payment Certificates, Foreign Trade Certificates, or British Armed Forces Special Vouchers; clubs, associations, and similar groups whose membership includes any of the foregoing persons; and corporations, firms, partnerships, or associations organized under the domestic laws of Japan.

d. Motor Vehicles. Vehicles of any kind used for passenger-carrying and trucking purposes; including automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, motorscooters, and motorbicycles.

e. Organizations. Clubs, associations, and similar groups whose membership includes only those individuals subject to this circular.

f. Sell. To sell, resell, lease, barter, trade, rent, give, transfer, or otherwise dispose of to another, with or without consideration. (AGK 451)

Section II - Sale or Resale of Motor Vehicles.

1. Only military and civilian members of the occupation forces permanently stationed in Japan who are citizens of the United States are eligible to purchase motor vehicles from the Eighth Army Central Exchange.

a. The number of privately owned motor vehicles (excluding motorcycles, motorscooters and motorbicycles) will be limited to one for each individual over 17 years of age.

b. Organizations other than military units, e.g., official or quasi-official clubs, associations or groups, composed of persons authorized to purchase at exchanges, may apply for authorization to purchase a jeep, station wagon, or pick-up truck from the Eighth Army Central Exchange.

2. Applications will be made on application form provided by Eighth Army Central Exchange. The first indorsement will include a certificate of the applicant's immediate superior that the applicant is eligible to purchase the motor vehicle. Application must be accompanied by cash, check, or money order payable to the Custodian, Eighth Army Central Exchange Fund, in an amount to be determined between that officer and the purchaser.

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3. All sales by Eighth Army Central Exchange are final. Balance due will be paid by cash, money order, or check. The Eighth Army Central Exchange will not guarantee either workmanship or materials on any motor vehicle sold. However, parts and/or assemblies developing defects within a 90-day period or 4,000 miles' driving, whichever occurs first, will be replaced for the purchaser for the cost of installation. Value of accessories and parts, e.g., cigarette lighters, radio antennae, and hub caps, missing at the time of delivery, will be deducted from the selling price.

4. At the time of final payment, each purchaser will be required to execute the following certificate:

"1. I certify that on (date), I purchased a (car, make, model, year), (serial no.), for a purchase price of $_____ plus excise tax of $_____ from the Eighth Army Central Exchange; that I understand that this motor vehicle is for my personal use; that I cannot lawfully resell it in Japan to anyone who does not have legal access as an individual to Military Payment Certificates, Foreign Trade Certificates, or British Armed Forces Special Vouchers, and then only after a period of 6 months has elapsed from the date of purchase from the Exchange.

"2. I further certify that I understand that the number of motor vehicles owned by me or my family is limited to one for each individual member thereof, in this theater, over 17 years of age."

5. Other sales or resales permitted. Except as herein provided and as limited by the applicable rules and regulations of the government of which he is a national, any person subject to this circular may sell his motor vehicle to any person in Japan who has legal access as an individual to Military Payment Certificates, Foreign Trade Certificates or British Armed Forces Special Vouchers, except that motor vehicles purchased through the Eighth Army Central Exchange may not be resold to any person until 6 months shall have elapsed from the date of original purchase from the Exchange.

a. Each transaction pertaining to the resale of motor vehicles by persons subject to this section will be recorded in the office of the provost marshal who registers motor vehicles under the provisions of paragraph 1d, Section III, below, in the area in which the seller is stationed or resides.

(1) The following information will be made of permanent record:

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(a) Name and status of seller (i.e., military, Department of the Army Civilian, commercial entrant, et cetera).

(b) Name and status of purchaser.

(c) Make and body style of motor vehicle.

(d) Serial number.

(e) Engine number.

(f) Original cost.

(g) Sale price.

(h) Old license number.

(i) New license number.

(j) Authority approving sale (subparagraph (2) below).

(k) Signature of seller.

(l) Signature of purchaser.

(2) Sales will be approved by the provost marshal directed to record the resale of motor vehicles in paragraph a above.

b. An official or quasi-official agent or agency of a government accredited to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers which has been or may be authorized or permitted to import motor vehicles for sale may sell such motor vehicles only to members of the occupation forces who are nationals of that government.

c. The Overseas Supply Stores or Overseas Automotive Service may sell motor vehicles only to individuals authorized by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers to purchase in these stores. Foreign nationals resident in Japan who have legal access to acceptable foreign exchange, including commercial entrants, tourists, occupation forces personnel and agencies, and individuals accredited to the occupation forces, are authorized to use these facilities. Japanese nationals who are nonresidents of Japan and who have entered Japan by authority of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, are also authorized to use these facilities.

d. No person subject to this directive who has purchased a motor vehicle from an Overseas Supply Store or the Overseas Automotive Service shall sell that motor vehicle to other than a person authorized to use these facilities.

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e. Except when specifically authorized by General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, or in accordance with applicable directives of, or the provisions of licenses issued by that headquarters, no person subject to this section, may acquire by sale or other transfer (including but not limited to gift, rental or loan) with or without consideration, motor vehicles from indigenous personnel.

f. Sales of privately owned motor vehicles registered under paragraph 1d, Section III, below, except those in which one party to the sale is the Eighth Army Central Exchange, the Overseas Supply Store or the Overseas Automotive Service, will be accomplished on Bill of Sale, 8A Form 63 (inclosure 1). Provost marshals will requisition these forms through normal publication supply channels and have them available for the convenience of occupation personnel. (AGK 451)

Section III - Registration, Marking and Operation of Motor Vehicles.

1. Registration and Marking of Motor Vehicles. Prior to operation motor vehicles will be registered and marked as follows:

a. Official motor vehicles operated by allied occupation forces will be registered and marked under the regulations of the using military force.

b. Motor vehicles (including privately owned motor vehicles) owned or operated in Japan by diplomatic missions or duly accredited members thereof and their families will be registered and identified as follows:

(1) The chief of the diplomatic mission concerned will forward to the Commander-in-Chief, Far East, attention: Provost Marshal, at the end of each calendar quarter, a motor vehicle list containing the following information:

(a) Make, color, and type of motor vehicle.

(b) Motor number.

(c) Type and serial number of identifying plaque.

(d) Source from which motor vehicle was obtained and date obtained.

(2) In addition to other signs or symbols, these motor vehicles will bear an identifying plaque containing the letters "DC" and a serial license number. This plaque should be securely attached to the motor

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vehicle or markings painted on the motor vehicle in lieu thereof. Markings should permit identification at a distance of 50 yards.

c. Motor vehicles, officially owned or operated and utilized on official business in Japan by Allied, neutral, or nonenemy delegations and representatives attached to the occupation forces other than those included in subparagraph b above, will be registered and identified as follows:

(1) The head of the delegation or other representation concerned will forward to the Commander-in-Chief, Far East, attention: Provost Marshal, at the end of each calendar quarter a motor vehicle list containing the information prescribed in paragraph 1b(1) above.

(2) Motor vehicles will be identified as required in paragraph 1b(2) above, except that the plaque or painted markings will indicate the government to which a vehicle belongs in lieu of the designation "DC."

d. Motor vehicles other than those specified in paragraphs 1b and c above, privately owned and operated by personnel on duty with, attached to, or affiliated with the occupation forces will be registered annually between 1 January and 31 March with the local provost marshals responsible for the area in which the registrant is assigned to duty. Newly acquired motor vehicles will be registered prior to operation.

(1) The principal or head of the family, will:

(a) Present proof of legal ownership of the motor vehicle.

(b) Present proof that he is a member of one of the following categories of personnel:

1. Uniformed services, without differentiation between officers or enlisted personnel, and civilian employees of the United States occupation forces whether paid from appropriated or nonappropriated funds; United States Government departments (other than Army, Navy, and Air Force), agencies, commissions, and delegations.

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2. Uniformed services, without differentiation between officers or enlisted personnel, and civilian employees of British Commonwealth Force (Army, Air, and Navy).

3. Welfare agencies, including Red Cross; news correspondents; and others accredited to and affiliated with Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers and/or occupation forces. Proof of this category for all except Red Cross personnel will be a contract, license, letter, or other document issued and properly authenticated by this or higher headquarters which specifically states that the person or groups are entitled to register privately owned motor vehicles under the provisions of paragraph 1d of this section.

(c) Pay an annual registration fee of $1.00 or the equivalent in acceptable and convertible foreign currencies, when the registrant is not authorized to use or possess Military Payment Certificates or dollar instruments. Reregistration of a motor vehicle within the same license year which results from a change in ownership or area of assigned duty of the registrant will be accomplished without payment of an additional fee.

(d) Notify the local provost marshal with whom the motor vehicle is registered promptly when:

1. The motor vehicle is sold. The seller and purchaser will appear together at the office of the local provost marshal and complete the record required in paragraph 5a(1), Section II, above.

2. The motor vehicle is lost, stolen, destroyed, or abandoned. If available, license plates will be returned to the registering provost marshal.

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3. The area of registration of the principal or head of the family, as defined in subparagraph (7), below, changes.

4. The principal or head of the family is to depart from Japan. This notification will include the license number of the motor vehicle and the port of debarkation.

(e) Surrender license plates to the provost marshal with whom the motor vehicle is registered whenever conditions under subparagraph (d)1, above, apply or when license plates become illegible.

(f) Apply promptly for reregistration with the provost marshal of the new area whenever the condition set forth in subparagraph (d)3 above exists. At the same time surrender to this provost marshal license plates and WD AGO Form R-5206 (Registration of Motor Vehicle) issued in the former area of registration.

(g) Present proof of compliance with subparagraph 1d(4) below.

(h) Display license plates issued by the local provost marshal on the front and rear of the registered motor vehicle in a horizontal, readable position. Plates will be kept clean and will be fastened securely to the motor vehicle to prevent easy removal. No other license plates will be displayed.

(2) Area provost marshals will:

(a) Determine the acceptability of the evidence required in paragraphs 1d(1)(a), (b), and (g), above, as applicable.

(b) Complete WD AGO Form R-5206, in triplicate, for each vehicle registered; one copy for the applicant, one for file, and one for transmittal to this headquarters, attention: Provost Marshal. The applicant's copy of this form will be carried in the motor vehicle

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while in operation. WD AGO Form R-5206 will be requisitioned through normal channels.

(c) Provide the motor vehicle registrant with two metal license plates for each motor vehicle registered. Illegible plates will be replaced without cost to the registrant when turned in as provided in paragraph 1d(1)(e) above.

(d) Maintain a current file of WD AGO Forms R-5206 for motor vehicles currently registered.

(e) Collect the registration fee specified in paragraph 1d(1)(c) above. United States dollar collections will be deposited with disbursing officers as a collection to the special deposits accounts on Standard Form 1044, noted "21F5875 SCAP Commercial Account" if turned in to a United States Army Disbursing Officer, or noted "57F5875 SCAP Commercial Account" if turned in to a United States Air Force Disbursing Officer. British Army Forces Special Vouchers and/or Sterling drafts or checks will be forwarded by registered mail to the Finance Officer, 240th Finance Disbursing Section, APO 500, accompanied by a modified Standard Form 1044.

(f) Return license plates and WD AGO Form R-5206, received under the provisions of subparagraph (1)(f), to the provost marshal who originally issued the plates and forms and obtain a receipt therefor.

(g) Register, as provided in paragraph 1d above, without cost to the registrant, any motor vehicle previously registered within the same license year under the provisions of said paragraph 1d, provided such registration is still authorized under this paragraph and:

1. The area of registration of the registrant as defined in subparagraph (7) below, has changed, or

2. The ownership of the motor vehicle has changed.

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(h) Inform this headquarters, attention: Provost Marshal, of all changes which should be made on WD AGO Form R-5206, resulting from the sale, loss, or damage of a motor vehicle; the change of address of the registrant; or from any other cause.

(3) When a motor vehicle is purchased from the Eighth Army Central Exchange, the Overseas Supply Store, or Overseas Automotive Service; obtained through a lottery; or received at a port of debarkation after shipment from the Zone of Interior, and information is not available to permit a complete registration as required by subparagraphs (1) and (2) prior to acceptance of the motor vehicle by the owner, principal, or head of the family, a temporary registration will be accomplished as follows:

(a) The principal or head of the family and the provost marshal of the area in which such principal or head of the family is assigned to duty or resides, will complete action required by subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, insofar as possible from information then available.

(b) The provost marshal will issue license plates to such principal or head of the family who will assure that these license plates are affixed to the motor vehicle at the time it is obtained from the above enumerated sources.

(c) The principal or head of the family will be responsible for completing the registration under subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, within 10 days after the arrival of the motor vehicle in the area of registration or within 30 days of the temporary registration, whichever is earlier.

(4) Registration of privately owned motor vehicles (excluding motorcycles, motor-scooters and motorbicycles) will be limited to 1 for each individual over 17 years of age. This does not invalidate any current registration or subsequent reregistration by an individual of a privately owned motor vehicle in Japan or in transit to Japan prior to 1 April 1947. When more than one motor vehicle

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is owned in a family, all motor vehicles will be registered in the name of the principal or head of the family.

(5) Motor vehicles privately owned by United States personnel and registered under paragraph 1d will not be shipped out of Japan to the Zone of Interior without license tags attached thereto. In accordance with reference 1d, Section I, above, these plates will not be used to circumvent United States government or state regulations pertaining to registration of motor vehicles. Registrants of these motor vehicles will be instructed to retain their copy of the WD AGO Form R-5206, whenever they return a motor vehicle to the Zone of Interior. This certificate may be required to comply with state regulations in obtaining a license or in consummating a sale.

(6) Commanders of ports of exit from Japan will:

(a) Assure compliance with the preceding subparagraph.

(b) Inform this headquarters, attention: Provost Marshal, and the provost marshal of the area of registration by letter of each motor vehicle loaded for shipment out of Japan. Letter notification will contain the following information:

1. Name of registrant.

2. Make, color, and type of motor vehicle.

3. License number.

4. Date of shipment.

(7) License plates may be obtained by requisition from this headquarters 90 days prior to the date on which the plates will be required. License plates bear a digit which indicates a geographical area followed by the motor vehicle registration number. The areas are as follows:

Area 1 - Metropolitan Tokyo.

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Area 2 - Yokohama Command area, to include the Yokosuka Naval Base, Camp Atsugi and Camp Zama.

Area 3 - 7th Infantry Division area.

Area 4 - 1st Cavalry Division (Infantry) area, exclusive of areas 1 and 2.

Area 5 - 25th Infantry Division area, to include Kobe Base area.

Area 6 - 24th Infantry Division area, to include Eta Jima School Command.

Area 7 - British Commonwealth Occupation Forces area.

e. Motor vehicles owned by commercial entrants, missionaries, or personnel of any nationality not on duty with, attached to, or affiliated with the occupation forces, and their dependents, other than those specified above will be registered with the Japanese Government.

f. Painting of motor vehicles.

(1) Privately owned civilian type motor vehicles registered under subparagraphs b, c, and d, above, may retain their original color, but will not be repainted white, aluminum, red, yellow, olive drab, or navy gray.

(2) Privately owned military type motor vehicles registered under subparagraphs b, c, and d, above, may retain their olive drab color and may be repainted olive drab. They will not be repainted white, aluminum, red, yellow, or navy gray.

g. Military or similar markings will not be placed on privately owned motor vehicles.

2. Operators' permits and instruments authorizing operation. Persons operating motor vehicles, except those registered under paragraph 1e above, will have in their possession a valid motor vehicle operator's permit and other documents described below.

a. For motor vehicles described in paragraph 1 this section, will be prescribed by the appropriate military force.

b. For motor vehicles referred to in subparagraphs 1b and c, above, as prescribed by the head of the delegation, diplomatic mission, or other representation concerned.

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c. For motor vehicles described in subparagraph 1d, above:

(1) A valid WD AGO Form R-5206. The registrant of a motor vehicle will be required to know the name and address of a person driving his motor vehicle with his authority at any given time and will assume full responsibility in case of accident or violation of regulations.

(2) One of the following valid motor vehicle operator's permits:

(a) For members of the United States Navy, and United States Marine Corps, and their dependents, the permit prescribed by the respective service.

(b) For drivers other than those indicated in (a) above, WD AGO Form 9-74 (Motor Vehicle Operator's Permit). O.O. Form 7360 may be used in lieu of WD AGO Form 9-74. These permits will be issued only by an area provost marshal when a person is not authorized to operate United States military or naval motor vehicles. A person who possesses a valid permit to drive United States military or naval motor vehicles may be authorized to operate a privately owned motor vehicle by having the permit validated by an area provost marshal.

1. WD AGO Form 9-74 may be issued upon:

a. Presentation of current operator's permit issued by any State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, except to persons who have not reached their seventeenth birthday.

b. Successful completion of examination prescribed in WD AGO PRT-565, modified by the deletion of the physical aptitude portion and determination that the applicant's hearing and vision are adequate to permit safe driving.

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2. Permits will not be issued to dependents under 17 years of age except as provided in paragraph 3d, reference 1e, Section I.

3. Persons within the purview of subparagraph 2c(2)(b) above, may operate United States Army owned motor vehicles when authorized by competent authority, provided they have successfully passed the complete examination prescribed in paragraph 22, reference 1b, Section I. A WD AGO Form 9-74 issued under the provisions of paragraphs 2c(2)(b)1 above, or 2c(2)(c) below, will bear a notation that the bearer is not authorized to operate military or naval motor vehicles.

(c) Servants and employees of persons registering private motor vehicles may be issued WD AGO Form 9-74, upon request of the motor vehicle registrant, and upon the satisfactory completion of the driver's examination prescribed in subparagraph 2c(2)(b)1(b), this section, by the employee. When receiving driving instruction a person eligible to be issued a WD AGO Form 9-74 under paragraph 2 may operate a motor vehicle without a permit under the provisions of paragraph 3d, reference 1e, Section I.

3. Operational Standards.

a. When applicable, Japanese civil laws and regulations, prescribed in paragraph 5b, reference 1e, Section I, will be observed.

b. Operators of motor vehicles will comply with reference 1g, Section I.

c. In the event of a traffic accident, the motor vehicle operator will stop, attend to the injured, exchange personal data with others involved in the accident, and remain at scene of the accident until custody of the injured has been assumed by persons who will provide medical attention. Report of the accident by the driver or the registrant of the motor vehicle will be made to the local provost marshal when practicable, or the provost marshal in the area of residence of the registrant, without

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delay, and in any case within 24 hours. In case of death or serious injury of the driver or registrant, this report will be made by the military police or shore patrol that appears at the scene of the accident first.

d. Members of the occupation forces are prohibited from commandeering, having in their possession, or operating a motor vehicle owned by indigenous personnel, except when specifically authorized in writing by this or higher headquarters.

e. The registrant of a motor vehicle will ensure that the operator of his motor vehicle is duly qualified to operate the vehicle. The operation of a motor vehicle by a driver who is not in full possession of his faculties, by reason of imbibing intoxicating liquors, taking drugs or otherwise, is prohibited.

f. Government owned motor vehicles will be safeguarded in accordance with paragraph 7, reference 1e, Section I.

g. The minimum operational standard for privately owned motor vehicles operated within this command include includes the maintenance in good order of brakes, front and rear lights, horn, muffler, windshield wipers, rear view mirror, and steering mechanism. These will be serviceable and in proper adjustment. The operation of motor vehicles which do not meet these minimum standards or which have other deficiencies that may constitute operational hazards is prohibited.

h. Commanders of divisions, Yokohama Command, Kobe Base, and Eta Jima School Command will establish motor vehicle inspection points, conduct inspections, and ensure that each motor vehicle registered under paragraph 1d, above, is inspected semi-annually and meets the minimum standards specified in paragraph 3g above. Proof of ownership of the motor vehicle will be required as part of this inspection. (AGK 451)

Section IV - Sales of Petroleum Products.

1. Sales of petroleum products for automotive use.

a. Sales of petroleum products are authorized to registrants of private motor vehicles registered in accordance with paragraph 1d, Section III.

b. Normally sales of gasoline will be limited to 150 gallons a month for each motor vehicle registered under paragraph 1d, Section III. This amount will not be exceeded without prior approval of the commander responsible for the operation of the service station serving the area in which the permit holder resides. Commanders will:

(1) Apprise personnel of the foregoing.

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(2) Take measures to ensure strict adherence thereto.

(3) Initiate corrective action in cases of overpurchase.

c. Commanders operating service stations may authorize additional quantities of gasoline for special trips while an individual in on leave. This special authorization will not be charged against the monthly allowance specified in b above.

2. Issuance of petroleum permits.

a. Sales officers may issue petroleum permits to registrants of private motor vehicles upon presentation of approved motor vehicle registration cards. The motor vehicle license number will be shown on each permit issued.

b. Quartermaster Petroleum Permits will be issued to each motor vehicle registrant. A family member, upon presentation of his driver's permit as prescribed by Section III, may be issued a permit marked "Agent."

c. When a second motor vehicle in a family has been registered under paragraph 1d(4), Section III, a second Quartermaster Petroleum Permit for the registrant and additional "Agent" permits are authorized as provided in paragraph b above. The additional Quartermaster Petroleum Permit will entitle the holder to a separate 150 gallon allowance of gasoline monthly.

3. Petroleum permits will be authenticated by sales officers. Principals and agents will sign cards at time of receipt at the sales stores. The sales officer will maintain a record of each permit issued showing name, grade, address and license number. Sales officers will require recipients to acknowledge receipt of petroleum permits.

4. Petroleum permits will be stocked by the Quartermaster, this headquarters, and issued by serial number. Sales officers will submit their requirements either by telephone or letter direct to this headquarters, attention: Quartermaster.

5. Normally new petroleum permits will be issued annually between 1 January and 31 March. Superseded cards will be surrendered to a sales officer for destruction.

6. Petroleum permits are not transferable and will be used only in connection with the motor vehicle for which issued.

7. Commanders will ensure that petroleum permits are returned to sales officers for cancellation:

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a. Upon permanent departure of a "principal" permit holder from Japan.

b. Upon disposal of a motor vehicle.

c. When the provisions of paragraph 2c above cease to apply.

d. When a motor vehicle is damaged to the extent that it will not again be operated by the same registrant.

e. When use of permit is suspended by administrative action under paragraph 1b(3) above. (AGK 463.7)

Section V - Rescissions.

1. Sections I, II, III and IV, Circular 34, this headquarters, 22 April 1949, subjects: "General," "Sale or Resale of Motor Vehicles," "Registration, Marking and Operation of Motor Vehicles," and "Sales of Petroleum Products."

2. Section II, Circular 42, this headquarters, 18 May 1949, subject: "Sales of Petroleum Products."

3. Section VI, Circular 63, this headquarters, 15 August 1949, subject: "Motor Vehicles." (AGRC 300.5)

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Bill of Sale, 8A Form 63

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BILL OF SALE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, _____, Vendor, for the consideration of _____ ($_____), to me in hand paid by _____, Vendee, the receipt of which consideration is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, sell, transfer and deliver unto the said Vendee the following motor vehicle, properly registered at the Office of the Provost Marshal at _____, Japan, under the provisions of Circular No. 4, GHQ, SCAP, dated 8 February 1949, as amended:

Description of Vehicle

Make: _____ Year: _____ License No. _____

Motor No. _____ Serial No. _____

To have and to hold the said motor vehicle unto the said Vendee and his executors, administrators and assigns, absolutely to his and their own use forever.

And I hereby covenant with the said Vendee that I am the lawful owner of the said motor vehicle; that it is free from all encumbrances; that I have good right to sell the same as aforesaid; and that I will warrant and defned the same against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

In Witness Whereof, I, the said Vendor, hereunto set my hand and seal at _____, Japan, this _____ day of _____ 19 ____.

_____(L.S.)

Witnesses:

_____ _____
Name Address

_____ _____
Name Address

Duly subscribed and sworn to before the undersigned, a duly commissioned officer of the Army of the United States and authorized to perform notarial acts, this _____ day of _____19 ___, at _____ _____, Japan.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
APO 500

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Sale and Resale of Privately Owned Automobiles

1. Reference is made to Memorandum for the Japanese Government, file AG 451 (8 Feb 49)GA, SCAPIN 1970, dated 10 February 1949, subject: "Sale and Resale of Privately Owned Automobiles."

2. The authority previously granted to licensed insurance companies to sell vehicles to citizens fo Japan or other individuals who do not have legal access to United States Military Payment Certificates, Foreign Trade Certificates or British Armed Forces Special Vouchers is withdrawn.

3. Henceforth, the sale of vehicles by insurance companies shall be governed by the same regulations and in the same manner as sales by private individuals, and approval of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will be required in each instance. The Japanese Government will be informed concerning those vehicles individually approved for sale.

4. Attached are copies of notifications forwarded to concerned insurance companies.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

/s/ K.B. Bush

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DRIVERS PROFICIENCY TEST

1. What is the best way to bring a car out of a skid?

   B - Turn the steering wheel in the direction in which the rear end of the car is skidding.

2. When parking on the left, parallel to the curb on a downgrade, it is best to

   B - Turn steering wheel to the left

3. When meeting a car with glaring headlights, a driver should

   D Watch the left side of the road.

4. When approaching an intersection simultaneously with a vehicle approaching from your left, it is best to

   D - Stop and allow the other vehicle with right-of-way to proceed (In Japan)

5. What should you do when a car appraches from the rear to pass you?

   B - Pull over to left and let is pass your right. (in Japan)

6. Most automobile skids are the result of

   C - Driving too fast for the road surface conditions.

7. When preparing to overtake and pass a vehicle, you should

   C - Keep to right so you can see when way is clear

8. Before backing a truck in a congested area, what precaution should you take?

   D - Get out and look behind the truck and enlist a guide or spotter, if possible.

9. When a driver is entering a public highway from a private driveway, he should

   A - Stop and yield the right of way to all approaching vehicles

10. If a school bus stops while headed toward you on a two-lane road, you should

    D - Stop

11. Under which of the following conditions is it safe to pass another vehicle going in the same direction?

    D - When you have plenty of room and plenty of time to get by.

12. If the left wheel gets on a rough shoulder of the road, what should the driver do?

    D - He should steer straight and slow down gradually.

13. A vehicle parked near a fire plug should never be closer to the plug than

    C - 15 feet. (However, the distrance varies according to different states).

14. When approaching an unguarded railroad crossing in an Army truck, you should

    B - Stop, listen, and look both ways before proceeding

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roads in the United States is

D - Caution

16. The standard meaning of the octagonal traffic sign as used on roads in the United States is

B - Stop

17. The standard meaning of the round traffic sign as used on roads in the United States is

C - Railroad cross

18. The standard meaning of the diamond traffic sign as used on roads in the United States is

A - Reduce speed

19. The left arm extended at a 45 degree angle above the horizontal is the signal for

B - Right turn

20. The primary purpose of preventive maintenance of Army vehicles is to

D - Keep motor vehicles ready to roll, and detect repair needs

21. A driver ready to make a right turn when the light turns green should
A - Turn before oncoming traffic gets in the way
B - Signal and slowly make the turn
C - Signal and turn only when oncoming traffic does not constitute a hazard
D - Start from the lane closest to the left side of the road

22. When driving in a fog at night, safest visibility generally is obtained by using

B - Low or passing beam

23. Possession of an Army Motor Vehilce opeator's permit indicates that the driver

D - Is authorized to operate certain types of government vehicles.

24. Which is correct practice in stopping a vehicle?

A - Give hand signal and then apply brakes, keeping the clutch engaged until your vehicle has almost stopped.

25. Standard Form No. 26 is

C - An accident report form

26. A safe distance to follow another vehicle at any reasonable speed is

D - Twice the speedometer reading in yards

27. You are approadhing an intersection where there is no traffic light or traffic officer, and a pedestrian is crossing the street in front of you. Who has the right of way?

B - The pedestrian has

28. The road speed caution plate on the dashboard of your vehicle shows
C - Maximum operate speed of vehicle.

29. A flashing red traffic light means - in USA
C - Stop, look, and proceed with care

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DRIVER'S ROAD TEST
PART I - GENERAL

NAME_____ DATE_____ SCORE = 200 --- ___ - ___

EXAMINER_____ TYPE OF VEHICLE USED IN TEST._____

INSTRUCTIONS: During road test, watch carefully the driver's performance and place a check mark (✓) in front of each error made. If the same error is made more than once, make a check mark for each time the error is made.

CHECK BEFORE OPERATION (14)

-1 ___ Fails to check tires
-1 ___ Fails to enter or leave curb side
-1 ___ Fails to check instruments
-1 ___ Fails to check or adjust seat
-1 ___ Fails to check or adjust mirror
-1 ___ Fails to check horn
-1 ___ Fails to check lights, stop and driving
-1 ___ Fails to check hand brakes
-2 ___ Fails to check foot brakes
-1 ___ Fails to check Form 26
-1 ___ Fails to disengage clutch when starting engine
-1 ___ Fails to warm up cold engine
-1 ___ Fails to check windshield wiper

LEAVING CURB (8)

-2 ___ Fails to look back
-2 ___ Fails to release hand brake
-2 ___ Fails to signal
-2 ___ Pulls out in front of traffic

TURNING (30)

Right turn
-3 ___ Improper lane
-3 ___ Fails to signal in advance
-3 ___ Fails to look both ways
-3 ___ Swings too wide
-3 ___ Turns too fast

Left turn
-3 ___ Improper lane
-3 ___ Fails to signal in advance
-3 ___ Fails to look both ways
-3 ___ Cuts corner
-3 ___ Turns too fast

BACKING (7)

-2 ___ Fails to signal intention
-2 ___ Fails to look before backing
-2 ___ Backs too fast
-1 ___ Does not back straight and smoothly

PARKING (6)

-1 ___ Fails to signal
-1 ___ Backs more than twice
-2 ___ Rubs tires against curb
-1 ___ Fails to set hand brake
-1 ___ Over 6" from curb (one check each 6")

TURNING AROUND IN ROAD (4)

-1___Fails to signal in advance
-1___Does not look both ways
-1___Backs more than twice
-1___Turns wheel while vehicle is stationary

SPEED CONTROL (26)

-7___Fails to observe speed law
-7___Speeds through intersections
-7___Too fast for conditions
-5___Erratic -- feeds gas by spurts

OVERTAKING AND PASSING (25)

-4___Fails to use hand and horn signals
-7___Cuts in too soon
-7___Passes in intersections
-7___Follows too closely

USE OF CONTROLS (12)

-3___Rides clutch
-3___Clashes gears
-3___Both hands not on wheel
-3___Races engine

SLOWING AND STOPPING (17)

-4___Fails to signal intent
-2___Does not look in mirror
-2___Fails to use engine as a brake
-2___Excessive brake application
-5___Stops abruptly
-2___Does not come to full stop at stop sign

ATTENTION AND ATTITUDE (22)

-4___Fails to keep eyes on road
-3___Excessive talking
-6___Excessively nervous
-6___Loses temper
-3___Rests arm on window

GENERAL (29)

-5___Depends on others for safety
-5___Fails to grant right-of-way
-5___Disobeys traffic sign or signal
-5___Inconsiderate of pedestrians
-1___Unnecessary use of horn
-5___Fails to allow vehicles to pass
-3___Fails to keep on right side of road or peroper lanae of traffic

REMARKS -- OTHER FAULTS OBSERVED _____

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DRIVERS PROFICIENCY TEST

NAME_____ GRADE_____

ORGANIZATION_____

DATE OF TEST _____19____

NOTE: The purpose of this test is to determine your knowledge of safe driving practices, traffic regulations and other safety measures concerning motor vehicle operation.

Sample Question:

When going downhill, is it proper to -

A) disengage the clutch
B) put transmission in neutral
C) drive in gear
D) turn off ignition (*)

* Indicate your answer in this space by paragraph letter, i.e., A-B-C- or D. In this question, item C is the correct answer so C completes the statement correctly.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the best way to bring a car out of a skid?
   A) Disengage the cluth.
   B) Turn the steering wheel in the direction in which the rear end of the car is skidding.
   C) Race the motor.
   D) Push the clutch pedal down . . . . . 1. ( )

2. When parking on the left, parallel to the curb on a downgrade, it is best to
   A) turn steering wheel to the right
   B) turn steering wheel to the left
   C) keep front wheels parallel to the curb
   D) place gears in neutral . . . . . 2. ( )

3. When meeting a car with glaring headlights, a driver should
   A) watch the center line of the highway
   B) turn on bright lights
   C) shield his eyes with hand or sun visor
   D) watch the left side of the road . . . . . 3. ( )

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4. When approaching an intersection simultaneously with a vehicle approaching from your left, it is best to
   A) rely on a quick dash of speed to get through first
   B) reduce speed in anticipation of trouble
   C) continue through the intersection since you have the right-of-way
   D) stop and allow the other vehicle with right-of-way to proceed . . . . . 4. ( )

5. What should you do when a car approaches from the rear to pass you?
   A) Increase speed so that the car will not pass you.
   B) Pull over to left and let it pass your right.
   C) Keep to the right and give it a chance to pass. . 5. ( )

6. Most automobile skids are the result of
   A) too much ice or snow on the road
   B) over-inflated tires
   C) driving too fast for the road surface conditions. 6. ( )

7. When preparing to overtake and pass a vehicle, you should
   A) stay close enough to the rear of the vehicle so that no other car can get in between you and the vehicle
   B) blow your horn or flicker your lights
   C) keep to right so you can see when way is clear. . 7. ( )

8. Before backing a truck in a congested area, what precaution should you take?
   A) Look in the rear view mirror.
   B) Sound the horn.
   C) Open the door and look in the rear while backing.
   D) Get out and look behind the truck and enlist a guide or spotter, if possible. . . . . 8. ( )

9. When a driver is entering a public highway from a private driveway, he should
   A) stop, and yield the right of way to all approaching vehicles
   B) sound horn and proceed
   C) shift gears and then turn out into the street
   D) give a hand signal, then proceed . . . . . 9. ( )

10. If a school bus stops while headed toward you <u>on a two-lane road</u>, you should
   A) slow to a speed of 5 miles per hour
   B) proceed with caution
   C) sound the horn
   D) stop . . . . . 10. ( )

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11. Under which of the following conditions is it safe to pass another vehicle going in the same direction?
A) at intersections
B) on the crest of hills
C) on a curve
D) when you have plenty of room and plenty of time to get by . . . . . 11. ( )

12. If the left wheel gets on a rough shoulder of the road, what should the driver do?
A) He should steer straight and speed up.
B) He should turn the steering wheel quickly towards the road.
C) He should apply the brakes vigorously.
D) He should steer straight and slow down gradually. . . . . .12. ( )

13. A vehicle parked near a fire plug should never be closer to the plug than
A) 5 feet
B) 10 feet
C) 15 feet
D) 20 feet . . . . . .13. ( )

14. When approaching an unguarded railroad crossing in an Army truck, you should
A) slow down to 5 miles per hour
B) stop, listen, and look both ways before proceeding
C) come to a stop only if visibility is restricted
D) increase speed to clear the tracks as fast as possible . . . . . .14. ( )

15. The standard meaning of the square traffic sign as used on roads in the United States is
A) curve
B) speed limit
C) stop
D) caution . . . . . 15. ( )

16. The standard meaning of the octagonal traffic sign as used on roads in the United States is
A) railroad crossing
B) stop
C) speed limit
D) curve . . . . . 16. ( )

17. The standard meaning of the round traffic sign as used on roads in the Unites States is
A) stop
B) underpass
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D) curve . . . . . 17. ( )

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A) reduce speed
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C) stop
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19. The left arm extended at a 45 degree angle above the horizontal is the signal for
A) left turn
B) right turn
C) stop
D) pass and proceed. . . . . 19. ( )

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A) have drivers learn how their vehicles are constructed
B) leave mechanics free to concentrate on more complex repair jobs
C) keep separate the functions of drivers and mechanics
D) keep motor vehicles ready to roll, and detect repair needs ..... 20. ( )

21. A driver ready to make a right turn when the light turns green should
A) turn before oncoming traffic gets in the way
B) signal and slowly make the turn
C) signal and turn only when oncoming traffic does not constitute a hazard
D) start from the lane closest to the left side of the road . . . . . 21. ( )

22. When driving in a fog at night, safest visibility generally is obtained by using
A) upper or bright lights
B) low or passing beam
C) parking lights
D) no lights . . . . . 22. ( )

23. Possession of an Army Motor Vehicle operator's permit indicates that the driver
A) has no physical deficiency
B) is authorized to operate any government vehicle
C) is permitted to disregard local traffic laws when driving a government vehicle
D) is authorized to operate certain types of government vehicles. . . . . 23. ( )

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24. Which of the following is correct practice in stopping a vehicle?
A) Give hand signal and then apply brakes, keeping the clutch engaged until your vehicle has almost stopped.
B) Apply brakes and then make a hand signal.
C) Disengage the clutch and apply the brake steadily.
D) Apply the emergency brake quickly . . . . . .24.( )

25. Standard Form No. 26 is
A) a trip ticket
B) an Army license
C) an accident report form
D) a gasoline ticket . . . . . .25.( )

26. A safe distance to follow another vehicle at any reasonable speed is
A) 50 feet
B) 100 feet
C) the speedometer reading in yards
D) twice the speedometer reading in yards . . . . . .26.( )

27. You are approaching an intersection where there is no traffic light or traffic officer, and a pedestrian is crossing the street in front of you. Who has the right of way?
A) you have
B) the pedestrian has
C) you have if you sound the horn . . . . . .27. ( )

28. The road speed caution plate on the dashboard of your vehicle shows
A) maximum design speed
B) maximum permissible road speeds for each gear
C) maximum operating speed of vehicle
D) speed control of governor . . . . . .28.( )

29. A flashing red traffic light means
A) proceed with caution in U.S.A.
B) caution-prepare to stop
C) stop, look, and proceed with care
D) stop and remain standing until green signal is shown . . . . . 29.( )

30. The practice of picking up hitchhikers is
A) unauthorized in U.S.A.
B) authorized if hitchhiker is off post
C) authorized on military reservations only . . . . 30.( )

31. When it becomes necessary to park your vehicles on the open road, it is safest to place it
A) just off the main highway on a side road
B) off the pavement, except for the right wheels
C) completely off the traveled portion of the roadway where it is clearly visible to traffic in all directions . . . . . .31.( )

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32. You may drive to the right of the center of the highway when you are
A) approaching the crest of a hill
B) approaching within 100 feet of any bridge
C) approaching within 100 feet of an intersection
D) overtaking another vehicle . . . . . 32.( )

33. Generally the safest drivers are those who
A) have the best vision
B) have the quickest reaction time
C) do the most driving
D) best adjust their driving to changes in conditions . . . . . 33.( )

34. The left arm held downward and outward at a 45 degree angle is a signal for
A) a right turn
B) a left turn
C) slowing down
D) the driver behind to pass . . . . . 34.( )

35. If you are involved in an accident, which of the following should you do first?
A) Notify the police.
B) Assist the injured.
C) Get the names of the witnesses.
D) Get the name of the other driver. . . . . 35.( )

36. Holding your left foot on the clutch pedal while driving is known as "riding the clutch" and results in
A) excessive clutch wear
B) greater control over the car
C) easier gear shifting . . . . . 36.( )

37. Drivers of army vehicles operating in continental United States obey civil traffic rules and regulations
A) only as prescribed by their Commanding Officer
B) at all times
C) only when driving in convoy
D) only as they apply to local and state speed limits . . . . . 37.( )

38. Before entering a through street from an intersecting street on which a stop sign is erected, you must
A) shift into low gear, then proceed
B) slow down, then proceed
C) come to a full stop, then proceed when safe
D) blow your horn and proceed if there is no other vehicle within 200 feet of the intersection . . . . 38.( )

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39. If heavy and light supplies are loaded on the same truck, the heavier supplies should be
A) placed near the rear of the truck
B) placed near the front of the truck
C) evenly distributed over the floor of the truck
D) concentrated near the center of the truck . . . . . 39.( )

40. The left arm is held straight out to signal for
A) a left turn
B) a right turn
C) stopping
D) slowing down . . . . . 40.( )