MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance to Troop Program Unit (TPU) Temporary Promotion (Sergeant (SGT) through Sergeant Major (SGM))

1. References:
   a. Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, DAPE-ZA memorandum (Temporary Promotion (Sergeant through Sergeant Major)), 24 Nov 20.
   b. MILPER message number 20-394 (Temporary Promotions (Sergeant through Sergeant Major), 24 Nov 20.
   d. Army Regulation 600-8-19, Enlisted Promotions and Reductions.
   e. Office of the Chief Army Reserve, DAAR-HR memorandum (Guidance to Consolidated Exceptions to Policy Concerning Enlisted Promotions During the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak for Troop Program Unit (TPU) Soldiers Update), 30 Dec 20.

2. This memorandum provides implementing instructions to references 1a and 1b beginning with the May 2021 promotion month.

3. Definitions and conditions.
   a. A temporary promotion is a promotion to a higher rank (Sergeant (SGT) through Sergeant Major (SGM)), with pay and allowances until such time a set condition is met, at which point the promotion is permanent or the promotion expires, whichever occurs first.
   b. Soldiers will be reduced to their former grade upon expiration of temporary promotion by the appropriate servicing Readiness Division (RD).
   c. The effective date the temporary promotion expires is the date of the reduction. The Soldier’s date of rank will be the original date of rank of the former grade. Soldiers will not incur any debt if they are reduced to the previous rank.
d. Soldiers must be fully promotable except for Professional Military Education (PME) completion in order to qualify for the promotion. Only one temporary promotion to any paygrade is authorized. Soldiers must not have any record within the Army Training Resource and Reservation System (ATRRS) of being a no-show, failing to attend without proper authority, or previous failure for the requisite course.

e. The date of rank for all temporary promotion orders will be the 3rd day of the promotion month.

4. Temporary promotions are authorized for TPU Soldiers who are prevented from completing mandatory PME courses to qualify for promotion to the ranks of SGT through SGM for any of the following:

   a. While in units deployed to named operational deployments in an imminent danger/hostile fire area as defined in reference 1c where there is no training opportunity otherwise available.

   b. While serving on a temporary profile due to pregnancy or postpartum.

   c. While enrolled in the non-resident Sergeants Major Course (SMC) following the graduation of the corresponding resident Sergeants Major Course (SMC).

5. PME completion requirement.

   a. Soldiers have 36 months from their redeployment date or from the end date of the pregnancy based profile or the start of the post-partum profile (whichever is applicable) to complete the required level of PME. Soldiers who do not complete their PME will be reduced in rank to their former grade without exception. Soldiers must be on the Promotion Recommended List (PRL) or on a standing Order of Merit List (OML) prior to the deployment or the pregnancy profile date.

   b. Soldiers deployed or on a pregnancy/post-partum profile must provide supporting documentation showing they were provided the opportunity to attend the required PME. Supporting documentation may consist of the following: email from the training NCO to Soldier showing the PME opportunity with course details; ATRRS screen shot showing scheduled PME; or a memorandum for record signed by the unit 1SG/CSM capturing PME opportunity provided to the Soldier.
6. Procedures.

a. All Soldiers requesting temporary promotions to SGT through MSG must be slotted and serving in the higher grade position prior to submission of the temporary promotion request. All Soldiers requesting temporary promotions will submit personnel action T-6-E-4 within the Personnel Actions Guide and the appropriate DA Form 4187 provided as attachments to this policy. Temporary promotion requests to SGT through MSG will be endorsed by the first Command Sergeant Major (CSM) in the NCO support channel. Requests for temporary promotion to SGM will be endorsed by the first General Officer (GO) in the chain of command through the first nominative CSM in the NCO support channel.

b. Deployed Soldiers. Deployed Soldiers in locations as defined in paragraph 4a will submit a temporary promotion packet through their unit up to their servicing RD utilizing a DA Form 4187 (Encl 1).

c. Pregnancy. Pregnant Soldiers requesting a temporary promotion will submit a DA Form 4187 (Encl 2) and include a copy of a valid, pregnancy/post-partum based DA Form 3349 (Physical Profile) to their unit for processing to the servicing RD.

d. Non-Resident students of the Sergeant Major Course (SMC).

(1) MSG requesting a temporary promotion will submit a DA Form 4187 (Encl 3) through the first General Officer in their chain of command through the first nominative CSM in the NCO support channel to their servicing RD for additional process.

(2) In order to qualify for the temporary promotion, MSGs must be making satisfactory academic progress during the distance learning (DL) portion of the non-resident SMC and be assigned/reassigned in a valid SGM vacancy within the Soldier’s elected mileage using the current slating process.

(3) MSGs must complete the entire non-resident SMC by the projected ATRRS completion date or they will be reduced in rank to their former grade without exception.

7. The Army Reserve Senior Leader Development Office (SLDO) will monitor promotion order compliance to ensure temporarily promoted SGMs meet their PME requirement by the established time in the promotion order. If the Soldier is found non-compliant, SLDO will notify USARC G-1 to coordinate with RD to generate the reduction order.

8. RD responsibilities:
a. Review all temporary promotion packets for completion and accuracy and forward to USARC G-1 for approval.

b. Match all deployment, pregnancy/post-partum and SMC promotion requests a valid vacancy based on the Soldier’s placement on the OML in order to issue a temporary promotion.

c. Add the following instructions to promotion orders:

   (1) Deployment: “This temporary promotion has taken place under Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, DAPE-ZA memorandum (Temporary Promotion (Sergeant through Sergeant Major)), 24 Nov 20. By accepting this promotion, I understand I must coordinate with unit training personnel to enroll in the required Professional Military Education (PME) as required by STEP. Failure to complete the required PME within 36 months of the completion of my mobilization (insert date here) will result in reduction in rank to my previous grade effective the date of expiration of this order.”

   (2) Pregnancy: “This temporary promotion has taken place under Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, DAPE-ZA memorandum (Temporary Promotion (Sergeant through Sergeant Major)), 24 Nov 20. By accepting this promotion, I understand I must coordinate with unit training personnel to enroll in the required PME as required by STEP. Failure to complete required PME within 36 months from the end date of the pregnancy-based profile or 36 months from the start date of the post-partum profile (whichever is applicable) (insert date here) will result in reduction in rank to my previous grade effective the date of expiration of this order.”

   (3) Non-resident SMC: “This temporary promotion has taken place under Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, DAPE-ZA memorandum (Temporary Promotion (Sergeant through Sergeant Major)), 24 Nov 20. By accepting this promotion, I understand I must successfully complete the Sergeant Major Course by the projected ATRRS completion date. Failure to complete the required PME by the projected completion date (insert date here) will result in reduction in rank to my previous grade effective the date of expiration of this order.”

d. Distribute promotion and transfer orders (if applicable) to the Soldier, the gaining unit, and the losing unit (if applicable) in order to ensure communication across all parties. RDs will also ensure orders are uploaded to iPERMS. Temporary promotion orders to SGM will be copied furnished to SLDO.
e. Develop tracking mechanisms to ensure Soldiers meet the conditions for which their temporary promotions are based upon and automatically reduce the Soldiers to their former grades if the conditions of the temporary promotion have not been met.

9. Functional Command (FC) responsibilities. FCs will also develop tracking mechanisms to ensure Soldiers within their command temporarily promoted under this policy meet their PME requirements by the expiration date on their promotion orders.

10. Commander/Unit Leadership Teams and Soldier responsibilities:

   a. Training Requirements for Promotion Eligibility

      (1) Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT).

          (a) Until the ACFT becomes a promotion eligibility requirement, the use of the last passing record Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) is authorized to qualify Soldiers for promotion recommendation and pin-on (to include award of promotion points) regardless of when the APFT was last administered.

          (b) Commanders will not flag Soldiers for failing to take the APFT during this period. Soldiers who previously failed an APFT, will remain flagged until they successfully pass an APFT.

      (2) Weapons Qualification. Although not tied to promotion recommendation or pin-on eligibility, the requirement that the most recent weapons qualification score be within the last 24 months for a Soldier to receive promotion points, as specified in reference 1d, paragraph 3-16a(1), is currently suspended as it pertains to award of promotion points for junior enlisted promotions.

   b. Soldiers are responsible for reviewing their record and ensuring it is accurate. Soldiers should contact their unit administrative personnel or S-1 for any corrections required. Soldiers may adjust their mileage election in accordance with their servicing RD’s standard operating procedures.

   c. Soldiers are required to comply with any reassignment order and to make contact with their gaining unit as soon as possible (as applicable). Soldiers will coordinate with their unit's training personnel to enroll in the first available required PME course. Units will follow United States Army Reserve Command (USARC) G-3/7 Select, Train, Educate, Promote (STEP) guidance when enrolling Soldiers for the required PME.
11. For additional information contact MSG Oscar Orellana or MSG Juan Unigarro, USARC G-1 Enlisted Management Branch at 910-570-8706/910-570-9517 or usarmy.usarc.usarc-hq.mbx.g-1-enl-promotions@mail.mil.

FOR THE CHIEF OF ARMY RESERVE:

3 Encls
1. DA Form 4187 Deployment COL, AG
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   1st CSM in NCO Support Channel
   1st GO for SGM request only
   Readiness Division

2. TO (Include ZIP Code)
   USARC G-1
   4710 Knox Street
   Fort Bragg NC, 28310

3. FROM (Include ZIP Code)
   Soldier's Company Commander
   ENTER FULL ADDRESS

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2. Soldier was integrated on the promotion recommended list/ order of merit list on (YYMMDD) and the deployment date is (YYMMDD). Soldier has/has not (circle or cross out one) been scheduled for resident NCO Professional Development System (NCOPDS) course for next higher rank. (must list any occasions (dates) and reasons for non-attendance).

3. Soldier Statement: “I understand that upon accepting this promotion under temporary promotions, I must complete my PME requirement within 36 months after redeployment.” redeployment date is (enter the YYMMDD).

Enclosures
1. TCS Orders/DD FM 1610
2. Soldier Record Brief (most recent)
3. Copy of UMR page/DMD page showing Soldier assigned position (except for E9)
4. Proof of imminent danger pay

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DA FORM 4187, MAY 2014
SUPERSEDES DA FORM 4187, JAN 2000
AND REPLACES DA FORM 4187-1-R, APR 1995

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I have verified the justification for the TEMPORARY promotion; the Soldier is prepared for duties at the next higher rank. Soldier will be scheduled for PME. Through no fault of the Soldier he/she was never afforded the opportunity to attend PME and he/she meets all course prerequisites for attendance for (insert PME here).
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3. Soldier Statement: “I understand that upon accepting this promotion under temporary promotions, I must complete my PME requirement 36 months after my pregnancy profile expires.”

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### Enclosures

1. Soldier’s DA Form 3349 (Physical Profile)
2. Soldier Record Brief (most recent)
3. UMR page showing Soldiers position of assignment to the requested grade (except for E9).

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