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To: Distribution List

Subj: VETERINARY SERVICES

Ref: (a) MCO 10110.14N  
(b) NAVMED P-5010  
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(e) MCO P10110.31H  
(f) ASO 6220.2E

Encl: (1) Service Provided by Chief, Veterinary Services  
(2) Veterinary Inspection of Foods

1. Situation. Per the references, policy and procedures will be implemented for the Veterinary Services at Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point (MCAS CHERPT).

2. Cancellation. ASO 6240.8D.

3. Mission. The Chief, Veterinary Services will conduct the food inspection services and provide veterinary services for animals aboard MCAS CHERPT.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent. To ensure proper procedures are in place for the inspection of all foods and food sources that come aboard MCAS CHERPT in order to be in compliance with the references, and to provide the services necessary for government and privately owned animals.

b. Concept of Operations. Enclosures (1) and (2) provide detail guidance on the duties and responsibilities required by this Order.

c. Tasks

(1) Commanding Officer, Naval Health Clinic (CO, NHC). In all cases of absence of the Chief, Veterinary Services from the air station, the CO, NHC shall be deemed the responsible official/authority for compliance with the provisions of this Order.

(2) Chief, Veterinary Services. The Chief, Veterinary Services is responsible to the CO, NHC for the inspection of all foods, as specified in this Order, upon delivery to the air station, and for the sanitation

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inspection of all establishments located in the vicinity of the air station which are approved as vendors of foods of animal or non-animal origin.

(3) Officers in Charge (OICs). The OICs or their designated representatives, of organizations on the Air Station who purchase food for issue, sale, or serving to military personnel, retired or active duty, and their dependents, will be responsible for compliance with provisions of this Order.

(4) Veterinary Corps Officer

(a) Monthly sanitation inspection of facilities utilized for the housing, storing, or keeping of domestic animals. These facilities will meet minimum required standards as outlined in City, County, State, and Federal regulations.

(b) Monitoring the Rabies Control Program, as outlined in reference (f).

(c) Evaluation and disposition of animal abuse cases, in conjunction with the Provost Marshal, MCAS CHERPT.

5. Administration and Logistics. Questions pertaining to the content of this order should be directed to the Veterinary Treatment Facility at (252) 466-2037.

6. Command and Signal

a. Signal. This Order is effective the date signed.

b. Command. The CO, NHC is the responsible authority for ensuring compliance with the provisions of this Order.

  
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### Service Provided by Chief, Veterinary Services

The Chief, Veterinary Services, under the direction of the Commanding Officer, Naval Health Clinic, Cherry Point, will conduct the food inspection service for the air station, as directed in references (a) through (d), to include destination inspection of all subsistence products. The Chief, Veterinary Services shall also provide medical care for all Government-owned animals and such care as necessary to control zoonotic diseases among the air station pet population, as identified in reference (d). In the performance of these services, the Chief, Veterinary Services shall be guided by the current directives issued by proper authority. This service will include:

a. Inspection of all subsistence items that are issued, sold, or served aboard the air station by appropriated on non-appropriated fund activities.

b. Inspection of off-station food processing or selling establishments for sanitation and to ensure their ability to provide food products and perform services required by government contracts.

c. Inspection of all local subsistence suppliers for sanitary approval and amend the approved list of local subsistence suppliers as needed.

d. Conduction of routine sanitary inspections of subsistence cold and dry stores warehouses and the sales commissary store.

e. Conduction of procurement quality assurance procedures to assure uniformity in the administration of provisions of contracts for fresh dairy products.

f. Operation of a Zoonosis Control Clinic, as manpower permits.

g. Veterinary Service for Animals.

(1) Government-Owned Animals. The Chief, Veterinary Services will provide complete medical service for Government-owned animals.

(2) Privately-Owned Animals. In the interest of adequate public health programs, full outpatient service will be provided for privately-owned animals belonging to military personnel. It will include medical procedures necessary to prevent disease and promote the health and well-being among the military population and their pets. Included in these procedures are those required to prevent pets of military personnel from becoming health problems, or civilian community. The Animal Disease Prevention and Control Facility (ADPAC) will be open Monday through Friday from 0800 to 1600.

### **Veterinary Inspection of Foods**

1. Inspection Requirements. All substance delivered to the air station which is intended for storage, consumption, or resale will be inspected at the time of delivery by the qualified Veterinary Services personnel for wholesomeness, type, class, and grade, as specified by the purchase agreement. Samples of Substance items for appropriated or non-appropriated fund activities will be taken by the Veterinary Inspector when the Inspector deems it necessary. Such examples will be taken at locations designated by the Inspector. Nonconforming Subsistence items, centrally procured, will be discussed via telephone with the Office of Quality Assurance, Defense Personnel Support Center, to obtain rejection authority. The local officer or officer-in-charge of the activity concerned will be contacted prior to rejection of the item.

2. Veterinary Inspection of Subsistence Cold and Dry Storage Warehouses. The Chief, Veterinary Services will perform surveillance and Sanitary inspections on perishable stores every 30 days, and on nonperishable stores every 90 days. The results of these inspections will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer, MCAS CHERPT via the Director of Supply. More frequent inspections will be deemed necessary by the Chief, Veterinary Services.

3. Veterinary Inspection, Hours, and Procedures. Vendors supplying foods to appropriated fund activities (Issue and Sales Commissary) non-appropriated fund activities (clubs, exchanges, and concessionaires), and food products for vending machines will present such foods for inspection by the Veterinary Services personnel at the Veterinary Office during normal working hours Monday through Friday. On weekends, all establishments have emergency contact rosters if a Veterinary Inspector is needed after normal working hours. A Veterinary Inspector will be available for inspections at the Sales Commissary Store Monday through Friday between the hours of 0630 to 1430. All delivery tickets and invoices of acceptable food will be stamped with the Department of Defense Complete Inspection Stamp and will become part of the required voucher to be examined by auditing authorities. Every attempt will be made to assist organizations in the procurement of safe, wholesome food and ensure that the quality desired is actually received. The Chief, Veterinary Services will compile and maintain a corresponding list of current codes for all subsistence delivered by any vendor.

4. Food Sources. All foods must be procured from approved establishments which meet the minimum sanitary standards of the Department of Defense. Each Army area publishes a list of all such establishments for Armed Forces procurement. Food producing concerns meeting the criteria set forth in reference (f), as establishments for Armed Forces Procurement, are also approved sources. The Chief, Veterinary Services will maintain a list of approved establishments in the local area.

a. Local Sources. Food producers in the local area who wish to supply only the air station may apply for veterinary inspection and approval as a local vendor. Application and inspection for local approval will be in accordance with reference (f), section 2-5.

b. Other Sources. If foods are designed by an organization of the air station and are not available through the Commissary Store, or vendors on the approved list of suppliers, the Chief, Veterinary Services will be contacted to determine whether there are any other sources of supply. Persons concerned with the procurement of exceptional or exotic foods will coordinate with the Chief, Veterinary Services to determine the status of prospective vendors and to arrange for the inspection of such foods.

5. Subsistence Sanitation

a. Vehicles. All foods delivered to, or transported on, the air station will be securely boxed, wrapped, or cartoned and transported in clean, covered trucks. Meat, milk, or other perishable foods requiring refrigeration will be delivered or transported in a closed body refrigerated truck. No other items, which might in any way contaminate or damage the product, will be transported in the same vehicle.

b. Storage and Handling. Foods received, stored, issued, or sold will be handled in a sanitary manner. They will be protected against heat, insects, rodents, and other damaging or contaminating agents.