

CHAPTER 1

ORGANIZATION and ADMINISTRATION INDIANA GUARD RESERVE

1-1. Purpose.

a. This regulation provides policy and guidance regarding the interaction between the Joint Forces Headquarters – Indiana (JFHQIN) and the Indiana Guard Reserve (IGR). It also prescribes procedures relative to the organization and administration of the IGR.

b. Specific guidance reflects current law and includes statutory authority, role and status, membership criteria, assigned missions, uniforms, and loan/issue of excess or obsolete federal property to State Defense Forces (SDF).

c. Throughout this regulation, unless otherwise noted, the term "The Adjutant General" will refer to the senior military representative to the Governor.

1-2. **Terms and Abbreviation State Defense Forces (SDF).** The Indiana Guard Reserve (IGR) is a state organization under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Governor of Indiana, organized, employed, and funded according to state laws. They are not, for any purpose, entities of the federal government. The term "State Defense Forces" is a generic term, and the actual title is the prerogative of the State of Indiana.

1-3. **Statutory Authority.** The current authority given to the State for creating a SDF, the IGR, extends from Section 61, National Defense Act, as amended by the act of August 10, 1956. Indiana Military Laws or Indiana Military Codes (IMC) provide for the Governor to organize and maintain a SDF in the form of the Indiana Guard Reserve IAW Indiana Code 10-16-8 (Chapter 8).

1-4. Status.

a. **Command and Control.** The IGR is solely a state organization under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Governor of Indiana. It is not subject to federal regulation, control, or supervision other than that as provided expressly, or by reasonable implication, by IMC. Federal authorities may not command such a force, unless so directed in a state of emergency by the Governor of the State of Indiana.

b. **Appointment and Commissioning of Officers.** Persons appointed as Officers in the IGR, including General Officers, are commissioned solely by the State of Indiana, and as such; hold no authority of command over units of the Federal armed forces. However, all officers of the IGR will be afforded all courtesies afforded to members of the Indiana National Guard within the State of Indiana and its jurisdiction. Specific rank and title are assigned by the State.

1-5. Mission.

a. The mission of the IGR is to provide an adequately trained and organized State military reserve force that would be under the exclusive control of the Governor of Indiana. It would be capable of accomplishing those State emergency responsibilities normally assigned to the Indiana National Guard, when that force is federalized or otherwise not available to the needs of the Governor. In addition, they would be available to perform any such missions as the Governor directs, within Federal and State Laws concerned.

b. **Assignment of Missions:** IGR personnel will not be commanded by federal military authorities, unless so directed in a state of emergency by the Governor of the State of Indiana. Any direct coordination will be conducted between the senior federal military commander present, the Commanding General, IGR, and The Adjutant General of Indiana.

c. Missions of the IGR upon mobilization

(1) Assume control of state armories and property until relieved by proper authority and assist in the mobilization of the National Guard when so directed by the Governor.

(2) Coordinate and support existing unit family assistance programs.

(3) Be prepared to assist civil authorities with state resources and personnel to assist in any Indiana domestic emergency.

(4) Perform other duties as may be assigned by the Governor, under the constitution and laws of the State.

d. **Conflict of Missions.** To the end that interests of the United States and the various states be preserved, the highest degree of cooperation should be maintained between federal and state officials concerned. If a situation of conflict of interest, or potential conflict of interest develops, it should be resolved between The Adjutant General and the senior federal military commander present. Consideration should be given to the paramount federal concern with the overall problem of national defense.

1-6. Organization. Primary objective of the IGR is to organize a cadre sized force within the State of Indiana. This cadre-sized force would provide a command and control element, provide representation at each National Guard armory within Indiana and allow for rapid expansion if the situation arises.

1-7. State Control and Assistance. The Adjutant General of Indiana, as the executive agent of JFHQIN for all matters pertaining to the IGR, participates with other agencies of the State of Indiana in the following manner:

a. Monitors the IGR program, maintains records concerning IGR personnel, units, capabilities and equipment and effects coordination within JFHQIN on all matters regarding the IGR.

b. Upon request of the Governor, provides assistance and advice to the Governor in the organization and training of these forces.

c. Advises and coordinates with the State regarding the employment of the IGR in accordance with Indiana military laws and this regulation.

1-8. Employment. The IGR is a component of the Joint Forces Headquarters Indiana, and is under the exclusive control of the Governor or his/her authorized representative. Missions are assigned by the Governor and are subject only to the limitations imposed by provisions of the U.S. Constitution, Federal and State laws, territorial boundaries of the State where authorized by Federal laws and the laws of the State of Indiana.

1-9. Training.

a. Detailed instructions for training of the IGR are prescribed and published by JFHQIN and IGR authorities. Current JFHQIN doctrine, regulations, and training programs should be used as a guide to develop these training programs when possible.

b. A single standard of individual proficiency should form the basis of all instructions within the unit in order to ensure members of the unit will receive essentially the same training. Contemplated internal security and emergency assistance missions would be a factor in determining the type and degree of special training required.

1-10. Membership.

a. In accordance with federal law, membership in the IGR does not, in itself, constitute an exemption from the registration and conscription provisions of the armed forces of the United States.

b. A person presently serving in the armed forces of the U.S. or any active reserve component is ineligible for membership in the IGR.

c. This regulation provides for immediate discharge or retirement of IGR members who have been appointed, inducted, enlisted, ordered, or called in the armed forces of the U.S. or a reserve component thereof.

d. Membership in the IGR does not guarantee use of any facility, which is being used solely for the benefit of the Federal armed forces. This includes: Post/Base exchanges (AAFES), military clothing sales stores, commissary facilities, or any medical facilities. Furthermore, they are not entitled to any federal benefits or protection afforded to members of Federal armed forces.

e. This restriction in no way affects benefits and privileges afforded a member by virtue of other qualifications. For example, a soldier can continue to use benefits earned as a result of retirement from active duty, to include wear of the uniform on appropriate occasions.

f. Membership does not entitle members to wear their Indiana Guard Reserve (IGR) uniforms unless attending IGR drill; IGR sanctioned functions; IGR missions directed by the IGR Commanding General or as directed by the Adjutant General the State of Indiana.

1-11. Indiana National Guard Regulations. Upon mobilization of the Indiana Army National Guard, current Joint Forces Headquarters Indiana Regulations (JFHQIN) remains in effect and applies to the IGR as appropriate.

1-12. Forms, Records, and Publications.

a. JFHQIN forms currently in use by the Indiana Army National Guard will be used in the administration of the IGR where possible. Forms unique to the IGR has been designed and produced by Headquarters, IGR. Reproduction is authorized at local level.

b. Records generated by the IGR will be filed, maintained and stored at IGR Headquarters. Original records pertaining to the IGR and its personnel, created at Commands and their units, will be forwarded to HQ IGR for retention. Duplicate personnel records maintained at Commands and below will be safeguarded from unauthorized access and destroyed upon loss of the individual.

c. Headquarters IGR is authorized to publish Regulations, Orders, Circulars, Pamphlets, Operations Orders and Plans. There is no limitation on publishing Standard Operating Procedures, Policy Letters, and any other written statements that may be deemed necessary for the well being of the Indiana Guard Reserve.