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CAMP RULES

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NATIONAL SECURITY (PRISONERS OF WAR) REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS by the National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations it is provided (amongst other things) that, subject to those Regulations, to the Prisoners of War Camp Orders, and to such instructions as are from time to time issued to him by the Military Board, the Camp Commandant of a Prisoners of War Camp may make such Camp Rules as he considers necessary for the proper management of the Camp and for the enforcement of discipline in the Camp.

NOW THEREFORE I, *William Cummings* the
Camp Commandant of No. 6 Prisoners of War Camp do hereby make the
Camp Rules :- *No. 3.*

Dated this *twentyfirst* day of *December*, 1943,

W. Cummings
Camp Commandant.

Camp Commandant.

NO. 6 PRISONERS OF WAR CAMP RULES NO. 3

- Citation. 1. These rules may be cited as the No. 6 Prisoners of War Camp Rules No. *3*.
- Revocation. 2. All existing Camp Rules are hereby revoked.
- Definition. 3. (1) In these rules unless the contrary intention appears :-
"the camp" means No. 6 Prisoners of War Camp or any detached post deemed to be part of No. 6 Camp.
"the Camp Leader" means the Prisoners of War representative for the camp appointed pursuant to Regulation 42.
"the regulations " means the National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations and any reference to a regulation by number shall be read as a reference to the regulation bearing that number in the National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations.
"the rules" means these Camp Rules.
(2) Any reference to a Camp Order by number shall be read as a reference to the Prisoners of War Camp Order of that number and any reference to a paragraph of a Camp Order shall be read as a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in that Prisoners of War Camp Order.
(3) Unless the contrary intention appears words which are defined in the Regulations or in a Camp Order shall have the meaning assigned to them in those definitions.
- Daily Routine 4. Routine Orders will be issued by the Camp Commandant for P.O.W. from time to time according to season, for a daily routine to be observed by prisoners of war.

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- Roll Calls. 5. (1) The following roll calls of prisoners of war will be held by the hut leader each day :-
- (a) a morning roll call between Reveille and the time of departure for working parties;
 - (b) a roll call between 1100 hours and 1300 hours;
 - (c) an afternoon roll call after return to Compound of all working parties; and
 - (d) such further roll calls as may be ordered by the Camp Commandant.
- (2) The time and place of holding roll calls will be as notified by the Camp Commandant.
- (3) A hut leader shall enter in the roll kept by him in pursuance of paragraph 15 of Camp Order No. 1 particulars showing which prisoners of war in his hut are sick or on fatigue or daily or permanent duties or with a working party or are available for employment, and such other particulars as the Camp Commandant may direct.
- General Routine.. 6. The following routine shall be observed by prisoners of war :-
- (a) Beds shall be made up immediately after Reveille in the following manner :-
 - Four folds in each blanket, and placed on pailasse or bedding, folded in three, at head of bed. Lockers to be fixed to the hutments at a uniform height;
 - (b) Lines shall be swept, and the whole of the camp shall be placed in inspection order before the Camp Commandant's daily inspection at 1030 hours,
 - (c) On the day of the week ordered by the Camp Commandant the floors of all huts shall be cleared of all articles;
 - (d) A hut leader shall be responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this paragraph are complied with in regard to his own hut, and the prisoner of war in each line who is senior in rank shall be responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this paragraph are complied with in regard to those lines.
- Visits by Representative of Protective Power. 7. (1) Wherever possible notice will be given to prisoners of war of the impending visit of a representative of a Protecting Power or to International Red Cross Delegate by a notice placed on the camp notice board.
- (2) A prisoner of war who desires to submit a complaint or to have an interview with such representative or delegate shall submit his name to his hut leader who shall transmit a list of all such names to the camp leader.
- (3) The camp leader shall hand a list of all such names to the Camp Commandant before the visit to enable arrangements to be made for an interview.
- Complaints. 8. A prisoner of war other than the camp leader shall not make any complaint, request or application to the Camp Commandant otherwise than in writing and through his hut leader as provided in paragraph 15 of Camp Order No. 1, and shall not make any complaint request or application to any other person whatsoever save and except to the representative of the Protecting Power or International Red Cross Delegate in pursuance of Rule 8 of these rules.

Safety Razors. 9. (1) A prisoner of war in possession of a Gillette pattern safety razor may retain the same and one blade only for use therewith.

(2) A prisoner of war shall hand all other razors and blades to the Camp Quarter-Master or a person authorized by him who shall retain same.

(3) A prisoner of war shall return every razor blade which has become unserviceable to the Camp Quarter-Master.

Prohibited Articles. 10. Except with the permission of a member of the Camp Staff granted for the purpose of enabling a prisoner of war to perform a fatigue or other duty, a prisoner of war shall not :-

(a) Have in his possession or secrete or attempt to secrete either inside or outside of the Camp any keys or any article retention of which is prohibited by paragraph 10 of Camp Orders No. 1;

(b) Retain in his possession any of the following articles, tools, photographic materials, radio transmitters, instruments used by the Australian Naval, Military or Air Force, maps, firearms, ammunition, pieces of wood fashioned into batons, files or lethal weapons that may be used to effect escape or cause bodily injury. Hut leaders will be held responsible personally for returning to the Gate Corporal any such articles brought into their huts regardless of ownership.

Sick Parades. 11.(1) Sick parades for prisoners of war shall be held at :-

Morning Sick Parade 0900 hours
Afternoon Sick Parade ... 1600 hours.

(2) Any prisoner of war desiring to report sick at any sick parade shall report to his hut leader half an hour before the time of that parade.

(3) The hut leader shall supply the name and particulars of any prisoners of war so reporting to the medical orderly.

(4) If a prisoner of war becomes ill during the night the hut leader will notify the Camp Hospital and if necessary will notify the medical officer by notifying the sentry at the gate.

Medical Orderlies. 12. Medical orderlies whose services are being utilised in accordance with paragraph 14 of Camp Order No. 1 shall commence duty each day at 0700 hours and shall collect from the hut leader as directed the names of prisoners of war who desire to report sick, together with those ordered to attend sick parade, and shall prepare a nominal roll for the use of the Prisoners of War Medical Officer as directed for each sick parade, and shall perform such other duties as the Camp Medical Officer may direct.

Medical Examination and Inspection. 13. A prisoner of war shall submit himself to medical examination and inspection in accordance with the Regulations and the Camp Orders at such times and place as are appointed.

Smoking. 14. (1) Prisoners of war shall not smoke in the kitchens, cook-houses, store-rooms or rooms used for the preparation of food, or at any parade or during any roll call, and shall not smoke in the mess huts except at such times as they are being used for the purpose of recreation.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (1) hereof a prisoner of war may smoke in the camp at all times between reveille and lights out unless ordered not to do so by a member of the Camp Staff.

Sanitation and Hygiene.

15. (1) Urine tubs will be placed as directed adjacent to the sleeping huts or at suitable places in the hut lines not later than 2000 hours each day and shall be removed and taken to the latrines not later than 0730 hours each morning by a fatigue which will be detailed daily for duty.

(2) Dry garbage bins will be emptied not later than 0945 hours each day at Camp Gates and when emptied shall be immediately replaced by a fatigue which will be detailed for this duty.

(3) Every care shall be taken to salvage the following materials which shall be placed in the receptacles and at the places set out hereunder.

Bottles	Outside Kitchen	Cardboard	Outside Kitchen
Bags	" "	Tins	" "
Cases	" "	Pat	" "

(4) On the day of each week notified by the Camp Commandant all bedding will be thoroughly aired and if possible exposed to the sun.

(5) All huts to be swept and floors scrubbed at least once in each week, or at such times as ordered by the Camp Commandant.

Fatigues.

16. (1) The Camp Leader shall, whenever required to do so by the Camp Commandant, prepare a list of all fatigues and duties necessary in connection with the administration, internal arrangements and maintenance of the Camp and shall in such list allot prisoners of war for the performance of such fatigues and duties, and shall specify the times and place at which those prisoners of war are to report for duty, and shall submit the list to the Camp Commandant for his approval. Officers and persons of equivalent status shall not be included in such lists. Non-commissioned Officers and persons of relative rank or rating shall be allotted supervisory duties only.

(2) Any list so submitted shall be subject to alteration at any time by the Camp Commandant.

(3) When any such list has been approved by the Camp Commandant, the Camp Leader shall notify the prisoners of war concerned in sufficient time for them to report at the times and places detailed in the approved list.

(4) Any prisoner of war so notified shall, unless exempted by the Camp Medical Officer, report accordingly and perform in an energetic and conscientious fashion any duties so allotted.

Outdoor Exercise.

17. (1) Each prisoner of war who is medically fit and who is not detailed for daily or permanent duty within or outside the compound or in a working party shall participate daily in some form of outdoor exercise and in such games and recreation as may be provided within the compound.

(2) Competitions within the compound may be organized subject to the approval of the Camp Commandant.

Officers' Mess.

18. (1) Officers and persons of equivalent status who are prisoners of war may make application to the Camp Commandant for permission to set up and manage their own mess. Any such applicant shall submit for the approval of the Camp Commandant any proposed rules for such mess, the names of prisoners of war whom it is proposed to appoint as office-bearers of such mess, the hours at which it is proposed meals will be served, and any other information that the Camp Commandant may require.

(2) If, pursuant to an application made under sub-paragraph (1) hereof, the Camp Commandant grants permission for the setting up of such a mess, the conduct of the mess shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the Camp Staff and

the Camp Commandant who may at any time cancel or suspend the permission granted or direct that any prisoner of war cease to be a member of such mess.

(3) The members of any such mess shall each give an undertaking that the Regulations, the Camp Orders and these rules will be strictly complied with.

Withdrawal
of money
from Cash
Accounts.

19. (1) A prisoner of war who desires to withdraw money from his cash account for the purpose of purchasing canteen orders or tokens shall lodge a withdrawal form with the Camp Paymaster.

(2) A prisoner of war who desires to withdraw money from his cash account for the payment of any private accounts shall lodge a withdrawal form with the Camp Paymaster.

Outward
Correspondence.

20. (1) Outward letters or postcards despatched by prisoners of war which contain forbidden material will be returned to the sender to be re-written.

(2) Prisoners of war shall be allowed to send 2 letters per week.

(3) Prisoners of war (Protected Personnel) shall be allowed to send 2 letters or post cards in each week.

Discipline.

21. A prisoner of war shall not :-

(a) Except with the permission of a member of the Camp Staff attempt to get through, over or under or to interfere in any way with any fence or wall in the camp or with any gate, door or other opening in any fence or wall in the camp.

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