



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Prohibited Substances (Controlled Substances and Analogues, "Bath Salts," "Spice," and their Variations) Policy, CG Policy Memo 12-19

1. References:

- a. Uniform Code of Military Justice (M.C.M. 2012 Edition).
- b. Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 1010.4 (Drug and Alcohol Abuse by DoD Personnel), Incorporating Change 1, 11 January 1999.
- c. DoDI 1332.14, Enlisted Administrative Separations, 28 August 2008 incorporating Change 3 from 30 September 2011.
- d. Army Regulation 600-85 (The Army Substance Abuse Program), Rapid Action Revision Issued 2 December 2009.
- e. Memorandum, Subject: Prohibited Substances (Controlled Substances Analogues), dated 29 May 2012, signed by the Honorable John M. McHugh, Secretary of the Army.

2. Applicability. This policy is applicable to all Active Army, Army National Guard of the United States when in Title 10 status, and U.S. Army Reserve Soldiers assigned, attached, or otherwise stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, as well as other Fort Sill tenant Service members and units. This policy is punitive and violations of the provisions of this policy may result in punitive actions against Service members. This policy does not apply to alcohol, caffeine, tobacco or lawfully-obtained and lawfully-used prescription or over-the-counter medications, nor does it prohibit the lawful use of traditional "bath salt" or "Epsom salt" products.

3. Background. There is new Army-wide policy related to illicit controlled substance analogues. I am personally fully invested in upholding policy that both educates and promotes the non-proliferation of controlled substance analogues that are not approved for sale or consumption and have no known medical purpose in the United States. A controlled substance analogue is a substance intended for human consumption and is structurally or pharmacologically substantially similar to, or is represented as being similar to, a Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substance and is not an approved medication in the United States. Numerous controlled substances analogues are now available on the open market in many states.

- a. One example of a controlled substance analogue is derivatives of 2-aminopropanal, such as mephedrone and methylenedioxypropylamphetamine (MDPV), that are listed as "Drugs of Concern" by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency. Derivatives of 2-aminopropanal are the active

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ingredient in the class of drugs referred to as "bath salts," which are designed solely to produce excitement, intoxication, and/or stupefaction of the central nervous system.

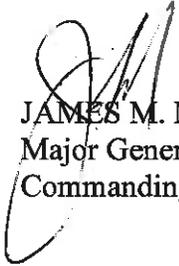
b. Another example of a controlled substance analogue is synthetic cannabis and other tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) substitutes that have no known application other than mimicking the effects of THC in the human body. Numerous synthetic THC substitutes are now available on the open market in many States. THC substitutes are used in drugs such as Spice, which are so closely related in action to THC as to make it obvious that they have potential for abuse.

4. The use of controlled substance analogues is inconsistent with the Army Values. Controlled substance analogues have substantial capabilities of creating hazards to the mission of the Army, national security, the health of the user, the safety of the Fort Sill community, and have deleterious effects on good order and discipline of the force.

5. Prohibition. Pursuant to my authority as the General Court-Martial Convening Authority, all personnel listed in paragraph 2 above are prohibited from, without proper authorization, using, possessing, manufacturing, selling, distributing, importing into or exporting from the United States, or introducing into any installation, vessel, vehicle, or aircraft used by or under the control of the U.S. Army at Fort Sill: any controlled substance analogue. This includes, but is not limited to, derivatives of 2-aminopropanal, such as mephedrone and methylenedioxy-pyrovalerone (MDPV), to include "bath salts," or homologue synthetic cannabis, also known as "Spice" or similar substances containing synthetic cannabis, any THC substitute, variant or derivative, or any synthetic cannabinoid. This prohibition includes cathinone substitutes or the cocaine analogue RTI 126 without proper authorization. This policy remains in effect until rescinded or superseded. Commanders will ensure that all Soldiers are aware of this policy.

6. This policy memorandum supersedes CG Policy Memorandum, ATZR-J, 04 May 2012, Subject: Prohibited Substances (Spice in Variations), CG Policy Memo 12-19.

7. The point of contact for this memorandum is the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, ATTN: Chief of Military Justice, at 580-442-3900.



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