

Commander's Briefing

Today you will be drug tested for illegal substance use. The primary purpose of this test is to ensure our unit's military fitness, and that we are maintaining proper standards of readiness.

Individuals in this unit have been selected on a _____ basis for drug testing.

There is *no probable cause or reasonable suspicion* that anyone in the unit is using or abusing drugs or a controlled substance.

Everyone selected for testing will be tested. Anyone not present will be rescheduled for testing at a later date.

Every specimen collected will be tested for Marijuana (THC), Cocaine, Amphetamines, Methamphetamine, Ecstasy and Heroin.

Additional drug(s) will be chosen on a rotational basis from a group that includes Opiates (which includes morphine and codeine), PCP, and Oxycodone/oxymorphone known commonly as OxyContin.

Other drugs may be tested under command discretion. All Soldiers are aware that the purchase, use, possession or distribution of psychoactive herbal products that induce intoxication, excitement, or stupefaction of the central nervous system is prohibited.

All Soldier's have been informed that prescription medication must be **destroyed** 6 months from the date issued. You should have consulted with your physician if refill was needed.

If your specimen result comes back from the laboratory as positive for a drug that could have been a result of prescription medication, a medical doctor will review the result before any other actions are taken.

Your medical records will be reviewed and the MRO will make a determination if proof of valid prescription is on file or if there is no evidence.

If the MRO determines the drug positive was a result of valid prescription medication, then no actions will be taken against you.

If the MRO determines No valid proof (Any prescriptions from outside RACH or Tricare) the Soldier will be considered positive for drug abuse. Commander must take legal actions if Soldier cannot provide proof within 5 days.

Note: Soldier is determined positive if he/she uses any prescription 6 months after issued. Soldier positive drug testing results may stay in his/her record for 40 years.

All Soldiers must be aware that all verbal orders connected with the testing are lawful and are to be followed as such.

A refusal to comply with orders relating to this test; subjects the Soldier to punitive or administrative actions under AR 600-85, AR 135-18, AR 135-178, and AR 635-10.

DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

The UPL will now provide you with details about the drug testing procedures.