

NATIONAL GUARD REGULATION }
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Field Organizations

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD BANDS

This is a complete revision of NGR 220-90 and contains updated instructions based on NGB policy pertaining to ARNG bands. Wherever the word "he" is used in this regulation, it is intended to include both the masculine and feminine genders, unless otherwise indicated. AR 220-90 is applicable to the ARNG except as modified herein.

1-1 (Substitute) Purpose. This regulation establishes policy and assigns responsibility for the organization, administration, assignment, maintenance, training, supply, and use of ARNG bands.

1-2 (Substitute) Applicability. Applicable to all ARNG bands

1-3 (Add to para) The terms organization, installation, and activity commanders as defined in AR 220-90 apply to the Adjutant General of each State. The word "State" as used herein includes the fifty States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia.

1-5 (Substitute) Basis of Allocation. Division and separate bands are allocated by the Chief, National Guard Bureau and accepted by the State Adjutant General.

2-4 (Substitute) Transportation and Operating Costs. Financial programming by State adjutants general will include budget estimates and financing programs for conducting effective recruiting and community relations programs. The cost of participating in or furnishing resources for a community relations event will be the responsibility of the Adjutant General of the State and must be accomplished within funds available to his State.

* This regulation supersedes NGR 22-90, 15 June 1973.

3-1 (Substitute) The State Adjutant General. The State Adjutant General authorized a band(s) will:

a. Insure prescribed policies, standards, and procedures relating to ARNG bands are implemented.

b. Insure that audition, selection, commitment, and assignment of band personnel are consistent with authorized unit strength levels.

c. Insure that each band within the State is technically inspected annually.

d. Provide technically qualified personnel to assist in scoring bandsman performance test materials evaluated as part of Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) when requested and funded by the proper authority.

3-5 (Substitute) Staff Band Officers. State adjutants general are not required to designate a commissioned officer position on their staff as a staff band officer. If necessary, this position can be held by a warrant officer bandmaster who meets all other qualifications listed in paragraph 4-3, AR 220-90.

3-6 (Substitute) Bandmasters. The bandmasters, including each division bandmaster, will be designated commander of his band. In this capacity, he is responsible for the unit level administration, training, supply, and operation of his band. In addition to responsibilities outlined in paragraph 3-5, AR 220-90, he will submit annual funding requirements through command channels to the USPFO by 1 February each year in order that it will be available to the Program Budget Advisory Committee for preparing the Command Operating Budget Estimate of the State.

4-1 (Substitute) Selection and Classification

Procedures. Identification and selection of ARNG band personnel will be accomplished in accordance with this regulation, AR 220-90, NGR 600-200, NGB Pam 600-200, and other applicable references, including the Civilian Acquired Skills Program, Try-One, and the REP 63 enlistment programs. Technical proficiency requirements (i.e., audition standards) specified in table H-8A, AR 601-210 and audition procedures shown in line 7, paragraph 6, table H-8, AR 601-210 will be followed by all ARNG bands.

4-2a (Substitute) ARNG band personnel are assigned to units and are ordered to IADT, ADT, FTTD, IDT, or AT as appropriate, by the State Adjutant General.

4-3 (Substitute) Qualifications of Staff Band Officers. An officer appointed by the State Adjutant General as staff band officer must have a minimum of 2 years experience as an Army warrant officer bandmaster in addition to qualifications outlined in paragraph 4-3, AR 220-90.

4-5 (Added) Bandmaster Conference. In addition to guidelines in AR 220-90 NGR 601-101, and NGR 350-1, ARNG band personnel are encouraged to attend the annual bandmaster conference sponsored by the Army Element, School of Music, using conference funds available to each State.

5-1 (Add to para) Requisition of instruments will be in accordance with NGR 710-2. The bandmaster will forward requisitions through channels to the USPFO with a cover letter providing guidance as to brand, model number, and General Services Administration (GSA) contract number (if known) for each line item number (LIN) for use by the USPFO if local purchase is authorized by the US Army General Materiel and Parts Center (A35).

5-2c (Added) It is recommended that a blanket purchase agreement (BPA) be established among the band, the USPFO, and a local vendor in accordance with the Defense Acquisition Regulatory System (DARS) 3-605 and Army Procurement Procedure (AAP) 3-605.3cii, for the purchase of sheet music and phonograph/tape

recordings to establish and/or maintain music libraries.

5-3j (Added) Acoustic treatment for the band rehearsal room and the two additional rooms for section/group/stage band rehearsals should be such that:

(1) There are approximately 24 square feet per instrument player.

(2) There are approximately 400 cubic feet per instrument player.

(3) Reverberation time is between .75 and 1.2 seconds.

(4) Sound isolation (soundproof walls) is necessary only as a consideration of use of adjacent rooms.

5-3k (Added) Two individual practice rooms as described in d above should be provided ARNG bands. One of these could also be used as a sound booth for recordings as described in b above. Due to the sound isolation requirement, it is recommended that commercially available, movable sound modules be used. These sound modules may be added to the State headquarters TDA for band use and may be moved if the band experiences a station change.

5-3l (Added) Dayroom, recreational facilities, and living quarters are necessary for ARNG bands only at AT.

5-3m (Added) The band rehearsal room and section/group/stage band rehearsal rooms can be designed in such a manner that they may be used as classrooms for other units.

5-4. Heraldic Regalia (Added) a. Heraldic regalia for bands will consist normally of a drum major's baldric, emblazoned field drums with drag ropes, and tabards for bell Lyras and fanfare trumpets. These items are authorized on MTOE 12-017H, MTOE 12-107H, or CTA 50-900. The Institute of Heraldry, DA will design this regalia for each band based on the State crest or motif representative of the State.

b. Requests for design of this regalia should be addressed to NGB-DAE through the State Adjutant General.

c. Procurement procedures for heraldic regalia will be provided for USPFO use.

5-5. ACCESSORIES. (Added) Heraldic regalia and nontype classified non-PA commercial items not exceeding \$25 per item may be procured when the requirement is approved by the State Adjutant General. Allowances of these items will not be included in an authorization document. Commercial non-standard, nontype classified equipment costing more than \$25 must be added to the ARNG State HHD TDA, Section III Supplement. State headquarters will control procurement and requirements for requesting inclusion of this type equipment in the TDA. Procurement will be as outlined in the DARS.

5-6. Expendable Items (Added) Allowances for expendable items will be in accordance with applicable supply bulletins or CTA. Nonadopted commercial items with unit price of \$25 or less may be procured after initial approval by the State Adjutant General for procurement of that

type item. It is recommended that a BPA be established among the band, the USPFO, and a local vendor in accordance with DARS 3-605 and APP 3-605.3 cii to insure delivery of that type item when needed.

5-7. Repair (Added) Repair of band instruments other than preventive maintenance will be accomplished only by trained technicians of that field. It is recommended that a BPA for repair services be established among the band, the USPFO, and a local repair technician in order that repairs can be completed between unit training assemblies.

7-6e (Added) One copy of the technical inspection report and one copy of the corrective action report will be forwarded to NGB-ARO-T, Washington, DC 20310.

7-8. Not applicable to the ARNG.

7-9. Not applicable to the ARNG.

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