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PRISONERS OF WAR ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

CHAPTER I General Rules

Art. 1 The following regulations prescribe the necessary items in connection with control of prisoners of war in Military Prison Camp No. 1 of the Philippine Islands.

CHAPTER II Accommodations

Art. 2 In regard to the accommodation of prisoners of war, the following items will be observed:

(1) Separate barracks, so far as possible, will be provided for officers (includes chief warrant officers; hereafter designation of "officers" will be used); for non-commissioned officers (includes warrant officers; hereafter designation of non-commissioned officers will be used), for privates, and for civilians. In addition to the above separations and classifications, men will be sub-divided in accordance with nationality, status, etc.

(2) Orderlies (generally privates) will be allowed to Prisoner of War officers. The assignment will generally be one orderly for two or more officers.

With regard to civilians, the foregoing items will be applied correspondingly.



(3) In order to facilitate assigning of men to duties or working details, strong healthy men will be separated, so far as possible, from sick or weak men, and besides insofar as possible the Prisoners of War of identical special occupations or capabilities will be accommodated in the same quarters.

(4) Patients will be accommodated according to classification of illness for facilitation of consultation and treatments.

Art. 3 Prisoners of war will be divided into divisions (of about 1000 men), companies (of about 100 to 150 men) and groups (of 10 men), and will be accommodated as follows:

East Prisoner of War Barracks Area (First Division (from Company 1  
( to Company 5)  
(Second Division (from Company 1  
to Company 6)

West Prisoner of War Barracks Area (Third Division (from Company 1  
to Company 6)

Each company will be divided into several groups, and will be numbered by company.

However in case the number of men changes, the number of divisions, companies and groups will be changed accordingly.

Art. 4 Each division will establish headquarters to be staffed by the following personnel:

1 Division Commander

1 Adjutant

1 Work Details Officer

1 Daily Labor Pay Officer

1 Quartermaster Officer

1 Commissary Officer

1 Utilities and Sanitation Officer

1 Medical Officer

Besides the above, such assistants, typists and runners as may be necessary will also be detailed.

The Division Commander should be a Lieutenant-Colonel. The other staff officers will be appointed from Lieutenant-Colonels, Majors, or Captains.

Art. 5 Each company will be staffed by one company commander and one adjutant.

The company commanders and adjutants will be assigned from field officers for field officers' companies, and in other companies the Commander will be a Captain, and the Adjutant will be assigned from 1st or 2nd Lieutenants or Chief Warrant Officers. However, in civilians' companies, insofar as possible, appropriate personnel will be appointed from civilians in accordance with the foregoing items.

Art. 6 One group leader will be assigned to each group; officers for officers' groups, warrant officers or non-commissioned officers for warrant officers and enlisted groups, and civilians for civilians' groups.

Art. 7 The Camp Hospital will be established in the East P.O.W. Barracks Area; and, under the command and supervision of the Japanese Camp Surgeon, the P.O.W. medical officers and enlisted men will administer the admission and treatment of patients.

The assignment of patients, medical officers and enlisted men in the hospital area will be as follows:

PATIENTS -- From Ward #1 to Ward #11  
MEDICAL OFFICERS AND MEN -- From Barracks #1 to Barracks #6.

The prisoners of war to be admitted in Wards and Barracks will be divided into several groups and numbered by Ward or Barracks, in conformity with Clause 1 of Article 3.

Art. 8 The Camp Hospital will establish headquarters to be staffed as follows, for administration of patients and medical officers and men:

- 1 - Hospital Commander
- 1 - Hospital Executive Officer
- 1 - Hospital Adjutant
- 1 - Quartermaster Officer
- 1 - Mess Officer
- 1 - Commissary Officer
- 1 - Utilities and Sanitation Officer

Besides the above, such assistants, typists, and runners as may be necessary may also be detailed.

The Hospital Commander and other officers will be assigned in conformity with Clause 2, of Article 4.

Art. 9 In the Hospital Area a Ward Surgeon for each Ward, a Barracks Leader for each Barracks, and a Group Leader for each Group will be assigned. The Ward Surgeon will assume the leadership of the

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Ward, and will be assisted by officer and noncommissioned officer patients.

In Medical Officers' barracks, the senior Medical Officer will assume the duties of Barracks Leader; In the enlisted barracks, the senior Medical Noncommissioned Officer.

Group Leaders will be assigned from patients in the Wards, and from medical officers and men in barracks, in conformity with Art. 6.

Art. 10 The Division and Hospital Commanders, Company Commanders, Ward Surgeons, Barracks Leaders, and Group Leaders will assist in the transmission of orders, the forwarding of applications, precautions against fires and ~~etc.~~, the ~~preventive~~ control of prisoners of war, etc.

Art. 11 The Division Commanders and other Division officers, Hospital Commanders and other officers of the Camp Hospital, Company Commanders and Company adjutants, Ward Surgeons and Barracks Leaders will be appointed by the Commandant of the Camp, and Group Leaders will be assigned by Division Commanders or Hospital Commander. The term of duty of these officers will be for six (6) months. They may, however, according to circumstances, be relieved before the expiration of a six months period, or be reappointed upon the expiration of a six months period.

Art. 12. In order to confine P.O.W. offenders, a Guardhouse will be set up in Camp; and a Lockward in the hospital area.

The Lockward will be under the supervision of the Hospital

Commander, who will detail necessary guard personnel from the medical officers and enlisted men of his command. The key to the Lockward will be in the custody of the Japanese Army.

### CHAPTER III - ORDERS AND REPORTS

Art. 13 Instructions for Prisoners of War will be issued each day at 1600 (emergency instructions will be issued whenever necessary). Instructions will be issued at the Prisoner of War Office, by the Officer in Charge of Prisoners of War to the assembled Division and Hospital Commanders.

When considered necessary, the Company Commanders, Ward Surgeons, barracks leaders, etc., will be assembled for the purpose of receiving instructions from the Officer in Charge of Prisoners of War, or, in some cases, from the Camp Commandant.

Art. 14 When instructions are received Division and Hospital Commanders will, if necessary, make progress or completion reports; all reports should be completed by the time designated.

Art. 15 Applications of Prisoners of War should be submitted to the Commandant of the Camp by the Division and Hospital Commanders, through the channels of Company Commanders, Ward Leaders and Barracks Leaders.

### CHAPTER IV - PRISONERS BARRACKS

Art. 16 Company Commanders, Ward Surgeons, and Barracks leaders will be responsible for the upkeep of their assigned barracks,

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grounds, and adjacent out buildings. Remodeling, changes in the use of barracks, etc., should not be made without permission of the Commandant of the Camp.

Art. 17 At the entrance to each barracks, there will be posted a sign indicating, in both Japanese and English, the Company number, the barracks number in the Division, the name and rank of the Company Commander (in Camp Hospital area, designation of Hospital, Ward number or barracks number, name and rank of ward leader or barracks leader), and number of persons billeted in the barracks or ward.

#### CHAPTER V - DUTIES AND LABOR ASSIGNMENTS

Art. 18 For administration of the Camp, the following P.O.W. staffs will be employed under the command of the Officer in Charge of Prisoners of War:

- 2 - Liaison Officers (one to act as Executive Officer)
- 1 - Statistical Officer
- 1 - Quartermaster Officer
- 1 - Commissary Officer
- 1 - Utilities and Sanitation Officer
- 1 - Work Details Officer
- 1 - POW Salaries and Day Labor Pay Officer
- 1 - Morale Officer
- 1 - Medical Officer

Besides the above, such assistants, typists, and runners as may be necessary may also be detailed.

The P.O.W. staff will be appointed by the Commandant of the Camp, and the term of office will correspond with those set forth in Art. 11. The Commandant of the Camp will pick out a competent

person from this staff and cause him to undertake supervision of the staff.

Art. 19 Each Division will appoint an Officer of the Day (each Company Commander in the Division will assume the duties in turn); each Company will also appoint a Noncommissioned Officer of the Day (in Officers' companies the Noncommissioned Officer of the Day will be the Company's Officer of the Day; and in Civilian Companies, competent civilian personnel. Designation "Noncommissioned Officer of the Day" will be used hereafter). The Officers of the Day and Noncommissioned Officers of the Day will be held responsible for such items, in their own Divisions or Companies, as the preservation of morale and discipline, adherence to regulations, precautions against fires, prevention of thefts, and supervision of sanitation. The Camp Hospital will appoint an Officer of the Day (Ward Surgeons will assume the duties in turn), and two Noncommissioned Officers of the Day (Medical non-commissioned officers will assume the duties in turn).

Art. 20 Daily duty reliefs will be effected at the evening meal hour each day.

Art. 21 Each Company and the Camp Hospital will detail a night guard for each prisoners' barracks. This guard will be responsible for such items as adherence to regulations, precautions against fire, prevention of burglary, and the maintenance of proper sanitation in his barrack's area.

Art. 22 The assignment of Prisoners of War to work details, such as kitchen, tailor and shoe shop, necessary for the prisoners ~~up~~ ~~keep~~ ~~and~~ maintenance, and other details necessary for the regulation and upkeep of the Camp, will be apportioned from each Division, and adherence to prescribed regulations will be required.

Art. 23 The assignment of Prisoners of War to work details outside the Camp, such as farming, woodcutting, airport labor, etc., will be apportioned from each Division; when going in and out of Camp such details will be verified by the Officer in Charge of Prisoners of War and the Chief of the Guard.

Art. 24 to 27 omitted

#### CHAPTER VI - DAILY ROUTINE AND DISCIPLINE

Art. 28 Prisoners of War will on all occasions salute the Japanese soldiers and corps.

Art. 29 The daily program for Prisoners of War is shown in the annexed table #1.

Art. 30 Morning and evening roll calls will be held in front of prisoners' barracks (seriously ill patients in the Camp Hospital will be mustered in their wards) by companies and Division Headquarters (in Camp Hospital area, by wards, hospital barracks and hospital headquarters). Each Division Commander will be witness to the roll calls of each company in his own Division and after totaling these results, will report for his Division to



the Japanese Officer of the Day. (The Hospital Commander will adhere to these instructions for each ward and hospital barracks in the Camp Hospital area.)

In the event of an escape, an immediate check roll-call will be held; and, occasionally during the night, a bed check will be made by barracks.

Art. 31 Prisoners of War unless otherwise indicated by the Japanese Army, will keep two meters away from the interior fence enclosing the prisoners' barracks.

Art. 32 In order to enforce sanitary precautions, no prisoner is allowed to pass between the Division and Camp Hospital areas except as follows:

- (1) Staff of the Prisoner of War Office, Division Staffs, and Camp Hospital Headquarters personnel.
- (2) Personnel accompanied by a member of the Japanese Army or accompanied by those prisoners listed in (1) above.
- (3) Persons being admitted to or discharged from the hospital; or persons being treated at the hospital, to be certified by the Division or Hospital Commander in either case.

For enforcement of the above provision, a guard will be maintained between the Camp Hospital and Division I area.

A guard will also be maintained within the Hospital area, between the main Hospital and the Isolation Wards, and only the following personnel will be permitted to pass to or from the Isolation Area:

- (1) Medical Officers and men of the Camp Hospital.
- (2) Personnel accompanied by a member of the Japanese forces.
- (3) Personnel being admitted to or discharged from the Isolation Area, when certified by the Hospital Commander.

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Art. 33 A Prison Officer<sup>and guards</sup> will be detailed in charge of the Lockward of the Camp Hospital.

Art. 34 The guards and Prison Officer prescribed in Articles 32 and 33 should be Medical noncommissioned officers or privates. They will be quartered in one barracks and will perform their duties under the general supervision of the Hospital Commander.

The organization and duties of the guards and Prison Officer are as follows:

- 1 - Superintendent
- 3 - Guards at Hospital gate (4 hour tour of duty)
- 3 - Guards at Isolation Area gate (4 hour tour of duty)
- 1 - Officer and 6 guards at the Lockward with 2 guards on duty (4 hour tour of duty)

Art. 35 In case of violation of the provisions of Articles 32 and 33, the guard or Prison Officer will report to the Hospital Commander, who will make a complete report of the facts to the Japanese Camp Surgeon.

Art. 36 and 37 Omitted.

Art. 38 No prisoner of war will lie down or sleep in barracks between reveille and the evening meal hour, except those who are ill or are authorized, for sufficient reason, to sleep in the daytime. No prisoner of war will leave the immediate vicinity of his own barracks, except to go on duty or to go to the latrine, between Call to quarters and Reveille.

Art. 39 Prisoners of War are not allowed to read any book not sanctioned by the Commandant of the Camp. Discussion of military or political affairs is prohibited.

Art. 40 Prisoners of War are not permitted to communicate with persons outside of the Camp without permission of the Commandant of the Camp. The possession of radio sets or cameras is prohibited.

Art. 41 No Prisoner of War will loan money; or purchase or sell any personal property or belongings without permission of the Commandant of the Camp. No Prisoner of War will bring into Camp, or take out of the Camp, any commodity, without permission of the Commandant.

Art. 42 Omitted.

Art. 43 The building of fires, except those in the kitchens, incinerators, and at other places approved by the Commandant of the Camp, is prohibited. Smoking, except in places provided with ash trays, or while circulating about outside of buildings, is strictly prohibited.

Art. 44 In case of fire or other emergency, Prisoners of War will maintain order, will remain quiet, and will comply promptly with instructions which may be issued by the Japanese Army. In the event of fire, those observing the fire and those in the immediate vicinity thereof will exert every effort to extinguish it as quickly as possible.

#### CHAPTER VII - CORRESPONDENCE

Art. 45 Omitted.

Art. 46 The number of messages permitted to Prisoners of War for transmission to their relatives or friends will be less.

than one (1) per month and the form cards prescribed by Headquarters of the Military Prison Camps of the Philippine Islands will be used.

Art. 47. Prisoner of war messages will be typewritten in the P.O.W. Offices; the use of secret communications such as ciphers, abbreviations, slang terms, chemical inks, etc., are strictly prohibited.

Art. 48 Mail to be dispatched or received by Prisoners of War will be censored by responsible censors.

Art. 49 Mail to be dispatched or received by Prisoners of War on temporary details will be censored at Headquarters of the Prison Camps.

#### CHAPTER VII - REWARDS AND PENALTIES

Art. 50 Rewards made to Prisoners of War for exemplary conduct, and punishments awarded for violations of regulations, will be made by the Commandant of the Camp, and will be reported to the Commanding General of the Prison Camps Headquarters.

Art. 51 In cases of violators sentenced to trial by court-martial, they will be sent to the Headquarters of the Prison Camps for trial, accompanied by an investigation report.

Art. 52 In the event of the escape, or attempted escape of any Prisoner of War, all members of the Group of which he was a member will be punished.

CHAPTER IX - FINANCE AND SUPPLY

Art. 53 Subsistence supplies for Prisoners of War will be as furnished by the Army Quartermaster Depot, received from production of the Camp, or purchased in the neighboring districts.

Art. 54 Omitted.

Art. 55 Subsistence supplies for Prisoners of War will be issued by the Quartermaster Officer of the Camp to the Quartermaster Officer of each division.

Art. 56 Preparation of food for Prisoners of War will be done in Division and Hospital kitchens; meals will be distributed at the kitchens under the supervision of the Officer of the day of the Division or Hospital.

Art. 57 Prisoners of War will be permitted to have cash in their possession only in the amounts set forth below:

Field Officers.....	50 pesos
Co Officers and CWO.....	40 pesos
WO and NCO.....	20 pesos
Pvts and civilians.....	10 pesos

Prisoners of War will deposit excess funds in the Postal Savings Account which account will remain in the custody of the Camp Finance Officer.

Art. 58 Money and goods belonging to Prisoners of War will be carefully handled. Any donations for Prisoners of War will, after inspection by the Officer in Charge of General Affairs, be receipted for and entered on the record books of the Camp Quartermaster Officer. The method of delivery will be approved by the

Commandant of the Camp in order to avoid any question in connection with the receipt of articles donated.

Art. 59 In the case of the death of a Prisoner of War, the Commandant of the Camp will direct the Quartermaster Officer of the Camp to forward the deceased's effects, together with an inventory thereof bearing the name, rank, service, status, nationality, identification card number and date of death of the deceased, to Headquarters of the Prison Camps.

Art. 60 The Camp will establish a Prisoners of War Commissary to deal in daily commodities and luxuries. The Commissary will be managed as provided for in POW Commissary Regulations.

#### CHAPTER X - SANITATION

Art. 61 The administration of the health of Prisoners of War will be by prisoner medical officers and medical department enlisted men under the supervision of the Camp Surgeon. Detailed instructions in this connection will be published separately.

Art. 62 Omitted.

#### CHAPTER XI - MISCELLANEOUS RULES

Art. 63 The Prisoners of War Library will be established in the First Division Area, and will be called NUMBER I LIBRARY OF THE MILITARY PRISON CAMPS OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Particulars of administration will be as published in the Prisoners of War Library Regulations.

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SUPPLEMENTARY RULES

The provisions of these Regulations will be effective  
as of July 5, 1944

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TABLE I

DAILY SCHEDULE FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

Call	Season	JANUARY & DECEMBER	FEBRUARY & NOVEMBER	MARCH & OCTOBER	APRIL TO SEPTEMBER
Reveille Roll Call		0710	0640	0610 <sup>6:40</sup> <sub>6:15</sub>	0540
BREAKFAST		0800	0730	0700	0630
WORK	Commencement	0830	0830	0800	0730
	Conclusion	1130	1130	1100	1100
DIAGNOSIS (Sick Call)		1030	1000	1000	1000
LUNCH		1200	1200	1200	1200
ORDER ISSUE		1600	1600	1600	1600
WORK	Commencement	1400	1400	1400	1430
	Conclusion	1730	1730	1700	1700
SUPPER		1730	1730	1800	1800
ROLL CALL		1840	1840	1840	1840
LIGHTS OFF (Call to quarters)		2100	2100	2100	2100

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