Subject: Guidance for Military Retired Pay, Deductions, and Survivor Annuity Entitlements

References: (a) ASD(C) Memorandum, "Management Systems Standardization - Military Retired Pay Systems," July 30, 1976 (hereby cancelled)
(b) DoD Directive 5154.11, "Procedures for the Approval of Regulations pertaining to Military Pay and Allowances," May 1, 1958

A. PURPOSE

1. This Instruction authorizes the issuance of DoD Manual 1340.12-M, Department of Defense Military Retired Pay (DoDMRP), and assigns responsibilities for the design, development, maintenance, and publication of the Manual.

2. The Manual will:
   a. Provide Department of Defense guidance regarding military retired pay, retainer pay, deductions, and survivor annuity entitlements for information and compliance of all personnel responsible for the administration of military retired pay.
   b. Take precedence over all Military Service regulations pertaining to military retired pay, retainer pay, deductions, and survivor annuity entitlements. No other military retired pay entitlement regulations will be issued by the Military Services unless authorized by the Department of Defense Military Pay and Allowance Committee (MPAC) (reference (b)).

3. Reference (a) is hereby superseded and cancelled.

B. APPLICABILITY

The provisions of this Instruction apply to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Defense Agencies. The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

C. RESPONSIBILITY

1. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), or his designee, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Management Systems), will oversee the policies, standards, and requirements prescribed in the Manual and their implementation throughout the Department of Defense.
2. The Secretary of the Air Force, or his designee, shall be responsible for the (a) development of the Manual with the assistance of the Secretaries of the Army and Navy, or their designees, and (b) maintenance, publication, and distribution of the Manual under the auspices of the Department of Defense Military Pay and Allowance Committee (reference (b)).

3. The Department of Defense Military Pay Procedures Conference (MPPC) will be responsible for the standardization of forms and procedures.

C. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Instruction is effective immediately.

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Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)