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ARMY TUG OF WAR INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – WED 15 NOV 17.

References:

- A. Army Tug of War Association (ATOWA) forecast of events 2017. ATOWA FOE 2017
- B. 2017DIN10-023-Travel at Public Expense for Army Sport. [2017DIN10-023](#)
- C. AGAI Vol 1 Chapter 5 – Sport. [AGAI 005](#)
- D. JSP 660. [Directive Guidance](#)
- E. United Kingdom Armed Forces Tug of War Association (UKAFTOWA) Constitution and Rules.

General

1. The Army Outdoor Tug of War Championships is to be hosted by WO2 (FofS) Petch and will take place by kind permission of the Commanding Officer Maj Lok, at MOD Corsham, Corsham, SN139NR on Wed 15 NOV 17.

Championship Committee

2. The Championship Committee will be as follows:

- a. ATOWA Chairman - Lt Col Aled Evans REME.
- b. ATOWA Secretary - WO2 (AQMS) Damien Richards.
- c. Chief Judge - TBC
- d. Weigh Master - WO2 Wyatt.

Weight Categories

3. The following Championship weight classes will be contested:

- a. **Men's:**
 - (1) 560 – Kilo.
 - (2) 600 - Kilo.

(3) 640 - Kilo.

(4) 680 - Kilo.

b. **Ladies:**

(1) 520 - Kilo.

(2) 560 – Kilo.

c. **Mixed:**

(1) 600 Kilo – 4x4 (4 Men – 4 Ladies).

Eligibility & Qualification Championship

4. **Eligibility.** The rules for eligibility can be found in Reference A .

5. **Qualification.** The ATOWA Chairman invites the RAF and RN to enter teams in this championship. If either service wins a weight then they will be allowed to win medals only not silver ware.

Entry Fees

6. Entry Fees to the competition are £25.00 per weight class, with the cheques made payable to “**Central Bank 19 Regt RA**” and will be collect on the day by WO2 Richards the ATOWA secretary. **All entries should be submitted to Damien.Richards122@mod.gov.uk by COP Fri 08 Nov 17.**

Rules & Competition Format

7. The competition will be organised and run in accordance with Ref B.

8. As a reminder, the following rules apply:

a. As this is a championship, no “borrowing” team members are permitted.

b. Each weight class will be run on a points system, with the possibility of being split into a pooled system, depending on the number of entries.

c. All team pullers must be on unit strength or officially affiliated pullers. Affiliation paperwork must be provided at the scales to the chief judge.

d. Order of pull for the Army Championships this year will be;

i) Male, 640kg, 560kg, 680kg, 600kg and 600kg 4x4.

ii) Female, 520kg during male 560kg, 560kg during male 600kg

a. The Chief Judge’s decision is final.

Representation at the National TOWA Championships

09. The winners of any of the male weights may be invited by the ATOWA Chairman to represent the Army at the National Championships in that given weight. If one regiment win at numerous weights, they may be given the choice of weight to represent at. The weight they turn down may be offered to the runner up. If the runner up is also a winner of another weight they can then choose which they want and it will be then offered up to 3rd place only.

Timings

10. The timings are as follows:

- a. Weigh-In and Team Registration - 0800-0915hrs It is requested that the equipment manager make the scales available throughout).
- b. Brief & Draw - 1030hrs.
- c. First Pull - 1100hrs.
- d. Prize-Giving - 1600hrs (approx).

Equipment

11. The AToWA Equipment Manager is requested to provide the following items of equipment in sufficient time for the competition.

- a. 1 X TOW Rope.
- b. 1 X TOW Scales.

Prizes

12. All trophies from the previous years' championships are to be made available for this year's event. Personnel who received a trophy from the 2016 competition must return the trophy to the AToWA Trophies Secretary ASAP or bring the trophy along with them to the event. It is also requested that any trophies from the previous competition are handed over in good order, engraved and labelled accordingly.

13. Trophies and medals will be awarded to the winners, runners up and officials, however if there are less than 4 teams participating; only the winners will receive prizes.

Security

14. All military personnel are to remain vigilant, security conscious, and should report any suspicious activity to the nearest official.

Medical

15. All medical support will be provided by the event organisers. In the event of any serious injuries, the emergency services will be informed and individuals will be taken to A&E.

Authority for Travel

16. Travel at public expense is admissible in accordance with [2017DIN10-023](#). All players (or lead POC) based in Germany must contact BA (G) SB, Email: BFG-HQ-G1-SportsBd-GenSec@mod.uk; Tel: 94881 2620 who will arrange travel.

Accommodation

17. There is limited Accommodation at Corsham, should team require accommodation, this should be booked with the organisers listed above a minimum of 6 weeks in advance. If accommodation is not available then the Cotswolds centre can be utilised please follow the directions at this link to secure accommodation;
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/services-cotswold-centre/services-cotswold-centre>.

Conclusion

18. It is respectfully requested that all Bde,s/Districts and Units give maximum support to this event and publicise it as widely as possible; your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Additional Information

19. For further information regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the earliest opportunity.

{Original Signed}

DP Richards
WO2 Richards
ATOWA Secretary

Annex:

A. Army ToW Championships (15 NOV 17) - Entry Proforma.

Distribution:

1 (UK) Armd Div*
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FAO SO2 G7 PAT (Please disseminate to all units in your AOR)

CSTOWA Secretary*
ATOWA Team Army Manager*
ATOWA Equipment Manager*
ATOWA Officials' Secretary*
ATOWA Trophies' Secretary

Copy to:

Chairman ATOWA*
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**ANNEX A TO
ATOWA/17/11
DATED 05 SEP 17**

ARMY TOW COMPETITION (WEDS 15 NOV 17) - ENTRY PROFORMA

To: WO2 Gaz Wyatt
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SP9 7DX

From Rank: _____
Name: _____
Unit: _____
Address: _____

Tel: 94342 3087
Fax: 94342 2156
E-Mail: 6REME-BNHQ-ESOPS-WO

Tel: (Mil): _____
(Civ): _____
E-Mail: _____

1. This unit will be competing in the following weight categories:

- a. Male: 560 Kilo*
600 Kilo*
640 Kilo*
680 Kilo*
- b. Female: 520 Kilo*
560 Kilo*
- c. Mixed: 600 Kilo – 4x4 (4 Men – 4 Ladies)*

2. Authorisation is/is not given to enter additional weight categories on the day at a cost of £25 per weight category. (In the likelihood of a weight category not being contested, the Chief Judge may open up to all teams to re-weigh for another weight category in order to fully maximise participation of weight categories during the Championships).

3. A cheque made payable to the "Central Bank 19 Regt RA" for the sum of £ _____ is enclosed.

Signed: _____ Name (Block Capitals): _____

Rank: _____ Date: _____

* Delete as applicable

**Units are to submit this proforma by COP Mon 08 NOV
17. Payment can be made on the day of competition.**