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CNATRA INSTRUCTION 3710.38C

Subj: USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND CAMERAS IN CNATRA AIRCRAFT

Ref: (a) CNAF M-3710.7
(b) NAVAIRINST 13034.1 (series)

1. Purpose. To publish guidance on the use of personal electronic devices and cameras in Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) aircraft.
2. Cancellation: CNATRAINST 3710.38B
3. Scope. This instruction applies to all personnel flying in CNATRA aircraft.
4. Discussion
 - a. Uncontrolled use of personal electronic devices and cameras in CNATRA aircraft poses an unnecessary risk to the safe accomplishment of the CNATRA mission.
 - b. Per reference (a), cellular telephones shall not be operated in naval aircraft while airborne. Many modern day multi-function/tablet computer style devices also include cellular communication technology. This instruction provides guidance on the use of the additional device functions separate from the use of the cellular communication technology function.
 - c. Electronic devices that are approved for in-flight use by Naval Air Systems Command or the Federal Aviation Administration are accepted as approved for this instruction.
5. Definitions. For the purpose of this instruction the following definitions shall apply:

a. Personal electronic device - any one of a number of portable consumer electronic devices used for communication, entertainment, or productivity. Examples include cellular telephones, smart phones, personal digital assistants, tablet computers, laptop computers, MP3 players, hand-held game systems, and DVD players.

b. Camera - a portable device capable of recording still or video images on film or memory medium. A camera can be a stand-alone device or a part of a personal electronic device.

5. Action

a. Crew members may use a tablet computer or similar device to display Electronic Flight Bag (EFB) material. These electronic materials are for supplemental situational awareness use only and do not take the place of required minimum carry hard copy navigational materials.

b. Passengers in aircraft equipped to carry passengers may operate personal electronic devices in AIRPLANE MODE or the equivalent functional setting in flight with the approval of the Aircraft Commander.

c. Cameras shall not be operated in CNATRA aircraft without the prior authorization of CNATRA or higher authority.

d. Per reference (b), equipment shall not be mounted either internally or externally on CNATRA aircraft without Naval Air Systems Command flight clearance.

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