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POLICY LETTER 4-09

From: Commanding Officer, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit
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Subj: USS PELELIU CHECK CASHING POLICY

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1. Purpose. In accordance with the reference, establish a check cashing policy for all members of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit while on deployment.
2. Check Cashing Limits. Members will be authorized to cash personal checks at the following amounts:
 - a. E5 and below: \$500.00 per month.
 - b. E6 and above: \$750.00 per month.
3. Dishonored Checks. Writing checks in advance of the availability of funds is a violation of the UCMJ, Article 123a. Marines, or Sailors, who abuse this privilege will be denied future check cashing privileges and may be subject to punitive action.
 - a. Upon notification of a dishonored check, check cashing privileges will be temporarily revoked and the Disbursing Officer will contact the Marine's chain of command to determine the root cause of the discrepancy. If no alternative method is available to collect the insufficient funds, a garnishment of pay will be administered.
 - b. Multiple dishonored check violators will be tracked by the disbursing office and will require an escort, by a SNCO or higher, in their chain of command, for future check cashing privileges.
4. Accepted Checks. U.S. Treasury checks, U.S. Postal money orders, traveler's checks, checks from reputable companies, and personal checks. Third party checks are not accepted.
5. Action. Commanders must ensure that all Marines, or Sailors, who utilize the services of the 15th MEU Disbursing office for the purpose of check cashing are familiar with the information provided herein.
6. Point of Contact. All questions on this matter should be directed to First Lieutenant D. B. Prater, 15th MEU Disbursing Officer.


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