



**PROFESSIONAL AND UNPROFESSIONAL
RELATIONSHIPS**

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3.5.3.1. (Added) Restrictions. Relationships are unprofessional, whether pursued on or off duty, when they detract from the authority of superiors or result in, or reasonably create the appearance of, favoritism, misuse of office or position, or the abandonment of organizational goals for personal interests. Accordingly, officers and enlisted personnel shall not date or carry on a social relationship with a cadet or cadet candidate, or seek or engage in sexual activity with, make sexual advances to, or accept sexual overtures from a cadet or cadet candidate.

3.5.3.2. (Added) Dating Between Graduated, Commissioned Officers and Cadets. Dating between graduated, commissioned officers and cadets is not authorized. **EXCEPTION:** A first- or second-class cadet who was already dating a cadet from the most recent graduated class prior to the senior cadet's graduation, may continue to date that new officer under circumstances that will not compromise the officer's status with other cadets. In order to accomplish this, the AOC must be notified of the prior existing relationship before the senior cadet graduates. When the new lieutenant dates the cadet, the cadet may be picked up and dropped off at the Academy, but no other dating activity will occur on the Academy Reservation, except as follows:

June Week Activities - only if the cadet is a first-class cadet.

100th Night Activities - only if the cadet is a first-class cadet.

Ring Dining Out and Dance - only if the cadet is a second-class cadet.

Even 100th Night activities, June Week activities, and the Ring Dining Out and Dance require specific notification of the AOC in advance of the officer's participation in those activities.

3.5.3.3. (Added) Relationships Between Cadets. See AFCWI 36-2909 for information about professional and unprofessional relationships by cadets.

3.5.3.4. (Added) Sanctions. This is a punitive instruction. Violations of the specific prohibitions and requirements of this instruction by military personnel may result in prosecution under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), adverse administrative action, or discharge from active duty.

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