



CATEGORIES OF UNAUTHORIZED OF TATTOOS

- ❑ Extremist tattoos or brands are those affiliated with, depicting, or symbolizing extremist philosophies, organizations, or activities.
- ❑ Indecent tattoos or brands are those that are grossly offensive to modesty, decency, propriety or professionalism.
- ❑ Sexist tattoos or brands are those that advocate a philosophy that degrades or demeans a person based on gender.
- ❑ Racist tattoos or brands are those that advocate a philosophy that degrades or demeans a person based on race, ethnicity, or national origin.

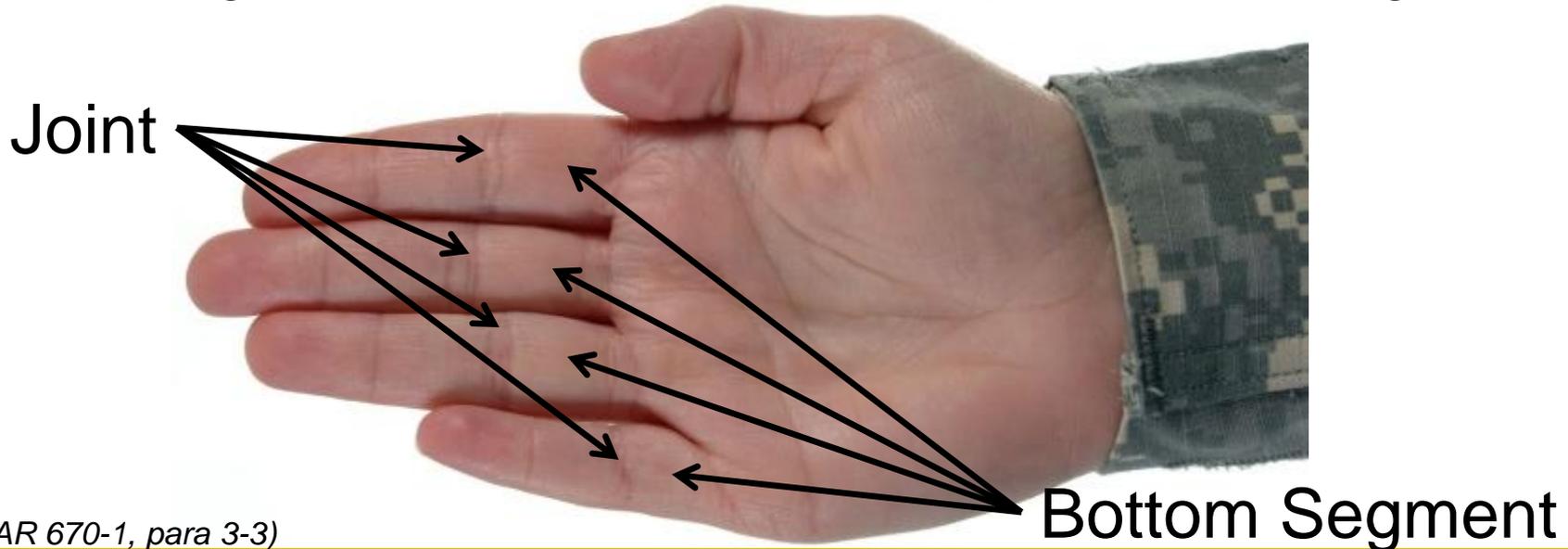
(AR 670-1, para 3-3)





TATTOO POLICY

- ❑ Unauthorized tattoo locations:
 - ❑ On the head, face, & neck, (anything above the T-shirt line to include on/inside the eyelids, mouth, & ears)
 - ❑ On the wrists or hands, except Soldiers may have one ring tattoo on each hand, below the joint of the bottom segment (portion closest to the palm) of the finger.



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TATTOO VALIDATION MEMOS

- ❑ Tattoo validation memos are no longer being accepted by HRC for posting to iPERMS.
- ❑ Tattoo validation memos will not be deleted or removed from iPERMS.
- ❑ ALARACT 082/2014 required Commanders to complete tattoo validation memos as follows:
 - ❑ Active Component -
 - ❑ Complete memo within 30 days (30 Apr 2014)
 - ❑ Upload to iPERMS within 60 days (30 May 2014)
 - ❑ Reserve Component -
 - ❑ Complete memo within 120 days (31 Jul 2014)
 - ❑ Upload to iPERMS within 150 days (31 Aug 2014)





BODY MUTILATION

- ❑ Soldiers are prohibited from any form of body mutilation, which is the willful mutilation of the body or any body parts in any manner.
- ❑ Does not include authorized medical alterations performed at a medical treatment facility or cosmetic, reconstructive, or plastic surgery procedures normally approved by the Commander
- ❑ Soldiers who entered the Army with approved body mutilation prior to 31 March 2014 may request an exception to policy from HQDA, G-1



BODY MUTILATION

- ❑ Examples of body mutilation include, but are not limited to:
 - ❑ Tongue bifurcation (splitting of the tongue)
 - ❑ Ear gauging (enlarged holes in the lobe of the ear, which are beyond the post hole size for conservative earring wearer, no more than 1.6mm)
 - ❑ Unnatural shaping of the teeth
 - ❑ Ear pointing (or elfing)
 - ❑ Scarification (cutting to create intentional scarring)
 - ❑ Body modifications for the purpose of suspension (hanging by body hooks)