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HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING, AND HORSEBACK RIDING REGULATIONS**

Summary. This regulation establishes responsibilities and policies for hunting, fishing, trapping, and horseback riding on the Fort Gordon military installation.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all individuals (military, government employees, civilian, and their bona fide guests) properly licensed to hunt, fish, trap, and ride horses on the Fort Gordon military installation.

Supplementation. Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited unless specifically approved by Commander, United States Army Signal Center of Excellence, Fort Gordon (USASCoE&FG).

Suggested improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on Department of the Army (DA) Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) to Commander, USASCoE, ATTN: IMSE-GOR-PWE, Fort Gordon, Georgia 30905 and/or submit DA Form 1045 (Army Ideas for Excellence Program (AIEP) Proposal) to the installation AIEP coordinator.

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1. Purpose. This regulation establishes responsibilities and policies for hunting, fishing, trapping, and horseback riding on the Fort Gordon military installation.

2. General. All hunting, fishing, and trapping on the Fort Gordon military installation will be in accordance with (IAW) Federal laws and the fish and game laws of the State of Georgia (Title 10, U.S. Code, Sec. 2671). All horseback riding will be done IAW Federal and State of Georgia laws and regulations pertaining to Equines. Installation permits are required to hunt, fish, trap, or ride horses on the installation (Title 16, U.S. Code, Sec. 670a). The Natural Resources Branch management plans establish hunting seasons, bag limits, creel limits, type of firearms permitted for use, and land use. Users of this regulation must be familiar with its contents, the State of Georgia Freshwater Sport Fishing Regulations, and the State of Georgia Hunting Regulations. Horseback riders must be familiar with equine regulations of the State of Georgia and appendix A of this regulation. Should differences between these regulations and the State of Georgia fishing and hunting regulations occur, the requirements of this regulation govern.

3. References.

- a. AR 200-1, 13 December, 2007, Environmental Protection and Enhancement.
- b. AR 215-1, 31 July 2007, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Activities and Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities.
- c. DA Pam 420-7, 15 May 1977, Natural Resources--Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management.
- d. USASC&FG Reg 210-3, 17 Apr 2001, Installation Motor Vehicle Traffic Code.
- e. USASC&FG Reg 210-13, 28 February 2007, Control of Firearms, Ammunition, and

Other Dangerous Weapons.

- f. The State of Georgia Freshwater Sport Fishing Regulations.
- g. The State of Georgia Hunting and Fishing Regulations.
- h. Federal Hunting and Fishing Regulations.
- i. Rules of Georgia Department of Agriculture Eradication, Control and Suppression of Animal and Poultry Diseases (Georgia Equine Act of 1969, chapter 40-16-3).
- j. FM 19-10, 30 Sept.1987, Military Police Law and Order Operations, chapter 9.
- k. USASCoE & FG Regulation 350-19, Range Regulation.

4. Responsibilities.

- a. The Directorate of Public Works (DPW) will be responsible for:
 - (1) Management and development of the installation fish and wildlife management plans to include the establishment of fish and game harvest quotas, and seasons, and the installation hunting and fishing permit fees.
 - (2) Procuring, processing, and issuing installation hunting and fishing permits IAW this regulation.
 - (3) Ensuring that a copy of this regulation is available to each individual purchasing Fort Gordon hunting and fishing permits.
- b. The installation Veterinary Services will be responsible for providing guidance on wildlife diseases and predator control.
- c. The Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS) will be responsible for directing which training areas are closed for hunting, fishing, and horseback riding due to military mission and/or safety reasons. The list of training areas closed will be forwarded daily to the Game Warden Office.
- d. The Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) will be responsible for:
 - (1) DES has the authority for the natural, cultural, and archaeological resources and environmental law enforcement on Fort Gordon. This includes traditional game warden functions as well as enforcing related regulations including environmental pollution, endangered species and wetlands protection, illegal access, illegal dumping, archaeological and historic protection, etc. DES is responsible for law enforcement to include the processing and disposition of all personnel who violate hunting, fishing, or any of these environmental laws and regulations. Installation game wardens and military police (MP) will cite military personnel on Armed Forces Traffic Ticket (DD Form 1408) and civilian personnel on United States District Court Violation Notice (CVB) which may appear before a United States (U.S.) Magistrate. Privileges of those personnel who receive a citation may be suspended or revoked. (See paragraph 16 of this regulation.)

(2) Providing law enforcement to ensure that only authorized points of entry (such as Gates 1, 2, 3 and 5) into the installation are being used by personnel who are hunting or fishing, and reporting probable entry points to DPW for repair and maintenance.

(3) Providing the management operation of Fort Gordon (FG) Form 9166 (Control Access Log) and FG Form 9168 (Hunting Control Register). Forward completed forms monthly to DPW, ATTN: Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch (see para 8 of this regulation). FG Form 9166 and FG Form 9168 are stocked at the Game Warden Office.

e. Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR) is responsible for providing coordination, planning, organization, and supervision of special sporting and outdoor related activities such as horseback riding, special hunts, and fishing tournaments as outlined in subparagraphs (1) through (5) below.

(1) DFMWR will staff all actions at least 45 days prior to scheduled event. Actions will be coordinated with Range Control, DPW, DES, Safety Office, DPTMS, and Installation Veterinary Clinic (as required by event). DFMWR will provide, at a minimum, a completed FG Form 1203-R-E to all commenting activities prior to the scheduled events.

(2) DFMWR will develop standard operating procedures (SOP) for all special sporting and outdoor related activities. The SOPs will be submitted for review by Range Control, DPW, DES, Safety Office, DPTMS and, as appropriate, other activities. DFMWR will ensure that all policies and procedures identified within appropriate SOPs are implemented prior to conducting the scheduled event.

(3) DFMWR will provide risk assessments for all special events as required by installation Signal Branch Safety Office IAW AR 385-10, Army Safety Program.

(4) DFMWR will provide environmental documentation (checklist, environmental assessments, etc.) as appropriate for all scheduled events. DFMWR will be responsible for coordination of all events requiring special permits (shooting preserve, field trial, etc.) with installation wildlife biologist. DFMWR will provide funding for the acquisition of all required permits related to these events. The Outdoor Recreation section has been granted an exception to policy to sponsor more than 2 guests during special events. Special events guest records will be maintained and turned into the Game Wardens within 5 working days after the conclusion of the event.

(5) DFMWR event coordinators will be required to acquire/maintain range and training area safety certification IAW USASC&FG Reg 350-19, Installation Range Regulation. Certification will be required prior to requesting training area usage for any special sporting or outdoor-related activities. DFMWR will ensure that event coordinators are onsite for the duration of the scheduled event. All training area requests will be submitted in writing 45 days prior to the scheduled event.

f. Sponsors, family members, and bona fide guests will familiarize themselves with this regulation. Sponsors are responsible for the conduct of their bona fide guest(s) while hunting, fishing, or horseback riding on the installation. Observed violations of hunting and fishing laws and this regulation may be reported telephonically to the MP desk, 791-4380 or the Game Warden Office, 791-5033.

g. Individual hunters and fishermen may submit comments and suggest changes or improvements in writing to the Chair, Fort Gordon Hunting and Fishing Advisory Council, DPW, Fort Gordon, Georgia 30905-5040.

h. The Fort Gordon Hunting and Fishing Advisory Council will be responsible for:

(1) Receiving, reviewing, and forwarding to DPW recommended changes to this regulation received from individual users and council meetings.

(2) Providing DFMWR recommendations for planning and development of facilities relating to the installation fish and wildlife programs, such as camping areas, boat docks and ramps, and recreational programs.

5. Restrictions.

a. Hunting is prohibited in the Fort Gordon cantonment area with the exception of certain sections of Training Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9,10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, which are restricted to hunting with archery and crossbow equipment only. The cantonment area is defined as that portion of the installation lying generally north of the Small Arms Impact Area (SAIA). From Gate 3 to 10th Street down to Range Road (near ammunition storage area) along Spirit Creek to North Carter Road and along Carter Road to its junction with US Highway #1 at Gordon Lake dam.

b. Entry is prohibited in the area known as the "Artillery Impact Area" by unauthorized personnel. Hunting, fishing, and horseback riding in this area are prohibited at all times. This area is bounded on the north, south, east, and west by a posted firebreak as well as Ivy Road on the north, Brier Creek on the south, and Harlem Road and Boggy Gut Creek on the east.

c. Hunting is prohibited within 100 yards of any lake, pond (excluding beaver ponds), named roadway, or building. An exception to this restriction is duck hunting on certain installation lakes during duck seasons (see Annual Installation Fishing Schedule for lakes open for duck hunting). All duck hunters can contact the on duty game warden for additional duck hunting information. Hunting within 200 feet of any known or marked Red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*) cavity tree is prohibited. Trees are marked with two 5-inch white bands painted on the cavity tree approximately 4 feet from the base.

d. Boardman and Experimental Lakes are located within the Boardman/Maglin Terrace Family Housing Areas and are "RESTRICTED" fishing areas.

e. Hunting and fishing are prohibited in posted "Dud Areas" and in those ranges posted "RESTRICTED" for safety reasons.

f. All vehicles:

(1) No privately owned vehicles, motorcycles, dirt bikes, three or four wheeled all terrain vehicles (ATV), or other motorized off-road vehicles are authorized in any range, in any training

area, or dirt roads except as outlined in paragraph 11 and as indicated in USASC&FG Regulation 350-19.

(2) Are subject to search by game wardens, MP, and other authorized personnel by DES upon entering, occupying, or exiting hunting areas, fishing areas, and training areas if there is probable cause to believe that a violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, DA regulations, USASCOE regulations, State law, or Federal law has occurred.

(3) Located in hunting, fishing, and training areas are subject to an unannounced inspection when the inspection is IAW FM 19-10, chapter 9.

g. No person under 16 years of age will be allowed to hunt without being accompanied by a fully licensed sponsor over the age of 18. Persons 16 years of age and older, with the proper license, will be allowed to hunt, fish and/or ride horses without being accompanied by an adult. Bona fide guests must be accompanied by their sponsor when hunting, fishing, or horseback riding and may hunt, fish, or ride horses only in the same training area or lake/pond as their accompanying sponsor. Sponsors must be 18 years of age, licensed to hunt and fish in the State of Georgia and on the Fort Gordon military installation IAW this regulation. Persons under 12 years of age will be in the immediate presence (within 150 feet) of their licensed sponsor at all times while fishing, horseback riding, and within arm's length while hunting.

h. Construction of any permanent tree stand is prohibited. The use or maintenance of existing permanent tree stands is prohibited. The use of portable and natural tree stands is permitted; however, the installation of spikes, nails, screw in type steps, bolts, etc. into trees is prohibited. Portable stands are limited to three per licensed individual.

i. Target practice in training areas is prohibited. See USASC&FG Regulation 350-19, Ranges & Training Areas for further information. DFMWR, Outdoor Recreation range may be utilized on designated days for this purpose. For further information on this range, contact DFMWR at 791-5078/4406.

j. Camping in hunting areas and around lakes is prohibited. Camping is authorized at the Leitner Lake Recreation Area (contact DFMWR at 791-5078/4406).

k. Open fires in training areas or around lakes are prohibited (exception is that fires are permitted at the Leitner Lake Recreation Area in designated areas).

l. The cutting of live foliage for construction of blinds, or for any reason, is prohibited.

m. The harvest of forest products, to include fire wood, pine straw, fat lighter, etc., without proper permits is prohibited.

6. Personnel authorized to hunt, fish, and horseback ride on Fort Gordon military installation.

a. The Commanding General of the Fort Gordon military installation has extended the privileges to hunt, fish, and horseback ride on the Fort Gordon military installation to those personnel listed in sub-paragraph 6b through 6i of this regulation.

b. The privilege to hunt, fish, and horseback ride is extended to active and retired Armed Forces personnel and their family members as defined in the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR) (Volume I), Appendix A, and their bona fide guests.

c. The privilege to hunt, fish, and horseback ride is extended to all active and retired civilian employees of the Federal Government, and their dependents/family members as defined in Joint Travel Regulations (JTR) (Volume II), Appendix A, and their bona fide guests. Additionally, employees of base support contractors performing contracts with four or more 1-year options on Fort Gordon, whose principal place of duty with the contractor is Fort Gordon, and their family members, as defined in JFTR (Volume I), Appendix A, and their bona fide guests are authorized to hunt, fish and horseback ride on Fort Gordon. A current list of such contractors will be maintained by DPW.

d. The privilege to hunt, fish, and horseback ride is extended to personnel the Commanding General or Garrison Commander may specifically authorize.

e. Personnel authorized to hunt, fish, and horseback ride on the Fort Gordon military installation are limited to sponsoring two bona fide guests at any one time. The sponsor must be fully licensed to hunt, fish, and/or horseback ride on the installation.

f. Members of the Army/Air National Guard and Drilling Reservists (The Selected Reserve and its counterpart in the other Armed Forces) of all Armed Forces and their family members as defined in JFTR (Volume I), Appendix A, and their bona fide guests, are authorized to purchase installation hunting, fishing, and horseback riding permits. Applicants must possess an appropriate military identification card at the time of purchase and present, as proof of National Guard or Selected Reserve status, a Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) dated not more than a year prior to date of purchase.

g. The privilege to hunt, fish, and horseback ride is extended to Purple Heart Recipients and their family members as defined in the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR) (Volume I), Appendix A, and their bona fide guests. Applicants must provide an appropriate DD Form 214.

h. A limited number of hunting, fishing, and horseback riding permits are available to the general public through a public access program. These permits are offered through a random drawing overseen by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. These individuals have the same privileges as those listed in paragraph 6c above. Application procedures are included in the Georgia Seasons and Bag Limits brochure published annually.

i. Those individuals who can provide proof of 100 percent service related disability, as determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Schedule for Rating Disabilities, to the Fort Gordon DPW licensing agent, are eligible to receive a Fort Gordon lifetime honorary hunting and fishing permit.

7. Licenses, permits, and fees.

a. Installation hunting, fishing, and horseback riding permits are valid for 12 months from the date of purchase.

b. All personnel who hunt or fish (including bona fide guests) on the Fort Gordon military installation or Fort Gordon Recreation Area (FGRA) must be properly licensed IAW the State of Georgia, the Federal Government, and this regulation. A Fort Gordon military installation fishing permit is not required at FGRA.

c. To purchase installation hunting and fishing permits, sponsors, family members, and bona fide guests must have in their possession a valid State of Georgia license and a valid Federal license (if required) which must be shown to the DPW licensing agent prior to the purchase of the installation permit(s). All personnel (regardless of age) participating in hunting activities must show proof of completing a National Rifle Association (NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent before purchasing a post permit. Personnel must also verify their eligibility status (ID card) to the licensing agent. Bona fide guests are to be accompanied by their sponsor at the time they purchase their guest permit with the following exception; a guest permit may be sold to a sponsor or family member provided they are in possession of the guest's valid State of Georgia hunting and/or fishing license and the guest's proof of completing a National Rifle Association (NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent. Photocopies of a valid license and proof of completing a National Rifle Association (NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent are acceptable for the purchase of daily guest permit(s) only.

d. Fort Gordon does not issue honorary installation permits for senior citizens (65 years old or older). Fort Gordon will honor all state honorary permits to meet state licensing requirements.

e. Appendix B lists the current installation hunting, fishing, and horseback riding permit fees. Fees may be changed at any time as determined by DPW.

f. All personnel wishing to hunt, fish, and/or horseback ride on Fort Gordon must first view the videotape entitled "Hunting and Fishing Safety on Fort Gordon," which is available at installation learning centers, the Hilltop Riding Stables, or the Sportsman Club Complex. After doing so, the individual (or guardian in the case of a minor child) must sign a statement verifying that he or she has viewed the videotape, and sign a Release and Hold Harmless Agreement. Only after these conditions have been met can a permit be purchased.

8. Hunting areas, legal hunting hours, and days game may be taken.

a. All participants are required to sign in by completing the required line entries on FG Form 9166 (fig 1) prior to commencing a hunt or scout and upon completion of the hunt or scout sign out by completing the remaining required line entries on FG Form 9166. All entries must be legible. The main control access log station will be located at 111th Avenue and 15th Street; however, the Game Warden Office may establish additional control access log stations at which hunters may log into and out of specific training areas. These locations will be publicized through the installation media or posted at the main control access log stations 30 days prior to open season for deer and turkey. Participants are required to read all notices posted at the control access log stations prior to commencing hunting or fishing events.

(1) Prior to commencing a hunt or scout, report to an authorized control access log station for verification of areas open for hunting.

(2) Complete the required line entries to log into specific training areas opened for hunting on FG Form 9166. Separate sign in/out boards will be maintained for big game hunting, small game hunting, archery, small arms impact area (SAIA), fishing, and/or other special events. Hunters may not sign in on multiple sign in boards or control access log stations. Hunters may not hunt for big game and small game at the same time. In the following areas only one area can be logged into for hunting at any one time: Small Arms Impact Area (A, B, C or D), Training Area 49 (A or B) and Training Area 48; however for all other training areas only two adjacent areas can be logged into for hunting big game, coyote and feral hogs at any one time. Hunters may log into five adjacent areas when scouting or hunting for small game such as raccoon, rabbit, squirrel, quail, and duck.

(3) Upon completion of the hunt or scout, participants are to directly return to the control access log station where they logged into the area(s) and complete the log out entries (sign out) on FG Form 9166 no later than one and one half (1.5) hours after official sunset. In the event you are trailing a wounded deer or turkey at the end of the legal hunting hour, you must abandon the trail and contact the Game Warden Office, DES for instructions.

(4) Small game species such as coyote, raccoons, opossums, foxes and bobcats may be hunted at night. For these species, hunters may only use lights that conform to the State of Georgia Hunting regulation. Small game hunters hunting at night will complete the required line entries (sign-in) on FG Form 9166 no earlier than two (2) hours before sunset and complete the log out entries (sign-out) on FG Form 9166 no later than official sunrise. In the event you are trailing any wounded small game, you must abandon the trail and contact the Game Warden Office for instructions.

b. Hunters are not authorized to sign in to hunt on Fort Gordon earlier than 2 hours before sunrise.

c. Training or hunting areas not specifically opened may not be entered.

d. During open seasons, hunting is permitted 7 days a week in areas open for hunting.

e. Hunting is authorized in certain sections of Training Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 and is restricted to archery and crossbows equipment only (firearms are prohibited). Maps for these areas will be posted at all control access log stations. Shotguns, muzzle loaders, crossbows, and archery equipment may be used for hunting in Training Areas 17 through 49 and the SAIA. Specific areas in cooperation with DES, DPTMS, and DFMWR may be authorized by DPW as special use areas. These areas may be set aside for special events or activities for physically impaired, Wounded Warriors, or handicapped individuals.

f. All Fort Gordon Training Areas will be closed to all hunting, fishing, and horseback riding activities on Christmas day. Areas will be open to these activities on all other holidays.

g. Sportsman wishing to enter the small arms impact area (SAIA) must attend a safety briefing and receive a safety card to be carried on the individual at all times while hunting in the SAIA. Briefings will be conducted by the game wardens at the Game Warden Office. The

SAIA has been designated as a quality deer management area. Bucks harvested must have at least four points on one side. Does may be harvested according to the Fort Gordon regulation.

h. Sportsman hunting big game (deer or turkey) may only hunt big game and are prohibited from hunting small game. Coyotes and feral hogs may be taken during big game and small game seasons.

9. Legal firearms. Rifles and handguns are not permitted when hunting on the installation. During the firearms season, muzzle-loaders are permitted. Shotguns, muzzle-loaders, and bow/archery equipment must conform to the State of Georgia laws. Riflescopes are permitted on muzzle-loaders and shotguns to the extent allowed by the hunting laws of the State of Georgia and are in full compliance with those laws. Shotguns must be at least 20 gauges to hunt big game (deer or turkey) and ammunition is limited to slugs when hunting deer. The use of buckshot for hunting is prohibited on the installation. The use of .410 gauge shotguns is limited to small game hunting only.

10. Hunting with and training dogs.

a. The use of dogs when hunting deer is prohibited.

b. Personnel desiring to train hunting dogs (other than deer/bear dogs) may do so IAW the State of Georgia laws. Personnel training dogs will log into and out of hunting areas as established in paragraph 8 of this regulation. Training of dogs will be conducted in Training Areas 23 and 28 only (for waterfowl training see on duty game warden). Training dogs for profit is prohibited. Live rounds will not be in the possession of any person training dogs, however, blank ammunition may be used. Personnel desiring to train hunting dogs on Fort Gordon military installation must have in their possession a valid Fort Gordon hunting permit. Release of pen-raised birds is prohibited except during special events hosted by DFMWR and approved by DPW.

c. The use of hunting dogs for small game is permitted. Dogs will not be dismounted to hunt until the transporting vehicle is parked.

11. Use of privately owned vehicles (POVs) when hunting or fishing.

a. POVs will not traverse cross-country, through reforested areas, or planted wildlife openings. At no time are POVs allowed to operate/ride off established roads or firebreaks.

b. When hunting, POVs must park in one of the training areas the hunter is signed in for.

c. POVs are not allowed to operate on roads or firebreaks that have been marked closed.

d. Blocking firebreaks or roads to traffic is prohibited. Parallel parking is permitted along firebreaks.

e. When transported in a POV, weapons will be in some form of case or container, secured in the trunk for a car, and rear compartment for Sport Utility Vehicles (SUVs). If transporting in a pickup truck, firearms may be transported behind the seat or in a locked toolbox

secured to the bed of the truck. The weapon will remain in the secured case until the hunter arrives at the hunting area that he/she is signed out for. A secure case is defined as a commercial case with a security device such as a zipper or lock. Sock type cases are not allowed. Upon arriving at the hunting area, the hunter may remove the firearm from the secured case for the purpose of hunting. Upon completion of the hunt the unloaded firearm will be placed back into the secured case before departing the area and the ammunition will remain separate from the weapon. At no time will the firearm be out of the case while being transported in a POV. Transporting a loaded firearm in or on any type of POV or authorized all terrain vehicle (ATV) is prohibited on the installation.

f. When hunting with a muzzle-loading rifle, the firing cap will be removed prior to transporting the rifle from one hunting area to another. If a misfire occurs, please consult the manufacture's handbook for unloading procedures.

g. Personnel using a POV for transportation to hunting and fishing areas are required to register their vehicle IAW the requirements of USASC&FG Regulation 210-3 before access into hunting and/or fishing areas is permitted.

h. POV parking is prohibited on dams. POVs may be parked parallel to access roads and firebreaks adjacent to fishing lakes, provided they do not block traffic. POVs will not block access to any boat launching areas. These areas are either prepared areas or any areas where a boat can be safely off-loaded from a boat trailer into a lake or pond where use of a boat is permitted.

i. The use of ATVs on the installation is prohibited without written consent from the DES. Requests can be submitted to the Game Wardens at Building 520 and they will forward the request to the Provost Marshall for approval. Personnel operating ATVs must conform to all safety equipment requirements (helmets, gloves, etc.) as outlined in Fort Gordon regulations covering motorcycle safety.

12. Installation hunting regulations.

a. The State of Georgia hunting regulations and statutes will apply on Fort Gordon.

b. All personnel hunting, those accompanying hunters, or individuals entering training areas during firearms deer season (whether hunting, hiking, scouting, horseback riding, etc.) must wear outer garments totaling at least 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange at all times while within a hunting area. This clothing must be worn above the waistline (and may include a head covering) while in the hunting areas. Personnel hunting ducks during big game season must wear garments in transit to and from duck blinds. Fluorescent orange outer garments may be removed while in the duck blind. Fluorescent orange outer garments are not required but are recommended in archery/crossbow hunting areas (Training Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16). Caution should be exercised by duck hunters and by bow hunters during the Firearm season.

c. Personnel knowledgeable of an accidental kill of any deer or wild turkey on the installation will file a report with a game warden or the MP desk sergeant.

d. Littering is prohibited. The offender will be cited to appear before the U.S. Magistrate. (See paragraph 4d.)

e. Guiding/escorting hunts for profit is prohibited on Fort Gordon military installation.

f. Preseason scouting of hunting areas is authorized prior to the opening of hunting seasons. Preseason scouting is prohibited in areas posted "OFF LIMITS" or closed for training requirements. All personnel must sign in/out for preseason scouting prior to entering the Fort Gordon training areas. Personnel scouting will comply with sign in/out procedures outlined in Paragraph 8.

g. Carrying of firearms or bow/archery equipment into hunting areas or training areas during closed season is prohibited. For further requirements, see USASC&FG Regulation 210-13 available at the Game Warden Office.

h. Discharging a firearm or bow from or across a roadway, other than a firebreak, is prohibited. This includes all asphalt-surfaced roadways and named earth (dirt) surfaced roads.

i. To drive a POV over or through a closed gate, cable, sign, earth berm, or other structure or device intended to prevent access to an area or roadway is prohibited.

j. Installation Natural Resources Branch personnel are permitted to count, examine, measure, weigh, and collect tissues samples from all wild game taken by personnel actively engaged in or completing a hunt on the installation.

k. All temporary deer stands must be removed from the hunting areas within 30 days of the end of the deer hunting season, and may not be placed more than 30 days prior to the beginning of the deer archery season. Any stand not so removed will be deemed abandoned property and will be disposed of IAW Defense Disposal Manual procedures. The U.S Government or Fort Gordon will not be responsible for the theft of or the damage to tree stands or blinds (ladder, climbing, etc.). It is the hunter's responsibility to fireproof their stands so they are not damaged during wild and/or prescribed fires.

l. Construction of permanent blinds in any food plot area is prohibited. The cutting of live foliage to construct blinds, or for any reason, is prohibited. Blinds, if built, will be constructed of biodegradable materials (examples are cotton string, jute, hemp) in locations that do not interfere with the maintenance of food plots. All blinds constructed will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.

m. All sportsmen who harvest big game (deer or turkey) will take their harvest to the control access log station for weigh in and must complete a FG Form 9168 (Hunting Control Register), figure 2. The FG Form 9168 will be placed in the collection box at the access log station.

n. All hunters must have in their possession a valid State of Georgia license, a valid Federal license (if required), a Fort Gordon permit, and proof of completing a National Rifle Association

(NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent while hunting on Fort Gordon.

13. Alcohol and drugs. Hunters will not be intoxicated, possess alcohol on their person, or consume alcoholic beverages while hunting. Hunters will not be under the influence of illegal drugs or possess them while hunting. Hunters will not be under the influence of prescription drugs that do not allow the operation of a motor vehicle.

14. Installation hunting seasons. Installation hunting seasons, type of hunting permitted, bag limits, and the dates of open seasons will be updated and published annually by DPW.

15. Installation fishing regulations.

a. A State of Georgia fishing license and installation fishing permit are required to utilize installation lake facilities.

b. All participants are required to complete the required line entries (sign in) on FG Form 9166 (fig 1), prior to commencing fishing activities and upon completion (sign out) of the fishing activities. Participants may only sign in for one zone at a time (zone A, B, or C). See sign in boards at control access log stations for zone description and a list of lakes included in each. Only lakes that are open to fishing within the specific zone can be fished. Sportsmen fishing in streams and/or beaver ponds must sign in to the open training area where the stream or beaver pond is located. Only two adjacent training areas can be logged into for fishing at any one time while fishing in streams or beaver ponds. All entries must be legible. The control access log stations will normally be located at 15th Street and 111th Street, however, the Game Warden Office in cooperation with DPW may establish additional control access log stations at which participants may sign in and out for fishing. Upon completion of the fishing activities, participants are to directly return to the control access log station where they logged into the zone/area(s) and complete the log out entries on the Control Access Log.

<u>Zone A</u>		<u>Zone B</u>		<u>Zone C</u>	
Gordon	Mirror	Big Beaver	Fettig	Leitner	Lower Leitner
Wilkerson	Soil Erosion	Little Beaver	Howard	Union Mill	Rainbow
		Big Smoak	Upper Leitner	Rachel I	II III IV
		Little Smoak	Clay Pit I II III		
		Whittimore	Upper Whittimore		

c. Fishing in lakes and ponds listed in annual Installation Fishing Schedule as sport fishing, and in all streams, require an installation fishing permit to be obtained before fishing is permitted. Annual Installation Fishing Schedule lists the lakes available for fishing. Lakes not listed are restricted or closed for fishing.

d. Lakes, ponds, and streams on the installation are subject to be periodically closed for maintenance or management reasons as determined by the DPW.

e. All lakes, ponds, and streams that are open, may be fished 24 hours a day. All training areas are subject to close during the night. Sportsmen fishing in streams and/or beaver ponds in

training areas at night must sign-out before official sunrise. Sportsmen may return (sign in) into training area if open.

f. Guiding/escorting fishing trips for profit on Fort Gordon military installation is prohibited.

g. It is prohibited for any person to take in one consecutive 24 hour period more than 50 total fish. See annual Installation Fishing Schedule for specific creel limits and minimum length limits. Creel limits may be changed at any time as determined by the DPW.

h. Fishermen are required to read the Installation Fishing Schedule published annually by DPW for specific creel limits and any changes.

i. Creel limits when fishing at FGRA are established by the State of Georgia and the reciprocal agreement with the State of South Carolina.

j. Littering is prohibited. The offender will be cited to appear before the U.S. Magistrate. (See paragraph 4d.)

k. On lakes where boats are permitted, only electric motors may be used. (See Installation Fishing Schedule for lakes where the use of boats is permitted.) All boats must be registered in their state of primary use and must comply with U.S. Coast Guard regulations. See Georgia Safe Boating Guide for all information pertaining to boating.

l. All boats used on the installation waters (streams, ponds, or lakes) will be equipped with personal flotation devices (PFD) and other safety equipment as required by Georgia State Boating Laws. US Coast Guard approved vest-type PFD must be readily accessible to all occupants and appropriate size. Children under 10 years of age and all non-swimmers must wear a US Coast Guard approved vest-type PFD at all times while in the boat.

m. Installation Natural Resources Branch personnel are permitted to count, examine, measure, weigh and collect tissue samples from the catch of all personnel actively engaged in fishing on the installation.

n. The use of trotlines, minnow seines, gill nets, brush hooks, and the practice known as jug fishing is prohibited unless written permission is obtained from DPW. Call 706-791-2397/6135 for further instructions.

o. Frog gigging is permitted in lakes, except during the period from 1 April through 15 June.

p. Fishing is permitted from dams on all lakes, unless signs are posted limiting fishing to designated areas only, or at prepared fishing areas on the dam. Fish feeding piers and aprons (walkways) to stand pipes are "OFF LIMITS" on all lakes.

q. Fishing with any gear other than pole and line is prohibited. No person may fish with more than two poles and lines.

r. The Installation Fishing Schedule lists the lakes in which live minnows may be used for bait. Bass and other game fish will not be used as bait. Live species of the sunfish family may be used as bait in all lakes provided they were taken from lakes, ponds, or streams on the installation.

s. Taking or attempting to take white amur (grass carp) from waters of Fort Gordon is prohibited. Any fish of this species caught without written permission from ED, DPW will immediately be returned to the water, unharmed.

t. Alcohol and drugs. It is unlawful to operate a boat while intoxicated or consume alcoholic beverages while operating a boat. It is also unlawful for the owner of a boat to allow anyone else to operate their boat while that person is under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Operating a boat while under the influence of prescription drugs that does not allow the operation of a motor vehicle is also a violation.

16. Violations of fish and wildlife laws, rules, and regulations.

a. Personnel who violate the Federal Hunting and Fishing regulations, the State of Georgia Hunting and Fishing regulations, or the provisions of this regulation may be cited for the violation and may have their privilege withdrawn for a specific time (suspended) or withdrawn permanently (revoked). Personnel, who are obligated to surrender their installation permit, will relinquish their permits to the law enforcement official issuing the citation. All privileges pertaining to hunting, fishing, and horseback riding on the installation are withdrawn from the individual at this time.

b. If privileges are withdrawn, the suspension period begin on the day the citation is issued. Suspension periods for two violations are to run concurrently if the citations were written on the same day. Personnel who have committed three violations on the same day will have their privilege revoked. Personnel hunting, fishing, and/or horseback riding during a suspension period will have their privilege revoked.

c. Personnel who commit any three violations within a three consecutive year period will lose their privilege to hunt, fish, and/or ride horses on the installation for one year (privilege is suspended).

d. Sponsors of bona fide guests who commit a violation will lose their privilege an equal amount of time as their guest.

e. The Game Warden Office will hold installation hunting and fishing permits that have been surrendered and will return the permits to the individuals at the end of the suspension period or upon reinstatement. The individual will request their permit(s) be returned to them in person, should they desire to continue to hunt and fish on the installation, at the end of the suspension period at the Game Warden Office.

f. The Game Warden Office, will provide, and update as required, a listing of those personnel who are under suspension or have had their installation hunting and/or fishing privilege revoked to DPW licensing agents and DPW.

g. The Game Warden Office, will maintain permanent files listing the name, type of offense, and the "from/through" dates of suspensions, or the effective date the privilege was revoked.

h. The privilege to hunt, fish, and ride horses on the installation will be immediately restored and the hunting, fishing, and/or horseback riding permit(s) returned, should the individual be found innocent of the violation as recorded on the citation after the court case has been adjudicated by the US Magistrate. The individual must show proof of an innocent finding or ruling for return of the permit(s) (reinstatement).

i. Personnel who have had their privilege to hunt, fish, and horseback ride on the installation suspended or revoked may request reinstatement of their privileges. Requests from active duty military shall be submitted, in writing, through their chain of command to the Garrison Commander. Retired military, government employees, civilians, contractor personnel, and family members shall submit their requests, in writing, through the DES to the Garrison Commander. If the request for reinstatement of privileges is denied, reinstatement may be requested again every two years thereafter. Personnel whose privilege is reinstated by the Garrison Commander will present the letter they receive reinstating the privilege to the Game Warden Office.

j. The Game Warden Office will provide a letter to the DPW licensing agents for each person who has had his/her privilege reinstated granting permission to sell installation permits to the individual.

k. Appendix C and Appendix D list hunting, fishing, trapping, horseback riding and other provisions of this regulation for which user privileges are suspended or revoked.

17. Trapping regulations. Trapping on Fort Gordon military installation is prohibited. Game Wardens, installation Natural Resources Branch personnel, and other authorized personnel may trap for predator control and public health purposes only when authorized by DPW. Authorization to trap must be approved on a case-by-case basis. Requests are to be forwarded to DPW, ATTN: ED. DES personnel will trap dogs and other domestic animals, as required, without DPW approval.

18. Endangered and threatened species. In accordance with AR 200-1, it is unlawful for any person subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. to harass, harm, or capture any endangered species within the U.S.

19. Cultural resources. In accordance with AR 200-1, it is unlawful to disturb archaeological sites or remove artifacts from Fort Gordon.

20. Artillery firing. During artillery firing, convoy live fire exercises, and other large-scale training, Range Control will designate areas that will be "OFF LIMITS" for hunting or fishing.

READ PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT BELOW BEFORE PROVIDING REQUESTED INFORMATION				
NAME (Last, First, MI)		FG HUNTING PERMIT #		
		FG BIG GAME PERMIT #		
ORGANIZATION OR HOME ADDRESS		GEORGIA BIG GAME TAG #		
HOME PHONE #		KILL DATE		
SPONSOR'S NAME (Last, First, MI)		SPONSOR'S FG HUNTING PERMIT #		
GAME TAKEN (Circle One)		WEIGHT LIVE		
BUCK DOE TURKEY		DRESSED		
# POINTS	BEARD LENGTH	SPUR LENGTH	TIME	KILL AREA
DATA REQUIRED BY THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974				
AUTHORITY: Title 5, United States Code, Section 301. PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To gather data on Fort Gordon big game populations and hunting success on Fort Gordon.				
ROUTINE USE: For administrative and statistical purposes. Personal data will be used in the event of an emergency. DISCLOSURE: Disclosure of home telephone number and home address is voluntary; however, failure to provide this data could result in person(s) being denied hunting privileges.				
FG FORM 9168 1 FEB 01		(EDITION OF 1 MAR 91 IS OBSOLETE.)		HUNTING CONTROL REGISTER (Proponent: DPW)

Figure 2. Sample of FG Form 9168 (Hunting Control Register)

APPENDIX A**INSTALLATION HORSEBACK RIDING POLICY**

1. Purpose. This appendix covers horseback riding procedures outside the riding stable activities. For Hilltop Riding Stable activities see the Installation Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund (IMWRF) standing operating procedures (SOP).

2. Responsibilities.

a. Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR) will be responsible for providing maps, regulations, coordination, planning, organization, supervision and the sale of riding permits.

b. Directorate of Public Works and Logistics (DPW) will be responsible for the development and timely maintenance of the authorized parking areas.

c. Directorate of Emergency Services (DES). See paragraph 4d of this regulation.

d. Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS). See paragraph 4c of this regulation.

3. Restrictions.

a. All horseback riding will be IAW federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to equine, and USASCOE Regulation 420-5. All riders are required to sign in by completing the required entries on FG Form 9166 (fig 1), prior to commencing a ride and upon completion of the ride sign out by completing the remaining entries on FG Form 9166. The control access log station is located at the intersection of 15th street and 111th street. Horseback riders are not authorized to sign in to ride on Fort Gordon earlier than before official sunrise. All participants are to directly return to the control access log station where they logged into the area(s) and complete the log out line (sign out) on FG Form 9166 no later than official sunset.

b. Horseback riding is only permitted in authorized riding areas. Maps of the authorized areas will be posted at the control access log station and the Post Riding Stables.

c. Persons riding horses may only park their vehicles/trailers to load and unload horses in the designated parking area.

d. Horseback riders are required to clean up the parking and holding area before leaving area (to include horse manure).

e. Riders will unload their horses at the designated parking area then proceed into the riding area. Riders will at all times remain on established roads and firebreaks and will not traverse cross-country, or through reforested areas.

f. All children under 18 years must wear a helmet while riding horses.

g. No privately owned horses are authorized on any training area not designated for horseback riding. DFMWR may sponsor special horseback riding events.

APPENDIX A (CONTINUE)

h. Alcohol and drugs. Horseback riders will not be intoxicated, possess alcohol on their person, or consume alcoholic beverages while riding. Horseback riders will not be under the influence of illegal drugs or possess them while riding. Horseback riders will not be under the influence of prescription drugs that do not allow the operation of a motor vehicle.

4. Personnel authorized to horseback ride. See paragraph 6 of this regulation.

5. Permits. All horseback riders are required to report to the Post Riding Stables to purchase a riding permit, obtain a copy of this regulation, and a map of the authorized riding areas before they bring horses onto the installation.

APPENDIX B**SCHEDULE OF INSTALLATION HUNTING, FISHING, AND HORSEBACK RIDING PERMIT FEES**

	TOTAL COST
1. COMBINATION HUNTING AND FISHING PERMIT:	\$25.00
With Big Game Permit	\$45.00
2. HUNTING PERMIT:	\$15.00
With Big Game Permit	\$35.00
3. FISHING PERMIT:	\$15.00
4. HORSEBACK RIDING PERMIT:	\$25.00
5. GUEST PERMITS:	
a. Daily Hunting (Valid for small and big game)	\$10.00
b. Daily Fishing (Valid for all lakes)	\$5.00
c. 7-Day Hunting	\$50.00
d. 7-Day Fishing	\$25.00
e. Daily horseback riding	\$10.00
6. One hundred percent service related disability hunting or fishing permit. (See paragraph 6i for specific requirements.)	NO CHARGE

NOTE: Installation hunting, fishing, and horseback riding permit fees are included in this regulation for information purposes only and is subject to change without notice.

APPENDIX C

VIOLATIONS OR OFFENSES FOR WHICH PRIVILEGES ARE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED

<u>VIOLATION OR OFFENSE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM PENALTIES</u>	
	<u>1st Offense</u>	<u>2nd Offense</u>
1. Failure to complete required blocks on FG Form 9166	15 days	3 months
2. Hunting within 100 yards of any lake, named road or building	1 month	6 months
3. Allowing guest to hunt/ride horses in different training area than sponsor	3 month	6 months
4. Allowing child less than 16 years to hunt beyond direct supervision	3 month	6 months
5. Failure to sign in (FG Form 9166) before hunting/fishing or horseback riding	6 months	REVOKE
6. Entering false information on FG Form 9166	6 months	REVOKE
7. Making illegible entries on FG Form 9166	15 days	3 months
8. Failure to sign out on FG Form 9166 after hunting/riding or fishing	3 months	6 months
9. Hunting/fishing or horseback riding in a closed area	6 month	REVOKE
10. Operating a POV off firebreaks, cross-country, or through reforested areas/planted openings	1 month	3 months
11. Parking or blocking a firebreak to traffic with a POV	1 month	3 months
12. Transporting a muzzle-loader with percussion cap on nipple	6 months	REVOKE
13. Not wearing required amount of fluorescent orange	1 month	3 months
14. Littering Fort Gordon training areas or roadways	1 month	3 months
15. Discharging a firearm or bow across a named road	6 months	REVOKE

APPENDIX C (CONTINUED)

<u>VIOLATION OR OFFENSE</u>	<u>MINIMUM PENALTIES</u>	
	<u>1st Offense</u>	<u>2d Offense</u>
16. Using electronic communication equipment to aid in the pursuit of game (however electronic calls may be used for hunting coyotes and crows).	3 months	6 months
17. Transporting a loaded weapon in or on a motorized vehicle	6 months	REVOKE
18. Hunting/fishing or horseback riding in an area not signed out for.	6 month	REVOKE
19. Hunting small game or migratory game birds with an unplugged shotgun (3 shells total in weapon).	1 months	3 months
20. Exceeding bag or creel limit.	3 months	6 months
21. Target practicing, zeroing of a firearm, or plinking on the installation in other than designated areas.	3 months	6 months
22. Hunting, fishing, or horseback riding without proper license or permit.	3 months	6 months
23. Taking any game animal out of season.	6 months	REVOKE
24. Sign in (FG Form 9166) on multiple sign in boards or Control Access Stations.	1 month	6 month
25. Hunting without proof of completing a National Rifle Association (NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent.	1 months	3 months
26. Failure to complete and register deer or turkey on Hunting Control Register card (FG Form 9168).	6 months	REVOKE
27. Violation of any regulation of State of Georgia or Federal regulations not set forth specifically herein.	1 month	3 months

Personnel who commit any three violations within a three consecutive year period will lose their privilege to hunt, fish, and/or ride horses on the installation for one year (privilege is suspended).

APPENDIX D**VIOLATIONS OR OFFENSES FOR WHICH PRIVILEGES ARE PERMANENTLY REVOKED**

The following offenses require mandatory revocation of post privileges. (All revocations are on a permanent basis)

1. Hunting or horseback riding in unauthorized areas of the installation cantonment area.
2. Hunting, fishing, or horseback riding in the Artillery Impact Area.
3. Failure to consent to inspection of POV by MPs/Game Warden Police Officers in training areas.
4. Hunting, boating, or horseback riding while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
5. Hunting, fishing, or horseback riding in a posted dud or restricted area.
6. Firing a weapon from a motorized vehicle unless authorized by special use permit.
7. Loan or transfer of hunting, fishing, or horseback riding permit to another.
10. Unauthorized trapping (see paragraph 17).
11. Hunting on the installation with any illegal firearm and/or ammunition.
12. Entering designated impact areas, ranges, or dud areas.
13. Baiting or salting any hunting area during hunting season.
14. Taking deer while deer is in a lake, pond, or stream.
15. Taking or attempting to take any protected wildlife species.
16. Hunting at night (except as permitted).
17. Operating a gasoline or diesel motor on a boat on installation waters.
18. Hunting in a designated bow area in possession of a firearm.
19. Hunting without completing a National Rifle Association (NRA) hunter safety course or equivalent.
20. Hunting, fishing, or horseback riding while privileges are suspended.

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