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FORT KNOX HUNTING AND FISHING REGULATION AND PROCEDURES

Summary. This regulation establishes the policy for hunting, fishing, and other recreational use of the Fort Knox Military Reservation.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all persons residing/employed on or visiting Fort Knox.

Suggested improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Users are invited to send suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) directly to Directorate of Public Works (IMSE-KNX-PWEN), 125 6th Avenue, Suite 320, Fort Knox, KY 40121-5719.

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CHAPTER 1 OVERVIEW

1-1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE.

a. To announce policies, hunting and fishing regulations, and outline responsibilities and procedures relative to hunting and fishing activities on the Fort Knox Military Reservation. Specific season dates, bag limits, creel limits, and other pertinent information are published annually in the Fort Knox Archery and Gun Deer Hunting Guidelines, Spring Turkey Hunting Guidelines, Small Game Hunting Guidelines, and Fishing Guidelines. These guidelines are issued with the appropriate permits. Violations and administrative suspension of rules contained in this regulation and in the annual hunting and fishing guidelines are outlined in Appendix A.

b. The primary mission of this installation is to conduct military training and other related military activities requiring the use of the land. Outdoor recreation and harvest of fish and wildlife resources will be permitted subject to the availability of areas as determined by the installation training mission requirements. However, hunting may be given priority for use of the training complex during the Gun Deer Season and Easter weekend for Spring Turkey Season.

c. The Fort Knox Military Reservation is divided into 116 hunting areas. Of these areas, all or parts of 77 areas are available for recreational hunting. The remainder is off limits for all recreational activities due to unexploded munitions. Controlled hunting within specified areas may be conducted with coordination and approval from the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS), Range Branch (i.e. Yano, Cedar Creek, and Wilcox Ranges). Hunters signing up for these areas for the archery or extended gun deer seasons will be given direction at the time of sign-up regarding access points or gate access and/or other requirements. The hunting areas are clearly displayed on a Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing map, copies of which are available for purchase at the Hunt Control Office, Bldg No. 112, Eleventh Avenue and Binter Street. All hunters are required to have a copy of this map in their possession while hunting.

d. Regulations pertaining to hunting and fishing on the Fort Knox Military Reservation, to include hunting seasons and bag limits published in the appropriate hunting and fishing guidelines, are in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the provisions of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Nothing in this regulation will be interpreted to permit acts contrary to either State or Federal statutes. Exceptions are listed below:

- (1) Deer harvested at Fort Knox do not count against the Kentucky state bag limit.
- (2) Turkeys harvested at Fort Knox do not count against the Kentucky state bag limit.

e. All entries into hunting areas will be coordinated by the Hunt Control Office (area guide during annual gun deer hunt). No entries will be permitted without proper clearance.

1-2. DEFINITIONS. The definitions for terms listed below are for the purpose of clarity as used herein and not necessarily applicable elsewhere.

a. Hunting. To take or attempt to take in any manner, whether or not the hunter has game in possession.

b. Take. Includes pursue, shoot, hunt, wound, catch, kill, trap, snare, or capture wildlife in any way and any lesser act designed to lure, attract or entice for these purposes; and to place, set, aim or use any device, animal, substance or agency which may reasonably be expected to accomplish these acts; or to attempt to do such acts or to assist any other person in the doing of or the attempt of such acts.

c. Military hunter. Any active duty/retired military, members of Reserve Components, Department of the Army Civilian Federal employees employed at or retired from Fort Knox, and their Family members. Military hunters are further defined as:

(1) Tier 1 – Fort Knox active duty military and members of Reserve Components on active duty and their Family members.

(2) Tier 2 – Disabled American Veterans with >50% service-connected disability as designated by the Veterans Administration (VA) and their Family members.

(3) Tier 3 – Military retirees, members of Reserve Components, Department of the Army Civilian Federal employees employed at or retired from Fort Knox and their Family members.

(4) Tier 4 – Nonmilitary hunter (members of the general public) authorized by the commander to enter the installation for the purpose of hunting game birds and animals.

d. A Family member as referred to in para 1-2c above is defined as:

(1) Spouse of a military hunter.

(2) The dependent parents of a military hunter as defined by Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations (dependency tests proof must be furnished).

(3) A military hunter's child who is natural or adopted, single, and under 21 years of age. An exception exists when the children are over 21 and under 23 years of age, depend on the sponsor for over half of their support, and are enrolled in an approved full-time course of education above high school level.

e. Post hunting, fishing, and combination permits. The documents issued for a fee, granting permission to hunt and/or fish on this installation.

f. Recreational Area Assignment Sheet (IMSE-KNX-PW Form 2973). The document issued to eligible personnel as their authorization to hunt, fish, or engage in other recreational activities in an assigned area on this reservation. The document is valid only for a specific time and date. This document will be hereafter referred to as Form 2973.

g. Cantonment area. The cantonment area is defined as the area inside the heavy black lines and labeled cantonment area on the Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map.

h. Hunt Control Office. The office operated by the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) which serves as the planning and supervisory agency for the recreational aspects of the Fort Knox hunting and fishing programs.

i. Range. Those portions of the Fort Knox training and impact area that contain fixed installations, to include: buildings, shelters, towers, firing lines/positions, downrange course and service roads, and target devices/positions which compose a range training site.

j. Impact area. The portion of the Fort Knox reservation which has been used for the firing of explosive and non-explosive ordnance. All impact areas are extremely hazardous to personnel due to surface and subsurface contamination of unstable high explosive and white phosphorous munitions (duds). The impact area is OFF-LIMITS to all hunters.

1-3. CONSERVATION COUNCIL AND HUNTING COMMITTEE.

a. The mission of the Conservation Council is to conserve Fort Knox's natural resources and improve various programs including hunting and fishing. The council provides a means of representing the concerns and interests of all sportsmen authorized to participate in these activities on Fort Knox. The council will serve as a method of information exchange regarding the hunting and fishing program and recommend improvements to the Garrison Commander.

b. The Conservation Council will be chaired by the Garrison Commander, or his designated representative. Each major installation organization may designate a person to attend the meeting. Attendees may also include individual non-installation stakeholders representing sportsmen eligible to participate in hunting and fishing activities on Fort Knox. Installation and non-installation stakeholders must have a valid Fort Knox hunting and/or fishing license for the current season or from the immediate prior season. The council will make recommendations to the Garrison Commander.

c. The Conservation Council will act as a means of communication among stakeholders of natural resources on the installation. The council will neither have the authority to obligate funds, either appropriated or non-appropriated, nor the authority to implement any changes in existing regulations, practices, or policies without prior approval of the Garrison Commander or the Senior Mission Commander.

d. The council will meet in January and June of each year. The agenda, date, time, and location will be published via electronic mail (e-mail) and/or postal service no later than 10 working days prior to a scheduled meeting. Minutes of the meeting will be provided to all council members via e-mail or postal service no later than 15 working days after the meeting.

e. The Hunting Committee will be chaired by a president and vice president. The president and vice president will be appointed by the Garrison Commander and approved by the Senior Mission Commander. The president and vice president will normally be Fort Knox senior active duty military and will provide recommendations to the Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) to ensure that the hunting issues of active duty military are addressed. The Installation Wildlife biologist will advise the committee on their recommended changes to the hunting program. The Garrison Commander will review the recommendations, determine a course of action or raise the issues to the Senior Mission Commander.

1-4. HUNT CONTROL OFFICE RESPONSIBILITIES. The DPW Natural Resources Branch, Hunt Control Office, has the administrative and operational responsibilities and serves as officer-in-charge of hunting activities conducted in the Fort Knox training complex and is responsible for the following:

a. Coordinating and administratively conducting all hunts, to include: application procedures, selection process, area assignments and clearances, prepare and distribute hunter packets.

b. Selling of Kentucky State Hunting and Fishing Licenses, Tags, Stamps, and Permits, in conjunction with Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Permits.

c. Controlling recreational use of all hunting areas as released for such use by DPTMS Range Branch. Hunting areas released for recreational use will be posted to the Hunt Control website by COB Monday for the following Wednesday thru Monday. These areas are subject to change based on training schedules and harvest results. Areas that have attained sequential deer harvest quotas will be posted as such and will be released for small game as determined by the Natural Resources Branch, but may be released for deer hunting at a later date. Areas released for recreational use after the weekly release from Range Branch, i.e., units cancelling training or completing mission early, will be posted to the board as received. Area assignments for these areas will be conducted for Tier 1 and 2 during the first hour, Tier 3 the next hour, and Tier 4 beginning two hours after posting.

d. Selecting and briefing hunting area guide teams for the quota gun deer hunt.

e. Providing area guide teams with quota gun deer hunt rosters.

f. Disseminating current hunting and fishing information provided by State and local sources.

- g. Initiating lost/unclear hunter reports to the Game Wardens, Military Police Operations (MPO), Directorate of Emergency Services (DES)/HQs, Law Enforcement Command (LEC) and the DPTMS Range Branch.
- h. Recommending administrative suspension of hunting and fishing privileges.
- i. Notifying DPTMS Range Branch immediately of the following:
 - (1) Any injury producing accident or incident.
 - (2) Any unaccounted for personnel assigned to or thought to be on any range, training area, or impact area.
 - (3) Termination of activities and ensuring all participants are clear of the activity areas.
 - (4) Any incident or problem which could jeopardize safety of military or civilian personnel, damage government property, or hinder/delay training activities.
- j. During the quota gun deer hunt, provide DPTMS Range Branch daily reports identifying the numbers of hunters supported and deer taken (buck and doe).
- k. Implementing and executing AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007.
- l. Ensuring that hunters are provided appropriate information on safety, limits of authorized area of use, dud munitions, and pyrotechnic threat.
- m. Submitting a deer hunt after-action report to the Garrison Commander after the season.
- n. Establishing and operating the check stations located in Bldg No. 7305 and Mount Eden North.

1-5. MILITARY POLICE OPERATIONS RESPONSIBILITIES. The Military Police Operations (MPO), Game Warden Section is responsible for the below:

- a. The Military Police are responsible for the patrolling and enforcement of all post hunting and fishing regulations, and Federal and Kentucky state laws.
- b. Forwarding a roster of the MPO Volunteer Game Wardens available to assist Hunt Control during the deer hunt. The roster must be submitted to Hunt Control NLT 15 August of each year. Military Police will be available to respond to incidents that would require a police presence.
- c. Ensuring that Military Police are available to manage designated checkpoints within 6 zones. The MPO will provide radio communication at all checkpoints.

- d. Ensuring that Military Police personnel enforce this regulation.
- e. Ensuring that the MPO Volunteer Game Wardens notify Military Police of all suspected violations of hunting and safety regulations for appropriate enforcement action.
- f. Submitting a deer hunt after-action report to the Hunt Control Office after the season.
- g. Establishing, maintaining, and monitoring checkpoints within their respective zones.

1-6. RANGE BRANCH RESPONSIBILITIES. The DPTMS Range Branch is responsible for the release or withdrawal of those hunting areas available for recreational use. The DPTMS is also the responsible agency for control of all the ranges and training areas. All personnel in the training areas will adhere to all post regulations, instructions, and/or restrictions issued by Range Branch in addition to those issued by Hunt Control. These areas are to be released in written or e-mail format to Hunt Control by Range Branch. All area withdrawals will be made 48 hours in advance, when possible. The Range Branch also will provide range phone switchboard service during designated quota gun deer hunt weekends within available resources.

1-7. HUNTER RESPONSIBILITIES.

a. Hunters on the Fort Knox Military Reservation are responsible for purchasing appropriate Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Permits and State Licenses, Tags, Stamps, and Permits before hunting or fishing on this installation. It is the responsibility of hunters to know and adhere to the Fort Knox hunting regulations and guidelines and control their own hunting activities. All hunters must adhere to the sign-in and clearance procedures of the various hunts and absolutely stay within their assigned hunting area. Hunters must study the Fort Knox hunting regulations and guidelines and the Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map to become familiar with hunting areas. Hunters must also check the maps posted in the Hunt Control Office that identifies hunting areas that have special area restrictions.

b. All participants who have permission from the US Army Garrison, Fort Knox, Kentucky to participate in any event(s) do hereby release the United States; US Army Garrison Commander; Commanding General, US Army Accessions Command, and officers, agents, and employees of and from any liability, claims, court actions, or causes of action for personal injury or property damage which they may suffer while participating in said events, during transportation to and from the site, or while using facilities at Fort Knox.

c. Coordinate with the area guide during the quota gun deer hunt during the week prior to their assigned dates.

d. Gun deer hunters must hunt within the geographic boundaries, as identified on the quota gun deer hunt map and as indicated by the area guide.

e. The area guide will give gun deer hunters a numbered card of their assigned area to be displayed in the windshield of the vehicle. When clearing the hunting area each day, hunters will turn in their area number to the area guide. Failure to properly clear the hunting area may result in suspension of hunting privileges at Fort Knox.

f. To ensure that a hunter can be located when required for a clearance, safety, or regulation enforcement action, the address and phone number given on the Hunting Information Sheet must be current, to include accurate temporary lodging or camping site while in the Fort Knox area to hunt.

g. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages (to include malt beverages) or any intoxicant in a hunting area, or hunting while under the influence of alcohol (blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent) or any intoxicant will result in the revocation of Fort Knox permits.

h. Individuals are prohibited from placing grains, fruits, vegetables, hay, or other natural or manufactured food materials to lure, entice, or attract wildlife in hunting areas.

1-8. RULES OF HUNTING SAFETY.

a. Unload guns when not in use and have actions open. Guns must be fully encased while at or in a vehicle and separate from ammunition.

b. Be sure of the target before pulling the trigger; know identifying features of the game being hunted.

c. Never point a gun at anything not intended to be shot; absolutely no horseplay.

d. Never climb a tree or fence or jump a ditch with a loaded gun. Never pull a gun toward the body by the muzzle.

e. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or any other intoxicants before and/or during hunting.

1-9. PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES (POVs). Driving or parking POVs on unimproved roads or trails is prohibited. An unimproved road is defined as any uncleared road or trail that is not maintained by functional rocking or grading. Off-road driving is not authorized in any area. No vehicles are permitted on lake dams or grass areas. Mired or immobilized vehicles in training or impact areas, for any reason, are considered the fault of the vehicle operator. In each case of a reported violation of these regulations, the Military Police (MP) will investigate and prepare citations or a MP report, as appropriate. The first offense will result in the suspension of hunting and fishing privileges at Fort Knox for up to 180 days. All POVs entering the Fort Knox training complex for hunting must display a copy of the area assignment in the windshield, except during the

Gun Deer Hunt when the area number must be displayed. The POV parking is not authorized in any range area, bivouac site, or food service (mess) area. The POVs must be parked in a manner that does not obstruct gates, roads, or trails, or impede the flow of traffic. Roads and trails must be kept clear to facilitate emergency vehicles in the event of an emergency.

1-10. OTHER FORMS OF CONVEYANCE. The use of off-road vehicles, motorcycles, and animals such as horses and mules is strictly prohibited.

1-11. ARCHAEOLOGICAL OR HISTORICAL ITEMS. As required by the Archaeological Resource Protection Act and AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007, excavation or removal of archaeological or historical items is prohibited without a Department of the Army permit approved specifically for that purpose. Hunters and permit holders are to report archaeological or historical findings to the DPW, Environmental Management Division (EMD) (624-3629) or to the Hunt Control Office (624-7311/2712). Destruction of an archaeological site and/or collection of antiquities are a violation of the Federal Antiquity Act of 1906 and the Archaeological Resource Protection Act and will be prosecuted accordingly. Further, the destruction or removal of cemetery headstones is prohibited. No vehicular traffic is authorized on the Tioga Falls Historical Nature Trail.

1-12. UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE OR ABANDONED MUNITIONS. Numerous duds, unexploded ordnance, or abandoned munitions may be found throughout the installation. It is imperative that personnel do not attempt to move, disarm, or tamper in any way with any found munitions. Many may have activated fuses and are subject to explode at the slightest movement. Hunters are requested to mark the area of found munitions as clearly as possible and report their locations to the Hunt Control Office. The Hunt Control Office will immediately notify Range Branch of any dud sightings and provide all data to include the name and phone number of the individual reporting the data. Individuals attempting to move, disarm, or tamper in any way with any found munitions will permanently lose their hunting and fishing privileges at Fort Knox.

1-13. RANGES. No hunting is permitted within established range areas and bivouac sites. This restriction includes the entire area composing a range training area, beginning with the range administrative area and terminating at the beginning of the IMPACT area (NO HUNTING).

1-14. HUNTING AREAS.

a. Personnel authorized entry into any hunting area will not be in possession of any glass containers such as glass jars or bottles. Personnel observing glass in these areas are requested to report the location to Hunt Control or Range Branch.

b. The digging of ginseng and yellow root is prohibited on Fort Knox.

c. All caves on Fort Knox are OFF LIMITS to hunters.

1-15. HANDICAPPED HUNTER ACCESS.

a. Handicapped hunters that possess a Hunting and Fishing Methods exemption card issued by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) may use All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) or other specially equipped vehicles on Fort Knox. Hunters must bring proof of their methods exemption to the Hunt Control Office to place a copy on file before each hunting season.

b. All game will be taken while off the vehicle except for wheel chair bound hunters who may shoot from a stationary vehicle. Hunting will take place only while the vehicle is stationary and not running. Weapons will be unloaded and fully encased while vehicle is in motion. The ATVs will only be used to transport the hunter to and from a hunting site and for removal of their harvest. They are not to be used to stroll the area, roads, or to transport companions to different locations. The vehicle will not be used to cruise the area to locate and shoot game.

c. Vehicles will not be operated in a reckless, careless, or negligent manner, in excess of posted speed limits, or in a manner likely to cause excessive damage or disturbance of the land, wildlife, or vegetative resources. Failure to follow these guidelines will be grounds for suspension of hunting and fishing privileges on Fort Knox.

d. Vehicles operated off maintained roads will have a properly installed spark arrester that will retain or destroy at least 80 percent of carbon particles at all flow rates.

1-16. FIREARMS. Firearms may be used on rare occasion, with prior coordination through MPO, only for animal damage control by Natural Resources Branch personnel and specimen collection assisted by, or with prior coordination with, Federal and State Fish and Wildlife Management personnel.

1-17. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages (to include malt beverages) or any intoxicant in a hunting area, or hunting while under the influence of alcohol (blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent) or any intoxicant will result in the revocation of Fort Knox permits.

1-18. FIRES.

a. Range and training area fires will be reported to the G3/Range Branch, phone 4-2135. The Range Officer will report the fire to the USAG, Fort Knox Fire Department. Fires will not be fought in the impact area unless it is absolutely necessary to prevent damage to US Government built-up property or to prevent spread of the fire to private property.

b. The construction of fires in other than metal fire barrels is prohibited.

1-19. VIOLATIONS.

a. The required documents, as appropriate, plus creel and bag limits, hunting and fishing equipment, and ammunition will be made available for inspection upon request of any Military Police Officer, Federal Game Warden, US Marshal or Deputy US Marshal, or Fort Knox Natural Resources Branch personnel.

b. The Military Police, Federal Game Warden, US Marshal, or Deputy US Marshal are authorized to request an inspection of any vehicle at any time in connection with the enforcement of hunting and fishing regulations and the appropriate annually published guidelines on the Fort Knox Military Reservation.

c. The MPO has primary responsibility for enforcing hunting and fishing regulations on the Fort Knox Military Reservation; however, any person witnessing or having knowledge of a violation of these regulations and the appropriate annually published guidelines should report the facts as known to the Military Police Desk, phone 4-2112. In each case of a reported violation of these regulations, the Military Police will investigate and prepare citations or a Military Police Report, as appropriate.

d. Any persons violating these regulations and the appropriate annually published guidelines are subject to administrative suspension of their hunting and fishing privileges on the Fort Knox Military reservation. In addition, violators who are cited for an offense on the Fort Knox Military Reservation are subject to prosecution by military or Federal civil authorities, as appropriate.

e. Failure to clear with the Hunt Control Office before entering or upon leaving an assigned hunting area is cause for administrative action. Violations may result in permanent suspension of hunting and fishing privileges at Fort Knox. Each violation will be addressed independently and suspension of privileges imposed accordingly. Procedures for the suspension and appeal of hunting privileges, to include a listing of typical violations, are in Appendix B.

1-20. HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS. A valid Hunter Education Certificate is required for all hunters age 12-60. The one-time Kentucky hunter education exemption is acceptable, but the hunter must be accompanied by an adult that meets the hunter education requirements. Youth hunters under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult hunter 21 years of age or older that possesses a valid Hunter Education Card. Cards issued from other states will be accepted providing that it is sanctioned by that state's Natural Resources Agency. The card must be carried at all times while in the field hunting.

CHAPTER 2 DEER HUNTING OVERVIEW

2-1. SEASONS.

a. Military hunters are permitted to hunt deer during the Fort Knox archery and gun deer hunting seasons. Non-military hunters may apply for either archery hunting or gun hunting. The approved seasons, to include dates and hours during which hunting may occur, are published annually in the Fort Knox Archery and Gun Deer Hunting Guidelines, which are available from the Hunt Control office after 1 July. Fort Knox active duty military within 90 days of deployment or on Environmental and Morale Leave (EML) may use shotguns or muzzleloaders during the Fort Knox archery season in areas identified for shotgun or muzzleloader hunting on a first-come, first-served space-available basis on days the Hunt Control Office is open. Eligible hunters must show proof of leave status. Hunters may hunt with archery equipment during the extended gun season in areas open for gun, but must wear hunter orange.

b. Individuals not registered as hunters are not permitted to accompany a hunter into the hunting areas, with the exception of military hunter family members under the age of 16. Only registered hunters are allowed in hunting areas and only on days assigned by Hunt Control.

c. The Fort Knox bag limit is 1 antlerless deer and 1 deer of either sex, except for the cantonment area either sex quota hunt, which is 1 additional either sex deer. Additional antlerless deer permits may be available for purchase for specified hunting areas, depending on population levels, and if harvest quotas are met. **A hunter shall not take, or attempt to take, an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 12 inches, except during the designated youth deer hunt or military personnel on EML with appropriate documentation.**

2-2. FEES, PERMITS, AND REFUNDS.

a. Fees and permits. In addition to a Kentucky State Hunting License and Deer Permit, a Fort Knox Deer Hunting Permit is required for all personnel. Permit fees are posted at the Hunt Control Office. Any Kentucky resident 65 years of age or older, possessing a Kentucky Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing License, will be eligible for a free Fort Knox Deer Hunting Permit. Honorably discharged veterans of the US Armed Services with a 100 percent service-connected disability will be eligible for a free permit provided they have a Veterans Administration (VA) ID card, or a letter on VA stationery, signed by their doctor, verifying 100 percent service-connected disability. All military dependents under age 16 may receive a free Fort Knox permit.

b. Refunds.

(1) A refund will be made to those individuals not selected to hunt.

(2) Refunds will not be made to hunters who fail to show on their assigned dates, except for those having a medical statement from their doctor stating they were unable to hunt.

(3) Active duty military hunters who are absent from the installation due to reassignment or Temporary Duty (TDY) will be eligible for a refund. Applications must include copies of Permanent Change of Station (PCS) or TDY orders.

2-3. DUPLICATE PERMITS. Any hunter who requires a duplicate Fort Knox permit due to loss of the original may receive one at Hunt Control upon payment of a replacement fee.

2-4. JUNIOR HUNTERS. Military or nonmilitary Family members under 18 years of age will be allowed to hunt, provided the following rules are adhered to:

a. **A Hunter Education Card is mandatory. The card must be presented to the area guide upon checking in to hunt, and must be carried by the junior hunter at all times.** Children 12 years of age and older must have a course completion card.

b. Junior hunters must be accompanied by an adult who shall be in a position to take immediate control of the weapon. One adult shall not accompany more than two junior hunters at one time.

c. Junior hunters must have in their possession the Fort Knox issued tags and permits, the appropriate Kentucky Hunting Licenses, permits, and a Hunter Education Certificate as outlined in paragraph 1-19.

d. If junior hunters "kill out" during the first day of a weekend hunt, they may return with their sponsor. If a junior hunter's sponsor "kills out," the sponsor hunter **MUST** return with the junior hunter or designate another sponsor hunter through the Hunt Control Office. In either situation, the hunter who has "killed out" will not, at any time, carry a gun while back in the field.

2-5. HUNTER ORANGE REQUIREMENTS. During gun deer hunting seasons, all personnel in the hunting areas are required to wear **both** a blaze orange hat and vest, jacket, or coverall. **Jackets with orange pockets/patches and orange camouflage jackets, vests, coveralls, and hats are not acceptable.**

2-6. LEGAL HUNTING EQUIPMENT.

a. Shotguns 12, 16, and 20 gauge with a single projectile (slug). Repeating shotguns will be plugged to hold a maximum of 3 slugs. Over and under shotguns cannot be used if one of the tubes is rifled, e.g., .20 gauge/.22 caliber. Muzzleloading rifles .38 caliber minimum to .58 caliber maximum and muzzleloading shotguns with single projectile slug. No restriction on priming methods. Smokeless powder is prohibited and powder charges are limited to a maximum of 100 grains. A maximum of 10 slugs OR powder charges is permitted during each hunting day.

b. Longbows, recurves, and compound bows that do not have a device that holds an arrow at full or partial draw without aid from the archer. Broadheads at least 7/8 inch wide and razor sharp. Arrows will not be fitted with barbed broadheads. Chemically treated arrows or broadheads, or attachments containing chemicals may not be used or possessed on Fort Knox. Crossbows are prohibited except for handicapped hunters who have a valid crossbow method exemption card from the KDFWR.

c. During the quota gun deer hunt, hunters may use shotguns, muzzleloaders, or archery equipment.

d. Absolutely NO unauthorized guns or ammunition will be permitted in the hunting areas or within vehicles in hunting areas. **No handguns are authorized.**

e. Tree stands. Only portable tree stands that do not injure trees may be used at Fort Knox.

f. Ground blinds may be used, but they must have a blaze orange patch, a minimum of 12 inches by 12 inches (144 square inches), affixed to all sides of the blind.

2-7. ANTLERED AND ANTLERLESS DEER DEFINITIONS.

a. An antlered deer is any deer with ONE antler at least 4 inches long or longer.

b. An antlerless deer is a deer with no antlers or BOTH antlers less than 4 inches as measured from the skin at the base of the antler to the furthestmost tip.

2-8. DEER TAGGING AND CHECKING.

a. When you harvest a deer you must immediately cut and remove the day and month on the appropriate tag. The tag must be attached to the deer before transporting it by vehicle or when the carcass is not in the hunter's presence.

b. The Fort Knox Deer Processing/Taxidermy Form must be completely filled out before arriving at the deer check station.

c. All deer harvested at Fort Knox must be checked in at one of the deer check stations on the same day that it is harvested. During the archery season the check station is located at the Hunt Control Office. During the quota gun deer season there are two check stations; one located at Bldg No. 7305, Ninth Cavalry Regiment Avenue and one at Mount Eden North. The area guide will brief hunters as to what check station they will report to during the quota gun deer hunt.

d. During the archery and extended gun deer seasons, hunters may continue to track wounded deer after the designated clearance time indicated on their Area Assignment Sheet if they contact Range Control and remain in contact while tracking the animal. Range Control will make the

determination if tracking the animal will impact the training schedule and will designate a time that the hunter must leave the hunting area. If the animal is recovered after the Hunt Control Office is closed, it must be checked in at the Hunt Control Office the following morning.

e. Shed antlers may be collected on Fort Knox, but not antlers with skull plates attached. If individuals want to keep antlers with skull plates attached during the deer season, a valid deer tag must be used to tag the antlers. Persons finding antlers with skulls attached can take them to the Hunt Control Office, but they must contact the Hunt Control Office before transporting.

2-9. ADDITIONAL RULES.

a. River traffic on the installation is prohibited during all deer hunt phases.

b. No shotguns or muzzleloaders will be loaded before arrival into assigned hunting areas and guns will be fully encased while at or in a vehicle and there will be no hunting within 100 yards of an improved road (asphalt or rock-based), structure, or checkpoint. Muzzleloading weapons which are loaded with powder and ball, but not primed, are considered unloaded.

c. Hunters must have a current Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map, or a photocopy of their assigned hunting area, in their possession while hunting. The map issued for the hunting area during the quota deer hunt is the latest version and will supersede all other editions. A compass and/or GPS are highly recommended.

d. Hunters will not kill deer for other persons in the hunting party.

e. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages (to include malt beverages) or any intoxicant in a hunting area, or hunting while under the influence of alcohol (blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent) or any intoxicant will result in revocation of Fort Knox permits.

f. Deer must be field dressed at the site where it is harvested. Deer will not be field dressed on a range or within a bivouac site. No deer will be dressed or hung in any on-post housing area, to include Bachelor Officer Quarters/Bachelor Enlisted Quarters and troop billets.

g. Sponsors hunting with a spouse or child, or a parent whose age is 65 years or older or is medically handicapped, may return to the hunting area after they have "killed out" to assist, but will not carry a weapon.

h. Deer driving and stalking deer in hunter groups is prohibited. Stand and individual still hunting are the only authorized deer hunting techniques.

2-10. SPORTSMANSHIP. The Sportsmen's Code of Ethics will be exercised at all times.

- a. A hunter is expected to shoot at a deer or other game so there is a clean, quick kill.
- b. Hunters will observe all safety precautions at all times.
- c. Hunters will be cautious and considerate of other hunters at all times.

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CHAPTER 3 ARCHERY DEER HUNTING

3-1. ELIGIBILITY.

- a. Military hunters (Tier 1-3) will be allowed to hunt all days of the archery season.
- b. Nonmilitary (Tier 4) hunters selected to hunt will be eligible to hunt all weekdays and one of the designated weekends. There will be no hunting on Tuesdays. The total number of Tier 4 archery hunters will be determined before the selection drawing, based upon a projection of available areas by Range Branch. No switching of weekends will be permitted unless approved by the Hunt Control Office. Standby hunting will not be allowed. All eligible hunters will be able to hunt the late archery season on a space-available basis.

3-2. APPLICATION PROCEDURES.

- a. Tier 1-3 hunters are not required to submit an application. They may purchase their archery permits at the Hunt Control Office. Verification of military status is required; Department of the Army civilians and their family members may verify their status with a Civilian Identification Card (ID), or current pay voucher.
- b. Tier 4 archery hunters must submit a standard application (IMSE-KNX-PW Form 1328) by mail during the application period set forth in the Fort Knox Deer Hunting Information Sheet. Applications postmarked before, or after, the application period will not be eligible for the drawing. Applications must include the name, age, address, social security number, phone number (if no phone, then the number of a relative or friend who will accept a collect phone call), appropriate fee, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Hunters will be able to list weekends in order of preference on the application. All fees must be in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or money order made payable to the US Treasury. All applications with appropriate fees must be sent to Department of the Army, Env Mgt Div (IMSE-KNX-PWEN), Directorate of Public Works, Bldg No. 112, Hunt Control, 125 6th Ave Suite 320, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121-5719. Applicants may register themselves and up to four other hunters. Applications with more than five names will be rejected. Applications with name(s) that appear on more than one application will be rejected. A photocopy of a Kentucky Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing license is required from hunters age 65 years and over requesting a free Fort Knox hunting permit. The Hunt Control Office will not be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

3-3. HUNTER SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION.

- a. A computerized random drawing is conducted to select Tier 4 archery hunters and their hunting weekend.
- b. At least 2 weeks before the scheduled hunt, all Tier 4 archery hunters will be provided a packet containing the following information:

(1) Weekend selected to archery hunt.

(2) Items needed to hunt, e.g., Fort Knox Archery Deer Permit, WMA deer tags, and a Liability Release/Hunter Information sheet.

3-4. AREA ASSIGNMENT AND CLEARANCE.

a. A Recreational Area Assignment sheet (IMSE-KNX-PW Form 2973) must be picked up in person at the Hunt Control Office before entering into any hunting area and must be cleared upon departure by the clearance time stated. Sign-in/out procedures are mandatory for all hunters. Failure to obtain clearance to enter any area or report departure from the area is cause for suspension of all Fort Knox hunting and fishing privileges. There are numerous hunting areas that have additional restrictions not depicted on the Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing map. It is the hunter's responsibility to check the colored maps located at the Hunt Control Office for special area restrictions. These maps depict all special area restrictions and provide a written description (areas in yellow are available to hunt and closed portions are in red). Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area will be cited.

b. Area assignments may be made up to 48 hours in advance. Hunters may sign themselves and four other hunters into hunting areas. The sponsors registering the hunters must have proof of the hunters' appropriate state licenses, post permits, and Hunter Education Cards in their possession. Hunters will be responsible for their own clearance. Each hunter operating a vehicle must obtain an area assignment sheet for display inside the front windshield, indicating that the individual has registered to hunt. The Hunt Control Office will make the final determination as to the number of hunters permitted in each area. Hunters may enter their hunting areas 1 hour before sunrise. Hunting area sign-up will be at the following times:

(1) First 30 minutes of operation (0900 or 1000) - Tier 1 - Fort Knox active duty military and members of Reserve Components on active duty, and their Family members.

(2) Beginning thirty minutes after opening (0930 or 1030) - Tier 2 - Disabled American Veterans with $\geq 50\%$ service-connected disability as designated by the Veterans Administration (VA) and their Family members.

(3) Beginning 60 minutes after opening (1000 or 1100) - Tier 3 - Military retirees, members of Reserve Components, Department of the Army Civilian Federal employees employed at, or retired from, Fort Knox, and their Family members.

(4) Beginning 2 hours after opening (1100 or 1200) - Tier 4 - Members of the general public.

c. The area assignment sheet will show the individual's name, permit number, and local telephone number, preferably a cellular phone. Hunters may sign into only one area at a time. Hunters names found on more than one area assignment sheet will have their hunting and fishing privileges suspended for up to 1 year.

d. All hunters must clear their areas in person or by calling the Hunt Control Office before the clearance time shown on their Form 2973 each day. Individuals must give their name and the area hunted. Clearance may also be accomplished in person by returning their copy of Form 2973 to Hunt Control personnel and verbally assuring that you are cleared by the clearance time. **Late clearance from the hunting areas is grounds for suspension of hunting privileges.**

e. Hunters harvesting a deer must follow the tagging procedures outlined in para 2-8. Hunters must then report to the Deer Check Station, which is located at the Hunt Control Office during the archery season. Failure to properly tag a deer will result in prosecution by military or Federal civil authorities and suspension of hunting privileges on Fort Knox.

3-5. FALL ARCHERY TURKEY HUNTING. Eligible archery deer hunters may harvest a turkey, provided they have purchased a Kentucky Fall Turkey Permit and a Fort Knox Fall Turkey Permit. The fall bag limit is 3 turkeys per hunter, fall archery and gun seasons combined, 1 bird per day, and no more than 1 bird may have a beard length of 3 inches or longer.

3-6. CANTONMENT AREA ANTLERLESS DEER (ARCHERY ONLY).

a. The cantonment areas in which antlerless deer may be harvested are TA 11, Richardson, and Heritage. A regular archery permit must be purchased to be eligible to hunt in an antlerless area. Maps outlining each specific area are available and must be in possession while hunting.

b. The season limit for these areas is one antlerless deer, and is not in addition to the regular Fort Knox bag limit. An antlerless deer is a deer without antlers or both antlers less than 4 inches.

c. Tier 1-3 archery hunters and Family members that wish to hunt these areas may do so on a first-come, first-served basis.

d. Tier 4 hunters will not be permitted to hunt these areas.

e. Hunting will be conducted only from tree stands.

3-7. ADDITIONAL ANTLERLESS DEER PERMITS. Hunters may be eligible to purchase additional antlerless deer permits for specified hunting areas, depending on population levels and if harvest quotas are met. The specific areas where the antlerless permits are valid will be listed in the Hunt Control Office and issued with the permit.

3-8. DRAWING FOR CANTONMENT EITHER SEX DEER PERMIT.

- a. A nonrefundable application fee is required to be eligible for the drawing. Applications must be submitted during the set application period.
- b. Tier 1-3 category hunters and dependents will be eligible for the drawing.
- c. Hunters drawn for one of these permits will be permitted to harvest one either sex deer as identified in the guidelines provided with the permit. This permit is in addition to the remaining Fort Knox deer bag limit.
- d. Hunters will be drawn for dates indicated on the application in ONE of the following areas: Heritage, TA 11, or Richardson.
- e. Hunters must designate their area and week they desire to hunt in order of preference on the application. A random drawing will be conducted to assign permits. Permit and tag issued will only be valid for the hunter, dates, and area specified. All scouting of the area will be done prior to the season or during the days a hunter is drawn to hunt. There will be no hunting on Tuesdays.
- f. Hunters selected will have priority for these areas for the dates indicated on the permit.
- g. All hunters must follow the same sign-in/out procedures as required of all archery deer hunters.
- h. Tagging procedures are the same for all deer taken at Fort Knox as outlined in para 2-8.

CHAPTER 4 GUN DEER HUNT

4-1. ELIGIBILITY.

a. Military hunters (Tier 1-3) will be drawn to hunt all weekends during the quota gun hunt. They must provide proof of their military status with their application. Tier 1-3 hunters desiring to hunt with Tier 4 hunters must apply, and will be considered, as Tier 4.

b. Tier 1-2 hunters also will be able to hunt additional days during an extended shotgun, muzzleloader, or archery deer season; dates of which are published annually in the Fort Knox Deer Hunting Information Sheet, but will generally be from mid-September to late-December. Hunting area sign-up will be over-the-counter on a first-come, first-served basis. Areas released for gun hunting during this period will be held until 1300 for Tier 1 and 2 hunters the day prior. Beginning at 1300, Tier 3 hunters that wish to archery hunt in an area released for gun deer hunting may do so if spaces are available. Hunting in these areas requires wearing a solid blaze orange hat and vest, jacket, or coveralls at all times while in the hunting areas.

c. Tier 4 hunters will be eligible to hunt only 1 weekend during the quota gun deer hunt.

4-2. APPLICATION PROCEDURES.

a. Tier 1-3 hunters. All fees must be paid by check or money order made payable to the US Treasury. Tier 1-3 applicants must submit their Application for Annual Deer Hunt (IMSE-KNX-PW, Form 3605) to the Hunt Control Office in person or mail to: Department of the Army, Env Mgt Div (IMSE-KNX-PWEN), Directorate of Public Works, Bldg No. 112, Hunt Control, 125 6th Ave Suite 320, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121-5719, during the application period. **Verification of military status for each hunter on the application must be presented when submitting application. If the application is mailed, photocopies of military ID must be attached.** A photocopy of a Kentucky Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing license is required from Kentucky residents age 65 and over requesting a free Fort Knox hunting permit. Honorably discharged veterans of the US Armed Services with a 100 percent service-connected disability will be entitled to a free permit if they provide a photocopy of a Veterans Administration (VA) ID card, or a letter on VA stationery, signed by their doctor, verifying their 100 percent service-connected disability. All military dependents under age 16 may receive a free Fort Knox permit with verification of military status and age. **The Hunt Control Office will not be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.**

b. Tier 4 hunters. Applicants must submit Form 3605, by mail only, during the application period. Letters postmarked before or after the application dates will be rejected and returned. Tier 4 hunters will not be able to select an area or days to hunt. All applications unable to be processed due to inaccurate information or incorrect fees will be rejected. Each applicant must include the name, age, address, social security number, phone number (if no phone, then a relative or friend

who will accept a collect phone call), appropriate fee, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. All fees must be in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or postal money order made payable to the US Treasury. All applications, with appropriate fees, must be sent to: Department of the Army, Env Mgt Div (IMSE-KNX-PWEN), Directorate of Public Works, Bldg No. 112, Hunt Control, 125 6th Ave Suite 320, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121-5719. Applicants may register themselves and up to four other hunters. Applications with more than five names will be rejected. Applications with name(s) that appear on more than one application will be rejected. A photocopy of a Kentucky Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing license is required from Kentucky residents age 65 and over requesting a free Fort Knox hunting permit. Honorably discharged veterans of the US Armed Services with a 100 percent service-connected disability will be entitled to a free permit if they provide a photocopy of a Veterans Administration (VA) ID card, or a letter on VA stationery, signed by their doctor, verifying their 100 percent service-connected disability. The Hunt Control Office will not be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

4-3. HUNTING AREA ASSIGNMENT. Tier 1-3 hunters may list up to 10 areas of choice in order of preference for the quota gun deer hunt. Areas are assigned by a computerized random drawing. The drawing is generally conducted during the 3d week of October and the results for the Tier 1-3 category will be posted at the Hunt Control Office by the end of that week. The packets (permit, tags, guidelines, map, and information sheet) will be available for pick-up on 1 November or will be mailed by 3 November. Preference is used as far as possible, until all military hunters are accommodated. Tier 4 hunters are assigned to the remaining available spaces for one weekend of hunting. Area assignment for the extended shotgun/muzzleloader seasons will be according to para. 3-4b and 4-1b above.

4-4. AREA SELECTION/HUNTER NOTIFICATION. Two weeks before the scheduled quota gun hunt date, all hunters will be provided a packet containing the following information:

- a. Area/dates selected to hunt.
- b. Area guide's name and phone number.
- c. Items needed to hunt, i.e., Fort Knox Gun Deer Permit, WMA deer tags, Liability Release/Hunter Information, and a map of your assigned area.
- d. Any special instructions applicable.

4-5. AREA CLEARANCE. Area clearance during the quota gun deer hunt must be made by checking out of the hunting area with the area guide at the completion of each day's hunt. Tier 1-2 hunters may leave their hunting area and return the same day, but must clear in/out with the area guide upon entering and leaving. Extended gun deer season area clearance must be done daily either by phone or in person at the Hunt Control Office. All deer harvested within a hunting area must be reported to the area guide and recorded by the hunter's name and the sex of the deer on the

Deer Hunt Party Roster. ALL deer taken at Fort Knox during the quota deer hunt must be checked out at one of the Deer Check Stations, Bldg No. 7305, Ninth Cavalry Regt Ave, or at Mount Eden North. During archery and extended gun deer seasons deer must be checked at the Hunt Control Office. The Fort Knox Taxidermy/Processing form must be properly filled out by the hunter before arriving at the Deer Check Station. Failure to tag a deer, transporting an untagged deer, and failure to take a deer to the Deer Check Station are violations of the law. Tagging procedures are outlined in para 2-8.

4-6. MILITARY POLICE OPERATIONS (MPO) VOLUNTEER GAME WARDEN COMPANION HUNTERS. Volunteer Game Wardens, as designated by the Chief Volunteer Game Warden, are authorized to designate a companion hunter to accompany them into the field on days when the sponsoring MPO Volunteer Game Warden is hunting. The Volunteer Game Warden is responsible to ensure each companion hunter is briefed on dud safety and is properly signed into and out of their assigned hunting area. This involves signing in on the area guide roster. Companion hunters will be required to pay the proper fee for their hunter status. Each companion hunter will be allowed to hunt only one weekend if they are Tier 4 category and two weekends if they are Tier 1-3 category, provided proof of military status is furnished. Companion hunters must be designated on the Area Sign-Up Sheet and their fees paid, as outlined under application procedures, para 4-2.

4-7. VOLUNTEER AREA GUIDE TEAMS.

a. During the Gun Deer Hunt, a team of three volunteer area guides per hunting area are used to assist hunters and increase the safety and organization of the gun deer hunt.

b. Persons volunteering as an area guide must meet the following requirements:

(1) Be at least 21 years of age.

(2) Have adequate knowledge of the Fort Knox Military Reservation terrain and boundaries.

(3) Be familiar with areas for which they volunteer, as evidenced by past experience as a hunter or other use of the areas.

(4) Be knowledgeable of Kentucky and Fort Knox deer hunting regulations. (Any violation of such regulations may disqualify the individual for further service as a guide.)

(5) Provide their own four-wheel drive transportation and cellular phones.

(6) Agree to serve all days of the gun deer hunt, to include returning to the area after they have filled their tags. Area guides returning to the hunting area after filling all of their tags will not be permitted to carry a firearm.

(7) One member of the "team" must be Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certified.

c. Hunting area guide teams will work directly for the Hunt Control. They will enter and clear their areas as directed by the Hunt Control Office.

d. Hunting area guides will be required to pay a permit fee. All post permit fees must be paid during the application period. Area Guide Teams will be eligible to hunt only on weekends their assigned area is open for hunting.

e. All members of an area guide team will be required to accomplish the following:

(1) Attend a hunting area guide meeting before the deer hunt.

(2) Coordinate with assigned hunters in the hunting area.

(3) Brief hunters on geographic boundaries and any natural or manmade hazards, off-limit areas, to include do's and don'ts of the Fort Knox Deer Hunt.

(4) Verbally assure that hunters have read all the information provided to them in their packet.

(5) Deal with problems occurring during the hunt and report them to Hunt Control Office.

(6) Assist in retrieving harvested deer if needed.

(7) Assist hunters in finding their way out of the hunting area.

(8) Report the number of hunters and deer harvested to Hunt Control when clearing the area at the end of the day.

(9) Ensure that one member of the team is present at the area guide check point.

f. Those selected as area guides may designate one companion hunter each weekend to accompany them into the hunting area. Companion hunters who are Tier 4 category will only be allowed to hunt one weekend. Tier 1-3 category hunters will be allowed to hunt two weekends, provided proof of military status is furnished. Companion hunters will be required to pay the proper fee for their hunter status. Companion hunters must be designated on the Area Sign-Up Sheet and fees paid during the application period.

4-8. AREA GUIDE TEAM SELECTION PROCESS.

a. The hunting area guide team will be selected from Tier 1-4 applicants to fill any area guide vacancies. Individuals desiring to volunteer as area guide may do so by submitting an application to the Hunt Control Office.

b. Those desiring to volunteer must apply as a team (a team will consist of three volunteers). Although years of hunting experience in a particular hunting area is considered, it is not the selecting criteria. Selection is a random drawing based on all team applications which have hunting experience in a hunting area that needs a new team.

c. Area guide teams will be selected and assigned hunting areas by the Hunt Control Officer. All team applicants selected will be notified of their assigned area, date, place, and time for an area guide meeting. Appointments are valid for the current gun deer season only. The area guide status is a volunteer appointment, and appointees are not automatically reappointed. All appointees serve at the discretion of the Hunt Control Officer. In addition, Area Guides will be dismissed by the Hunt Control Officer for failure to comply with their responsibilities and obligations; for safety violations; for misconduct; for failure to follow hunt control procedures, regulations, or game laws; or for failure to ensure others comply with same. Unless otherwise prohibited by this regulation or game laws, Area Guides who are dismissed or not reappointed remain eligible to participate in the gun deer hunt as hunters.

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**CHAPTER 5
YOUTH GUN DEER HUNT**

5-1. ELIGIBILITY.

a. Youths 15 years of age and under, on the day of the hunt, will be eligible to hunt in specified areas. All youths 12 years of age and older must have a valid hunter education card in their possession while hunting.

b. Youths must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older. An adult can accompany no more than two youths at one time. Adults must be in a position to take immediate control of the youth's firearm at all times while hunting. Adults may not carry firearms during the youth hunt. Adults will not shoot deer for youth hunters.

5-2. SEASON AND BAG LIMIT.

a. The season dates for the Youth Hunt will be published in the Youth Deer Hunt Guidelines available from the Hunt Control Office after 1 July.

b. One either sex deer may be taken as identified in the Youth Deer Hunt Guidelines. This does not count against the Fort Knox deer bag limit.

5-3. APPLICATION PROCEDURES.

a. Applicants must submit an application for the Youth Gun Deer Hunt, either by mail or in person, to the Hunt Control Office during the application period set forth in the Fort Knox Deer Hunt Guidelines to be considered in the computerized random drawing. Each application must include the name, address, age, phone number, social security number, application fee, and a self-addressed stamped envelope. The application fee is nonrefundable. Applications must have an adult sponsor listed and no more than two youth hunters. Applications with name(s) that appear on more than one application for the youth hunt will be rejected.

b. All fees must be in the form of cashier's check or money order payable to the US Treasury.

5-4. AREA ASSIGNMENT.

a. A computerized random drawing will be conducted to assign youth hunters to the available areas.

b. Youth hunters will be drawn for a hunting area as indicated in the information packet they will receive.

c. Hunters may leave their hunting area and return the same day, but must clear in/out with the areas guide upon entering leaving.

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**CHAPTER 6
SMALL GAME HUNTING**

6-1. ELIGIBILITY.

- a. All hunters are eligible to small game hunt at Fort Knox.
- b. All hunters must possess a Kentucky State Hunting License and a Fort Knox Small Game Hunting Permit. Kentucky State Hunting License, Waterfowl Stamp, or Migratory Bird Permit must be purchased and in their possession before a post permit will be issued. Kentucky residents over 65 who have a Kentucky Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing license are eligible for a free Fort Knox permit. Honorably discharged veterans of the US Armed Services with a 100 percent service-connected disability will be issued a free permit if they provide a valid VA ID card or a letter on VA stationery, signed by their doctor, verifying they are 100 percent service-connected disabled to Hunt Control. All military dependents under age 16 may receive a free Fort Knox permit.

6-2. SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS.

- a. The Fort Knox Small Game Season will conform with state dates and regulations. However, small game hunting will be allowed on Fort Knox during the states modern gun deer season and closed on weekends of the Fort Knox quota gun deer season Fall gun turkey season is 15 October thru 31 January.
- b. Hunting hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset unless other hunting hours are required, for example (migratory bird hunting).
- c. Small game bag limits will conform with those published in the current Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide unless otherwise indicated on the Fort Knox Small Game Hunting Guidelines issued with Fort Knox small game hunting permits. The fall turkey bag limit is 3 birds with no more than 1 with a beard length of 3 inches or longer.

6-3. OFFICE LOCATION AND HOURS.

- a. The Hunt Control Office is located in Bldg No. 112, Eleventh Avenue and Binter Street.
- b. Hours of operation for small game hunting will be from 0900-2200 unless otherwise posted.
- c. The Hunt Control Office is closed on Tuesdays, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents Day, 4th of July, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day.

6-4. LEGAL HUNTING EQUIPMENT. Archery equipment and shotguns no larger than 10 gauge or smaller than .410 with pelleted ammunition no larger than shot size T. Repeating shotguns will be plugged to hold a maximum of three cartridges. Steel shotshells are the only ammunition permitted in possession while hunting waterfowl. Rifles, handguns, and solid projectiles are prohibited while small game hunting at Fort Knox. Authorized turkey hunting equipment is identified in para 7-5.

6-5. HUNTER CONTROL.

a. Due to the daily use of the installation for training, a strictly controlled and rigidly enforced system of access to the installation will be maintained.

b. The Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map is used to control hunting and fishing activities. All sportsmen are required to familiarize themselves with this map and its proper use, the data contained and explained thereon, and retain it in their possession while hunting.

c. There are numerous hunting areas that have additional restrictions not depicted on the Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map. It is the hunter's responsibility to check the colored maps located at the Hunt Control Office for special area restrictions. These maps depict all special area restrictions and provide a written description (areas in yellow are available to hunt and closed portions are in red). Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area will be cited.

6-6. AREA ASSIGNMENT AND CLEARANCE.

a. A Recreational Area Assignment sheet (IMSE-KNX-PW Form 2973) must be picked up in person at the Hunt Control Office before entering into any hunting area and must be cleared upon departure by the clearance time stated. Sign-in/out procedures are mandatory for all hunters. Failure to obtain clearance to enter any area or report departure from the area is cause for suspension of all Fort Knox hunting and fishing privileges.

b. Area assignments may be made up to 48 hours in advance. Hunters may sign themselves and four other hunters into hunting areas. The sponsors registering the hunters must have proof of the hunters' appropriate state licenses, post permits and Hunter Education Cards in their possession. Hunters will be responsible for their own clearance. Each hunter operating a vehicle must obtain an area assignment for display inside the front windshield, indicating that the individual has registered to hunt. The Hunt Control Office will make the final determination as to the number of hunters permitted in each area. Refer to para 3-4 b. for hunting area sign-up times for hunter Tier categories.

c. The area assignment will show the individual's name, permit number, and local telephone number, preferably a cellular phone. Hunters may sign into only one area at a time. Hunters' names found on more than one area assignment will have their hunting and fishing privileges suspended for up to 1 year.

d. All hunters must clear out of their area in person or by calling the Hunt Control Office before the clearance time shown on their Form 2973 each day. Individuals must give their name, area hunted, and game harvested. Clearance may also be accomplished in person by returning their copy of Form 2973 to Hunt Control personnel and verbally assuring that you are cleared by the clearance time. **Late clearance from the hunting areas is grounds for suspension of hunting privileges.**

e. There will be no small game hunting or fishing at Fort Knox during the quota gun deer hunt.

f. Hunters assigned to Areas 16, 18, and 19 must remain at least 100 yards from the fence surrounding the Ammunition Storage Facility.

6-7. OTHER RULES REGARDING SMALL GAME HUNTING.

a. Duck hunting on Lower Douglas Lake is permitted except during the September Wood Duck and Teal season. Duck hunting on Lower Douglas will be restricted to three groups of hunters, with no more than four hunters per group.

b. The use of mules, donkeys, or horses while hunting is prohibited.

c. The use of ATVs is prohibited, except for handicapped hunters as outlined in para 1-14.

d. The only authorized dog training area is TA-11.

e. The use of dogs to hunt quail, rabbits, squirrels, raccoons, opossum, and migratory birds is authorized; however, the use of dogs to run deer is prohibited. If deer are jumped by dogs, owners will take every means possible to lead the dog off the trail of the deer.

f. If a dog is lost while hunting, it will be reported to the Military Police Desk, 624-2112, and Hunt Control, 624-7311/2712. Hunters will make every attempt to locate such animals prior to leaving the field and, if unsuccessful, leave some article of personal clothing, such as a hat or jacket, at the location where the dog was last seen. Further attempts will be made to locate the lost dog or dogs the following day if possible with clearance from Hunt Control.

6-8. COYOTE HUNTING.

a. During deer and turkey seasons, and in areas released for these types of hunting, only hunters permitted for these activities may harvest coyotes. During the remainder of the year a Kentucky hunting license and Fort Knox small game hunting permit is required to hunt coyotes.

b. Area assignment procedures and legal hunting equipment are the same as outlined for small game hunting.

- c. Electronic calls are authorized for coyote hunting during daylight hours.

6-9. RACCOON HUNTING DURING CHRISTMAS EXODUS.

a. Raccoon hunting will be allowed during the Christmas Exodus period. During this time the Range Control Switchboard Operator will not be on duty and the range telephone system will not be operational during the hours that raccoon hunters are afield. Due to this fact, there will be special procedures to be followed for this portion of the raccoon hunting season.

b. Hunters will be notified by the Hunt Control Office that the range telephone will not be operational during this period. Hunters will also be instructed that in case of emergency they should go to Fire Station No. 2 at the corner of Wilson Road and Eisenhower Avenue, phone 624-0911/6016, to initiate Emergency Medical response between the hours of 1800 through 0900.

6-10. USE OF TRAPS, SNARES, PITFALLS, ETC. The use of any type of trap, snare, pitfall, deadfall, hook, or any other device not identified under legal hunting equipment, para 6-4 is prohibited.

6-11. ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF WILDLIFE. Persons making use of or having in their possession any wildlife or parts thereof which have been killed or taken in any manner contrary to wildlife laws, rules, regulations, or appropriate annually published hunting guidelines shall be equally guilty of the offense and may be punished in like manner as the person killing or taking such wildlife.

**CHAPTER 7
SPRING TURKEY HUNTING**

7-1. SEASON AND BAG LIMITS.

- a. The Spring Turkey Season dates and bag limits will be indicated on the Spring Turkey Hunting Guidelines which will be available at the Hunt Control Office after 15 March.
- b. Hunting hours are from 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1300.

7-2. LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

- a. Any person hunting turkey must have in their possession a valid Kentucky Hunting License and Turkey Permit, Fort Knox Spring Turkey Hunting Permit, Hunter Education Card, and Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map. A compass and/or Global Positioning System are highly recommended. There are numerous hunting areas that have additional restrictions not depicted on the Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Map. It is the hunter's responsibility to check the colored map located at the Hunt Control Office for special area restrictions. This map depicts all special area restrictions and provides a written description (areas in yellow are available to hunt and closed portions are in red). Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area will be cited.
- b. All nonresidents hunting turkeys in Kentucky must purchase a Kentucky Annual Nonresident Hunting License and Nonresident Turkey Permit in addition to a Fort Knox Spring Turkey Hunting Permit.

7-3. AREA ASSIGNMENT.

- a. A random drawing is held every Friday for Saturday and Sunday hunting. The drawings prior to opening day are held at 0800 for Tier 1-2 hunters, 0900 for Tier 3 hunters and 1300 for Tier 4. One hunter from each party must be present at the appropriate time. A drawing to fill in behind killouts is held at 1300 Saturday for Sunday hunting. Drawings throughout the remainder of the season are held the day prior at 1300 for Tier 1-2, 1330 for Tier 3, and 1400 for Tier 4.
- b. Hunters registering may sign up themselves and a maximum of three other individuals in the same party. However, proof of each individual's Kentucky Hunting License, Kentucky Turkey Permit, Hunter Education Card, and Fort Knox Turkey Permit must be presented at the time of sign-up. All hunters in a party must be in the same category, or wait until the latest sign up time.

c. One ticket for each hunting party is given for a random drawing. Write your names on the back of the ticket. These tickets may be picked up at the Hunt Control Office before your drawing time that day. When a hunter's number is drawn they must be present and show the ticket at the counter to sign into a hunting area. Groups found to have more than one ticket in the drawing will be required to sign up last and may have their hunting privileges suspended.

d. There will be no overnight waiting in the parking lot. Arriving earlier than the times stated above for each category of hunters will not give you a better chance at a hunting area. It is the hunters' responsibility to get a ticket before the drawing.

e. The area assignment will show individuals name, permit number, and local phone number, preferably a cellular phone. Hunters may sign into only one area at a time. Hunters' names found on more than one area assignment will have their hunting and fishing privileges suspended for up to 1 year.

7-4. AREA CLEARANCE. Each hunter must clear out of his/her assigned hunting area by the time indicated on Form 2973 each day. Areas must be cleared by phone (624-7311/2712) or by coming to the Hunt Control Office in Bldg No. 112 in person and returning their copy of Form 2973 to Hunt Control personnel and verbally assuring that you are cleared. Failure to clear assigned hunting area will result in suspension of hunting privileges at Fort Knox.

7-5. LEGAL HUNTING EQUIPMENT.

a. Shotguns 10, 12, 16, and 20 gauge with #4 shot shell or smaller. Repeating shotguns will be plugged to hold a maximum of 3 cartridges. Smooth bore muzzle loading shotguns 10 and 12 gauge may be used with #4 shot or smaller.

b. Longbows, recurves, and compound bows that do not have a device that holds an arrow at full or partial draw without aid from the archer. Broadheads at least 7/8 inch wide and razor sharp. Arrows will not be fitted with barbed broadheads. Chemically treated arrows or broadheads, or attachments containing chemicals may not be used or possessed on Fort Knox. Crossbows are prohibited, except for handicapped hunters who have a valid crossbow method exemption card from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

7-6. PROHIBITED HUNTING METHODS. No person shall take a turkey as described below:

a. On any baited area or by the aid of baiting. The placement of grains, fruits, vegetables, hay, or other natural or manufactured food materials on Fort Knox for the purpose of baiting turkeys, or that may incidentally attract turkeys is prohibited.

b. With the aid of dogs.

c. From any type of vehicle or boat.

- d. When the turkey is roosting.
- e. With the aid of recorded or other electronic calls.
- f. By using live turkeys as decoys.
- g. Calling or attempting to call wild turkeys by mimicking the calls made by a wild turkey is permitted only during legal hunting hours of the Fort Knox turkey season. Locator calls such as crow or owl calls are permitted.

7-7. TAGGING AND CHECKING REQUIREMENTS.

- a. Immediately after harvesting a turkey, hunters must write the month and day and sign the back of their permit. The permit must be attached to the turkey when transporting it by vehicle or when not in the hunters' presence.
- b. All turkeys taken must be checked in at the Hunt Control Office located in Bldg No. 112 by 1400 on the day the turkey is harvested.

7-8. ADDITIONAL RULES REGARDING TURKEY HUNTING.

- a. Firearms will not be loaded within 100 yards of an improved road (asphalt or rock-based), building, structure, or checkpoint. All firearms will be fully encased while at or in a vehicle.
- b. Turkeys may be taken by the use of hand or mouth operated calls. The use of decoys is permitted.
- c. All hunters will be restricted to their assigned hunting area. Hunters found out of their assigned area will be subject to an administrative suspension.
- d. All rivers will be off limits to turkey hunters.
- e. Civilian vehicles will not be authorized on unimproved roads or trails in the hunting areas. Violators will be cited.
- f. Be courteous of other hunters! Don't cut off a person who is working a bird. This is uncourteous and very unsafe.
- g. A junior hunter (under 18 years of age) and their sponsor will be considered as one hunter. A junior hunter may return with sponsor hunter after harvesting a turkey but may not carry a weapon.

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**CHAPTER 8
FISHING**

8-1. DEFINITION OF FISHING. Fishing means to take, or attempt to take, fish, turtles, and frogs in any manner, whether or not the persons fishing have any of the above in their possession.

8-2. LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

- a. All anglers 16 years of age and over must possess a Kentucky Fishing License, Senior Citizen License, or Disabled License, as appropriate and a Fort Knox Fishing Permit.
- b. Trout fishing requires a Kentucky Trout Permit in addition to fishing license and permit.

8-3. SIZE AND CREEL LIMITS.

a. The following creel limits are in effect for the following managed lakes: Carlson, Dickerson, Crystal, Sanders Spring, Upper Douglas, Lower Douglas, and Ordnance #1 and #2.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Size Limit</u>	<u>Creel Limit/Day</u>
Black bass	15"	5
Bluegill, redear sunfish	None	20*
Rock bass	None	15
Crappie	None	30
Channel Catfish	None	5
Hybrid striped and striped bass	15"	5

* No creel limit on bluegill, redear, and sunfish at Crystal & Dickerson Lakes.

- b. Carp caught from managed waters must be immediately returned to the water.
- c. The size limit for black bass on Duck Lake is 15 inches. Commonwealth of Kentucky size and creel limits apply otherwise.
- d. The creel limit for trout on Otter Creek is six fish daily.
- e. Commonwealth of Kentucky size and creel limits apply on all other waters of Fort Knox.
- f. Fish will be measured from the tip of the closed mouth to the tip of the lower tail with the lobes of the tail squeezed together. All under size fish must be immediately returned to the waters from which caught.

8-4. ACCESS TO THE INSTALLATION FOR FISHING.

- a. Carlson, Crystal, Dickerson, Ordnance #1 and #2, Sanders Spring, Upper Douglas, and Lower Douglas lakes are open daily with no clearance through Hunt Control required.
- b. The portion of Otter Creek 300 yards upstream of the pump station to 200 yards downstream of Camp Carlson is open during daylight hours for fishing.
- c. Daily clearance must be obtained through the Hunt Control Office for the following lakes: West Point Wells*, Tobacco Leaf*, Wilcox, Wilcox Three, Duck, Pearl Pond, Marcum, Cundiff, Zazos, Hudic, Woods, Carpenter Lake , and Lebanon Junction*.
- d. All other rivers, creeks, and streams, or portions of, require daily sign in/out through the Hunt Control Office. This requires that anglers obtain a Recreational Area Assignment sheet (Form 2973) for the hunting area in which the desired body of water is located. The hunting area must be cleared each day.
- e. McCracken Spring and Reservoir from its origination to the confluence with Otter Creek are strictly off-limits to fishing.

* May obtain access to these lakes via telephone, or in person, through the Hunt Control Office without a Recreational Area Assignment Sheet, provided area is not being used for training.

8-5. BOATS AND MOTORS.

- a. Boats, to include canoes, with outboard motors or electric trolling motors may be used on all lakes.
- b. Outboard motors must be kept at idle speed on managed lakes. Idle speed is termed as the slowest forward position of the throttle to maintain maneuverability of a boat.
- c. All vessels with mechanical power must be registered in Kentucky. Boats are registered at the County Court Clerk's Office.
- d. The maximum number of boats permitted on any lake may be restricted in order to preclude congestion. Any lakes so restricted will be posted as to the maximum number permitted.
- e. Boats used on waters on the installation will be equipped with at least one life preserver for each person aboard. Children and non-swimmers aboard will wear preservers at all times.
- f. Operating a boat in a reckless or negligent manner, which may endanger the life, limb, or property of any person, is prohibited.

8-6. BAIT AND EQUIPMENT RESTRICTIONS.

- a. The use of live minnows or fish for bait is prohibited on managed lakes. These lakes are Carlson, Dickerson, Crystal, Sanders Spring, Lower Douglas, Upper Douglas, and Ordnance #1 and #2.
- b. The use of game fish, as listed in the Kentucky Fishing Guide, for bait is prohibited.
- c. Fish may not be taken at any time by any method other than hook and line attached to a rod or pole in managed lakes on the reservation. No person fishing may have over two rods or poles in use at any one time except for river and creek fishing.
- d. Trotlines and throw lines may be used only in unmanaged lakes. Only two trotlines may be used or fished at any one time. Each will contain no more than 50 single or multi-barbed hooks, which should be placed no closer than 18 inches apart. Each trotline must be tagged at both ends with Fort Knox Fishing Permit number. It will be attended to at least once every 24 hours and all fish will be removed. Every trotline must be removed from the water when fishing is terminated. JUGLINES ARE PROHIBITED.
- e. Fishing with bow and appropriate fishing arrows is permitted on all unmanaged lakes and streams of Fort Knox for rough fish only. Arrowheads will be of the legally recognized fishing type. The fishing arrows will be connected to the bow by means of a line.
- f. Seining for any species of fish, reptiles, amphibians, and other aquatic invertebrates is prohibited on the Fort Knox Military Reservation.

8-7. FROG AND FISH GIGGING.

- a. The season for taking frogs is from noon on the third Friday in May through 31 October unless otherwise posted. Creel limit is 15 for a 24-hour period, noon until noon. It is unlawful to possess a gig on a stream or lake or in a boat from 1 November through 31 January.
- b. The season for gigging rough fish is 1 February through 10 May. Gigging for rough fish is prohibited on managed lakes.

8-8. PROHIBITED ACTS.

- a. Leaving a pole or poles unattended or in the custody of a person not properly licensed and/or not having a valid Fort Knox Hunting and Fishing Permit.
- b. Seining for any fish or aquatic invertebrate.
- c. The use of explosives or firearms to kill fish.

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- d. To sell, barter, trade, or utilize in commercial establishment any fish caught on Fort Knox.
- e. All lakes, rivers, and streams are off limits for swimming, wading, or bathing.
- f. No parking on dams or grass areas.



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APPENDIX A
FORT KNOX CONSERVATION COUNCIL CHARTER

A-1. Mission. The mission of the Conservation Council is to conserve Fort Knox's natural resources and improve various programs including hunting and fishing. The council provides a means of representing the concerns and interests of all sportsmen authorized to participate in these activities on Fort Knox. The council will serve as a method of information exchange regarding the hunting and fishing program and recommend improvements to the Garrison Commander.

A-2. Council Organization. The council will be chaired by the Garrison Commander, or his designated representative. A president and vice president will be appointed by the Garrison Commander and approved by the Senior Mission Commander. The president and vice president will normally be Fort Knox senior active duty military and will steer the council to ensure that the hunting and fishing issues of active duty military are addressed. Each major installation organization may designate a person to attend the meeting. Attendees may also include individual non-installation stakeholders representing sportsmen eligible to participate in hunting and fishing activities on Fort Knox. Installation and non-installation stakeholders must have a valid Fort Knox hunting and/or fishing license for the current season or from the immediate prior season.

A-3. Council Representatives. One representative per organization listed below:

- a. US Army Human Resources Command.
- b. US Army Accessions Command.
- c. 3d Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.
- d. 4th Cavalry Brigade, 1st Army Division East.
- e. US Army Recruiting Command.
- f. US Army Cadet Command.
- g. 3d Sustainment Command (Expeditionary).
- h. US Army Medical Department Activity.
- i. 16th Cavalry Regiment.
- j. 194th Armored Brigade.

- k. 19th Engineer Battalion.
- l. Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security.
- m. Directorate of Public Works.
- n. Directorate of Emergency Services/Law Enforcement Division.
- o. Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation.
- p. Installation Safety Office.
- q. Public Affairs Office, USAG.
- r. Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, USAG.
- s. 84th Training Command.
- t. 100th Division.

A-4. Operations. The Conservation Council will act as a means of communication among stakeholders of natural resources on the installation. The council will neither have the authority to obligate funds, either appropriated or non-appropriated, nor the authority to implement any changes in existing regulations, practices, or policies without prior approval of the Garrison Commander or the Senior Mission Commander.

A-5. Council Meetings. The council will meet in January and June of each year. The agenda, date, time, and location will be published via electronic mail (e-mail) and/or postal service no later than 10 working days prior to a scheduled meeting. Minutes of the meeting will be provided to all council members via e-mail or postal service no later than 15 working days after the meeting. The designated months will allow the council to review changes to the hunting/fishing regulations and provide recommendations prior to the next hunting or fishing season.

A-6. Conduct of Meeting. The council will meet in accordance with paragraph 5 above. The attendees will be briefed by members of the Natural Resources Branch and LEC responsible for managing natural resources and law enforcement. The following may be used as a guideline for the principal subjects of each meeting:

- January: Deer season report and upcoming fishing
- Spring turkey and squirrel season
- Review statistics from previous hunting seasons
- Discuss recommendations and changes to upcoming hunting or fishing seasons

June: Fishing
 Turkey season report
 Upcoming fall hunting seasons
 Discuss recommendations and changes to upcoming hunting or fishing seasons

A-7. Point of contact. The point of contact is Chief, Natural Resources Branch, Environmental Management Division, DPW, 624-7368.

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APPENDIX B

ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION AND APPEAL OF FORT KNOX HUNTING AND FISHING PRIVILEGES

B-1. ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION.

a. Citations (US District Court Violation Notice - DD Form 1805) issued by Military Police Game Wardens to civilians violating fish/wildlife laws and statutes, and Armed Forces Uniform Traffic Tickets (DD Form 1408) issued to active duty violators are cause for immediate removal of the offender from the hunting area.

b. Removal of a violator from the hunting area during the annual deer hunt for an administrative violation will be recommended by a guide, military police game warden, volunteer game warden, and/or a member of Range Branch, DPTMS, and a decision made on the recommendation by the Hunt Control Officer. Recommendation and action will be in writing, and the individual making the recommendation will provide the written report to Hunt Control for administrative action at the close of each hunting day.

c. Suspension of hunting and fishing privileges is an administrative action which does not replace or preclude prosecution by military or Federal authorities, as appropriate.

d. Suspension will be recommended to Hunt Control in conjunction with any citation of DD Form 1805 or DD Form 1408 (Armed Forces Traffic Ticket) by game wardens.

e. Suspension will be administratively determined by the Chief, Environmental Management Division (EMD) based on a recommendation in writing through Hunt Control, by any game warden, and during the annual deer hunt, by hunting area guides.

f. The Hunt Control Officer will provide all recommendations for suspensions to the Chief, EMD, for review and, upon approval, notify the subject in writing of the suspension and appeal/reinstatement procedures. A copy of this suspension will be maintained in the Hunt Control Office.

g. The Range Manager, Range Branch, DPTMS, may also initiate action to suspend recreational privileges within the training complex. This action will be staffed to the Chief, EMD for coordination.

B-2. APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES.

a. An appeal of administrative suspension of privileges may be made in writing to the following: Department of the Army, Environmental Management Division (IMSE-KNX-PWEN), Directorate of Public Works, Bldg No. 112, Hunt Control, 125 6th Avenue, Suite 320, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121-5719.

b. The Chief, EMD, will make recommendations to the Director, DPW, who will make a determination and inform the individual making the appeal of the decision.

B-3. VIOLATIONS SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION. Violations subject to administrative suspension of hunting and fishing privileges are listed below. In addition to those listed, any violation of Kentucky or federal game laws, whether on or off post, may also result in suspension of privileges. It will be the responsibility of the hunting or fishing permit holder to notify the Hunt Control Office of any wildlife violations off post. The periods listed are guidelines only and do not restrict the discretion of the Hunt Control Officer, Chief, EMD, or Director of Public Works in fashioning an appropriate administrative remedy for violations. Any listed violation may result in the permanent suspension of post privileges.

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>NORMAL PERIOD OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES</u>
Falsifying information on application.	Permanent
Removal of "duds" .	Permanent
No State Hunting or Fishing License, tags, stamps, or Fort Knox Permits.	1 year
Failure to obtain Recreation Area Assignment Sheet (hunting without Area Assignment Sheet).	1 year
Failure to clear out of assigned hunting area by the time indicated on the area assignment sheet.	1 year
Hunter found on more than one hunting area assignment at the same time.	1 year
Use of altered or changed State or Fort Knox documents or use of another person's documents (hunting license, permit, hunting area assignment, etc.).	Permanent
Making false statement in obtaining a permit or hunting area assignment.	Permanent
Hunting or fishing in an unauthorized, restricted, or closed area/managed waters.	1 year

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>NORMAL PERIOD OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES</u>
Failure to maintain boat at idle speed on managed lakes.	1 year
Fishing in the trout nursery.	Permanent
Fishing with more poles than allowed.	6 months
Aiding and abetting a violator.	Same as violator
Failure to check in big game.	1 year
Illegal night hunting.	Permanent
Hunting wildlife out of season.	2 years
Trespassing.	1 year
Harvesting a deer that did not meet the minimum antler width restriction.	1 year
Harvesting more than one turkey during the fall season with a beard length of 3 inches or longer.	1 year
Failure to tag deer/turkey.	1 year
Failure to bring deer to the deer check station on the day of harvest, unless the checkpoint has been notified that the deer could not be found before the normal stop hunting time.	1 year
Illegal (unlawful) possession of game or fish.	3 years
Illegal use of traps, snares, pitfalls, and similar devices.	Permanent
Killing of birds and animals from an aircraft, motor vehicle, or a boat under mechanical power.	Permanent

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>NORMAL PERIOD OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES</u>
Use or possession of baits, illegal weapons, ammunition, explosives, poisons, etc.	1 year
Transporting a loaded or uncased weapon in or upon a vehicle or loading a gun before entering hunting area.	1 year
Exceeding game bag or creel limits.	3 years
Use or possession of alcoholic beverages, to include malt beverages, or any intoxicant, in hunting area or hunting under the influence of alcohol (blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent) or any intoxicant.	Permanent
Discharging of firearm in a restricted, off-limits, or firearms safety zone.	3 years
Illegal taking of the wrong sex of an animal.	3 years
Discharging of firearm from a vehicle or from or across an improved roadway.	3 years
Failure to wear required clothing (fluorescent orange).	1 year
Resisting or interfering with apprehension (arrest).	Permanent
Failure to surrender permits while suspended.	1 year
Littering.	Permanent
Destroying or defacing government property such as signs, buildings, power/telephone poles, lines and insulators, and range training support equipment.	Permanent

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>NORMAL PERIOD OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES</u>
Mired or immobilized vehicle in a training or impact area.	6 months
More than one ticket per hunting party for random drawing during spring turkey sign-up.	1 year

B-4. NOTES.

- a. For the second or subsequent similar offense/violation, the suspension period will be doubled.
- b. The suspension of hunting and/or fishing privileges is an administrative action that may be imposed in addition to any judicial or punitive action.
- c. Any administrative suspension of 6 months or longer for a violation during the annual deer hunt includes the loss of deer hunting privileges for the following year's annual deer hunt.
- d. Suspensions of a year will be effective through the end of the next hunting season in which the violation occurred.