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Hunting and Fishing Regulations

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This Revision

- *Adds confiscation of FHL hunting and/or fishing permits [Section 1-3 c. iii]*
- *Adds confiscation of unlawfully taken fish and/or game on FHL [Section 1-3 c. iii]*
- *Incorporates the relocation of FHL's Access Control Point [Section 2-1 b]*
- *Restricts individuals from being a registered hunter and a visitor during high impact hunting weekends [Section 2-2 i]*
- *Updates requirements for hunting in Training Areas 20 and 21 [Section 2-2 j (iv) & Section 5-2]*
- *Prohibits parking vehicles that limits access to roads and gates [Section 2-2 k]*
- *Defines parking area locations for Hunt Area 13E [Section 2-2 m]*
- *Allow soldiers, family members and DoD employees assigned to FHL to fish in 24/7 reservoirs without registering at the Hunting and Fishing Center [Section 2-5 d].*
- *Adds clarification for use of boats on Fort Hunter Liggett (FHL) fishing reservoirs [Section 2-5 e]*
- *Adds Safety chapter [Section 3]*
- *Incorporates limited weapon hunt area safety buffer zones from Memorandum For U.S. Army Combat Support Training Center Personnel and Training Units dated 2 September 2009 [Section 3-7]*
- *Prohibits shooting within fifty (50) feet of blacktop roads, excluding Bear Trap Loop [Section 4-3 cc]*
- *Prohibits hunting in closed or restricted areas [Section 4-3 dd]*
- *Incorporates FHL's weekday hunting policy from Memorandum For U.S. Army Combat Support Training Center Personnel and Training Units dated 2 September 2009 [Section 5-1]*
- *Allows eligible weekday hunters the ability to sponsor one hunting guest [Section 5-1 b]*
- *Consolidates and clarifies hunting in Training Areas 20 (FHL Reg. 420-26 dated March 2010) and 21 (Memorandum For U.S. Army Combat Support Training Center Personnel and Training Units dated 2 September 2009) [Section 5-2]*

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HISTORY. Fort Hunter Liggett (FHL) regulation 420-26 was first prepared in 1999. This is the fourth revision to 420-26.

SUMMARY. This regulation establishes policies and outlines responsibilities and procedures relative to the control of hunting and fishing on FHL.

APPLICABILITY. This regulation is applicable to all persons residing on, employed on or visiting FHL and is subject to change without prior public notice. All changes will be enforceable only to the extent that persons are provided notice of those changes. Civilian, military, tenants, and training units are required to comply with this regulation. No activity is exempt from this regulation.

PROPONENT AND EXCEPTION AUTHORITY. The proponent of this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division. Only the FHL's Garrison Commander may approve changes to this document.

SUPPLEMENTATION. Supplementation of this circular is prohibited without prior approval from the proponent.

SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) to Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Office, IMHL-PWE, 233 California Avenue, Fort Hunter Liggett, CA 93928-7090.

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Chapter 1 - Overview

1-1. Purpose and Scope

The primary mission of Fort Hunter Liggett (FHL) is to provide training space and other related military use of land and water resources. Land and water resources deemed available for public recreational use and enjoyment will have controlled public access, subject to safety and military security requirements and will not impair the military mission. Persons holding hunting and fishing permits will stand at par with each other for use privileges, except that participation will be within manageable quotas and within the capability of natural resources to support such use.

This regulation establishes specific restrictions enforceable in federal and state courts for hunting and fishing recreation on FHL. This regulation is additional and supplementary to State and federal laws, or other federal or State directives that may be applicable. Conflicts will be brought to the attention of the Directorate of Public Works, Environment Division, Natural Resources Program, IMHL-PWE, 233 California Avenue, Fort Hunter Liggett, California 93928-7090. This regulation and adequate enforcement of such is a key component to the wildlife and fisheries management program on FHL.

- a. Fish and wildlife-oriented recreation on FHL is described and defined in the FHL Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP). An installation INRMP is required by the Sikes Act Improvement Act (16 United States Code [USC] 670) and Army Regulation (AR) 200-1. AR 200-1, 4-3.d authorizes hunting and fishing on FHL in accordance with 16 USC 670a.
- b. California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14 describes natural resources laws in California. CCR Title 13 describes motor vehicle laws in California.
- c. Directorate of Public Works Environment Division (PWE) is the primary proponent of this regulation, in coordination with Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation (FMWR), the Directorate of Emergency Services– Police Division (DES), and the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS).
 - i. Management of the natural resource functions of the FHL hunting and fishing program is the responsibility of the PWE.
 - ii. Sikes Act Improvement Act authorizes a public outdoor recreation program in accordance with the INRMP. Hunting, fishing, and other outdoor recreation are interrelated components of the Natural Resources Management Program. The hunting and fishing programs operate within MWR oversight per AR 215-1.
 - iii. Natural resource related law enforcement is the responsibility of the DES. Two full-time Game Wardens are assigned to tasks associated with enforcement, including but not limited to violator apprehension and prosecution.
 - iv. Management of training area use and access is the responsibility of the DPTMS.
- d. This regulation is punitive in nature. Violators may be subject to administrative action (revocation of permit, etc.), may be barred from the Installation and/or prosecuted under federal or California law in court. In addition, military violators of these provisions may be prosecuted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice or may be subject to administrative action.

1-2. Applicability

This regulation is applicable to all civilian and military persons participating in hunting and fishing activities on FHL. All persons engaging in hunting and fishing activity on FHL are required to comply

with this regulation and all applicable federal and State laws and regulations. No one is exempt from this regulation.

1-3. Responsibilities

- a. Command Group
 - i. The US Army Garrison, Fort Hunter Liggett Installation Legal Office will provide legal assistance and review.
- b. Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division (PWE)
 - i. Management of the natural resource functions of the FHL hunting and fishing program.
 - ii. Coordinate with all appropriate FHL Divisions in accordance with the INRMP.
 - iii. Determine which available training areas to open for hunting and fishing, based on harvest data and hunting area usage, and other special environmental restrictions or considerations that may be necessary.
- c. Directorate of Emergency Services, Policy Division (DES)
 - i. Provide sufficient staff to enforce and curtail activity contrary to hunting and fishing laws and regulations on FHL. Game Wardens are authorized to detain, question, apprehend, and search persons and/or possessions, including vehicles.
 - ii. Educate the public regarding applicable laws and regulations.
 - iii. Monitor hunter and angler activity on FHL to detect and deter illegal hunting, fishing, and other outdoor recreation, and take appropriate legal action to deter future illegal activity, such as confiscate FHL hunting and fishing permits from person(s) in violation of this regulation and/or state laws. Game Wardens are authorized to confiscate any fish and/or game unlawfully taken from person(s) in violation of this regulation. Confiscated fish and/or game will be turned over to California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG).
- d. Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS)
 - i. Evaluate training and other activities in training areas and release training areas that may be opened for hunting and fishing by Wednesday close of business each week to PWE, maximizes opportunities for hunting and fishing consistent with training, safety, and mission requirements.
 - ii. Immediately inform Outdoor Recreation of all unscheduled changes to training schedules to ensure hunters are not posted in closed areas.
 - iii. Range Control personnel open locked gates to permit recreational use of areas open for recreational use.
 - iv. Schedule and conduct an “Unexploded Ordnance Briefing” as needed.
- e. Family, Moral, Welfare, and Recreation (FMWR)
 - i. Develop, enhance, operate, and maintain a viable outdoor recreation program on FHL, including the recreational pursuit of fish, fowl, small and large game.
 - ii. Plan, coordinate, implement recreational aspects of the hunt and fish program to include, selling and managing hunting and fishing permits, check-in and check-out of hunters and anglers to hunting and fishing activity areas, distribution of FHL issued big game tags, and management of hunt and fish customer service area.

- iii. Ensure that updated FHL Hunting Area and Fishing Maps are available upon request.
 - iv. Announce areas open for hunting and fishing on the Hunting and Fishing Program Information Line (831) 386-3310, the FHL Hunting and Fishing Program web page <<http://www.liggett.army.mil/sites/fishhunt/>>, and by email to FHL offices and interested parties.
- f. Hunter and Angler
- i. Know and abide by all FHL, State, and federal laws and regulations governing hunting, fishing, and vehicle operation on FHL, California.
 - ii. Notify FHL authorities about uncontrolled fires, the location of unexploded munitions, fuel or other spills, and any observed violations of FHL, State, or federal Regulations.
 - iii. Cooperate with military officials, FHL law enforcement, Range Control, and Safety personnel.
 - iv. Conduct himself/herself in a legal, safe, and ethical manner while hunting or fishing on FHL. Offenses of particular concern at FHL include use and possession of illegal substances, possession of illegal firearms, possession of loaded firearms in vehicles, spotlighting and night hunting, shooting from vehicles, trespassing, littering, unauthorized transplanting of fish and wildlife, and disturbance of government property, for example, equipment, natural and cultural resources, ordnance and munitions.

1-4. References and Definitions

References are found in Appendix A. Definitions are found in Appendix B.

Chapter 2 - General Information

2-1. Installation Access

- a. By entering U.S. Army Installation FHL, individuals have consented to the search of their person or vehicle by law enforcement personnel, and confiscation of all evidence of unauthorized activities.
- b. Access to FHL's Cantonment is permitted, based on security requirements, through the Access Control Point off Mission Road. A valid driver's license or photo identification, valid vehicle registration, and proof of automobile insurance are required for entry.
- c. Fort Hunter Liggett, and any part thereof, may be closed at any time without notice at the discretion of the Garrison Commander. Recreational use is secondary to requirements of the military mission.
- d. The speed limit on FHL is 10 mph when passing troops and 25 mph in all other areas, unless posted otherwise.
- e. Recreationists are prohibited from entering environmental or archeological sensitive areas marked with "Off-Limits" signs or Seibert Stakes (Appendix C - Figure 1), either with vehicles or on foot.

2-2. Training Areas Access

- a. There are thirty-four (34) training areas on FHL as follows: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12A, 12B, 12C, 13W, 13E, 14, 15, 16, 16B, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29.

- b. Public access in Training Areas 12A, 12C, 20, 21, and 22 is prohibited unless authorized by FHL.
- c. Hunters and anglers must obtain an FHL Hunting or Fishing Permit (hereinafter referred to as the "Permit") and register at the Hunting and Fishing Center each trip to obtain a Recreational Training Area Pass (hereinafter referred to as the "Pass") for lawful and safe entry into FHL training areas. Permits and Passes are not transferable between persons or permit years, and are not refundable.
- d. Hunt Areas are based on training area boundaries but may be modified or grouped together for special hunts or specific requirements. For example, for safety purposes Training Area 13W is split into two Hunt Areas and a closed zone: Hunt Area 13W north of KD Road, Hunt Area 13A south of KD Road, and a closed zone east of KD Road and south of Mission Road. Updated maps will be provided to hunters and anglers as needed.
- e. The following 11 reservoirs and portions of San Antonio Lake may be available for fishing on FHL: Coleman, Milpitas (Training Area 2), Del Venturi (Training Area 9), KD, (Training Area 13W), Generals (Training Area 19), Hughes, Woodrow, El Piojo (Training Area 24), Twin Valley, Sycamore (Training Area 27), San Antonio Lake (Training Area 29), and Gravel Pit (Cantonment).
- f. Hunters may hunt only in their assigned area(s) using weapons as otherwise stipulated. Anglers may fish only at their assigned reservoir(s).
- g. Hunters and anglers must return to the Hunting and Fishing Center to change hunting area(s) or reservoir(s) assignment.
- h. One non-hunting or non-fishing visitor may register to accompany registered hunters or anglers into training areas; additional visitors may be permitted on a case by case basis (e.g., a second sibling accompanying a parent/guardian, or a second parent/guardian accompanying a junior hunter). All visitors must accompany the registered hunter or angler at all times while in the training areas. Registered hunters or anglers are responsible for their registered visitors, and as such registered hunters or anglers may have their privileges revoked for violations made by their visitor.
- i. A hunter that is currently registered into a Hunting Area(s) may not also be listed as a non-hunting visitor on another person's Pass during high use hunting weekends (e.g., general weapons deer season, opening weekends, holidays).
- j. Hunt areas may be restricted to specified weapon types or seasons.
 - i. Hunt Areas 3, 13E, 22 and 29 are restricted to archery and/or shotgun and muzzle-loading weapons only.
 - ii. When it is not deer or turkey season, handguns are allowed in Hunt Areas 13E and 29 for self-defense. Any discharge of a handgun in Hunting Areas 13E or 29 must be reported to the Hunting and Fishing Center detailing the action taken including purpose, location, and results. Handguns in Hunting Areas 13E and 29 shall be traditional revolvers or semi-automatic pistols using traditional cartridges with open sights. Bolt action (e.g., Remington's XP-100) or modern break open action single-shot (e.g., Thompson's Contender) pistols are not allowed.
 - iii. Hunt Areas 6B, 13A, 13B, and 16B are restricted to archery equipment only.
 - iv. Additional limitations may be imposed for specific hunts.
 - v. Hunting Areas 22 is restricted to muzzle loading weapons, archery equipment, or crossbows.

- k. Vehicles must be parked within or immediately adjacent to the hunting area noted on the Pass, or within a designated parking area. All vehicles must be parked in such a manner to allow other vehicles safe passage, including not blocking access to roads or gates.
- l. Vehicles in hunting areas must have the vehicle portion of the Pass clearly displayed on the vehicle dashboard.
- m. To access Hunt Area 13E, hunters must park at designated parking areas (Appendix C - Figure 2). To access Hunt Area 29, hunters must park at either the north or south gates off Interlake Road (Appendix C - Figure 3).
- n. Motorized vehicle travel is prohibited in Hunt Areas 6B, 13A, 13B, 13E, 16B, 22, and 29.
- o. Bicycles are allowed on maintained roads to get to and from hunting/angling sites. Bicycles are allowed for game retrieval in Hunt Area 29.

2-3. Check-In/Check-Out Requirement

- a. All hunters and anglers must obtain a FHL Recreational Permit (Hunting or Fishing) and a Recreational Training Area Pass prior to entering training areas. See Section 2-2 for training area access information.
- b. All hunters and anglers are required to return their Pass to the Hunting and Fishing Center upon check-out. Check-out is required within two hours after sunset on the last valid day to ensure the training areas are clear of public visitors.
- c. All game and fish harvested on FHL must be reported on the Pass upon check-out. Hunters are required to bring all harvested deer and elk to the wildlife check station for data collection. All other harvested animals may also be required to be brought in for Check Station data collection when needed.
- d. All harvested game and fish must be available for inspection at check-out.
- e. Carcass tags must be accessible to Hunting and Fishing personnel for inspection as required by State law.

2-4. Hunting

- a. The following game and non-game species may be hunted at FHL within seasons and limits specified by CDFG regulations: deer, elk, pig, coyote, bobcat, jackrabbit, cottontail, tree squirrel, dove, quail, pigeon, turkey, duck, and geese. Species listed may be removed or other species added based on natural resource considerations.
- b. Hunting opportunities are generally open to the public on weekends and federal holidays. Availability is dependent on training, natural resources, and force protection requirements.
- c. Hunting hours on FHL are typically from half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset or as otherwise specified by CDFG regulations. Hunters may enter hunting areas two hours before sunrise and must begin exiting hunting areas immediately after hunting hour. Hunters attempting to retrieve game must exit the hunting areas within two hours after sunset each day, or get FHL DES (831) 386-2526 approval to remain in the hunting area after hours.
- d. Hunting with any projectile that contains more than one percent lead is prohibited. This applies to all calibers and all weapon types including shotgun pellets and all projectiles carried in possession.

- e. Portable tree stands may be used if they cause no damage and are completely removed each day by the close of hunting hours.
- f. Cutting or removing of vegetation is prohibited.

2-5. Fishing

- a. The following fish species may be taken at FHL within seasons and limits specified by CDFG regulations at reservoirs listed as open by FMWR: bass, catfish, bluegill, sunfish, thread-fin shad, trout, carp, and other game fish that may occur on FHL.
- b. Fishing hours are from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset, except at Gravel Pit, Del Venturi, and Coleman Reservoirs, where fishing is open 24 hours a day, 7-days a week (24/7). 24/7 reservoirs maybe closed dependent on training, natural resources, and force protection requirements.
- c. Anglers may enter training areas two hours before sunrise and must exit training areas by one hour after sunset each day; except for 24/7 reservoirs (see Section 2-5 b). Fishing is allowed only at designated fishing reservoirs that are announced as open by FMWR.
- d. Active duty military and family members assigned to or living on FHL and full-time Common Access Card carrying civilians and contractors with contracts of at least 12 months are authorized to fish in 24/7 reservoirs without obtaining a Pass at the Hunting and Fishing Center. However, they must call the Hunt and Fish Center (831) 386-2677 and report what reservoir they are fishing. The aforementioned individuals must possess all other State and FHL fishing requirements to fish.
- e. Boats, canoes, and other floating devises shall only be powered by electric, wind, or manual means.

2-6. Protected Resources

- a. It is unlawful to excavate, damage, alter, deface, sell, purchase, transport, or receive any archeological or historic resource (Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979), or any military equipment or munitions (spent or unspent) on FHL.
- b. The Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits take of any federally listed fish or wildlife species or removal or destruction of any federally listed plants. Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) prohibits take of protected migratory birds without a federal permit. Take means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or attempt to engage in any such conduct.
- c. Animals on FHL protected by ESA, MBTA or other laws include but are not limited to: California condor, bald eagle, golden eagle, San Joaquin kit fox, arroyo toad, red-legged frog, vernal pool fairy shrimp, and migratory birds (including game birds out of season or without stamps).
- d. Plants protected by State and federal laws include but not limited to: purple amole and Santa Lucia mint.
- e. Fort Hunter Liggett has areas that require protection from disturbance for restoration or other purposes. The areas are marked with Seibert stakes (Figure 1), flagging, cones, and/or signs and may not be entered or disturbed.

Chapter 3 - Safety

3-1. General

Safety is everyone's responsibility. To avoid injuries and possible loss of life, all recreational activities must be accomplished in a safe and responsible manner.

- a. At no time is anyone authorized for any reason to pass behind a "Live Fire" barrier or gate displaying a "Live Fire" sign.
- b. At no time is anyone authorized for any reason to enter any area marked as a Dud area or "Military Traffic Only".
- c. Swimming or wading is prohibited in FHL lakes, reservoirs, streams, and rivers, except for wading for the direct purpose of hunting or fishing.

3-2. Accidents and Casualties

Any person discovering or having knowledge of an accident or casualty (injury or death) occurring on FHL will notify the FHL DES (831) 386-2526 by the fastest means available. Dialing 911 from a cell phone will reach State emergency responders, and not FHL DES, delaying response time.

3-3. Fires

To report a forest or brush fire, notify FHL DES (831) 386-2526 by the fastest means available. Dialing 911 from a cell phone will reach State emergency responders, and not FHL DES, delaying response time.

3-4. Unexploded Ordnance

An Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) is an explosive munitions (i.e., ammunition, explosive, or other dangerous material), which has not been armed as intended, or which has failed to explode after being armed. Included are such items as tank and artillery rounds, blasting caps, dynamite, flares, rockets, grenades, chemical munitions, and similar devices.

- a. UXOs can be extremely sensitive; hence are deadly and must not be handled by anyone other than Explosive Ordnance Disposal personnel. When a UXO is discovered, the spot should be plainly marked and the location reported to Range Control (831) 386-2403.

3-5. Weapons Safety

- a. Firearms and bows shall be secured in a fully enclosed case (hard or soft) when in a vehicle on FHL.
- b. Firearms shall not have unexpended cartridge or shell in or attached to the firearm, including in the firing chamber, magazine, or clip while in a vehicle on FHL. Muzzle-loaders shall be deemed to be loaded when they are capped or primed and have a powder charge and ball or shot in the barrel or cylinder. Bows may have arrows attached by means of a bow quiver provided arrow tips (e.g., broadhead, field trip) are secured and have a protective cover.
- c. Firearms shall not be carried loaded in a powered watercraft. Firearms shall not be fired from such watercraft unless the motor is shut off and the watercraft's motor momentum is halted (i.e., anchored or a drift).
- d. It shall be unlawful to discharge a firearm for any purpose within 150 yards (approximately 137 meters) of FHL's marked outer boundary or Cantonment area.

3-6. Hunting Safety

Faithful adherence to the essentials of safe hunting will prevent accidents and injuries and make this time honored sport a safer, more enjoyable pastime for everyone. Know your weapon and handle it properly. Fulfill your responsibilities as a safe hunter.

- a. Before you start on a hunting trip:
 - i. Ensure that you know and understand the applicable rules and regulations.
 - ii. Ensure some responsible person knows, in detail, where you will be hunting and your estimated time of return. Report back to your contact person upon your return. It shall be the hunter's responsibilities to have their contact person notify the FHL Police Department (831-386-2526) if the contact person determines that the hunter has not reported back to them by the designated time. When notified by the contact person, it shall then be the responsibility of DES to conduct search and rescue efforts to account for the missing hunter(s).
- b. Any person who causes or is involved in a hunting accident, in which another person is injured or killed, must identify himself/herself, give what assistance he/she can to the victim, and immediately report the accident by the fastest means. See Section 3-2 of this regulation for accident reporting and appropriate phone numbers.

3-7. Limited Weapons Hunt Area Buffers

- a. Areas adjacent to training areas in use for military training or the civilian workforce maybe open to shotguns for bird hunting, and archery, crossbow and muzzle loading weapons These areas will be identified by Range Control in area availability provided to the PWE.

3-8. Intoxication Prohibited

No person may hunt, fish, or operate a vehicle or watercraft on FHL while under the influence of an intoxicant (alcohol or drug). Hunters are prohibited from possessing alcohol or controlled substances on their person or within their vehicles while in training areas. In addition to being subject to prosecution, such person's FHL hunting and fishing privileges may be permanently revoked or suspended (permit may be confiscated by law enforcement personnel per 1-3 c. of this regulation). A Pass will not be issued to any person under the influence of an intoxicant. Violators of this paragraph may be subject to additional penalties under the California State laws, which prohibit hunting while intoxicated and public drunkenness.

Chapter 4 - Regulations and Prohibitions

4-1. State and Federal Laws and Regulations

All hunting and fishing on FHL shall be conducted in accordance with this regulation, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 14, and all other applicable State and federal statutes (See Appendix A - References). Violations may include but are not limited to criminal prosecution for State or federal crimes as well as administration actions as listed in Appendix D. This regulation may be more restrictive but will not supersede California Code of Regulations or other applicable State and federal statutes. Military commanders have inherent authority to regulate the morale, safety, health, good order, and discipline of their installations. When a civilian knowingly makes an unauthorized entry or enters an installation for an unauthorized purpose, then that person can be charged with trespass under the Federal Trespass Statute, 18 U.S.C. 1382. The statute provides for maximum penalty of fine up to \$5,000 or imprisonment of up to six months or both.

4-2. Violations and Penalties of this Regulation

- a. Permanent or temporary suspension or revocation of FHL hunting and/or fishing privileges immediately or by written notification (Appendix D).
- b. Immediate seizure of carcass.
- c. Written warning.

4-3. FHL Hunting and Fishing Prohibitions

- a. Hunting with any projectile including pellets that contains more than one percent lead in all calibers and all weapon types including air guns.
- b. Camping, except at designated campgrounds.
- c. Camp fires, except at designated campgrounds.
- d. Off-road vehicle travel or using of off-road vehicles such as ATV's and motorcycles.
- e. Operating unlicensed vehicles.
- f. Operating boats with gasoline or diesel motors for hunting or angling.
- g. Using of boats, canoes, and other floating devices in any river, stream, or creek.
- h. Fishing in creeks, rivers or streams.
- i. Using or possessing live bait except for legally acquired invertebrates (e.g. night crawlers).
- j. Swimming in FHL rivers, creeks, or reservoirs.
- k. Having dogs in a training area (except dogs on leash at open fishing reservoirs, bird dogs, and medical assistance dogs).
- l. Target shooting and plinking.
- m. Possessing of slingshots or spring loaded weapons.
- n. Driving on weapons ranges and hunting from range towers/structures except concrete observation points that are not adjacent to Haycamp Road in Training Area 16 or active ranges.
- o. Hunting in or around the Cantonment, Campground or Navy Compound.
- p. Discharge of a firearm within 150 yards of FHL marked outer boundary or Cantonment.
- q. Driving of wildlife with vehicles.
- r. Scouting for game outside of designated hunt areas and hunt times.
- s. Tracking wounded animals into a closed area unless accompanied by a FHL official.
- t. Having an unexpended cartridge or shell in or attached to the firearm, including in the firing chamber, magazine, or clip while in a vehicle on FHL; muzzle-loaders shall be deemed to be loaded when they are capped or primed and have a powder charge and ball or shot in the barrel or cylinder.
- u. Having uncased firearms or bows in a vehicle on the installation. All firearms and bows must remain secured in a fully enclosed hard or soft case.

- v. Possessing a weapon with ammunition for that weapon in a hunt area where that weapon is not permitted (e.g., possessing a rifle with ammunition for that rifle in a shotgun, archery, crossbow, muzzle-loader hunt area).
- w. Hunting in the vicinity of soldiers or civilian workforce personnel. If soldiers or civilian personnel are sighted, the hunter must leave the vicinity and notify FHL authorities.
- x. Refusing to follow the direction of Range Control, Safety, or Law Enforcement Personnel.
- y. Possessing or consuming alcohol in the training areas (excluding the campground and 24/7 reservoirs (see Section 2-5b)).
- z. Collecting of any type of military munitions (dud or otherwise).
- aa. Collecting of any type of souvenir.
- bb. Collecting of firewood.
- cc. Shooting within fifty (50) feet of blacktop roads, excluding Bear Trap Loop.
- dd. Hunting in closed or restricted areas.
- ee. Using FHL hunting/fishing program for access to illegally trespass on adjacent private property.

Chapter 5 - Special Notices

5-1. Weekday Hunting

Weekday hunting will be a limited program due to safety and security, game management, and personnel workforce concerns. Weekday hunting has a greater security concern than weekend hunting because the core FHL workforce are at work Monday-Friday, including in the Training Areas, as are most contractors. The Weekday Hunting Program does not apply to weekday holidays where the core workforce is off-duty or special mid-week management hunts where hunters, which included the general public, are managed by mandatory pre-hunt orientation briefings. All hunting rules in effect for weekend hunting are in effect for weekday hunting.

- a. Eligibility is limited to active duty military assigned to or living on FHL and full-time Common Access Card carrying civilians and contractors with contracts of at least 12 months. These individuals have been security screened.
- b. Each eligible weekday hunter may sponsor one hunting guest into his or her assigned hunting area provided that the hunting guest meets all other FHL hunting requirements (e.g., California hunting license, FHL permit, etc.). Sponsoring hunters are responsible for their guest and as such may have their privileges revoked for violations by their guest. Sponsoring weekday hunters and their hunting guests are not allowed to have non-hunting visitors. Sponsoring weekday hunters and their hunting guests may not register into Training Areas 20 or 21.
- c. Weekday hunting is typically available Monday through Friday. The weekday hunting program will be closed on Fridays during the regular gun deer season, and highly popular game season opening weekends (e.g., quail, turkey, waterfowl, archery deer) to allow Hunting and Fishing program and Law Enforcement staff to transition to and address weekend hunting.
- d. FHL Range Control will announce areas that are open for weekday hunting contingent on military training and civilian workforce requirements, and natural resources considerations NLT 1200 the prior Wednesday. Directorates with a legitimate request to close areas will provide their request to the Range Safety Officer by COB on Tuesday for scheduled closures. Installation staff will be

notified of areas open for hunters so they can plan their workweek accordingly, e.g., through use of ALL FHL USERS emails and the Range Control front desk.

- e. For immediate unscheduled hunting area closures, Directorates shall call Range Control. Installation staff will be notified of immediate hunting area closures, e.g., through use of ALL FHL USERS emails and the Range Control front desk.
- f. No more than twenty (20) personnel may hunt on a given weekday, contingent on hunting area availability.
- g. Hunters are required to register with the Hunting and Fishing Program. Hunters must have Passes on their possession and in vehicles. Hunters must turn in Passes at completion of the Pass period.
- h. The portion of Training Area 9 at and around the green waste disposal site is closed to hunting during workday duty hours (Appendix C - Figure 4).

5-2. Training Areas 20 and 21 Access

- a. FHL permanent personnel that routinely access Training Areas 20 and 21 as a normal part of their duties may be authorized access into Training Areas 20 and 21 with Garrison Commander approval and completion of an annual “Unexploded Ordnance Safety Briefing” and a “Target Safety Briefing” to be conducted by Range Control provided the installation training posture allows. Range Control will provide the Hunting and Fishing Program a list of those personnel who have completed these requirements. It is an individual’s responsibility to arrange and receive their briefing with the Range Safety Specialist of Range Control.
- b. No more than ten hunters may be collectively registered into Training Area 20 or 21 on a given day.
- c. Availability of Training Area 20 and 21 for hunting will be for weekday hunting only and determined contingent on military training and civilian workforce requirements, and natural resources considerations.
- d. Hunting in Training Areas 20 and 21 will be permitted only on days when there will be no live-fire Surface Danger Zones (SDZ) in hot status in any part of Training Areas 20 or 21. If a range with an overlapping SDZ is to be scheduled during any time during a weekday, then the Training Areas 20 and 21 will be closed to hunting.

5-3. Dogs

- a. Hunting with dogs is limited to bird dogs for the hunting of upland game and waterfowl, or as authorized by the Garrison Commander for special management hunts that are coordinated through FHL’s Natural Resources Program.
- b. Dogs must wear a collar that can be used to identify and contact the owner.
- c. Dogs used for hunting must be kept under close enough control to ensure that they do not injure non-target wildlife or causes a nuisance to or a hindrance of other hunters.
- d. The dog owner who believes or knows his/her dog(s) has/have entered onto an area of FHL will contact DES for an escort to help locate the dog(s). Hunting dogs otherwise captured by law enforcement officials will be impounded and the dog’s owner will be notified.
- e. If an unattended (stray) dog is observed, report the following to DES: Brief description of dog (color, size, etc.), location of dog, and time observed.

Appendix A. References

16 USC 35 – Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended

16 USC 470 – Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, as amended

16 USC 670 – Sikes Act Improvement Act

16 USC 703-712 – Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918

18 USC 1382 – Federal Trespass Statute

CFR Title 50 – Wildlife and Fisheries

Army Regulation (AR) 200-1 – Environmental Protection and Enhancement. 2007

AR 215-1 – Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs and Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentalities. 2008

California Code of Regulations Title 14, Natural Resources

California Fish and Game Code

California Vehicle Code

Fort Hunter Liggett Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan 2004-2008

Fort Hunter Liggett – Biological Assessment of the Effects of Activities Conducted at Fort Hunter Liggett, Monterey County, California, on Federal Endangered and Threatened Species. 2004

Appendix B. Definitions

Cantonment - That area on the Installation that contains barracks, motor pool, housing, shopping and dining facilities, military and civilian offices, etc.

Fish or Fishing – To catch, capture, take, or kill fish and includes all lesser acts such as attempting to catch, capture, or kill by any such act resulting in taking or not, and includes every act of direct assistance to any person in catching or attempting to catch fish.

Hunt or Hunting – To pursue, shoot, kill, take, or capture wildlife. This term also includes acts such as placing, setting, drawing, or using any device used to take wildlife, whether any such act results in taking or not, and includes every act of assistance to any person in taking or attempting to take such wildlife. However accompanying a hunter as a spectator, assisting in building, maintaining or placing stands, or assisting a hunter to locate, track, or recover wounded or harvested game is not considered hunting. Possessing a loaded weapon under any conditions is considered hunting. Therefore, hunters entering an area before legal shooting hours, or exiting an area after legal shooting hours must unload their weapons or they will be presumed to be hunting.

Junior Hunter – Persons who possess a State of California Junior Hunting License. This is typically a person under 16 years of age.

Junior Angler – 15 years old or younger.

Minor – Persons under 18 years old.

Loaded Weapons – A firearm shall be deemed to be loaded for the purpose of this regulation when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell, consisting of a case which holds a charge of powder and a bullet or shot, in, or attached in any manner to, the firearm, including, but not limited to, in the firing chamber, magazine, or clip thereof attached to the firearm; except that a muzzle-loader firearm shall be deemed to be loaded when it is capped or primed and has a powder charge and ball or shot in the barrel or cylinder. A crossbow is considered to be loaded if the bow is cocked and there is a bolt in the crossbow. A bow other than a crossbow is considered to be loaded if the bow is strung and an arrow is nocked

Motorized Vehicle – Any type of motor-driven land, air, or water vehicle.

Road – A road is defined as an area cleared of vegetation as a fire break and/or prepared for vehicle traffic that is created and regularly maintained by road building equipment. An area created and maintained by repeated vehicle traffic is not considered to be road.

Seibert Stake (a.k.a. Siber Stake) – A 16-inch piece of PVC pipe with alternating rings of white, red, and yellow reflective tape mounted on a metal post approximately 4 feet above the ground. A black strip runs down the backside of each Seibert Stake (Appendix C – Figure 1). If this is visible, the recreationist is within a sensitive area and must leave immediately.

Unloaded Weapon – A shotgun, centerfire or rimfire rifle, or handgun that does not have any ammunition in the chamber, magazine or cylinder. A muzzleloader weapon that does not have a percussion cap affixed to or resting on the weapon's nipple or flash pan. An un-cocked crossbow with the bolt removed from the platform.

Appendix C. Figures

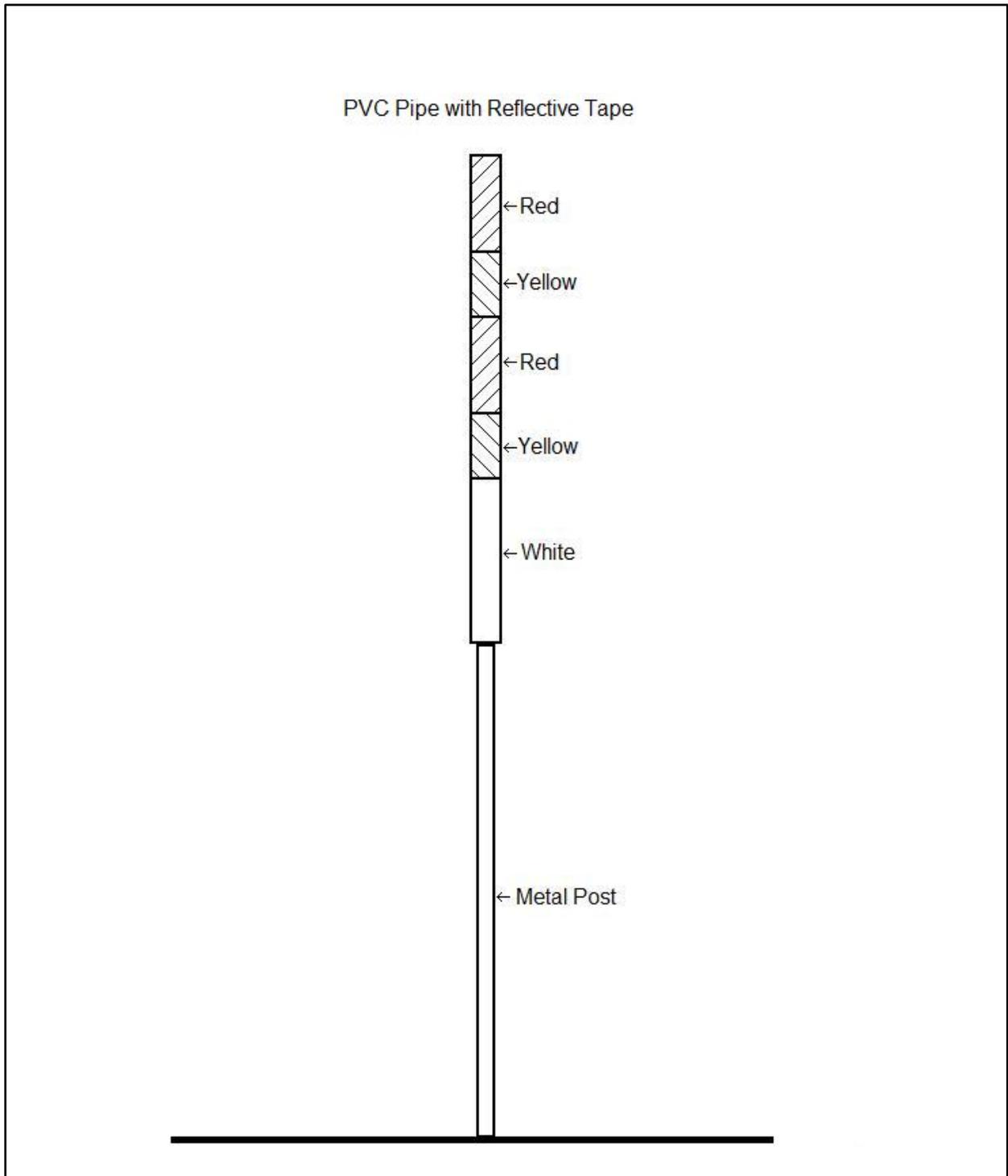


Figure 1. Seibert Stake Diagram

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Figure 2. Hunt Area 13E Map

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Figure 3. Hunt Area 29 Map



Figure 4. Hunt Area 9 Map

Appendix D. Suspensions and Revocations of Fort Hunter Liggett Hunting and Fishing Privileges

The suspension of game privileges is an additional administrative action independent of any judicial or punitive actions, and is addressed on a case by case basis. Suspensions shall be from the date of receipt of official notification by the Garrison Commander.

VIOLATION/OFFENSE	MAY RESULT IN (First Offense)¹
Persons with three or more suspension violations within a five year period.	Permanent Revocation
Persons found to be legally intoxicated while hunting, fishing or while operating vehicles or watercraft	Permanent Revocation
Killing or taking protected, threatened or endangered species, collecting protected, threatened or endangered plants	Permanent Revocation
Hunting while under suspension of hunting privileges; fishing while under suspension of fishing privileges	Permanent Revocation
Intentionally disturbing protected, threatened or endangered species or their habitats	Five Year Suspension
Persons consuming alcohol while in training area (excluding the campground and 24/7 reservoirs (see 2-5 b))	Two Year Suspension
Hunting from range targets or structures except concrete observation points	Two Year Suspension
Hunting any game out of season	12-month Suspension
Hunting before or after hours	12-month Suspension
Using FHL hunting/fishing program to illegally access adjacent property.	12-month Suspension
Shooting from or across a road	12-month Suspension
Hunting or fishing without a valid California license, stamps or tags	12-month Suspension
Hunting or fishing without a valid FHL permit or Training Area Pass	12-month Suspension
Failure to make reasonable effort to retrieve downed game	12-month Suspension
Hunting with an unauthorized or illegal weapon or ammunition, or with a weapon type not authorized for the hunt area assigned	12-month Suspension
Damaging federal property	12-month Suspension
Failure to cooperate with government officials when in execution of their duties	12-month Suspension
Littering or depositing debris on FHL	Up to 12-month Suspension
Multiple safety or procedural offenses	Minimum 6 month Suspension
Hunting, scouting, or tracking without a FHL official in a closed area	60-Day Suspension
Operating vehicles off established and authorized roads	Minimum 60-Day Suspension
Violating State or federal game codes or laws without notifying authorities	Minimum 30-day Suspension
Transporting a loaded or uncased weapon in or on a vehicle	Minimum 30-day Suspension
Accessing areas for hunting without Training Area Pass/Registration Form clearly displayed on vehicle dash	Minimum 7-day Suspension
Failure to turn-in Training Area Pass/ Registration Form at the close of the hunt or fish day(s). Notice may be given by phone or email	Minimum Written Warning
Violating Fort Hunter Liggett Regulation 420-26 procedures or prohibitions not specifically listed above	Minimum written warning and may involve suspension or permanent revocation.

¹ A person committing more than one of the above offenses may have his/her hunting/fishing privileges suspended for a period equal to the total of standard penalties for each offense. In the event that the total period of suspension is in excess of 1 year, the person's privileges may be permanently revoked.