

**FORT HUNTER LIGGETT  
HUNTING AND FISHING RECREATION,  
AND WILDLIFE REGULATION PAMPHLET**

**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. This regulation may be more restrictive but will not supersede State and Federal statutes.**

**1. Hunter and Angler Responsibilities**

- a. Know and abide by all FHL, State, and Federal laws and regulations for hunting, fishing, and vehicle operation.
- b. Notify FHL authorities about fires, location of unexploded munitions, fuel or other spills, and any observed violations of FHL, State, or Federal Regulations.
- c. Cooperate with military and law enforcement officials.
- d. Conduct themselves in a legal, safe, and ethical manner while hunting or fishing on FHL.

**2. Violations and Penalties**

- a. Violations of State or Federal law, Army Regulations, or FHL regulations or policies may result in:
  - i. Criminal prosecution in U. S. District Court, Federal Magistrate Court or State Superior Court.
  - ii. Fines, imprisonment or both and/or forfeiture of property.
  - iii. Permanent or temporary suspension or revocation of FHL hunting and/or fishing privileges immediately or by written notification.
  - iv. Written warning.
  - v. Disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for persons subject thereto.

**3. Installation Access**

- a. Access to FHL is permitted through the Main Gate on Mission Road. Present a valid driver's license or photo identification, valid vehicle registration, and proof of automobile insurance.
- b. The speed limit on FHL is 10 mph when passing troops and 25 mph in all other areas, unless posted otherwise.
- c. Public access is prohibited in Training Areas 12A, 12C, 20 and 21, except authorized traffic on Gabilan Road.

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HUNTING AND FISHING RECREATION,  
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REGULATIONS**

**This document establishes regulations and specific restrictions enforceable in Federal and State courts for hunting and fishing recreation and wildlife management on Fort Hunter Liggett. 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 promptly to the attention of the Environmental Division and Law Enforcement Division, Fort Hunter Liggett, CA 93928. This regulation and adequate enforcement of such is a key component to the wildlife and fisheries management program on Fort Hunter Liggett.**



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON  
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CALIFORNIA 93928**

# Hunting and Fishing Recreation, and Wildlife Law Enforcement Regulations



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#### 4. 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. Hunters and anglers must obtain a FHL hunting or fishing permit and register at the Hunting and Fishing Center each trip to obtain a Training Area 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.
- c. Hunt Areas are based on training area boundaries but may be modified for 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.
- d. The following 11 ponds 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).
- e. Hunters may hunt only in their assigned area(s) using weapons as otherwise stipulated. Anglers may fish only at their assigned ponds.
- f. Access to and from assigned hunting area(s) or fishing pond(s) is per designated routes only. Hunters and anglers must return to the Hunting and Fishing Center to change hunting area or pond assignment.
- g. One non-hunting or non-fishing visitor may register to accompany registered hunters and anglers into training areas; additional visitors may be permitted on a case by case basis (e.g. a second sibling accompanying a parent hunter, or a second parent accompanying a junior hunter). Registered hunters or anglers are responsible for their registered visitors. All visitors must accompany the registered hunter or angler at all times while in the training areas.
- h. Vehicles must be parked within or immediately adjacent to the training area noted on the Training Area Pass, or within a designated parking area.
- i. Vehicles in training areas must have the vehicle portion of the training area pass clearly displayed on the vehicle dashboard.
- j. Hunt areas may be restricted to specified weapon types or seasons.
  - i. Hunt Areas 13E and 29 are restricted to archery, shotgun, and muzzle loading weapons only.
  - ii. Hunt Areas 3, 6B, 13B, 13A, 16B and 22 are restricted to archery only.
  - iii. Additional limitations may be imposed for specific hunts.
- k. To access Hunt Area 13E, hunters must park at designated parking areas (Tidball Store or Davis Canyon). To access Hunt Area 29, hunters must park at either the north or south gates off Interlake Road. Do not block gates. Bicycles are allowed on maintained roads to get to and from hunting/angling sites, and for game retrieval in Hunt Areas 13E and 29 only.
- l. Motorized vehicle travel is prohibited in areas 6B, 13B, 13E, 13A, 22, and 29.

#### 5. Check-Out Requirement

- a. All hunters and anglers are required to return their Training Area Pass to the Hunting and Fishing Center. Check-out is required within two hours after sunset on the last valid day to ensure the training areas are clear of public visitors.
- b. All game and fish harvested on FHL must be reported on the Training Area Pass upon checkout. Hunters are required to bring all harvested deer, elk and turkeys to the

wildlife check station for data collection.

- c. All harvested game and fish must be available for inspection at check-out.
- d. Carcass tags must be accessible to Hunting and Fishing personnel for inspection as required by State law.

#### 6. Hunting

- a. Deer, elk, pig, coyote, bobcat, jackrabbit, cottontail, tree squirrel, dove, quail, pigeon, turkey, duck, and geese may be hunted at FHL in accordance with California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) regulations if listed as open by PWE.
- b. Hunting hours on FHL are from half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset or as otherwise specified by CDFG regulations. Hunters may enter training areas two hours before sunrise and must exit training areas by two hours after sunset each day.
- c. Tree stands may be used if they cause no damage and are completely removed each day by the close of hunting hours.

#### 7. Fishing

- a. The following fish species may be taken at FHL within seasons and limits specified by CDFG regulations and listed as open by PWE: large-mouth bass, small-mouth bass, channel catfish, bluegill, red-eared 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 and Del Venturi Reservoirs where fishing is open 24 hours a day, 7-days a week. Anglers may enter training areas two hours before sunrise and must exit training areas by two hours after sunset each day. Fishing is allowed only at designated fishing ponds that are listed as open by PWE.
- c. Boats, canoes, and other floating devices with gasoline engines are not allowed on FHL reservoirs.
- d. Standard non-live bait is acceptable for use at FHL.

#### 8. Prohibitions

- a. Non-compliance with State, Federal or other restrictions, for example, 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.
- b. Unauthorized access into Training Areas or Hunt Areas. Access requires registration at the Hunting and Fishing Center and a valid Training Area Pass.
- c. Hunting with any projectile that contains more than one percent lead in all calibers and all weapon types.
- d. Camping, except at designated campgrounds.
- e. Camp fires, except at designated campgrounds.
- f. Off-road vehicle travel or use of off road vehicles such as ATV's and motorcycles. Use may result in violations of the Endangered Species Act, Archaeological Resources Protection Act, or other laws or regulations and may result in Federal or State criminal or civil penalties.
- g. Operation of boats with gasoline motors.
- h. Use of boats, canoes, and other floating devices in any creek, river or stream.
- i. Fishing in creeks, rivers or streams.
- j. Moving, stocking, or transplanting fish without the approval of PWE.
- k. Live bait except legally acquired invertebrates (e.g. night crawlers).

- l. Swimming.
- m. Dogs (except dogs on leash at open fishing ponds, voice trained dogs for bird hunting, and medical assistance dogs).
- n. Target shooting and plinking.
- o. Possession of air-guns, slingshots or spring loaded weapons.
- p. Driving on weapons ranges and hunting from range towers/structures.
- q. Hunting in or around the Cantonment, Campground or Navy Compound.
- r. Hunting within 150 yards of FHL outer boundary or Cantonment.
- s. Scouting for game outside of designated hunt areas and hunt times.
- t. Tracking wounded animals into a closed area unless accompanied by a FHL official. If wounded game goes off the installation, it is the hunter's responsibility to obtain permission from the landowner.
- u. 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.
- v. Having uncased firearms and bows in a moving vehicle on the installation—they must remain secured in a fully enclosed hard or soft case.
- w. Hunting in the vicinity of Soldiers or civilian personnel. If Soldiers or civilian personnel are sighted, the hunter must stop hunting, leave the vicinity, and notify FHL authorities.
- x. Collection or disturbance of any government property to include but not limited to equipment, ordnance, munitions, artifacts, rocks, fish, wildlife, plants, or firewood or other wood products.
- y. Motorized vehicle access in prohibited areas.

#### 9. Protected Resources

- a. It is unlawful to excavate, damage, alter, deface, sell, purchase, transport, or receive any archeological or historic resource on FHL (Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979).
- 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. 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 migratory birds (including game birds out of season or without stamps), California condor, bald eagle, golden eagle, San Joaquin kit fox, arroyo toad, red-legged frog, and vernal pool fairy shrimp. Plants protected by State and Federal laws include purple amole and Santa Lucia mint.
- d. Fort Hunter Liggett has areas that require protection from disturbance for restoration or other purposes. The areas are marked with Siebert stakes, flagging, cones, and/or signs and may not be entered or disturbed.

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