

Environmental
RECREATIONAL HUNTING ON ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND

Summary. This regulation prescribes policies, assigns responsibilities, and establishes procedures to be used in conjunction with Army Regulation (AR) 200-1, Environmental Quality, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 Dec 2007; AR 215-1, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs and Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) Instrumentalities, 24 Sep 2010; and AR 350-19, The Army Sustainable Range Program, 30 Aug 2005. This regulation sets forth policies, laws, restrictions and procedures for all hunting activities at Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG). It applies to all individuals hunting on the Installation. The regulation is provided to establish guidelines for safe and orderly conduct and to ensure the military mission of APG is not negatively impacted. APG operates a hunting program in areas currently and historically used for military testing and training. Areas are open or closed to hunting based upon scheduled military testing, training, safety, or biological management objectives. **Hunting on APG is a privilege afforded to eligible patrons and is not a right.**

Applicability. The policy and guidance prescribed by this regulation apply to all U.S. Army Garrison - Aberdeen Proving Ground (USAG - APG) elements, tenant organizations, and to all individuals requesting the privilege to hunt or trap at APG.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Users are invited to send comments, suggestions, and improvements directly to the USAG - APG DPW, Chief, Environmental Division, Building 4304.

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1. Purpose. This regulation prescribes responsibilities and rules governing recreational hunting and trapping on APG.

2. References.

- a. AR 190-13, The Army Physical Security Program, 15 Apr 2026
- b. AR 190-45, Law Enforcement Reporting, 27 Sep 2016
- c. AR 215-1, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Activities and Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentalities, 24 Sep 2010
- d. AR 200-1, Natural Resources – Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 Dec 2007
- e. AR 385-10, The Army Safety and Occupational Health Program, 24 Jul 2023
- f. USC Title 16 703-711 Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 1918
- g. USC Title 18 795 Photographing and Sketching Defense Installations, 1994
- h. APGR 385-1, Range Administration, 1 Apr 2014
- i. APGR 190-1, Prohibited Weapons/Items and Control and Registration of Privately Owned Weapons and Ammunition, 23 Oct 2017.

3. Explanations of Abbreviations and Terms. Special terms and abbreviations used in this regulation are explained in the Glossary.

4. Scope. This regulation applies to all activities located at APG and to all individuals accepting the privileges of hunting at APG.

5. Responsibilities.

- a. Environmental Division, DPW, USAG - APG, will:
 - (1) Sell APG hunting permits;
 - (2) Conduct the day-to-day administrative operations of the recreational hunting program for the Installation, with authority to delegate any portion thereof with written permission of the Commander, USAG - APG;
 - (3) Provide hunters with a link to a copy of this regulation at registration;
 - (4) Provide the coursework and hunting areas tour for the Hunter in Charge (HIC) certification program. Conduct the HIC training in accordance with Directorate of Emergency

Services Conservation Law Enforcement (DES CLE) guidance.

(5) Organize firearm and archery hunting qualification opportunities. Guidance on qualifications will be provided by the DES and Installation Safety Office (ISO);

(6) Coordinate with DES/DPW/volunteers to maintain all hunting areas and mark firing zones;

(7) Ensure hunters are assigned only to areas opened by Range Operations, Aberdeen Test Center (ATC) or other approved entities;

(8) Ensure hunters view the unexploded ordnance (UXO) safety brief annually.

(9) Exercise technical supervision and set game management requirements as the basis for the Installation Recreational Hunting Program;

(10) Provide professional guidance for all proposed wildlife projects;

(11) Establish seasons and bag limits to achieve management goals;

(12) Ensure the Chief, ATC Range Operations, receives current hunting season schedules;

(13) Submit requests for changes in active hunting area(s) boundaries to the DPW Hunting Program Manager. The DPW Hunting Program Manager will coordinate the submissions with ISO, DES, DPW, and ATC Range Operations for comments and concurrence. The DPW Hunting Program Manager will forward the request and associated comments to the Garrison Commander; and

(14) In coordination with the Installation Hunting Management Team (See Glossary), prepare, coordinate, approve, and effect publication and dissemination of recreational hunting regulations, maps, and required changes and operational procedures.

b. DES, USAG - APG, will:

(1) Enforce the APG recreational hunting regulations and all applicable laws;

(2) Provide personnel (e.g. DES CLE) to specifically enforce Natural Resources statutes and regulations. The DES CLE officers may observe daily operations to ensure established operational procedures are being followed;

(3) Provide firearm registration review program in accordance with (IAW) APGR 190-1.

(4) Serve as the tasking authority for updates to and dissemination of APGR 200-6 and

(5) Participate in the APG Conservation Subcommittee.

c. Chief Counsel/Staff Judge Advocate, USAG - APG, will: Act to prosecute violators of

Federal, State, County, and APG recreational hunting regulations.

d. Chief, Installation Safety Office, USAG - APG, will:

(1) Conduct periodic Risk Assessments for changes to established hunting areas and newly requested areas;

(2) Review and coordinate, with applicable activities, all recommended changes in established hunting/trapping areas;

(3) Forward recommendations to the Garrison Commander for a decision on whether to accept any risks involved with opening hunting areas;

(4) Provide the requestor with written notice of decisions on new areas;

(5) Provide DPW information on hazards affecting hunting area suitability; and

(6) Review the coursework, upon request, for the HIC certification program.

e. Chief, Range Operations, ATC, shall:

(1) Designate areas open or closed to hunting based on safety and security constraints and range operations;

(2) The ATC Commander shall submit permanent area closure requests, including justification, in writing, to the Garrison Commander for approval.

f. Defense Centers for Public Health - Aberdeen shall: Provide technical support to USAG - APG in matters concerning the health of the APG deer herd.

g. Maryland National Guard shall: Provide monthly input to the availability of Lauderick Creek Training Site to DPW and ATC Range Operations throughout the hunting season.

6. General.

a. Acronyms: For the purpose of this regulation only, the Directorate of Public Works will be referred to as DPW, the Installation Safety Office will be referred to as ISO, and the Directorate of Emergency Services will be referred to as DES (See Glossary).

b. Laws: Activities conducted on APG and its restricted waters shall comply with applicable Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), 33 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Section 334.140, and Federal and Maryland (MD) game laws and regulations. These Federal and State laws and regulations are found in the MD Department of Natural Resources (MD DNR) Laws and Regulations of the State of MD, and the U.S. Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service regulations relating to migratory birds. These laws and regulations are enforced by officers under the DES. **Participation in the hunting program is a privilege. All personnel desiring to hunt on APG must have a current APG Hunting Permit and a MD State Hunting License, as well as the appropriate MD and Federal Stamps (Archery,**

Muzzleloader, and/or Waterfowl) and Permits. Violations of UCMJ, Federal, State, or APG regulations will be cause to bar violators from hunting at APG (See Appendix B Suspension and Revocation of APG Hunting Privileges). Permanent barring for violations may occur at the Garrison Commander's decision. Criminal violations shall be prosecuted in the U.S. Magistrate Court or by court martial, as appropriate.

c. Permits: Hunting on APG is a recreational activity administered by DPW. All individuals desiring to hunt on APG must have an APG Hunting Permit issued by DPW. Details about obtaining a permit are found in Section 7. Prior to being issued a permit, all applicants must:

- (1) Show evidence of attending a State-approved hunter safety course;
- (2) View UXO Safety Training video;
- (3) Sign an Assumption of Risk Agreement;
- (4) Provide a current Government Identification Card (e.g. Retired Military) Common Access Card (CAC) or obtain a Visitor Pass;
- (5) Comply with firearm registration requirements for all firearm hunting;
- (6) Demonstrate proficiency with weapons by taking a qualification test (See Appendix M).

d. Eligibility to Hunt: See Appendix O

e. Safety: Safety is the first concern of the APG hunting program. Hunters are responsible for making decisions with safety in mind. All will comply with safety instructions included in this regulation, Federal and State laws and regulations, as well as any additional information received at the time of permit registration and throughout the hunting season. The DES CLE officers are authorized to immediately suspend hunting privileges of an individual found in violation of safety provisions. Due to the history of testing and training activities at APG, encountering UXO is a possibility. **Hunters will not attempt to pick up, move or otherwise disturb exploded or unexploded ordnance materiel or unidentifiable items.** Hunters will call 911 immediately to report the location of questionable items. Hunters are required to view an UXO identification and range safety video annually. Rules concerning movement in hunting areas must be strictly observed and objects encountered in hunting areas must not be disturbed. All hunting at APG is done in parties. Each party is led by a HIC who is familiar with all aspects of the hunting program and is responsible for ensuring that members of the party observe the safety and other provisions of this regulation. Eligibility requirements to become a HIC, and instructions for persons wishing to enroll in the HIC training program provided by DPW and DES CLE, are found in Appendix I.

f. Season Specific Information: Information and procedures concerning specific game species and hunting methods are described in Appendices D through I.

g. Distinguished Visitors: Distinguished Visitors (See Glossary) may hunt pursuant to policies and procedures in Appendix J.

h. Hunting Permit Fees: Hunting Permit Fees at APG are published on the DPW permit and registration system site.

7. Procedures.

a. Permits: All personnel desiring to hunt on APG must have an APG Hunting Permit issued by DPW. The following are requirements to obtain this permit:

(1) Affiliated persons desiring to hunt must have a Government Identification Card (e.g. Retired Military), proof of eligibility (SF50 for retired civilians), or a CAC.

(a) Non-affiliated persons aged 18 or older must obtain a Visitor Pass from the Visitor Center. This pass acts as a valid security clearance. The Visitor Pass must be presented when purchasing a hunting permit and must be in the hunter's possession when hunting.

(b) Those under the age of 18 are not required to have a CAC or Visitor Pass to hunt unless they are driving on the installation. In that case, they must have a Visitor Pass.

(c) All activities will report suspension of a CAC or termination of employment to DPW and the DES CLE Officer(s) within five days. The DPW/DES will immediately suspend any hunting/trapping permits of person(s) affected by the suspension or termination.

(2) The hunter must have the appropriate Maryland hunting license, as well as the appropriate Maryland and Federal Stamps and Permits.

(a) The Maryland hunting license, stamps, and permits must be presented when purchasing the APG Hunting Permit.

(b) The Maryland hunting license and APG Permit must be in the hunter's possession while hunting at APG and must be presented on request.

(3) Hunters must possess proof of attendance (card or certificate) for an approved state hunter safety course for initial permit purchase.

(4) Hunters must have a current UXO Safety Training validation. This training can be completed after hunters register and create an account on DPW's permit and reservation website. The UXO Safety Training validation must be updated annually.

(5) An Assumption of Risk Agreement must be completed by the applicant. This agreement can be completed electronically when a hunter purchases a permit on DPW's permit and reservation website.

(6) Hunters must possess proof of firearm registration.

(7) Payment of an APG hunting fee is mandatory for all hunters, including guests and family members, before issuance of the hunting permit.

b. Hunting Parties and HIC:

(1) All hunting at APG is done in parties. All hunting parties will consist of at least two hunters. Parties can be comprised of: a maximum of three hunters for turkey hunting; a maximum of three hunters for deer hunting with firearm or muzzleloader; a maximum of five for waterfowl hunting, and a maximum of four for all other hunting.

(2) Each hunting party is led by a HIC. The HIC must be familiar with the assigned area, blind, or stand. A HIC will stay with the party for the duration of the hunt. All HICs may be held responsible for hunting violations committed by any member of their hunting party and thus may be subject to being charged for permitting such violations, depending on the outcome of investigations. A HIC will ensure all members of his/her party exit the security area through the same gate they entered. Eligibility and requirements to become a HIC are found in Appendix I.

c. Assignment of Hunting Areas:

(1) The DPW permit and reservation system must be used to make a reservation for or check in to a hunting area.

(2) Hunters who contact ATC Range Operations to find out which hunting areas will be open for a particular day will be subject to permit suspension.

(3) HICs must display their HIC tag conspicuously in the vehicle at all times during the hunt, and while enroute, so it can be seen in the vehicle windshield. Hunting party members must display the vehicle pass generated by the DPW permit and reservation system.

(4) Maps posted on the DPW permit and reservation system site are guides. The signs in the field mark actual hunting/trapping area boundaries.

d. Restricted Area Hunting Privilege: The privilege to access these areas is controlled as follows:

(1) Hunters will comply with all security requirements. The CLE Officers are authorized to immediately suspend hunting privileges of an individual found in violation of security provisions of this regulation.

e. Opening, Closing, and Modification of Hunting Areas: The Chief, ATC Range Control, will ensure only open hunting areas are available on the DPW permit and reservation system.

f. Tagging and Registration Procedures:

(1) Hunters must follow the guidance in the Maryland Guide to Hunting and Trapping for field tagging or checking in their deer or turkey before moving the game from the area where it was harvested. Possession of a turkey or deer without a completed field tag or harvest confirmation number is a violation. Field tags and instructions for completing the Maryland Big Game Harvest Record can be found in the Maryland Guide to Hunting and Trapping.

(2) All turkeys and deer must be registered by the hunter with the State of Maryland following procedures established by MD DNR. This cannot be completed by APG. **Deer**

harvested on APG do not count against the MD bag limit. Turkeys harvested on APG do count against the MD bag limit.

g. Game Management:

(1) The APG seasons and bag limits will be determined by wildlife population management goals.

(2) Hunting seasons, hours of hunting, and bag limits will conform to MD State law. If exceptions to these have been granted by the State, the APG-specific hunting seasons and bag limits will be posted on the DPW permit and reservation system website each year prior to the beginning of the hunting season.

h. General:

(1) If field dressing a deer, the remains will be disposed of by covering them with leaves at the site of the kill. Remains will not be readily visible from roads, facilities or buildings. Participants will remove litter and refuse in the areas in which they are hunting.

(2) The U.S. Army and APG are not liable for any ill effects resulting from the consumption of wild game.

(3) All personnel will report illegal hunting practices, poachers, and trespassers to DES Dispatch (410-306-0509) or DES CLE Officers immediately, giving the names and registry numbers of violator's boats or vehicles, if any, and other available information.

(4) Any person who shields or conspires with another in the commission of a violation of any provision of this regulation, or who, upon inquiry withholds information from enforcement officers, or who hinders, obstructs, or interferes with, or attempts to hinder, obstruct, or interfere with any officer charged with the administration of this regulation will be barred from hunting. All privately owned vehicles (POVs) requiring towing will be towed at the owner's/HIC's expense.

(5) It is strongly recommended hunting parties carry a first aid kit and cell phone.

(6) Scouting is not permitted on APG.

(7) Game cameras/trail cameras are not permitted on APG.

(8) Hunters are not permitted to take photos/videos in the secure range areas and cantonment areas unless they are pre-authorized by the commander AND receive an Operations Security review.

(9) Off-road vehicles, electric/motorized bicycles, and similar electric/motorized vehicles are not permitted for hunting.

8. Restrictions.

a. General Safety:

- (1) Hunting will be suspended if threat condition or public health condition warrants.
- (2) Hunters will comply with all safety and public health regulations. The DES CLE officers are authorized to temporarily terminate hunting privileges immediately if an individual is found in violation of the public health and safety provisions of this regulation.
- (3) Intoxication, use, or possession of alcohol or illicit drugs while hunting or trapping is strictly prohibited and may result in suspension of hunting privileges for the entire hunting party. The HIC will police his/her party's compliance.
- (4) The HIC will ensure safety and public health information is disseminated to his/her party before hunting begins.
- (5) A HUNTER WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO PICK UP, MOVE, OR OTHERWISE DISTURB, EXPLODED OR UNEXPLODED MATERIEL OR UNIDENTIFIABLE ITEMS LOCATED IN HUNTING AREAS. IMMEDIATELY CALL 911 then DES DISPATCH 410-306-0509.
- (6) Hunters will have safe fields of fire to and beyond their targets. Under no circumstances will a firearm be discharged toward any building, igloo, magazine, blind, or other structure. Discharge of firearms will not be allowed within 600 feet of any building or structure.
- (7) Hunters will unload weapons and verify all weapons are unloaded before leaving the assigned hunting areas. No loaded weapon will be carried in or on any vehicle.
- (8) Hunters will wear solid "daylight fluorescent orange" or "daylight fluorescent pink" in accordance with Maryland State Regulations. Archery hunters are required to wear orange/pink during APG's deer firearms seasons unless hunting in cantonment archery only hunting areas.
- (9) All hunters will use a commercially manufactured full body safety harness while hunting from an elevated position or stand. The harness will be attached to the hunter and the tree concurrently while the hunter is off the ground.

b. Movement Restrictions:

- (1) Hunting outside the boundaries of an established assigned area is prohibited. Security and UXO safety requirements mandate restricting hunters to specified areas.
- (2) Hunters may not depart for their hunting areas more than 90 minutes prior to the start of legal hunting hours with the exception of waterfowl hunters.
- (3) Individuals will use the most direct road route to and from assigned areas and will travel only on roads.

(4) Test tracks are closed to all hunter POVs. Test tracks are identified on posted hunting maps by a red outline. Approved test track crossings are identified in blue on hunting maps and clearly marked in the field. When crossing a test track, ensure the crossing does not affect any test vehicles that may be present.

(5) Activities conducted in APG restricted waters will comply with 33 CFR Section 334.140.

c. Hunting Restrictions:

(1) The simultaneous hunting of small game, deer, turkey, or waterfowl is prohibited with the exception that coyotes may also be taken in accordance with Maryland State law when the hunter possesses the proper furbearer permit.

(2) Driving deer (See Glossary) is not permitted.

(3) Deer/Turkey/Duck Calls - Hand or mouth operated calls are legal; however, you may not hunt or attempt to hunt deer/turkeys/ducks at APG with the aid or possession of: recorded deer/turkey/duck calls or sounds; recorded or electrically amplified imitations of deer/turkey/duck calls; or any electronic device by which these calls are conveyed or amplified;

(4) Electronic coyote calls are permitted in accordance with Maryland State regulations.

(5) Hunting from a vehicle is prohibited. Handicapped hunters with a MD DNR Handicapped Hunter Certificate will be accommodated within the regular hunting program.

(6) Hunting Dogs:

(a) All dogs used for hunting on APG will be vaccinated for rabies. Proof of current vaccination must be available for presentation to DES CLE Officers on request.

(b) Hunting dogs will be under reasonable control at all times. Hunters will not pursue dogs out of assigned area.

(7) Hunting on Holidays: Hunting on Christmas Day is prohibited. Hunting after 1200 on Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve is prohibited. All hunters will clear their hunting areas and check out of the DPW permit and reservations system by 1200.

(8) Hours of hunting will conform to Maryland regulations when not otherwise specified.

(9) Fixed tree stands are not permitted. Only portable tree stands that do not injure trees may be used. Screw-in steps, spikes, and nails that injure trees are prohibited.

a. Weapons:

(1) The only authorized weapons are firearms (shotguns firing slugs and rifles which shoot straight walled cartridges that conform to Maryland State law), muzzleloading weapons with a muzzle velocity less than 2,300 feet per second, long bows, compound bows, recurved

bows, crossbows, and approved raptors. Compressed air weapons are permitted for raccoon and opossum hunting only. Handguns are prohibited in the field at any time. All weapons used at APG will conform to Maryland law.

(2) Laser sighting devices or any other types of sighting devices projecting a light beam of any type are prohibited for hunting.

(3) While transporting, all firearms and crossbows will be cased.

(4) Any person found with an unauthorized weapon or ammunition in his/her possession while hunting will have his/her hunting permit suspended and may be permanently prohibited from hunting on APG. This action is in addition to any legal action deemed appropriate.

9. Exceptions to Policy. Requests for an exception will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Installation Hunting Management Team and final recommendations made by the USAG - APG, DPW Director, for approval/disapproval by the Garrison Commander, APG. Request for exception must include proof of a CAC, Government Identification Card (e.g. Retired Military) or Visitor Pass (if required). The length of the exceptions will also be determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the policy affected.

10. Control. The DPW Hunting Program Manager will maintain an accurate and current register of persons granted APG permits, to include APG permit and MD DNR ID numbers.

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Appendix A

References Section I Required Publications

16 USC 703-711

Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 1918

18 USC 795

Photographing and Sketching Defense Installations, 1994

AR 190-13

The Army Physical Security Program, 15 Apr 2026

AR 190-45

Law Enforcement Reporting, 27 Sep 2016

AR 215-1

Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Activities and Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentalities, 24 Sep 2010

AR 200-1

Natural Resources – Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 Dec 2007

AR 385-10

The Army Safety and Occupational Health Program, 24 Jul 2023

APGR 385-1

Range Administration, 1 Apr 2014

APGR 190-1

Prohibited Weapons/Items and Control and Registration of Privately Owned Weapons and Ammunition, 1 Dec 2012

Section II

Related Publications

This section contains no entries.

Appendix B

Suspension and Revocation of APG Hunting Privileges

1. GENERAL.

a. This regulation does not preempt or replace applicable UCMJ, State laws, or Federal laws regarding hunting. Violations of the provisions of this regulation, UCMJ, State laws, or Federal laws may result in severe disciplinary and administrative penalties.

b. As a result of a hunting or administration violation, individuals may lose hunting privileges and have their personal equipment confiscated. Additionally, individuals may face criminal charges in U.S. Magistrate Court or District Court. In these cases, in addition to the loss of hunting privileges, individuals may have to pay a fine and/or appear before the U.S. District Court and face more serious penalties.

c. Individuals violating any regulation or law relating to hunting may have their hunting privileges suspended immediately, and their permit will be revoked. The DES will inform DPW of the violation via email and DES will inform the violator of the period of suspension. The violator will also be notified of the time limit to, and procedures for, appeal.

d. Any hunter whose permit is suspended may appeal that suspension within 10 calendar days from the date cited. To appeal, the hunter must submit a written appeal via email to the DPW Hunting Program Manager. The Hunting Program Manager will contact DES to provide case information and forward the appeal to the Garrison Commander with recommendation for concur/non-concur.

(1) Failure to submit appeal within 10 calendar days will constitute a waiver of the right to appeal and the suspension shall stand.

(2) If an individual files an appeal, he/she may request an office appointment to explain the incident and present evidence to show good cause for the request to reconsider or modify the suspension.

(3) If an appeal is filed, the individual's hunting privileges will remain suspended until the matter is decided. The decision of the Garrison Commander is final.

(4) If an individual is cited for committing any criminal offense, violations will be properly annotated by a police report (DA Form 3975); privileges will immediately be suspended and/or revoked until the case is decided by forfeiture of collateral or pending trial in U.S. Magistrate Court or District Court.

2. AUTHORITY.

a. The DES, USAG - APG, Director or his/her designated agent (CLE Officers) will enforce applicable laws and regulations concerning natural resources and has the authority to immediately suspend the violator's privileges to hunt on APG.

b. The DES, USAG - APG, designated agent will notify the violator when cited that his/her privilege will be suspended. Violators will be removed from the field immediately. DES will inform DPW of the infraction. The DPW will enforce the suspension by deactivating the HIC in the DPW permit and reservation system.

3. VIOLATIONS.

a. Violations of this regulation need only to be proven by preponderance of the evidence to impose administrative action. The suspension of hunting privileges is an additional administrative action in conjunction with any judicial or punitive actions.

b. If a suspension of privileges occurs at or near the end of the license year (APG hunting season), then the remaining suspension period will be carried over to the next license year (APG hunting season). Any suspension imposed for a violation will not be shortened except through filing an appeal.

c. Any violation/offense may result in suspension or revocation of privileges to hunt on APG. The following is a list of common violations and the suggested suspension of privileges. Longer suspensions or permanent revocation of privileges may be applied based on the severity of the matter and/or multiple violations.

Common Violations/Offenses	Minimum Period of Administrative Suspension of Privileges
Failure to have current APG permit and photo identification on your person while hunting	10 Days
Parking within 50 feet of any ammunition storage area, magazine	10 Days
Failure to park at designated parking areas when available (firearms)	10 Days
Failure to have arrows marked	10 Days
Failure to have covered quiver for arrows	10 Days
Tracking in firearms season (no tracking allowed)	15 Days
Failure of HIC to prevent violations of hunting regulations/laws by a member of their party (Loss of HIC privileges)	15 Days
Failure to use the most direct route to and from assigned area	30 Days
Hunting more than fifty yards from assigned area red marker (firearm)	30 Days
Failure to cease tracking two hours after legal hunting (archery)	30 Days
Failure to case all firearms and crossbows while transporting	45 Days
Hunting parties comprised of fewer than the minimum number or greater than the maximum number of individuals	45 Days

Failure to wear Daylight Fluorescent Orange or Daylight Fluorescent Pink IAW MD State law	45 Days
Hunting party en route to hunting area more than 90 minutes prior to the start or end of legal hunting hours with the exception of waterfowl hunters	45 Days
Driving POV on test roads	60 Days
Failure cover remains of field-dressed deer so they are not visible from roads, facilities, or buildings	60 Days
Hunting or pursuing game in other than assigned area (outside of boundary markers)	90 Days
Failure to wear manufactured harness while hunting from an elevated position	One Year
Hunting while not accompanied by a HIC	One Year
Driving of deer	One Year
Littering	One Year
Failure to comply with safety and/or security requirements	One Year
Intentionally disturbing the trapping area, equipment, or catch of those individuals engaged in pest or animal control	One Year
Use of unauthorized weapons or ammunition	One Year
Failure to abide by instructions of DES officers in the field	One Year
Firing in unsafe direction or outside indicated area	One year
Use or possession of alcoholic beverages and/or narcotics	Indefinite
Withholding information, or conspiring with another to withhold information, hindering or otherwise obstructing enforcement officers	Indefinite

NOTE: There will be no refunds of permit or activity fees for any hunter suspended from hunting based on a violation citation.

Appendix C Deer Hunting-Archery

1. GENERAL.

a. Hunters must qualify once with a bow. Locations and times of qualifications are posted on the DPW permit and reservation system. A qualification card will be issued upon successful completion of the qualification test and must be presented when purchasing a hunting permit. A previous year's permit will suffice for proof of qualification.

b. Hunters will not pursue game beyond the limits of their assigned hunting areas. If available, DES CLE Officers will assist with recovery of wounded deer moving outside the hunting area boundaries.

c. Hunters must be particularly careful to ensure arrow line of flight is clear of personnel and equipment to and beyond their target.

2. EQUIPMENT.

a. The vertical bow shall have a full draw and pull of 30 pounds or more, in accordance with MD state law

b. A crossbow used for deer hunting shall have a draw of 75 pounds or more

c. Arrows and bolts with broadheads having sharpened cutting edges and minimum blade width of seven-eighths of an inch are the only arrows authorized for deer hunting at APG.

d. The hunter must mark each arrow used with his/her first initial and last name. Information will be placed between two fletchings on the shaft of each arrow used at APG to provide permanent identification of ownership. The name on the arrow shaft must be etched and filled with or just painted with a contrasting color.

e. The hunter must use a quiver or case that covers or in some manner protects the hunter from the sharpened broadheads at all times.

f. Bow mounted lights, including laser sights, are prohibited. Illuminated sight pins are permitted.

g. All crossbows must be in a case while travelling to and from hunting areas. One field bolt may be carried to clear the crossbow.

3. CONTROL.

a. Areas open for hunting in accordance with this regulation are indicated DPW permit and reservation system. Those hunters using the indicated areas are cautioned that firearm small game hunters may be in surrounding areas. Participants will remain in their assigned areas.

b. Hunting within the cantonment and restricted range areas requires a HIC and standard hunting party adherence.

c. Legal hunting hours will conform to MD State law.

(1) Any hunter seeking a wounded deer after legal hunting hours will attempt to notify DES Dispatch at 410-306-0509 before tracking the animal.

(2) Possession of arrows not contained in a quiver, while tracking a deer after legal hunting hours, will constitute *prima facie* evidence of illegal hunting.

(3) All tracking will cease two hours after the end of legal hunting hours.

4. PROCEDURE. For greater utilization of hunting areas, HICs may combine their parties prior to utilizing the DPW permit and reservation system. In no case shall this double carding result in combined hunting parties exceeding eight people.

5. SEASON. As published on the DPW permit and reservation system home page.

Appendix D Deer Hunting-Firearm/Muzzle Loaders

1. GENERAL.

a. The APG specific firearms deer seasons will be published each year based on management requirements. Hunting time of day restrictions will be in accordance with MD State law.

b. Prior to hunting during the firearms deer season, deer hunters must successfully complete a required one-time proficiency qualification with a firearm or a muzzleloader (See Appendix M). For locations and times of qualifications see the APG permit and reservation system. All firearms/muzzleloaders must be registered prior to qualifying and utilizing them to hunt. Firearms and ammunition used for qualifications must be the same as those approved for deer hunting on APG. Hunters must supply their own firearm and ammunition. The qualification target will be 10 inches in diameter. The qualification distance will be approximately 50 yards. The hunter must hit the target three out of five shots. A qualification card will be issued upon successful completion of the qualification test and must be presented when purchasing a hunting permit. A previous year's permit will suffice for proof of qualification.

c. Hunters must hunt in their assigned area only. The assigned area's position is marked by a red can or marker. The entire hunting party must hunt within 50 yards of this marker, whether hunting from the ground or from an elevated position. Hunting more than 50 yards from the assigned area marker is a violation. Only after approval from a CLE officer, may hunters attempt to recover deer outside the hunting area. Yellow markers indicate the direction for the field of fire (left to right) that hunters are limited to when shooting at a deer. Firing outside the field of fire is a violation.

2. PROCEDURES.

a. POVs must be parked at designated parking areas if available.

3. MUZZLELOADERS. Muzzleloaders will be unloaded IAW MD State Regulations and cased prior to placing in your POV. Removal of ignition component meets the requirement for being unloaded.

4. BLINDS. Persons required to wear fluorescent colored clothing that **hunt from a ground blind must display** 250 square inches (approximately 16 inches by 16 inches) of solid daylight fluorescent orange or pink within 25 feet of **all four corners** of the blind approximately four feet off the ground.

Appendix E

Waterfowl Hunting

1. GENERAL. Shore blinds of a temporary nature may be erected.
2. HUNTING AREAS.
 - a. The DPW permit and reservation system will be used for hunting area assignments.
 - b. All areas will be hunted from a boat unless otherwise indicated on the maps posted on the DPW permit and reservation system website.
 - c. Access to all areas is recommended from within the APG boundaries. This includes, but is not limited to, outlying areas (e.g. Poole's Island, Carroll Island, Graces Quarters). For safety reasons, alternate launch sites must be approved by DES CLE prior to hunting.
 - d. Use of raptors in waterfowl hunting is permitted. Only waterfowl areas may be used, and other small species will not be taken.
 - e. Hunters using raptors may not pursue birds out of their assigned areas. Recovery of the bird will be permitted after coordination with DES CLE Officers.
 - f. Partial closure of an area for mission related reasons is permitted. The portions of the area left open will be accessed by boat only.

Appendix F Small Game/Furbearer/ Mourning Dove/Woodcock Hunting

1. GENERAL.

- a. Hunting of small game, furbearers, and mourning doves/woodcock is permitted during the published APG seasons only.
- b. Requests for daily hunting area assignments to hunt small game, furbearers, and mourning doves/woodcock will be made through the DPW permit and reservation system.
- c. Small game hunting at the Aberdeen North and Aberdeen South areas will be suspended during the firearms deer hunting season except in areas containing no deer stands.
- d. Hunting dogs will be under reasonable control at all times. Hunters will not pursue dogs out of assigned areas.
- e. Hunting using raptors is permitted following the same procedures as stated in Appendix E, paragraph 2e.
- f. Small game archery hunters must use a blunt head or similar head. No broadheads are permitted. All small game archery hunters must comply with conditions of Appendix C except for qualifications and those involving broadheads.
- g. Hunters specifically pursuing furbearers must possess a Maryland furbearer stamp and will follow published Maryland small game general hunting rules and small game hunting devices and regulations.
- h. Furbearer hunters must wear daylight fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink while walking into and out of their hunting site.
- i. Night hunting for furbearers is not permitted. Furbearer hunting hours will conform to those published for small game hunting.
- j. Hunters will report all harvests in the DPW permit and reservation system.
- k. Hunters will not pursue game beyond the limits of their assigned hunting areas. The DES CLE Officers will be requested to recover game that is outside hunting area boundaries.

2. HUNTING AREAS. The official hunting areas are available in the DPW permit and reservation system.

Appendix G

Wild Turkey Hunting (Spring Season)

1. GENERAL.

- a. Season and bag limits will be published annually.
- b. Turkey harvested at APG **DO** count towards your MD State bag limits.
- c. Hunters are limited to one turkey per hunter for the first part of the season (half-day hunting). A second turkey may be harvested during the second part of the season (full-day hunting).
- d. After the date hunters are allowed to harvest a second turkey, they will still be limited to only one per day.
- e. Hunting of turkeys is permitted only within the boundaries of the assigned areas.
- f. Hunters must not pursue game beyond the limits of their assigned hunting areas.

2. HUNTING PARTIES.

- a. All turkey hunting parties will consist of a minimum of two and not more than three hunters. If there are three hunters in the party, they must remain within 25 meters of each other and not hunt alone.
- b. Hunting within the cantonment and restricted range areas requires a HIC and standard hunting party adherence.

3. EQUIPMENT.

- a. Hunters will wear daylight fluorescent orange or daylight fluorescent pink cap or vest while moving but will not be required to do so when stationary.
- b. Use or possession of any type of electronically amplified or recorded calling devices is not permitted for Spring Turkey hunting at APG.
- c. Baits may not be used.

4. TAGGING AND REPORTING WILD TURKEY HARVESTS. Daily harvest must be recorded in the DPW permit and reservation system.

Appendix H Hunting Permit Fees

1. GENERAL.

a. Hunting permit fees at APG are published annually. Permit fees are based on patrons' eligibility category (See Appendix O).

Appendix I Hunter-in-Charge Requirements

1. GENERAL. Eligibility to become a HIC requires the applicant to be authorized to hunt and is a member of one of these categories:

- a. Active duty Military and Retired Military;
- b. Active and Retired APG civilians and full-time NAF employees;
- c. Active or Retired National Guard who are, or were, assigned to APG; or
- d. Multi-year contractors who support mission requirements with concurrence from their Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) and the COR's Security Office.

2. HIC PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS. All eligible hunters desiring to become a HIC must successfully complete the HIC certification program. The program consists of a classroom education component and supervised field experience to include:

- a. Participation in the APG Hunting Program for at least one full seasonal year September through May;
- b. Participation in at least eight hunts;
- c. Attendance at the HIC seminar;
- d. Completion of a HIC seminar test with a score of 80% or better; and
- e. Attendance at the HIC Field Tour.
- f. If hunters do not meet the above eligibility, they will be grandfathered if they can show proof of prior HIC status. These hunters may be required to participate in some components of the HIC program requirements.

3. HIC RESPONSIBILITIES.

- a. All HICs have the responsibility and accountability for the party's actions.
- b. All HICs are responsible for ensuring members of their party observe all safety and other provisions of APGR 200-6.
- c. All HICs are experienced with hunting on APG and responsible for being familiar with APG specific requirements.

- d. All HICs can be penalized along with members of their party for violations of APGR 200-6.
- e. A HIC must stay with their hunting party for duration of the hunt.
- f. A HIC will ensure the entire party exits the restricted area as required.
- g. The HIC will ensure safety information is disseminated to their party.
- h. The HIC must know the most direct route to their hunting area and location of appropriate parking.

Appendix J

Distinguished Visitors

1. A Distinguished Visitor is a dignitary desiring to hunt at APG and who falls into one of the following categories:
 - a. U.S. Congressional Personnel - members of the U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate;
 - b. Active duty and retired General and Flag Officers and Senior Executive Service (SES) equivalents;
 - c. Key congressional staff members at SES level or equivalent; or
 - d. Guests who meet the requirements of APGR 200-6 and are accompanied during the hunt by a category listed.
2. Distinguished Visitors wishing to hunt at APG for the first time are requested to notify DPW. Distinguished Visitors will be required to follow all Federal, State and Installation fees and document requirements.

Appendix K

Permit Requirements and Firearm Registration

1. All eligible patrons and guests who wish to hunt on APG must have a current APG Hunting Permit issued by DPW.
2. Permits must be purchased annually.
3. Permit fees shall be utilized for the protection, conservation, and management of fish and wildlife, including habitat improvement and related activities in accordance with the APG Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (Sikes Act: 16 U.S.C. §670a(b)(3)).
4. Permits are issued through the DPW permit and reservation system.
5. Requirements for purchasing an APG hunting permit:
 - a. State/Federal Requirements:
 - (1) State-approved Hunter Safety Card (from any state) and
 - (2) Current Maryland State Hunting License and appropriate Maryland and Federal stamps and permits.
 - b. APG Requirements:
 - (1) Valid photo Identification;
 - (2) Proof of eligibility if CAC or military identification not used for section b(1);
 - (3) APG Weapon Permit, if using firearms to hunt;
 - (4) Visitor Pass issued by the APG Visitor Center for guests. Those under the age of 18 are not required to have a Visitor Pass to hunt unless they will be driving on the installation;
 - (5) Assumption of Risk;
 - (6) Proof of Qualification (see section 6); and
6. Above requirements must be submitted annually except for the hunter safety card and proof of qualification which is not required if previous year's permit is available in the patron's account.
7. All required paperwork must be completed and presented when applying to purchase the APG hunting permit.
8. Firearm Registration/APG Weapon Permit:

a. All personnel participating in firearm/muzzleloader hunting are required to complete the APG Firearm Registration form and obtain an APG Weapon Permit. This requirement is pursuant to Army Regulation- 190-11.

b. Hunters will complete the APG Firearm Registration Form and email it to the DES Police address posted on the DPW permit and reservation system website.

c. After the form is submitted, the DES administrative staff will complete the necessary check and email an APG Weapon Permit to the registrant.

d. Archery equipment is not required to be registered.

9. For Hunting:

a. If hunters do not have an APG Weapon Permit, they must provide a current Government Identification Card (e.g. Retired Military), CAC or Visitor Pass to purchase a permit.

b. Any retired military, retired civilian, and guest hunters who are interested in hunting only with a bow can provide DPW with a current Government Identification Card (e.g. Retired Military) or a current Visitor Pass issued by the APG Visitor Center.

c. When a hunter has a new firearm they want to use at APG, they must update and resubmit the firearm registration document. Youth hunters, age 16 and under, will use a firearm registered to the adult that is accompanying them in the field.

Appendix L

Hunting Area Assignment Procedures

1. The DPW permit and reservation system must be used to make a reservation for all hunting.
2. Specific rules for assigning areas are:
 - a. Only HICs are allowed to use their username and password to confirm an area assignment daily.
 - b. Hunting area check-ins for that day may be made at any time by logging into the DPW permit and reservation system with a username and password.
 - c. Hunters may switch areas the day of the hunt by logging in to the DPW permit and reservation system with a username and password.
 - d. No earlier than 1600: Reservations may be made for the next day by logging in to the DPW permit and reservation system with a username and password.
 - e. The HIC is required to list all members of the party when checking in to an area when prompted. The HIC will not add members to the hunting party after checking in.
3. If the DPW permit and reservation system is inoperable, the following procedures will be used to assign hunting areas.
 - a. The DPW personnel will provide a fillable form 1249b via e-mail to all HICs.
 - b. The HIC will request a hunting area by submitting a completed form 1249b listing all members of their hunting party via e-mail to DPW at usarmy.apg.usag.mbx.dpw-natural-resources-team@army.mil no later than 1:00 pm.
 - c. The DPW personnel will conduct a blind draw of the 1249b forms with support from CLE officer(s).
 - d. Upon completion of each draw, DPW personnel will provide a hunting roster of HICs, hunting parties, and assigned areas to the hunters who have drawn an area, ATC Range Operations, and CLE no later than 5:00 pm.
 - e. Duration of area assignments will be determined by the Regular Day Off (RDO) schedule and day of the week requested by the HIC.
 - (1) During non-RDO weeks, areas will be assigned as follows:
 - (a) Monday and Tuesday draws will be conducted the previous Friday and the HIC will have the area both days.
 - (b) Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday draws will be conducted the previous Tuesday and

the HIC will have the area all three days.

(c) Saturday and Sunday draws will be conducted the previous Friday and the HIC will have the area for both days.

(2) During RDO weeks, areas will be assigned as follows:

(a) Monday and Tuesday draws will be conducted the previous Friday and the HIC will have the area both days.

(b) Wednesday and Thursday draws will be conducted the previous Tuesday and the HIC will have the area both days.

(c) RDO Friday draws will be conducted the previous Thursday and the HIC will have the area for the day.

(d) Saturday and Sunday draws will be conducted the previous Friday and the HIC will have the area for both days.

3. Intentional misuse of the DPW permit and reservation system will be considered an administrative violation and may lead to suspension of hunting privileges.

APPENDIX M TRAPPING

1. RECREATIONAL TRAPPING AREAS.

a. All recreational trapping areas are indicated on the maps published on the DPW permit and reservation system website.

b. Recreational trapping in other areas is strictly prohibited.

2. GENERAL.

a. **No stakes may be utilized to secure traps.**

b. All traps will be marked legibly with the name of the trapper. Traps found unmarked will be confiscated as illegal traps.

c. Intentional disturbance of the trapping area, equipment, or catch of persons authorized to participate in the trapping program, or those individuals engaged in pest or animal control, will be a violation of this regulation.

d. Each trapper will check their traps at least once every 24 hours, except for those traps that are set in tidal waters. Such traps shall be tended at least every 36 hours unless entrance into the area is prohibited for security/safety reasons or inclement weather conditions prevent such checks.

e. All trappers will check in to their areas via the DPW permit and reservation system and display the vehicle pass generated by the application in the windshield of their vehicle while in assigned trapping areas.

f. No person will be permitted to draw an area for another person. A trapper assigned to another area may not set or tend any trap in another trapper's area.

g. The selling of areas to another person or group is strictly prohibited.

h. There will be no trading of areas. The area a trapper draws is the area in which he must trap.

i. Persons violating these provisions will be declared ineligible for trapping.

j. Each trapper must wear a daylight fluorescent orange or pink hat or outer garment of at least 250 square inches.

3. PROCEDURES.

a. Assignment of trapping areas to individuals will be made by a blind drawing conducted by DES CLE personnel. The APG permit indicating hunting must be in his/her possession while in the trapping area and vehicle pass visible from their vehicle while checking traps.

b. After assignment of areas have been completed, DES CLE will furnish a listing to the Chief of Range Operations, ATC, and DPW personnel indicating the trappers' names, areas of assignment, and hunting/trapping permit numbers. Changes to the list will be forwarded as they occur.

c. Trapping may be done in parties of not more than four persons. One person in the party must be a HIC. All persons in the party must possess a Maryland State hunting license with a furbearer stamp and APG hunting permit.

d. In the event of prolonged illness or absence due to job related duties of the HIC assigned to the trapping area, DES CLE must be notified, and other members of the party must assume the responsibilities of removing or disengaging traps.

e. Trappers will report all game through the DPW permit and reservation system by the conclusion of the trapping season. Reports will be submitted no later than 31 March annually. Failure to submit a seasonal report will result in the revocation of trapping privileges.

4. SECURITY AREA ACCESS.

a. Entrance to and exit from the security area will be in accordance with the regulation.

b. Trappers will be provided entry through security gates during the workday, range operations permitting.

5. ENTRY INTO TRAPPING AREAS. All trappers will enter through security gates only. Trappers may have access all day Saturday and Sunday, range conditions permitting.

Appendix N Eligibility to Hunt

1. ELGIBILITY.

a. The following personnel are eligible to hunt/trap on APG.

(1) Active duty military personnel and their immediate family members. Immediate family members are those individuals possessing a valid Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege Card (DD Form 1173).

(2) Retired military personnel and immediate family members. Immediate family members are those individuals possessing a valid Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege Card (DD Form 1173).

(3) Department of the Army civilian (DAC) and full-time NAF employees of APG and immediate family members. Spouses and immediate family members as defined by USPL 26, USC Section 152.

(4) Retired APG DAC, NAF and immediate family members. Spouses and immediate family members as defined by USPL 26, USC Section 152.

(5) Maryland National Guard/Army Reserve personnel possessing a CAC who are U.S. citizens and retired Maryland National Guard/Army Reserve who are U.S. citizens with a DD214.

(6) Employees and family members of multi-year contractors (two or more fiscal years) at APG who directly support the military mission. Spouses and immediate family members as defined by USPL 26, USC Section 152.

(7) Sponsored guests

(a) Guests must be U.S. citizens.

(b) The sponsor must be registered to hunt at APG and the sponsor's name must be included when the permit request is submitted.

(c) A HIC must accompany the guest at all times. A guest may hunt with any HIC.

(8) The following personnel are authorized to sponsor guest hunters:

(a) Active duty military personnel;

(b) Retired military personnel;

- (c) DAC and full-time NAF employees of APG;
- (d) Retired APG DAC and full-time NAF employees; and
- (e) Multi-Year Contractors supporting mission requirements.

b. Eligible individuals must comply with licensing, permit, safety training, and other requirements specified in this regulation.

Appendix O
Access Procedures for Areas 373, 374, 375

1. GENERAL. Hunting areas 373, 374, and 375 are bow only areas.

2. PROCEDURES.

a. Hunters **MUST** ingress and egress hunting areas 373, 374, and 375 on Michael Lane from Hancock Drive adjacent to Aberdeen Blvd and **NOT** via Guardian Gateway through the GATE business park (St. John Properties campus).

b. Hunters hunting areas 373, 374, and 375 **must park in the designated parking locations** indicated by PARKING sign.

c. Hunters assigned to areas 373, 374, and 375 who drive through the GATE business park will be cited in accordance with APG Regulation 200-6, Appendix B for the following violation: Individuals will use the most direct road route to and from assigned areas (minimum 30-Day suspension of hunting privileges).

Appendix P
Hunting/Trapping Program Participation by Threat Condition

Category / Condition	Normal	Alpha	Bravo	Charlie	Delta
APG Military	+	+	+	--	--
APG Military Family member	+	+	+	--	--
APG Military Guest	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian Family member	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian Guest	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian Retiree	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian Retiree Family member	+	+	+	--	--
APG Civilian Retiree Guest	+	+	+	--	--
Essential Multi-year Contractor	+	+	+	--	--
Essential Multi-year Contractor Family member	+	+	+	--	--
Essential Multi-year Contractor Guest	+	+	+	--	--
National Guard/ reserve activated at APG	+	+	+	--	--
Non-APG military	+	+	+	--	--
Military Retiree	+	+	+	--	--
Military Retiree Family member	+	+	+	--	--
Military Retiree Guest	+	+	+	--	--
Distinguished Visitors	+	+	+	--	--
Guests of Distinguished Visitors	+	+	+	--	--

Glossary

Section 1 Abbreviations

APG

Aberdeen Proving Ground

APGR

Aberdeen Proving Ground Regulation

AR

Army Regulation

ATC

Aberdeen Test Center

CFR

Code of Federal Regulations

CJIS

Criminal Justice Information System

COR

Contracting Officer Representative

DAC

Department of Army Civilian

DES

Directorate of Emergency Services

DES CLE

Directorate of Emergency Services Conservation Law Enforcement

DFMWR

Directorate of Family, Morale, and Recreation

DoD

Department of Defense

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

HIC

Hunter in Charge

IAW

In Accordance With

MD

Maryland

MD DNR

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

MWR

Morale, Welfare and Recreation

NAF

Non-Appropriated Fund

NLT

No Later Than

ODR

Outdoor Recreation

POV

Privately Owned Vehicle

SES

Senior Executive Service

TBD

To Be Determined

UCMJ

Uniform Code of Military Justice

U.S.

United States

USC

United States Code

UXO

Unexploded Ordnance

Section II Terms

Active Duty Military

Military personnel currently in active duty status.

Active National Guard

National Guard personnel while on active duty status.

Administrative Violation

A violation of procedural aspects of the regulation which does not constitute a violation of State or Federal laws and which does not jeopardize the APG mission or security.

Assigned to APG

Primary duty station of the military person involved.

Bag Limit

Maximum number of animals that can be legally harvested. The applicable APG Regulation, State, or Federal law applies.

Command Sponsored Hunter

Person(s) hunting as a separate class of hunters that do not fit into other groups of active duty and retired military, DoD Employees of APG, retired DA Civilian Employees, or Distinguished Visitors. Access to this special group is acquired through direct request through APG command channels.

Dependent

See Family Member

Distinguished Visitors

Dignitaries who hunt, and who fall into one of the following groups:

U.S. Congressional Personnel - members of the U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate

Active duty and retired General and Flag Officers and Senior Executive Service (SES) equivalents

Key congressional staff members at SES level or equivalent

DoD Employees of APG

Current Federal Civilian work force for APG

Double Carding

Two hunting parties combined to form a group with a minimum of five and not more than eight hunters. At least two HICs must be with the group while in the field. Double carding is allowed only during deer archery season.

Driving Deer

Organized method of hunting deer where one or more persons approach the deer in an effort to force the animal(s) through a given area where other hunters in their party are waiting to attempt to kill the animal(s).

Family Member

As defined in AR 215-1, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Activities and NAF Instrumentalities

Spouse of a sponsor; unmarried widow/widower of a member/former member of a uniformed service; unmarried child of a sponsor, including an adopted child, stepchild, foster child, or ward, who either:

Has not passed his/her 21st birthday; is incapable of self-support because of a mental or physical incapacity that existed before that birthday and is (or was at the time of the member's or former member's death) in fact dependent on the sponsor for over one-half of his/her support; has not passed his/her 23rd birthday, is enrolled in a full-time course of study in an institution of higher learning approved by a Secretary of an executive department specified in 10 USC Section 1073, and is (or was at the time of the member's or former member's death) in fact dependent on the sponsor for over one-half of his/her support; or a parent or parent-in-law of a sponsor who is (or was at the time of the member's or former member's death) in fact dependent on the sponsor for one-half of his/her support and residing in the sponsor's household.

Guest

A person sponsored into the Hunting/Trapping Program by an eligible patron authorized to sponsor guests.

Hunter

A person engaged in the act of hunting.

Hunter-in-Charge

Lead person in the hunting party responsible for the actions of the group and responsible for being familiar with the area boundaries and required safety and security procedures generated by this regulation.

Hunting Management Team

Representatives from DES, DPW, ISO, and ATC Range Operations who cooperatively manage

the hunting program.

Immediate Family Members

Of Active duty and retired military personnel: Those individuals possessing a valid Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege Card (DD Form 1173).

Of DAC of APG, full-time NAF employees of APG, and retired DoD civilian and full-time NAF employees of APG. Spouses and immediate family members as defined by USPL 26, USC Section 152.

Law Violations

Infringements of State and Federal Laws and Regulations as incorporated into this regulation by subparagraph 6b of the basic regulation.

Multi-Year Contractor

Employees of sub-contractors, who are on call personnel, delivery or service personnel DO NOT QUALIFY as Multi-Year Contractors. Qualifying contractor or employee thereof whose contract covers at least two fiscal years must meet the following conditions:

- a. Must be a contractor or employee of a contractor performing duties under a current and valid contract;
- b. Must have his/her daily duty station located at APG;
- c. Contract duties must have a mission-support function.

Outdoor Recreation Program Manager

Administrator of the Outdoor Recreation Program.

***Prima Facie* Evidence**

The circumstance where possession of contraband or improper equipment alone proves the guilt of the potential violator.

Retired APG Civilian (Retired DAC)

A former APG civilian employee who retired from APG.

Retired Military

A person who retired from the armed forces.

Scouting

The deliberate exploration of hunting areas in advance of a specified hunt.

Season

The time of year when a given type of hunting or trapping is permitted.

Security Violation

A violation of this regulation whose nature or location could, or does, compromise APG mission, programs, or security. The affected security office, in conjunction with the installation security office, must determine whether a given act constitutes a security violation.

Sponsor

A person who acts to sponsor a person(s) participation in the hunting/trapping program and who assumes responsibility for the actions of that person(s), in addition to the HIC.

Support Mission Requirements (re: Multi-year Contractor)

A contractor whose contract serves to augment the technical capability of the contracting agency to accomplish its basic mission. General labor contractors are not included.

Temporary Blind

A shoreline waterfowl blind used in waterfowl hunting that is set up upon arrival and removed on departure from hunting each day.

Test Road

Any road, path, etc. on which vehicles travel as part of an organized testing area, where testing is actually conducted.

Uncased Weapon

Storage of a firearm outside of a protective safety case (soft or hard), which would permit immediate access to that firearm.

Unexploded Ordnance

Military munitions (primed, fused, armed or otherwise prepared) that were fired, dropped, launched, projected, or placed and remain unexploded by malfunction, design or other reasons constituting a hazard to operations, personnel, or material.

Violator

A person, group, or entity engaged in acts violating the conditions set forth in this regulation.

Section III**Special Abbreviations and Terms**

This section contains no entries.