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**MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION**

**SUBJECT:** United States Army Garrison, Fort Irwin and the National Training Center Policy #20, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Recreational or Model Radio-Controlled Aircraft)

1. **PURPOSE:** This policy establishes the standards, guidance, general information and enforcement of unauthorized Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) on Fort Irwin, CA.

2. **APPLICABILITY:** This policy is applicable to all military, civilians, contractors and family members residing on or granted access to Fort Irwin. Only U.S. Army owned and operated UAS are authorized within the airspace of Fort Irwin and will fly IAW applicable regulations and instructions.

3. **REFERENCES:**

- a. AR 190-13 (The Army Physical Security Program), 27 June 2019
- b. NTC OPORD 20-162 National Training Center (NTC) and Fort Irwin Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) / Drone Reporting, DTG 240900JUN20

4. **SCOPE:** This policy governs all privately owned, non-military UAS capable of sustaining flight in the atmosphere. UAS are also referred to as RC/model/hobby aircraft or drones.

5. **GENERAL INFORMATION:** The popularity and availability of UAS aircraft has greatly increased due to the use of durable, inexpensive materials and avionics that make aircraft much easier to fly. There is potential for UAS operations to physically interfere with and endanger full scale military and civilian flight operations at Ft. Irwin. For these reasons the operation of privately owned UAS outdoors on Fort Irwin is strictly prohibited.

6. **ENFORCEMENT:**

a. The Fort Irwin Directorate of Emergency Services will enforce this policy. Violations of this policy will be reported to the Fort Irwin Military Police at 760-380-2707. For all emergencies, dial 911.

b. Violators of this policy may be detained or apprehended and UAS equipment may be temporarily or permanently confiscated. Violators will be reported to the Garrison

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Commander and sponsoring chain of command. Disciplinary and/or administrative  
action may also be taken as appropriate.

7. The point of contact for this policy is the Director of Emergency Services at 760-380-  
1258, DSN 470-1258.



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