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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) and Fort Polk Policy # 19, Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) on JRTC and Fort Polk

1. References.

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 95-1, Flight Regulations
- b. Army Regulation 95-2, Air Traffic Control, Airfield/Heliport, and Airspace Operations
- c. Army Regulation 190-13, The Army Physical Security Program
- d. Army Regulation 600-20, Army Command Policy
- e. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order JO 7200.23C, Processing of Unmanned Aircraft Systems Requests
- f. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 2000.26, DOD use of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) eGuardian System
- g. Federal Aviation Administration JO 7210.3CC, Facility Operation and Administration, Chapter 5, Special Flight Handling, Section 5. 14 CFR Part 91, UAS Operations
- h. Title 14, Code of Regulations, Part 107.

2. Purpose. This policy prohibits the recreational use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) on JRTC and Fort Polk. Official use of UAS, including the official use of nonstandard UAS is governed by AR 95-1 and AR 95-2. Personally procured UAS are not authorized for official use.

3. Scope. The FAA defines unmanned aircraft (UA) as an aircraft operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft. It is also defined as an UA and the associated elements to include communication links and components that control the UA.

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This policy governs all UAS that can achieve sustained flight to include, but not limited to, remote controlled aircraft, helicopters, quadcopters, drones, kites, and model rockets. For purpose of this policy, these aircraft are all considered UAS.

4. Applicability. This policy is applicable to all persons or entities on JRTC and Fort Polk and to all recreational operation of UAS as defined immediately above.

5. Recreational and Commercial Use Policy. The FAA has designated the areas in red in Figure 1 as “no fly zones” for all personnel operating recreational or commercial UAS and aircraft. UAS activities in Fort Polk airspace threaten operational security and could endanger the safety of military aircraft. Personnel who observe private or commercial UAS activity on or near Fort Polk should immediately contact installation law enforcement.

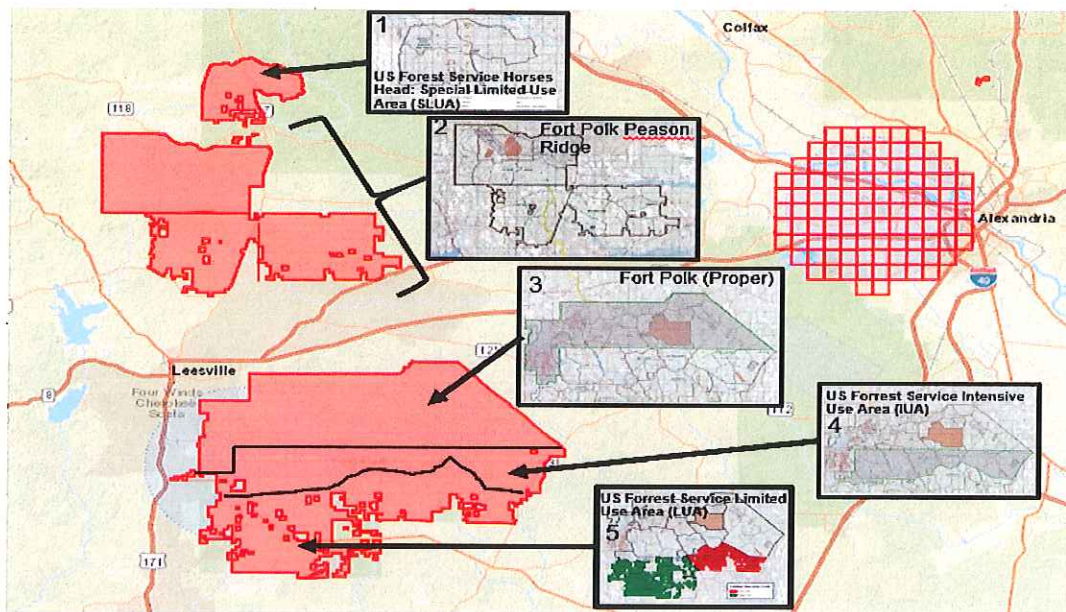


Figure 1. Fort Polk FAA Airspace restriction per <https://faa.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9c2e4406710048e19806ebf6a06754ad>.

6. Military Operations. This restriction does not apply to DoD Modification Table of Organization and Equipment (MTOE) UAS operations. All Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) UAS for military operations require a waiver.

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7. Enforcement.

a. This policy is punitive in nature. Soldiers who violate this policy are subject to the imposition of adverse administrative or punitive action. Authorized enforcement areas for all Soldiers, DoD employees, contractors, family members and civilians are shown in Figure 1 and encompass Zones 2 and 3. Soldiers, family members, DoD employees, Civilian Contractors, and civilians who violate this policy are also subject to loss of installation access privileges; potential forfeiture of any unauthorized recordings, photographs, or videos; adverse personnel action, and possible criminal prosecution under Federal or State law, as appropriate. Authorized enforcement areas for Soldiers, DoD employees, and contractors are shown in Figure 1 and encompass zones 1, 4, and 5. No-UAS signs will be displayed at all Access Control Points (ACPs).

b. Military Police are responsible for enforcing this policy. All incidents involving unauthorized UAS flights controlled outside of the installation will be referred to local law enforcement. Violations on the installation will be documented through the preparation of a Military Police Report in accordance with DoDI 2000.26 and record the activity on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's eGuardian system. Flight violations of UAS will be reported in accordance with AR 95-1, paragraph 2-13, and to the Warrior Operations Center by phone at (337) 531-4916.

8. This policy will remain in effect until rescinded or superseded.

9. The point of contact for this action is the Fort Polk Warrior Operations Center, at (337) 531-4916.



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