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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: POLICY 15-067 – Fort Huachuca Hunting Policy

1. All personnel who hunt on Fort Huachuca must comply with Arizona Game and Fish Department Hunting Regulations and all applicable Federal, State and Army policy requirements. This includes US Army Garrison POLICY 15-062 – Wildlife Feeding Policy; and Fort Huachuca Regulation 190-11, which outlines the policy on the registration, possession and use of privately owned weapons and ammunition on the installation.

2. All personnel who hunt on Fort Huachuca must have a current Arizona hunting license. Hunters can purchase hunting licenses online at www.azgfd.gov. Hunters can purchase licenses, tags, and/or stamps from any of 340 license dealers (information is online at www.azgfd.gov), or Arizona Game and Fish Department offices statewide. For some species hunters must also purchase a stamp or stamp privilege for the license to be valid. Hunters will need a tag in addition to a valid license to hunt big game (Gould's Turkey, deer, black bear, javelina, mountain lion, pronghorn). Hunters must also sign all tags before going afield for them to be valid. There are several different seasons in which hunters can hunt a species in accordance with Arizona Game and Fish regulations (information is online at www.azgfd.gov). In addition to Arizona Game and Fish hunting license requirements, all personnel hunting on Fort Huachuca must have a valid Fort Huachuca hunting permit.

3. Tree stands and blinds may be used for hunting purposes under the following conditions. Tree stands and blinds must be identified/labeled with a tag that includes the owner's name, contact information, hunting license and post hunting permit number, date installed, and game being hunted. Unlabeled tree stands, blinds, and related items will be removed when discovered, taken to the Military Police Station, and disposed of in accordance with applicable rules and regulations. Altering of vegetation or landscape for the purposes of installing a tree stand or blind (i.e. limbing or cutting of trees, etc.) is prohibited. Tree stands and blinds may not be placed more than 7 days in advance of any hunt requiring a tag and must be removed not more than 7 days after the hunt. For hunts not requiring a tag (i.e. predator, waterfowl, small game, etc.), tree stands or blinds must be set up and removed the same day.

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4. Any attempt to attract game to an area for the purpose of present or future hunting is prohibited. This includes putting out bait; salt or mineral licks; powders; granules; urine; chemical or natural attractants; live or deceased animals; or improvement of the terrain to create water basins/catchments.

5. For security reasons, the use of wildlife cameras and unmanned aerial vehicles for the use of hunting is prohibited on the installation. The only exception is for the Directorate of Public Works Environmental and Natural Resources Division, the Directorate of Emergency Services, and Federal and State Wildlife Management officials for game management and law enforcement purposes.

6. All weapons must to be registered with the provost marshal prior to hunting. Weapons must be re-registered every three years. Weapons registration is located at the MP Station, Building 22336 (0800 – 1600). DO NOT bring the un-registered weapon with you! Only the bill of sale or other documentation indicating the make, model, and serial number is required for weapons registration. If documentation doesn't exist, a statement listing the required information and witnessed by the unit commander or a notary public is required.

7. Under no circumstances will loaded weapons be transported in a vehicle while on Fort Huachuca. The only exception to this rule is muzzle loading weapons and then the firing cap or flash pan has to be removed. Weapons will be transported to and from the hunting area or check-in station only. Under no circumstances will concealed weapons be allowed.

8. Blaze orange will be worn by all parties while in the field and consist of a minimum of a vest and hat. Blaze orange does not need to be worn during archery-only hunts. Failure to adhere to this rule may result in a minimum of an immediate one-week suspension of hunting privileges.

9. Under no circumstances are motor vehicles of any type allowed to be driven off designated roads or trails.

10. All hunters are expected to review identification traits of Mexican wolves, Jaguars and Ocelots in the Arizona Hunting Regulations (see www.azgfd.com). Rifle hunters, especially predator hunters, must be aware that jaguar and ocelots might be in the area and are fully protected by state and federal law. Criminal penalties may include imprisonment of not more than one year and a fine of up to \$50,000 and/or a civil penalty of up to \$25,000. State penalties include a fine of \$8,000 per endangered animal and \$72,500 and a class 1 misdemeanor for the take of a jaguar.

11. All hunters are required to sign-out to a hunting area and also sign-in prior to moving to a different hunting area. All hunters must sign-in when done hunting for the day.

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12. This policy is punitive in nature, failure to abide by this policy is a violation of Article 92 of the Uniform of Military Justice. Any non-active duty person(s) in violation of this policy may be subject to prosecution and to a bar from the installation under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1382. Additionally, violators of this policy may have their Fort Huachuca hunting privileges suspended or revoked.

13. The proponent for this Policy Memorandum is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, IMHU-PWB, at 533-1867.

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