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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL US ARMY GARRISON RHEINLAND-PFLAZ (USAG RP)
PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum #12, Hunting on USAG RP Installations

1. REFERENCE:

a. Army in Europe Regulation 190-6, Registration and Control of Privately Owned Firearms and Other Weapons in Germany, 8 November 2013.

b. Army in Europe Regulation 215-145, Hunting, Fishing, and Sport Shooting in Germany, 25 June 2015.

2. PURPOSE. This memorandum will outline guidance for hunting requirements and responsibilities when bringing weapons on USAG RP installations.

3. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all Garrison Soldiers, Department of the Army (DA) Civilians, and Local National employees residing or working in the USAG RP community.

4. POLICY. USAG RP personnel assigned within the Garrison footprint will review and be familiar with the USAG RP policy regarding inclement weather procedures.

5. PROCEDURES. All personnel that want to possess firearms in Germany must possess a valid *Waffenbesitzkarte (WBK)* (German Weapons Possession Card) in order to maintain personally owned firearms (POF) both on and off-post. All persons must register all POF with the German Authorities and the U.S. Forces. All POF must be stored in an approved German class A or B safes.

a. POF's that have been properly registered with the U.S. Forces may also be stored at an outdoor recreation (hunting or sport-shooting) facility or a rod-and-gun club, if the facility or club offers this service. Storage and access to the storage facility will be in accordance with appropriate physical security and safety regulations.

(1) All POFs must be stored together with the original U.S. Forces registration card (AE Form 190-6B) and a copy of the *WBK*, if the owner has a *WBK*.

(2) Outdoor recreation (hunting or sport-shooting) facilities and rod-and-gun clubs may either permanently or temporarily release POFs to authorized personnel who

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have the proper documents (for example, valid ID card, valid German hunting license (*Jagdschein*), *WBK*, memorandum from the unit commander).

4. U.S. Forces personnel may hunt in Germany with a German hunting license (*Jagdschein*) and permission (or invitation) to hunt. Hunting without the required documents is considered poaching, and violators may be fined or barred from privileges. Hunters are responsible for being aware of the laws where they hunt.

a. Hunters entering the installation must declare weapons to the Gate Guards at the access control point with intentions (Storing POF, Hunting, or Sport Shooting). Gate Guards will confirm hunt authorization and German hunting license (*Jagdschein*) against the approved hunting roster or the Military Police desk before granting access.

b. If hunters fail to comply they will be barred from hunting on the installation. Reinstatement of these privileges are approved by the Garrison Commander or Delegated Authority.

c. All hunters will check out with the Military Police (MP) Desk once they have completed their hunt and leaving post to ensure the accountability of all hunters and the safety of the installation.

5. German forest authorities are authorized to access the installation at any point to conduct official duties. This access is to conduct official duties excluding any hunts not pre-identified with the MP desk and discharging of any weapons except in emergency situations.

a. An emergency is defined as a compromise to life, limb, or safety of the installation or equipment. All discharging of weapons will be reported to the Military Police Desk immediately.

b. All Forrest Meisters must register with the MP Desk and provide updated contact information in the event of a needed response.

c. Forrest Meisters must notify the MP desk for all scheduled hunts on the installation. Forrest Meisters will provide the garrison and MP's enough time to ensure notice of the hunt as well as safeguard the community within the area of garrison operations. Minimum requirements of a scheduled hunt will provide when, where, duration, and a list of hunters.

d. Those granted authorization to hunt on the installation will require access via Installation Access Control System for access to the installation. Those without access will comply with installation access procedures along with security requirements as needed.

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6. PROPONENT. USAG RP DES is the proponent for this policy. The POC is DES Operations at DSN: 541-7046 or email usarmy.rheinland-pfalz.id-europe.mbx.usag-rp-des-ops.



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