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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: CG Policy Letter #6: Privately Owned Weapons (POW) Registration Requirements

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 190-11 Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition, and Explosive, 17 January 2019.
 - b. Fort Stewart (FS) Form 2027, Registration of Personal Firearms Form.
- 2. Scope. This policy applies to all 3rd Infantry units and personnel, tenant units, and personnel living/working and visiting on FS and Hunter Army Airfield (HAAF).
- 3. Purpose. Establish procedures and publicize punitive policy that regulate privately owned weapons, explosives, and ammunition on FS and HAAF. This policy is punitive with regards to Soldiers. Violators of this policy may be subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) or administrative action. Commanders should seek the advice and counsel of their legal advisor when taking actions pursuant to this policy.
- 4. Persons Required to Register. Personnel transporting privately owned firearms or entering the installation for hunting purposes must register their weapons at the Visitor Control Center (VCC) located at Wooldridge Gate or Montgomery Gate within 24 hours. This requirement also applies to any individual storing a firearm on FS/HAAF, whether permanently assigned, temporarily residing, or otherwise maintaining custody of a weapon on the installation.
- 5. Persons Not Required to Register. Personnel are not required to register firearms if they do not bring them onto FS/HAAF cantonment, or if they are only transporting firearms through FS/HAAF in accordance with paragraph 9b. This includes individuals who reside off-post and do not store or transport firearms on the installation.
- 6. Persons Not Authorized to Register. Minors under the age of 18 and any person prohibited from possessing firearms under the provisions of the Lautenberg Amendment are not authorized to register firearms.
- 7. Registration Procedures. There are two methods for registrations, Manual or Automated.

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Requirements

a. Manual: Complete FS Form 2027 and hand carry to the Visitor Control Center located at Wooldridge Gate (BLDG 101, 571-801-0273) or Montgomery Gate (BLDG 1400, 571-801-6993), Monday-Sunday during the hours of 0600-1800. Do not bring the firearm into the VCC.

- b. Automated: Digitally sign and send an encrypted email with a completed FS Form 2027 (Firearms Registration Form) to usarmy.stewart.usag.list.des-weapons-registration@army.mil. Once completed, the owner will receive his/her firearms registration via return email within 72 hours.
- c. Upon successful registration of a firearm, the registrant will receive a computer-generated Weapons Registration Form (printout). When transporting the registered firearm on the installation, the individual must carry the form on their person as proof of compliance with this policy. The form must be presented upon request by Military Police (MP), Department of the Army Civilian Police (DACP), Department of the Army Security Guard (DASG), or Fish and Wildlife personnel. If the registered firearm is stored in a unit arms room, a copy of the registration form must be maintained with the weapon. Providing false, inaccurate, or misleading information on the registration form is a violation of this policy and may result in administrative or legal action.
- 8. Clearing Weapons Registration. Service Members who have registered their firearms and are leaving FS/HAAF on permanent change of station (PCS) orders or who are separating from service (such expiration term of service (ETS) or retirement) will process through the Provost Marshal Office (PMO) when clearing to remove the firearms from the registration system or to transfer the record to their new installation, as applicable. A PMO employee will stamp their clearing papers. Personnel will also visit the VCC to update their file if at any time they sell or otherwise dispose of a firearm prior to clearing the installation. Personnel who have registered a firearm on post and who are no longer required to maintain that registration (such as moving from on-post Family housing to off-post housing) will update their file at the VCC. As firearms are purchased or sold, or otherwise acquired or disposed of, the person will return to the VCC immediately to update their record.
- 9. Requirements for Transporting. No person may transport a firearm on FS/HAAF unless one of the following requirements is met:
- a. The firearm is registered on the installation. Persons transporting registered firearms must directly transport the firearm to or from authorized places for storage or other authorized activities. Examples of authorized activities include hunting, dog training activities, target ranges, or other locations authorized by the Senior Commander. No stops are authorized.

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- b. The person is transversing FS/HAAF from one off-post location to another off-post location using a publicly traveled roadway, without passing through an Access Control Point and without stopping within the confines of the installation.
- 10. Method of Transporting. Firearms will be transported on FS/HAAF in the following manner:
- a. Privately owned firearms must be unloaded and transported in a secure manner. If the vehicle has a trunk, the firearm must be stored in the trunk. For vehicles without a trunk, the firearm must be encased in a container other than the glove compartment and placed where it is not readily accessible to the driver or passengers. Commercially available trigger locks and other security devices are strongly encouraged to deter theft.
 - b. Ammunition must be transported in a separate compartment from the firearm.
- c. Firearms may only be transported in a direct route to and from authorized areas (e.g., hunting areas, dog training areas, or designated ranges). No stops are permitted.
- d. Individuals actively engaged in authorized hunting may transport unloaded, cased firearms in the passenger compartment. Muzzleloaders may be transported with a round chambered only if the firing cap or priming powder is removed, rendering the firearm inoperable.
- e. Firearms left unsecured in vehicles are subject to confiscation by law enforcement personnel.
- f. All firearms transported onto the cantonment area must be registered. Military Police and installation law enforcement will take appropriate action for unregistered firearms.
- g. Georgia state laws authorizing concealed or open carry do not apply on FS/HAAF. Carrying of loaded or concealed firearms on the installation is prohibited except by law enforcement officers or military personnel in the performance of official duties. This restriction applies to all areas accessed via an Access Control Point (ACP). Individuals traveling through the installation on public highways without entering an ACP or stopping are subject to state law.
- h. Personnel removing firearms from the installation must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding ownership, possession, and registration.

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