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Installations
FIREWOOD CUTTING

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History. This publication is a new regulation.

Summary. This regulation sets forth the rules and guidelines for cutting and removing firewood within the boundaries of FLW.

Applicability. It applies to all persons cutting and removing firewood on the Fort Leonard Wood (FLW) Military Reservation. No activity is exempt from this regulation.

Proponent exception authority. The proponent agency of this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works (DPW), Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch (NRB). The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions to this regulation that are consistent with controlling law and regulation.

Supplementation. Supplementation to this regulation is prohibited without the prior approval by Headquarters, United States Army Maneuver Support Center of Excellence (MSCoE).

Suggested Improvements. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) to IMLD-PWE, 8112 Nebraska Avenue, Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473-8944.

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1. Purpose

This regulation establishes the rules and regulations for firewood cutting within the boundaries of the Fort Leonard Wood (FLW) Military Reservation.

2. Applicability

This regulation applies to all persons, military and civilians, who cut firewood on FLW.

3. References

- a. AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement
- b. Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP), US Army Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood, September 2017.

4. General

- a. Firewood is a forest product. AR 200-1 provides guidance for the sale of forest products when compatible with the installation's INRMP and directs proceeds to be deposited into the Army Forestry Account.
- b. The i-Sportsman automated system provides firewood cutters with the ability to use the iSportsman website to purchase permits, determine open areas, check in and out, and update personal information online at <https://ftleonardwood.iSportsman.net/>. Check in and check out can also be accomplished by phone by calling (844) 225-3227.
- c. The primary use of FLW is for military training. When not being used for military training, areas may become available and designated on the iSportsman system as open for firewood cutting. There is no guarantee that areas will be available for firewood cutting on any given day nor that accessible firewood is available in all areas open for firewood cutting.

5. Permit Purchasing

- a. Persons cutting firewood on FLW must be registered in the iSportsman system, must possess a valid FLW firewood permit, and must check in and check out through iSportsman.
- b. Firewood permits are purchased electronically through the iSportsman system.
- c. The purchase of a firewood permit shall constitute an acknowledgement by the woodcutter (the term hereafter used to describe the holder of a valid FLW firewood permit) of his/her duty to comply with the provisions of this regulation, and all permits are conditioned upon such compliance.
- d. A firewood permit costs \$20.00 and is valid for 4 months from the date of purchase. The FLW Forester may change permit prices and durations as needed.
- e. Firewood permits are not transferrable, and fees are not refundable.

6. Volumes and Sizes

- a. A firewood permit allows a woodcutter to cut and remove up to 4 cords of firewood. A cord is a 4 ft x 4 ft x 8 ft stack of split firewood.

b. A firewood permit is not intended to allow removal of entire logs. Wood must be cut to less than 8 feet in length.

7. Check In and Check Out

Woodcutters must check in and check out of areas open for firewood cutting using the FLW iSportsman website or by calling iSportsman at (844) 225-3227. Check in and check out procedures must be completed on the same day access is desired. The iSportsman system will limit the number of areas a woodcutter can check into at the same time. Woodcutters must display their iSportsman permit number in a place easily viewable through their vehicle windshield. Upon completion of firewood cutting in that area or for that day, the woodcutter must check-out using iSportsman.

8. Special restrictions

a. Firewood may be cut only from wood that is already down. No standing trees, living or dead, may be cut.

b. A firewood permit does not allow for commercial firewood operations. Firewood obtained through a FLW firewood permit is intended for personal use of the woodcutter and immediate family/acquaintances and shall not be sold, traded, or bartered.

c. Checking into an area for firewood cutting does not allow a woodcutter to engage in recreational activities. This includes hunting, fishing, hiking, picking wild edibles, etc.

d. Vehicles may not be operated off hard surfaces whenever rutting is possible.

e. A firewood permit does not authorize removal of any object besides firewood.

f. Areas open for cutting firewood may also be open for hunting. Woodcutters shall avoid cutting where hunters are present.

9. Helpers

A woodcutter may be accompanied by helpers. Helpers must be authorized to be on FLW but do not need an iSportsman account. Helpers must stay with the woodcutter at all times and must ride in the woodcutter's hauling vehicle.

10. Hauling vehicle

a. A woodcutter may check in with only one hauling vehicle, which may include an accompanying trailer. This vehicle should be set as the default vehicle in iSportsman. The use of secondary vehicles, such as all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and tractors, is not permitted.

b. The woodcutter's iSportsman identification number must be displayed so it is easily visible through the windshield at all times while checked in or while hauling firewood on FLW.

c. A hauling vehicle is permitted off maintained roads only when rutting will not occur and only to retrieve firewood that is easily accessible from the road without requiring the woodcutter to cut standing trees to gain access. A firewood permit is not intended to allow off-road driving nor to allow vehicles to go deep into roadless areas.

d. The hauling vehicle may not be driven around barriers or closed gates.

11. Safety

- a. Unexploded ordnance and other military-related hazards are possible on military installations.
- b. Woodcutters are encouraged to utilize the appropriate safety equipment, including hearing and eye protection, hardhat, gloves, and chainsaw-resistant chaps/pants.

12. Suspension, Revocation, and Penalties

a. Any person found guilty of a violation of law or regulation pertaining to or while in the act of cutting and removing firewood on FLW may have his or her permit privileges suspended or revoked by the Garrison Commander or designee. Fees will not be returned for permits that are seized, suspended or revoked in violation of this section.

b. The following administrative penalties apply for failure to check-in and check-out while cutting firewood on FLW:

- 1st Offense -- written warning.
- 2nd Offense -- written warning.
- 3d Offense -- suspension of firewood cutting privileges for 7 days.
- Subsequent Offenses -- suspension of firewood cutting privileges for 30 days.
- Cutting firewood while under suspension will result in an automatic 1-year suspension and/or a citation for Federal trespass.

c. The administrative penalties outlined above are independent of citations that may be issued under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, United States Code, Army regulations, or other FLW regulations.

d. The Director of Emergency Services is designated to represent the Garrison Commander for the purpose of revoking or reinstating firewood cutting authorization pursuant to this regulation. This authority may not be further delegated.

13. Administrative Due Process

a. A person whose privileges have been revoked will have the right to appeal or request reconsideration. Such requests must be forwarded through channels to the Garrison Commander within seven working days from the date the individual is notified of the revocation action. The revocation action will remain in effect pending a final ruling on the request.

b. Appeals will be determined by a hearing officer in an administrative hearing. The hearing officer will be appointed by the Garrison Commander.

c. Only one of two recommendations may be made in evaluating revocations: Permit may be revoked, or not be revoked. The basis for either recommendation will be fully detailed in the report of the hearing officer.

Glossary

ATVs

All -Terrain Vehicles

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

FLW

Fort Leonard Wood

INRMP

Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan

MSCoE

Maneuver Support Center of Excellence

NRB

Natural Resources Branch