

AMIM-LDG-ZA (200-1)

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Garrison Policy 39, Cantonment Archery Hunting Program

1. References:

a. Army Regulation, 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007.

b. Fort Leonard Wood (FLW) Regulation 210-21, Hunting and Fishing, 15 September 2022.

2. The purpose of this policy memorandum is to authorize implementation of an Archery Cantonment Hunt on Fort Leonard Wood and provide guidelines for participation and safety.

3. This policy applies to all military and civilian personnel who hunt on Fort Leonard Wood.

4. This policy is punitive. Violations, particularly as they relate to the safety provisions in Paragraph 6, below, may result in adverse action as well as the suspension and revocation of hunting privileges.

5. Fort Leonard Wood is committed to safely providing exceptional hunting opportunities and reducing populations of deer in areas that pose a high risk of vehicle collisions and accidents. To that end, six archery-only cantonment hunting areas (approximately 770 acres) with special safety rules will be opened to hunters. Hunters who wish to use these areas will be allowed to hunt on a first come/first serve basis and must sign-in through the iSportsman system. All hunters will be required to purchase a Cantonment hunting permit, complete a safety briefing, and follow specific rules in addition to existing installation and state regulations governing hunting. This is a special hunting opportunity which may be revoked at any time; policies and procedures will be refined to ensure the highest safety and effectiveness of the hunt.

6. Hunters will check in and out of open units on a first come/first serve basis. A maximum number of hunters has been set for each individual hunting unit and areas will be closed to additional hunters if the maximum number is met. Hunters must be present

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in the unit upon completing check-in through iSportsman. Reserving slots for cantonment unit without hunting is not allowed. Units may be open or closed as needed for any reason including training exercises, safety issues, etc.

7. Hunters participating in the Cantonment Hunt will be required to complete a safety briefing on the iSportsman system and acknowledge the following requirements, also hereby incorporated into this policy:

a. Carrying a nocked bow or loaded crossbow within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or all-weather road edge is prohibited.

b. Shooting a bow or crossbow in such a way that the arrow comes within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or all-weather road edge is prohibited.

c. No stand locations are permitted within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or allweather road edge.

d. Hunters are required to hunt in elevated, portable stands at least 10 feet off the ground. Permanent stands, stalking, and ground hunting are prohibited.

e. Parking within 300 feet of occupied residences or active training areas without permission is prohibited.

f. An iSportsman Permit Number and Cantonment Hunting Permit must be visibly displayed through the front windshield of the vehicle.

g. Hunters must avoid confrontations and be courteous to non-hunters.

h. Hunters must be discrete and are required to vacate the area if other recreational or training activities are on-going.

i. Efforts must be made to recover a wounded animal; however, a wounded animal should not be pursued outside of open hunt area boundaries. You must contact the Military Police Desk at 573-596-6141 for assistance if a wounded animal leaves an open hunting area.

j. Specific exceptions/accommodations may be made to this policy for disabled individuals when doing so will not compromise safety or otherwise violate FLW or state regulations. Requests for exceptions/accommodations must be submitted and approved in writing. AMIM-LDG-ZA (200-1) SUBJECT: Garrison Policy 39, Cantonment Archery Hunting Program

(1) Definition. A Disabled Hunter is defined as: Any person who is restricted to a wheelchair, is not ambulatory without walking aids (i.e.walkers, crutches, etc) or a prosthesis, has lost a limb or a vital organ (such as a lung), or is otherwise impaired to the extent that they cannot hunt alone, unassisted, or in a normal manner.

(2) Exceptions under this paragraph will be determined on a case-by-case basis for persons with a disability. In all cases, a written explanation of disability from a personal physician (and a valid State of Missouri Disabled Hunting Permit) are required and must be presented to the DPW Natural Resources branch. To initiate this process, contact 573-596-7605.

8. Army Regulation 200-1, FLW Regulation 210-21 and state regulations remain applicable. If this policy conflicts with Army Regulation 200-1, FLW 210-21 or state regulations in any way, Army Regulation 200-1, FLW 210-21, and state regulations shall take precedence.

9. The point of contact for this policy memorandum is the Natural Resources Branch, Environmental Division, DPW at (573) 596-7605.

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