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HISTORY: This publication reflects major changes to the Hunting and Fishing Program administration by Natural Resources in the Environmental Management Division (EMD). It includes updates to reflect appropriate annual revisions to Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping on Redstone Arsenal (RSA), and establishes lead agency authority and transfers of program oversight timelines.

SUMMARY: This policy sets forth the rules and guidelines for Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping within the boundaries of Redstone Arsenal, henceforth referred to as RSA.

APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all persons entering or residing on RSA.

PROPONENT AGENCY: USAG-Redstone, Directorate of Public Works (DPW), EMD, Cultural and Natural Resources (CNR) Branch.

SUPPLEMENTATION: Supplementation of this regulation by subordinate commanders is strictly prohibited.

SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS: Users can send comments and suggested improvements through a Department of the Army (DA) Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) to the Director, Environmental Management (AMIM-EM), Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898-5000.

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1. PURPOSE

- a. This document establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and prescribes Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping procedures on RSA.
- b. Seasons, hours, legal game, violations and penalties, daily bag limits, hunting ages, and possession limits for all game and fish are set by Federal and State Laws and Regulations.
- c. All Federal and State Laws on Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping apply to persons conducting these activities on RSA. This policy, as well as special notices, rules, and procedures, are posted at Building 5138 Environmental Conservation Management Office, and on the Redstone I-Sportsman website.
- d. Installation Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping activities may be closed, as necessary, in support of installation activities, training, or security requirements.

2. STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS

- a. All persons participating in hunting and fishing activities on RSA will comply with State and Federal fish, game, and Natural Resources laws as well as all Army and RSA regulations and will cooperate fully with representatives of law enforcement agencies.
- b. In addition to appropriate permits issued through the DPW Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Program on RSA, individuals must possess valid licenses issued by the State of Alabama for each game species pursued.
- c. All firearms brought onto the installation will be registered with Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) Building 3623 in accordance with Army Regulation (AR) 190-11 and RSA 190-44. Civilians must print and bring the applications form, (FC Form 2635) obtained through the I-Sportsman web portal https://redstone.isportsman.net/ to RSA Police Headquarters, Building 3623. Firearms will not be transported inside the building. In accordance with AR 190-11, Chapter 4-5 and AR 190-13, Chapter 8, non-Department of Defense ID cardholders will be required to obtain a one-day pass for a hunting permit and favorably pass a criminal background check annually. A visitor pass and a weapons permit will be required to obtain a hunter's permit.
- d. A Migratory Bird Permit and Federal Duck Stamp are both required, in addition to appropriate permits sold by the DPW Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Program, to hunt waterfowl on RSA.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Oversight of the RSA Hunting Program consists of three components: administration, conservation, and enforcement. DPW, EMD, CNR is the lead agency for administration of the program through I-Sportsman year-round, and for oversight of conservation efforts for the preponderance of the year. Upon opening day of each season, through the last day of open-season, oversight of the program for that species transfers to DES, Police, Conservation Law Enforcement.
- b. From the end of turkey season to the beginning of dove season, the Garrison Commander (GC) has delegated authority to plan, coordinate, and implement fish and wildlife management in accordance with (IAW) AR 200-1 and the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) to the Director of DPW. The Director of DPW has further delegated responsibility for fish and wildlife management to the CNR Branch, Fish and Wildlife Program Manager. The GC maintains the approval authority for all exceptions to policy.
- c. The Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Program is administered through the RSA DPW EMD. The CNR will perform the administrative functions necessary to assign recreational users to available areas on RSA via the I-Sportsman online application. The EMD CNR will do the following:
- (1) Administer, manage, and promote the hunting, recreational shooting, fishing, trapping, hiking and mountain biking program activities on RSA, and coordinate with Federal and State officials to ensure program regulations compliance.

- (2) Maintain the I-Sportsman recreational access system for administration logistics purposes. Available activity areas will be posted on the Redstone I-Sportsman website.
- (3) Maintain the I-Sportsman online application and fee payment system for reimbursement into Natural Resources 21X funding accounts. Natural Resources will manage revenues and expenses of the recreational programs to ensure economic viability and long-term sustainment.
- (4) Review and update the Hunting and Fishing Policy annually, staff the policy for legal review and GC signature, and provide the policy to patrons upon request.
- (5) Conduct hunter safety orientations for all RSA hunters before the beginning of each hunting season. Orientations and safety briefings will be available on the I-Sportsman website for new hunters. Natural Resources staff may be available to provide in-person guidance.
- (6) Maintains and monitors harvest data, sets hunting, creel, trapping limits, and restrictions as necessary for proper management of all species according to accepted wildlife science and ecological principles. Implement changes to limits and restrictions as needed for program sustainment.
- (7) Perform and administer wildlife conservation, ecological management activities, fish and game habitat, and population management to include nuisance and invasive species management, as prescribed in the INRMP. These actions will be exempt from all RSA Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping permit and license requirements.
- (8) Administer access to mixed-use hunting areas for other recreational activities including hiking and mountain biking. Access to these areas shall be granted through the I-Sportsman online portal. These areas include Weeden and Madkin Mountains.
- (9) Provide staffing resources to operate recreational activities through the Conservation Management Office in Building 5138. The facility will provide scheduled in-person customer support services, administrative assistance, and technical assistance to hunting and fishing and recreational shooting patrons.
- d. The GC has delegated authority to the Installation Provost Marshal Office (Chief of Police) as the Chief of the Game Wardens for enforcement of hunting and fishing laws and regulations. Oversight of all hunting operations transfer from DES to DPW, EMD, CNR from the end of turkey season to the beginning of dove season. The DES and its Conservation Law Enforcement Officers (CLEO) will do the following:
- (1) Enforce the provisions of this policy and all State and Federal hunting laws and regulations on RSA.
- (2) Log violations and all associated lands availability for hunting, fishing and trapping into I-Sportsman and maintain records of permit holders cited for Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping violations.
 - (3) As authorized by the GC, suspend and/or revoke hunting and fishing permits for

violations of the policies and/or procedures prescribed in this policy. Installation policy violations and corresponding penalties are specified in Appendix A. Violations of the state laws and associated penalties shall be adjudicated with the Federal Magistrate and/or IAW Appendix B.

- (4) Assist in the control of nuisance wildlife and in conducting studies related to wildlife and habitat management in conjunction with the USAG-Redstone Wildlife Biologist, with the discretion and approval of the CLEO Supervisor.
- (5) Facilitate the registration of all weapons entering RSA at Building 3623 in accordance with AR 190-11 and RSA Firearms registration policy. The firearms registration form 2313 will be posted on the I-Sportsman online portal http://redstone.isportsman.net and at the Conservation Annex, Building 5138.
- (6) Coordinate with range operating tenants and ensure that Range Support in Building 3509 functions as the central organization for collecting and reporting of hunting area availability by means of a weekly standing data call. All RSA organizations identified with missions using hunting areas will provide input identifying areas necessary to close on a day-by-day basis for one week before the report's effective date.
 - (7) Disseminates the weekly hunting report to the Safety Office, DPW, DPTMS, and EMD.
- (8) Establish responsible points of contact for reporting hunting areas that need to be closed for mission requirements. This report will meet established hunting requirements. The schedule will be made available to the DPW EMD.
- e. In coordination with Contracting Officer Representatives, establish a process for selected contractors working over the entire installation to be able to report their work requirements in hunting areas directly to the EMD/CNR and CLEO.
- f. All Redstone tenant organizations controlling hunting lands on RSA for mission activities shall:
- (1) Establish a single point of contact responsible for reporting to the USAG- Redstone DPTMS, Range Support, hunting area availability, utilization and meeting established reporting schedules.
- (2) Make available for hunting purposes all hunting areas not directly and immediately required for the mission.
- (3) Report unexpected changes to the availability of hunting areas for recreation to the CLEO as soon as a change is identified, to ensure that workers and hunters are safely in and out of the affected areas respectively.
- (4) Always provide access for law enforcement officers and DPW/EMD Natural Resources staff during non-training events and emergencies.
 - g. The DPW will do the following: Provide resources to maintain and operate the Conservation

Management Office, building 5138, as a customer service and administrative facility to include utilities, building, grounds maintenance, repair, and Information Technology infrastructure.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- a. Active duty and retired Servicemembers, their dependents (with ID card), Reserve and National Guard Component Servicemembers, Gold Star Family Members, Purple Heart recipients, former prisoners of war, and all Veterans with service-connected disabilities may recreate on RSA. Refer to Redstone. Isportsman.net for current prices.
- b. Active duty and retired Servicemembers may sponsor an unlimited number of guests annually for a consecutive 72- hour period, without obtaining a hunting permit. However, the number of participants will be limited to two guests or dependents per hunt. The sponsored guest must complete the online hunter safety orientation and register in I-Sportsman, \$25.00 fee. Sponsors must register guests with the EMD at the Conservation Management Office, Building 5138 before hunting.
- c. Guests of active duty and retired Servicemembers desiring to hunt for longer than 72 consecutive hours must obtain an RSA hunting permit and attend orientation. Guests must be sponsored and accompanied no matter the length of stay. Dependents of active duty and retired Servicemembers must be under the age of 23 unless that person is a spouse of the sponsor. Refer to Redstone. Isportsman.net for current prices.
- d. Current and retired Civilian employees of the United States Government assigned to RSA and their accompanied dependents (under age 23 unless a spouse) may hunt, fish, and trap (no waterfowl hunting). Civilian employees are not authorized to sponsor guests.

 Refer to Redstone.Isportsman.net for current prices.
- e. Full-time RSA contract employees (must be in support of a government mission) with active 40-hour-per-week contracts with gate access badges may recreate (excluding waterfowl). These eligible employees may sponsor their dependent family members (under age 23 unless a spouse) to participate in these activities and must always accompany them when dependents are engaged in these recreational activities. Contractor employees may sponsor no more than two dependents. Part-time/on-call contract employees are not authorized to participate in hunting or trapping activities. It is the contract employees' responsibility to immediately cease all hunting/trapping activity and notify the EMD if the contract, or the contractor's employment under the contract is terminated. Contractor employees are not authorized to sponsor guests. Refer to Redstone.Isportsman.net for current prices.
- f. Non-shooting, non-fishing guests may accompany registered account holders without creating an I-Sportsman account. Children between the ages of 9-15 may participate in youth hunts. No one under age 9 may handle a weapon.
- g. Persons who have lost their eligibility to hunt, fish, or trap in the state are not allowed to hunt, fish, or trap on RSA. Persons who lose their state eligibility to hunt, fish, or trap after receiving their RSA permit must return their RSA permit to EMD, and cease all hunting, fishing, or trapping on RSA. Permit fees cannot be refunded for persons who have lost their eligibility.

h. Mountain Biking and Hiking in the mixed areas of Madkin and Weeden Mountains must register in I-Sportsman (\$25.00 registration fee).

5. LICENSES AND PERMITS

- a. An RSA hunting and trapping permit is required for all persons aged 16 and older including guests and family members. Permits are available by fee through the online portal, https://redstone.isportsman.net. Users must register, create an I-Sportsman account, and provide proof of required State licenses, a hunter education certificate, and RSA firearm(s) permit. By receiving an RSA Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Permit, the receiver agrees to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and this policy.
- b. RSA CNR Branch will provide online hunter orientation presentations to discuss the hazards specific to RSA. Verification of completion of the RSA hunter safety briefing is required for all hunters to obtain a hunting permit. RSA Weapons/ Firearms Permit is required if using a shotgun, rifle, muzzleloader, or pellet rifle. A Firearms Permit is not required if using archery.
- c. Children between the ages of 9-15 may participate in youth hunts while accompanied by a registered user.
- d. All activities related to nuisance wildlife control, depredation hunts, or scientific studies are exempt from permit or license requirements and will be managed through the DPW, EMD, and Conservation Law Enforcement.
- e. Fees shall be collected by credit or debit card payment via I-Sportsman. Current prices will be posted on https://redstone.isportsman.net.

6. HUNTING PROCEDURES

- a. Hunting is authorized in designated areas only. Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping are authorized 5 days a week, Thursday through Monday (no hunting Tuesdays and Wednesdays) when applicable seasons and areas are open. There is no hunting on Christmas Day and New Years Day. Hunting will be open until noon on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and New Years Eve. Hunting is available on all other Federal Holidays unless the holiday falls on a Tuesday or Wednesday.
- b. Hunters should request a hunting area by logging into the I-Sportsman system to find an available area. In the event I-Sportsman website is not working, all recreational activities are suspended until the system is back online. Active-duty Service members may reserve an available area between 1400-1500 hours for the next day's hunt. Active Duty Retired may reserve areas 1500-1600 hours. All others may reserve an available area after 1600 hours. Hunters are prohibited from signing into an area with the intent to not hunt but to block other hunters from hunting that area. Hunters who are signed into an area must clear the area before leaving the Installation. Hunters who are signed into areas are expected to hunt the area. If they are not able to hunt, they must clear I-Sportsman immediately.
 - c. Dash placards will be correctly and legibly filled out and displayed on the vehicle dash.

Hunters must clear hunting areas within the prescribed time limits.

- d. Hunters hunting within Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge (WNWR) will hunt only in the portion identified on the map with corresponding area numbers, e.g. hunters in Area 55 may also hunt in Area 55R. Only deer and raccoons (non-toxic shot #6 or smaller for raccoons) may be hunted on WNWR lands.
- e. Hunters may, after receiving approval from a Conservation Law Enforcement Officer (CLEO), search for wounded game in another open hunting area.
- f. Hunters must report all wildlife taken at the end of each hunting day on the I-Sportsman mobile application. The Redstone CLEO shall acknowledge, or optionally inspect, any deer and turkey harvested before leaving RSA.
 - g. The following actions are prohibited. See Appendix A for additional information:
 - (1) Cutting of trees.
 - (2) Use of more than four dogs per group while small game hunting.
 - (3) Driving or participating in deer drives.
 - (3) Construction or use of permanent blinds/tree stands.
- (4) Leaving hunting equipment in the field overnight. (Exception, waterfowl hunters may leave a small vessel overnight with prior approval. Vessel owner information must be visible).
 - (5) Destruction of evidence of sex of deer or turkey.
 - (6) Discharge of weapons in an unsafe manner.
 - (7) Hunting in an unauthorized area.
 - (8) Tampering with other's personal or government property.
 - (9) Loaning or altering any official document pertaining to Hunting, Fishing, or Trapping.
- (10) Use, in possession of, or being under the influence of alcohol, physically and/or mindaltering drugs and other substances, while actively hunting or transporting firearms on RSA.
 - (11) Driving vehicles into food plots.
 - (12) Blocking roads, gates, or firebreaks.
- (13) Disorderly conduct; Actions that violate hunting policy or interfere with hunting activities can be considered disorderly conduct if they create a disruption.

- (14) Duck Hunters must maintain 100-yard separation from other groups.
- (15) Waterfowl hunters and guests must be co-located at all times.
- h. Scouting is permitted during daylight hours only after processing through EMD and CLEO to obtain permission to scout. Details of the scout will be given. Use or possession of weapons, calls, or decoys are prohibited when scouting. Scouting is permitted as follows:
- (1) Scouting for deer is only authorized (2) two weeks prior to the start of archery season and only Thursday-Sunday. There will be no scouting once archery deer season begins until the end of gun deer season.
- (2) Scouting for turkey is only authorized 10 days prior to the beginning of turkey season and only Thursday-Sunday. There will be no scouting once turkey season begins.
- (3) Scouting for waterfowl is only authorized 10 days prior to the beginning of the Season and only Thursday-Sunday. There will be no scouting once waterfowl season begins.
- (4) Scouting for predatory hunting is only authorized through direct coordination with the CLEO office.
 - (5) There are no authorized scouting periods for any other type of wildlife.

7. WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION

- a. See Appendix B for authorized weapons in hunting areas.
- b. The only permissible weapons allowed are as follows:
 - (1) .357 magnum
 - (2) .44 magnum
 - (3) .45 Long Colt
 - (4) .444 Marlin
 - (5) 45-70 Govt.
 - (6) 350 Legend
 - (7) 450 Bushmaster
 - (8) Shotguns for Deer: 20-10 gauge (Slug only. No Buckshot permitted.)
 - (9) Shotguns for Turkey: .410 (Tungsten loads only) thru 10 gauge

- (10) Muzzleloaders (.40-.54)
- (11) Shotguns for small/other game (.410-10 gauge)
- (12) Archery equipment may be used for hunting. Pellet rifles may be used for small game only (.17/.22).
- c. Hunters must use weapons, ammunition, and archery equipment that complies with Federal, State, and Local Law which also corresponds to the animal species they are hunting. Use of pellet rifles, no larger than .22 caliber, is limited to squirrel hunters and trappers. Firearms shall not be loaded with more than 5 rounds in the weapon while hunting deer and three rounds for waterfowl. Possession or use of shotgun/rifle combination firearms are prohibited. Use or possession of suppressors or silencers are not authorized for hunting on the installation. AR platform and handgun use is not authorized.
- d. Weapons must be registered with the DES, Law Enforcement Division, where a weapons permit will be generated. Archery equipment is exempt from this requirement. Weapons permits may remain valid for 5 years from 1 September of the year issued, provided the permit holder does not intend to add new or additional weapons to the permit.
- e. Hunters will observe a 300-foot minimum distance from buildings, structures and boundaries. Hunters will not fire from or across any road.
- f. Approved weapons for recreation will be transported and stored unloaded, separate from the ammunition, and secured in personally owned vehicles. Participants are only authorized to transport weapons on RSA for the purpose of recreation if they are scheduled in the I-Sportsman system to participate in activities that day. Firearms must be secured in a locked case or equipped with a trigger/gun lock IAW USAG RSA 190-4.

8. TURKEY HUNTING

- a. Season: Spring season only during Alabama State Law dates.
- b. Bag limit: One per day. Limits established annually by Wildlife Biologist.
- c. Turkey hunters are required to wear a cap/hat or vest of hunter orange while walking to/from set-up sites. Once stopped and set up, the orange cap may be removed.
- d. Legal weapons, ammunition, prohibited methods, and devices must comply with State law and paragraph 3, section D (para 3 (d)).
 - e. Turkey hunting hours start 30 minutes before sunrise and end at 1600 hours.
 - f. Turkey hunting is prohibited on any portion of WNWR.

9. DEER HUNTING

- a. Season: Per Alabama State Law.
- b. Bag Limit: Limits and buck restrictions are set annually by the Wildlife Biologist in conjunction with applicable Alabama State Law.
- c. Safety Garments: Per Alabama State Law and this policy; hunters additionally will maintain hunter blaze orange hat or vest during gun deer season while in the tree stand.
- d. Prohibited Methods and Devices: Deer decoys, game cameras, and salt licks (including Trophy Rock) are prohibited to use or possess on RSA. Other prohibitions are per Alabama State Law. Weapons must comply with para 3 (d) of the Alabama State Law.
 - e. Hunting hours begin 30 minutes before sunrise and end 30 minutes after sunset.
- f. RSA residents may dispose of non-edible animal parts in authorized wooded areas at least 1,000 feet from any road or building. Those not living on-post must dispose of remains off-post. This does not prevent hunters from field-dressing animals while still in their assigned hunting area if desired.
- g. Legal weapons, ammunition, prohibited methods, and devices are per Alabama State Law, and under para 3 (d).

10. OTHER GAME SPECIES

- a. Beaver, Groundhog, Coyote, Feral Hog, Feral Cat and Skunk: Per Alabama State Law, using weapons and ammunition authorized for use under para 3 (d).
- b. Raccoon and Opossum: Per Alabama State Law using weapons and ammunition authorized for use per para 3 (d). Non-toxic shot required on WNWR.
- c. Mourning Dove, Squirrel, and Rabbit: Per Alabama State Law; however, weapons and ammunition used must be authorized for use in accordance with paragraph 3 (d).
- d. Waterfowl may be hunted only by active duty and retired service members and their authorized guests.
- e. Signing into I-Sportsman under the pretense of hunting any of the above, for purposes of "scouting" for deer or turkey is strictly prohibited.

11. DOGS

a. Dogs may be used to hunt the above-listed Other Game Species. Hunters must have owner contact information on the collar of each dog used. If a dog cannot be retrieved at the end of the day's hunt, the dog's owner must contact RSA police before leaving the post at 256-876-2222 or Dispatch at 256-544-4356, report that the dog is not retrieved, and give officials contact

information. When notified by an RSA official that their dog has been located, the owner must respond promptly to retrieve the dog. Failure to follow this procedure may result in a suspension, citation, or inability to use dogs in the future. Only four dogs per group may be off lead at a time.

b. Dog Training must be approved by the Natural Resources Staff. No training will occur during turkey season, or during May and June. Alabama State Law applies in addition to the previously mentioned requirements.

12. FISHING

- a. Fishing is authorized in designated areas, locations which are posted at Conservation Management Office, Building 5138. Bradford Sinks and Igloo Pond availability is posted on the weekly range report. When Bradford Sinks is open, anglers must sign up before going fishing. Creel/size limits, equipment, and methods are per Alabama State Law. Boats are limited to electric motors or manual propulsion on RSA. A state fishing license is required for those 16-64 years of age.
 - b. Rock Pond and Large Rock Quarry are closed to fishing.
- c. Magnet fishing is prohibited. Magnet fishing is the practice of using a strong magnet(s) attached to a rope or line to search for or retrieve metal objects, usually in water. This activity is dangerous due to the possibility of disrupting Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)/chemical containers. Magnet fishing is not considered fishing as contemplated by this policy, as there is no reasonable expectation or attempt to catch an actual fish. Persons found in possession of magnets attached to ropes/lines on RSA will be suspended from access for 3 years (See Appendix A).

13. TRAPPING

- a. Trapping is permitted only in designated areas, locations of which are posted on I-Sportsman at the Conservation Management Office, Building 5138. Persons wanting to trap will submit a written request to the Natural Resources Wildlife Biologist. If approved, trappers will provide a map showing trap locations to EMD/NR and CLEO.
- b. Trappers will provide the Wildlife Biologist with a weekly report listing all animals trapped that week. Traps will be checked daily and marked with owner information.
- c. Alabama State Law applies in addition to the above-listed requirements. Trapping is prohibited on WNWR.

14. BICYCLES AND E-BIKES

- a. Hunters may use bicycles including pedal-assist electric (E-assist) bicycles to access hunting areas. Bicycles must have markings or placards which identify the owner's full name and contact information.
 - b. Throttle automatic and/or self-propelled vehicles are not authorized.

- c. Bicycles and E-assist bikes are authorized for use only on roads and improved trails, paved or unpaved to access hunting areas. Bicycles are not authorized for off-road or unimproved areas (forest, pasture, etc.).
- d. Animals and equipment may be transported in a trailer/cart attached to the bicycle. Trailer/cart must display the hunter's name.
 - e. Bicycles must be removed from hunting areas at the end of the hunt.
- f. Users must adhere with RSA Policy 190-5, Bicycle Traffic Safety, while operating bicycles anywhere on RSA.
- g. Cyclists and hikers in co-use areas must wear an orange cap or vest during hunting season.

15. SAFETY

- a. EMD CNR staff, CLEOs, or Police Officers may refuse or revoke privileges for anyone suspected of using, possessing, or being under the influence of any substance that compromises safety.
- b. Boats launched from or on RSA will conform to all applicable federal and state requirements. Hunters using boats to access a hunting area must launch from RSA, place a dash placard in the vehicle at the launch site, and must also leave the same information clearly visible on the boat. An approved personal floating device is required while boating.
- c. No person will attempt to touch or move any item of equipment not belonging to them. Those encountering suspected UXO or any suspicious item (i.e. cameras/tree stands), will not touch the item(s). Personnel will mark the location and notify authorities. Note: Installation biologists and conservation law enforcement utilize game cameras for mission-related work.
- d. Hunters using tree stands must use a safety belt/harness that can support the hunter's weight and shall be always attached to the hunter tree, when the hunter is not on the ground. Hunter is required to always maintain a hunter blaze orange vest or hat during gun deer season while in his/her tree stand. All tree stands must be removed at the end of each day (pack in, pack out).
- e. No hunter shall drive, drill, screw, or otherwise insert any metal object into a tree or hunt from a tree which has been prepared in such a way.
- f. Anyone involved in or having knowledge of an unsafe shooting incident will report the incident to the RSA Police and EMD immediately.

16. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

a. Having knowledge of in-progress wildlife violations, or violations less than 90 days old, will immediately report such violations to Conservation Officers or RSA police. Failure to report may

result in a suspension of privileges per the discretion of the Deputy GC.

- b. RSA law enforcement officers are authorized to issue citations for violations of State of Alabama laws under the Assimilative Crimes Act. These violations will be adjudicated by the local Federal Magistrate Court. It is the responsibility of the recreationist to know the rules and regulations of the State of Alabama and the Installation. Failure to comply with lawful orders, posted signs, or written notices is illegal, citable by 41 CFR 102-74.385.
- c. RSA Law enforcement officers are authorized to issue citations for violations of this Policy. These violations are specific to hunting on RSA and are listed in Appendix A. The penalties for violation of this policy, are suspension or revocation of access privileges to recreational Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping on RSA. Violations will be logged in the I-Sportsman permit system. Permits will not be issued within the suspension/revocation period.
- d. Individuals for whom revocation of these privileges is proposed will be notified by letter from the DES Law Enforcement Division. Suspensions of 60 days or less cannot be appealed. Individuals wishing to appeal suspension or revocation of privileges of 90 days or greater must do so in writing within 10 days to the DES, Deputy Chief of Police. Requests for appeal must contain reasons and/or mitigating factors pertaining to the violation.
- e. Appealed suspension notifications (90 days or greater) will be reviewed by the RSA Hunters Review Board (HRB). See Appendix B for the Memorandum for Record authorizing the RSA HRB. The RSA HRB will convene within 45 days of receipt of appeal request and conduct a vote to uphold or modify the suspension. The Deputy GC shall act as the final decision authority for appealed suspension.
- f. If a violation results in a criminal act, the violator will be immediately suspended from hunting/fishing activities. Criminal violations will be enforced by the RSA Police Department.
 - g. All administrative sanctions will run concurrently.
- h. Sponsors are responsible for the conduct and safety of their guests and family members. Penalties assessed for violations committed by guests and family members will also be assessed against the sponsor.
- i. Any Hunting, Fishing, or Trapping violation/penalty not specifically listed in Appendix C will be determined by the Deputy to the GC under the consultation of the legal representative.

APPENDIX A Violations and Penalties

Appendix A Violations and Penalties

All violations are subject to local, State and Federal Law. Citation/violations of State laws, which typically carry monetary fines shall be adjudicated by the State authority. The following table presents violations specific to military installations and not covered under state law. These penalties are established by this policy and will be enforced with access privileges administered by the EMD/Natural Resources I-Sportsman fee permitting process. Multiple instances of minor violations may also result in a permanent revocation of access. Appeals may be submitted within 10 days to the RSA Deputy Chief of Police.

Administrative Penalties		
Discharging a firearm from a vehicle or from/across a named road	Permanent Revocation	
Driving under the influence or possession of an illegal substance	Permanent Revocation	
Hunting while under the influence of intoxicants	Permanent Revocation	
Hunting with unauthorized weapons or ammunition	Permanent Revocation	
Unauthorized trapping	Permanent Revocation	
Taking or attempting to take game illegally/hunting out-of-season	Permanent Revocation	
Hunting with or over bait	Permanent Revocation	
Failure to obey law enforcement officers/submit to legal search or inspection	Permanent Revocation	
Making a false statement to obtain permit and/or area assignment	Permanent Revocation	
Hunting in an off limits or restricted area, impact area, or cantonment area	Permanent Revocation	
Unauthorized use of permit or automated system	Permanent Revocation	
Illegal use of artificial light for spot-lighting live game	Permanent Revocation	
Criminal trespassing on federal property	Permanent Revocation	
Collection of historical artifacts	Permanent Revocation	
Illegal take of state of federally protected species	Permanent Revocation	
Carrying a concealed weapon while hunting	Permanent Revocation	

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Magnet fishing	3 Year Suspension	
Failure to check-in big game or turkey harvest	3 Year Suspension	
Drive hunting/participating in a drive hunting deer	3 Year Suspension	
Transporting loaded weapon in vehicle	3 Year Suspension	
Unauthorized photography/placing camera(s)	3 Year Suspension	
Hunting in areas closed to hunting	3 Year Suspension	
Failure to register weapon(s) on the installation with the DES	2 Year Suspension	
Participating in outdoor recreation activities without area assignment	2 Year Suspension	
Participating in outdoor recreation activities without valid permit/license	2 Year Suspension	
Shooting before or after legal shooting hours	2 Year Suspension	
Firing a weapon within 300 feet of an occupied building	2 Year Suspension	
Possessing under sized fish or fish in slot limit	2 Year Suspension	
Harvesting a deer not meeting required antler restriction-2 nd offense	1 Year Suspension	
Harvesting a deer not meeting required antler restriction-1 st offense	30 Days Suspension	
Exceeding bag/creel limit	1 Year Suspension	
Outdoor recreation activities outside assigned area	1 Year Suspension	
Bypassing roadblock, cable or gate in a vehicle/vessel	1 Year Suspension	
Target practicing or discharging firearms in an unauthorized area	1 Year Suspension	
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Exceeding authorized natural resource collection limits	1 Year Suspension
Transporting uncased weapons in vehicle	6 Month Suspension
Unauthorized use of any all-terrain vehicle	6 Month Suspension
Allowing minors (under 15) to hunt unattended	90 Day Suspension
Unauthorized use of firebreaks or unauthorized roads	90 Day Suspension

Littering or dumping (includes spent shotgun casings)	60 Day Suspension
Failure to have required PFD in the boat	60 Day Suspension
Failure to wear required safety garments and/or equipment	60 Day Suspension
Failure to utilize a safety harness while hunting in a tree stand	60 Day Suspension
Failure to complete check-out procedures or violate I-Sportsman system policy	30 Day Suspension
Failure to operate a boat in a safe manner	30 Day Suspension
Parking in an unauthorized area	30 Day Suspension
Failure to display area assignment parking permit/placard in vehicle window	30 Day Suspension
Failure to wear Hunter Orange while in the tree stand (Deer Season)	30 Day Suspension