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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This document has been substantially revised and must be completely reviewed. Major changes include the 28 Sep 20 decision by 633 ABW/CC to delegate approval for all change requests and decisions for JBLE 32-102 on Fort Eustis only to the 733 MSG/CC. The approval for the JBLE-Langley Hunting, Fishing and Boating Program decisions remain the responsibility of the 633d ABW/CC.

Additional changes include the addition of boating related section, consolidation of general regulations, prohibited practices, and an overall streamlining of the document. Youth permit fees were eliminated; small game/predator/lottery permit fees were reduced. Certain penalties were reduced to administrative actions for enforcement. Additional parking areas will be developed and will appear in respective hunting maps and within the iSportsman web platform. Specific information on various hunting seasons and fishing seasons were removed from the OI and were placed in the appropriate sections of the iSportsman web platform. Authorized weapon types were updated to conform to existing state regulations. Restricted areas were established along the Installation shoreline and became federal law in December 2020. These regulations are reflected in the boating section and a map can be found at Appendix B.

Modifying, deleting or creating new rules that govern the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program must be approved by the installation commander prior to implementation and without such approval are null and void.

JBLE-EUSTIS, HUNTING, FISHING AND BOATING PROGRAM 32-102 SECURITY INSTRUCTIONS/RECORD OF CHANGES/RECORD OF REVIEWS

- 1. The long title of this plan is the *Joint Base Langley-Eustis Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program.* The short title of this plan is the *JBLE-E* Hunting, Fishing and Boating Program 32-102. Both titles are unclassified.
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- 4. The provision of AFI 10-701, *Operations Security (OPSEC) Program* has been considered in the development and implementation of this plan.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: JBLE-Eustis Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program (Instruction 32-102)

- Attached is the JBLE-Eustis Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program (Instruction 32-102), which provides guidance and procedures to all persons eligible to hunt, fish, or boat on Joint Base Langley Eustis-Eustis (JBLE-Eustis).
- This instruction will be reviewed annually and updated as appropriate. The Office of Primary Responsibility is the 733d Civil Engineering Squadron.
- This plan is unclassified. It will be safeguarded and disposed of in accordance with AFI 37-138 (Records Distribution, Procedures, and Responsibilities).

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Attachment:

JBLE-Eustis Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program (Instruction 32-102)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- **1.1. Purpose.** This instruction prescribes policies and procedures for hunting, fishing and boating on JBLE-E.
- **1.2. Applicability.** The requirements in this instruction apply to all persons participating in the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program. Active duty military and dependents, federal employees, retired military personnel, retired federal employees, and non-affiliated civilians are authorized to recreate on JBLE-E.
- **1.3.** Explanation of Acronyms and Terms. Abbreviations and special terms used in this policy are explained in Appendix A.
- **1.4. Federal and State Laws.** All persons participating in the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program will comply with Federal and State wildlife laws, as well as installation policies and will cooperate fully with representatives of law enforcement agencies.
- 1.5. iSportsman Portal. The iSportsman Portal (jble.isportsman.net) is used to manage all hunting, fishing, and boating activities at Fort Eustis. All participants must register in iSportsman and acquire relevant permits before participating in these activities. Users are limited to one iSportsman account per person. All users other than youth participants are required to provide contact phone number, and all participants accessing the base with personal vehicles are required to provide vehicle information including license plate number. Participants are also required to check-in, check-out while recreating and provide all requested contact, license, and harvest data. Participants must also monitor the iSportsman Portal for current information, recreation availability, and notifications.
- **1.6. Land Management.** JBLE-E lands are managed for military missions. Primary consideration is given to accomplishing military requirements, such as training and providing supporting infrastructure.
- 1.7. Integrated Natural Resources Management (INRMP). All recreating activities are subject to the 633 Wing Commander's natural resource management policies and procedures as articulated in the JBLE-Eustis Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan (INRMP), including both game and non-game wildlife, and other fauna. The INRMP is reviewed/updated annually with complete revision made every five years to accommodate for changes resulting from regulatory requirements, mission changes, or changes affecting wildlife populations and habitat conditions.
- **1.8.** Access and Parking. All training areas and firebreaks are off-limits except for military training or other activities permitted by this or other installation regulations. No parking in front yellow gates or areas along the road painted with yellow hash marks, as these are designated fire

and emergency zones. All parking shall be in normally authorized parking areas, parking areas designated on hunting maps posted on iSportsman, and any location where hunter or watercraft launch signs are posted.

- **1.9. Enforcement.** Conservation law enforcement is executed by the 733d Security Forces Squadron (SFS) is to protect against unauthorized habitat disturbance, illegal wildlife take, damage to property and facilities, vandalism, illegal removal of archeological resources and to ensure public safety. Conservation law enforcement personnel are authorized to enforce Federal, State, and local conservation and wildlife laws, AF regulations, and installation policies.
- **1.10. Prohibited Activities.** This policy prohibits the following activities. See subsequent sections for additional activity-specific prohibitions.
 - 1.10.1. Possession or use of alcohol, illegal drugs or medication causing mental or physical impairment while recreating on the Installation.
 - 1.10.2. Any unsafe act or misuse of weapons so as to endanger life, limb, or property. The firing range is the only authorized location for shooting or discharging firearms. Recreational shooting is permitted on the designated personal firearms range (Range 3). Archery tackle (traditional, compound, and crossbows) is permitted only at the designated archery range located off of Mulberry Island Road.
 - 1.10.3. Introducing plants or releasing any animal, including game or non-game wildlife, birds, fish, insects, other organisms, or their parts, onto the installation, except as authorized by 733d CES. The introduction of plants does not encompass ornamental plantings in housing areas or containerized plants in living or working spaces.
 - 1.10.4. Take of non-game wildlife outside of defined seasons, and take of non-game wildlife species not covered under this policy. Collecting or attempting to collect any wildlife carcass or parts other than those legally harvested under this policy to include (but not limited to) shed antlers, skulls, feathers, claws, talons, beaks, furs, turtle shells, etc.
 - 1.10.5. Utilizing video filming equipment or posting of material on social media or other internet forums from within ranges or training areas. Utilization of wildlife cameras or remote camera/sensing equipment for any purpose not authorized by the Installation Commander.
 - 1.10.6. Removing forest products (such as tree limbs, tree trunks, slash, downed timber, standing timber, pine straw, soils, etc.) without appropriate approval and coordination of CES. For example, cutting tree limbs to apply to a duck blind for camouflage is an example of prohibited forest product removal.

- 1.10.7. Removing or attempting to locate (i.e. metal detectors) or remove archeological resources, artifacts, markers, signs, digging or ground disturbance, and/or altering or defacing informational and regulatory signs or maps.
- 1.10.8. Engaging in or attempting to engage in habitat modifying activities such as altering surface water, wetlands, forest or other habitats without appropriate approval and coordination through 733d CES. Examples of modifications may include (but not limited to) cutting trees, removing downed timber, placement/discharge of vegetation debris or other materials into wetlands, excavating in wetlands, trimming of vegetation, painting of trees, use of pesticides, and utilization of bark penetrating devices.
- 1.10.9. Entering any training area or other areas, except designated public access areas, without coordination of Range Operations and Security Forces Squadron (SFS). Entry into any area by persons engaged in recreating activities must be signed in through iSportsman. Game recovery and volunteer work activities must be approved and coordinated through 733d CES at all times.
- 1.10.10. Harassment of uniformed soldiers conducting training operations, government employees or contractors employed by the installation, or harassment of personnel authorized to recreate in a given area (except to provide notice for avoidance and safety), or intentionally interfering with the lawful pursuit of game species.
- 1.10.11. Littering or disposing of refuse, except in approved receptacles.
- 1.10.12. Open air fires or burning of refuse.
- 1.10.13. Using motorcycles, dirt bikes, three or four wheeled all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), utility terrain vehicles (UTVs), or other motorized off-road vehicles while hunting and fishing. Operating motor vehicles on any terrain except existing improved or semi-improved roads.
- 1.10.14. Possession of night vision devices (i.e. Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) and Night Vision) while hunting.
- 1.10.15. Use of vinyl flagging or reflective markers.
- 1.10.16. Reserving recreational areas for anyone other than oneself through the iSportsman system, (except IAW policies for tandem hunting, duck blinds or 2-person metal stands) or for the prevention of use by others.
- 1.10.17. Providing false information during harvest data collection processes or iSportsman registration, check-in or check-out procedures. It is unlawful to damage or mutilate animal carcasses so as to obscure biological or physical characteristics of any fish, bird or animal or withhold or provide incorrect information in the iSportsman portal.

- 1.10.18. Engaging wildlife species by activities or vocalizations that interfere with the species biological processes or increases metabolic energy requirements, except while actively engaged in hunting is prohibited unless approved by the Wildlife Biologist.
- **1.11.** Unexploded Ordinance (UXO). Persons permitted for recreation activities may encounter UXO (bullets, bombs, rockets, flares, etc.) in the areas that are open to public recreation. Their size, sensitivity and explosive fill are unknown. Handling, (kicking, impacting; picking one up) could have a critical/catastrophic consequence. UXOs may be on the surface, partially buried or completely buried. All persons encountering a suspected UXO shall contact Fire & Emergency Services (911) and notify the dispatch they are on Fort Eustis.
- **1.12.** License Requirements. License requirements are set by federal, state, and local entities and are required in addition to Installation permits explained in section 1.12 of this policy.
 - 1.12.1. All persons 12 years of age and over must have valid installation permit(s) for each recreation activity while participating in such activities.
 - 1.12.2. All persons must possess appropriate federal and state permits and registrations to include, but not limited to, Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources licenses, federal Migratory Duck Stamp, Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp, Harvest Information Program (HIP) registration, and State recognized boater safety course. Possession of federal, state, and local permits and training completion documentation (i.e. boater and hunter safety courses) must be acknowledged in the iSportsman platform before acquiring Installation permits.
 - 1.12.3. All persons must view required safety briefs and pass all safety surveys in the iSportsman platform before acquiring Installation permits. All Installation permits must be acquired through the iSportsman platform.
- **1.13. Permit Fees.** All permit fees are determined and modified annually by 733d CES to offset the costs associated with operating the recreation programs described in this policy and without re-approval of this document.
 - 1.13.1. Permit schedules are annual from the date of purchase for fishing and boating permits. All hunting permits are valid 1 July through 30 June. All permits must be purchased through the iSportsman portal.
 - 1.13.2. Permit fees are reviewed annually and posted on the iSportsman portal located on the Home page under the General Information Tab.
 - 1.13.3. A general hunting, combination, or youth permit is required for hunting on JBLE-E. All persons wishing to hunt during early archery or muzzleloader season(s) must purchase those permits in addition if the person is to participate in those opportunities.

- 1.13.4. Combination permits are valid for all hunting, fishing, and boating activities except spring gobbler and deer management lotteries.
- 1.13.5. All persons wishing to participate in urban deer management lottery hunts (excluding impact areas hunts) must pass an archery qualification before acquiring an urban deer management permit. The permit is valid for 2 years from date of purchase. Qualification dates and times are listed on the iSportsman portal.
- 1.13.6. Impact Area Management Lotteries are valid for one (1) hunt day each, and do not require qualification.
- 1.13.7. Refunds will not be issued for permits sold in iSportsman. If a participant is disqualified by order of the Installation Commander (base closure, pandemic, security purposes, etc), their permit fees may be applied to future permits or lottery entries.

1.14. Weapon Registration and Transport.

- 1.14.1. All weapons, to include firearms, muzzle loaders, air rifles, bows and crossbows, must be registered with SFS, utilizing AF Form 1314.
- 1.14.2. While in transit on the Installation, personally owned weapon owners must display printed firearms authorization paperwork on the driver's side windshield while in transit or hunting.
- 1.14.3. Weapons shall be cased and inaccessible while in transit, with ammunition stored separately. Any time a firearm is left unattended in a vehicle for any reason, it shall be locked in a case out of sight from outside the vehicle with the case locked to vehicle.

HUNTING

- **2.1. General Hunting Regulations.** Persons authorized to hunt shall comply with the provisions of this instruction and adhere to all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, JBLE-E INRMP, AF, and installation regulations governing hunting.
 - 2.1.1. All persons 12 years of age and over must have in their possession a valid Installation permit while participating in such activities.
 - 2.1.2. All persons must possess appropriate federal and state recreation permits to include, but not limited to Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources small game, big game, archery, black powder, federal Migratory Duck Stamp, Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Conservation Stamp, and Harvest Information Program (HIP) registration.
 - 2.1.3. All persons issued an Installation permit are required to read, acknowledge, and follow all safety briefs and surveys required in the iSportsman platform.
 - 2.1.4. Carrying or climbing with a loaded weapon (including a shotgun with a shell in chamber or magazine, muzzle loading firearms with primer or cap in place, or bow/crossbow with the arrow/bolt nocked/loaded on the ground) is prohibited. Weapons must remain unloaded until hunter is secured within the stand.
 - 2.1.5. Discharge of firearms from the ground is prohibited without prior approval from the SFS or Wildlife Biologist. Handicap hunters who have been approved by the Wildlife Biologist may discharge a firearm from the ground only at approved locations that will be identified prior to hunting. Using muzzleloader primers to clean a breech is permitted provided that the firearm is free from propellant and projectile. Discharging a bolt to disarm a crossbow is permitted.
 - 2.1.6. All hunters shall comply with any and all hunting regulations and directions provided within this document, posted on iSportsman, and at remote hunter check stations.
 - 2.1.7. Shooting through or over fences, ditches and roads is prohibited.
 - 2.1.8. Hunters must report all harvests and unrecovered crippled animals IAW installation policies listed on iSportsman. Reporting policies and survey forms shall be posted on iSportsman portal, the game processing facility and building 1409.
 - 2.1.9. Scouting is only authorized following sanctioned volunteer work details during times approved by Range Operations.

- 2.1.10. No person shall kill, cripple or otherwise harm any animal without making a reasonable effort to retrieve the animal. All hunters shall make a reasonable attempt to retrieve injured wildlife resulting from hunting.
- 2.1.11. It is unlawful to harvest any animal with the use of bait, spot and stalk, or jump shooting.
- 2.1.12. It is unlawful to utilize any device that penetrates the bark of trees, to include but not limited to, tree stands, screw in foot pegs and bow holders.
- 2.1.13. Every game animal wounded by hunting and reduced to possession by the hunter shall be killed immediately and become a part of the daily bag. No person will at any time, or by any means, possess or transport live game or nongame animals, or other fauna. Hunters must notify the Game Warden or Wildlife Biologist prior to dispatching game animals from the ground.
- 2.1.14. No person will use or direct artificial light, including automotive headlights, flashlights, or spotlights for the purpose of spotting, locating, or taking animals within the boundaries of the installation.
- 2.1.15. Hunters may retrieve harvested deer if the deer is within sight from the hunter's assigned stand. If the deer is not visible, hunters must wait until the end of daily hunting periods or by contacting a SFS before searching for the animal. Hunters searching for harvested deer beyond daily hunting periods must contact 733d SFS at 878-4555 and must be approved by the SFS prior to going afield.
- 2.1.16. All deer must be tagged IAW Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) regulations prior to moving the animal.
- 2.1.17. Deer shall not be field dressed in hunting areas. Hunters shall bring all harvested deer to the Deer Processing Facility.
- 2.1.18. Use of buck shot, man-drive hunting, or stalking is prohibited.
- 2.1.19. Hunters living off base must dispose of wildlife carcasses off base. 733 CES will provide hunters living in base housing with a location to dispose of harvested deer carcasses.
- 2.1.20. Possession or use of any product that contains natural deer urine or other bodily fluid is prohibited IAW DWR regulations.
- 2.1.21. Approval for handicapped hunting must be coordinated through 733d CES prior to participation.

- **2.2.** Hunting Seasons and Days. No hunting is authorized when the installation is closed by order of the Installation Commander. Hunting seasons and days are assigned by 733d CES and are posted on the iSportsman Portal.
 - 2.2.1. Authorized hunting days are established annually based upon military mission requirements, hunting area access, staffing requirements, game harvest limitations, and DWR regulations. General hunting seasons follow DWR regulations while special management hunts are scheduled by 733d CES.
 - 2.2.2. Hunting hours are defined by DWR for each season. Check-in/out times are posted on the iSportsman portal.
 - 2.2.3. Annual seasons and bag limits shall be posted on the iSportsman portal at a minimum thirty (30) days before opening of season.

2.3. Hunting with Dogs

- 2.3.1. Dogs may be used to retrieve waterfowl and pursue small game IAW DWR regulations during applicable hunting seasons on the installation unless otherwise prohibited by installation policies. All dogs shall be under the direct control of the hunter/owner to preclude the dog from running loose on the installation.
- 2.3.2. Dogs are prohibited for hunting deer on the Installation.
- 2.3.3. All dogs brought to JBLE must display a current rabies vaccination tag and contact information for the owner. Hunters may remove the rabies tag while actively hunting but must maintain possession of the tags while hunting. Hunting dogs must be collared at all times with owner's contact information.
- 2.3.4. If dogs leave the designated hunting area, hunting will cease, and owners will notify the SFS and Range Operations immediately. Officers from the SFS shall approve retrieval of the dogs only after coordination with Range Operations and affected military units. Persons retrieving dogs shall secure their weapon IAW section 1.14.3.
- 2.3.5. Dogs may be used to blood trail wounded deer. The Game Warden must be notified prior to tracking. Blood trailing dog must remain in positive physical control, meaning tethered or physical leash. Electronic collars are not considered positive physical control. Blood trailing dogs are not allowed to remain in the vehicle while the hunter is afield (anticipating use of dog is not permitted).

2.4. Blaze Colored Requirements

- 2.4.1. Deer hunters must wear blaze orange /pink IAW VDWR regulation during deer seasons at Fort Eustis.
- 2.4.2. Waterfowl hunters must wear blaze orange/pink when traversing to and from waterfowl hunting locations while hunting during deer seasons.
- 2.4.3. Small game and predator hunters must wear blaze orange/pink while hunting during deer seasons.

2.5. Youth Hunters

- 2.5.1. Youth hunters 12 years old and under shall be within arm's reach of a licensed adult so that the adult can take direct control of the weapon if needed.
- 2.5.2. Youth hunters 13-15 years old's may hunt alone within 25 yards and within direct line of sight of licensed adult. If hunters utilize personal climbing stands, the adult and youth cannot cohabit the same tree. Both hunters may possess and utilize firearms except in designated youth deer hunting stands.
- 2.5.3. Only one weapon is authorized on designated youth stands and only the youth is authorized to utilize the weapon.

2.6. Deer Hunting

- **2.6.1. Deer stands.** A system of marked trees/stands exist in each hunting area and are marked numerically. Hunters must sign for a single tree/stand to hunt from. A limited number of single and double metal stands exist.
- 2.6.1.1. Deer hunters must utilize a safety harness or tree saddle while on the stand.
- 2.6.1.2. All deer hunting shall occur from an elevated platform no less than ten (10) feet in height, except at approved youth, senior, handicapped locations, or special circumstances approved by 733d CES.
- 2.6.1.3. Hunters have the option to utilize personal climbing tree stand or tree saddles within, but not exceeding, 50 yards of the marked tree. All hunters must remain the minimum hold off distances from roads and buildings in accordance with section 2.11. Stand limitations and restrictions are detailed on the Hunting Map.
- 2.6.1.4. Cohabitation of trees by hunters, except in double metal stands, is prohibited.

- 2.6.1.5. Hunters are permitted to tandem hunt within 2-person metal stands or stand locations with matching stand numbers. This activity is permitted only if both hunters wish to hunt as a team. The first hunter will check in to the location and the second hunter is added as a guest; the primary hunter is responsible for checkout and data entry for both hunters.
- **2.6.2. Urban Archery Deer Season.** Urban archery deer seasons will be determined annually by CES and posted a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the season.
- 2.6.2.1. Urban Archery season will only occur within cantonment areas of JBLE-E.
- 2.6.2.2. Only archery tackle is authorized during urban deer management activities, tree stand locations are marked accordingly.
- **2.6.3 Early Archery Deer Season.** Archery deer seasons will follow DWR seasons and regulations.
- 2.6.3.1. Only archery tackle is authorized during urban deer management activities and at urban archery tree stand locations. Stand locations are marked accordingly, archery tackle may be used at any designated stands that are open for that day.
- **2.6.4.** Early Muzzleloader deer season. Muzzleloader deer seasons will follow DWR seasons and regulations.
- 2.6.4.1. Muzzle loading firearms are defined by DWR regulation.
- 2.6.4.2. Hunters wishing to discharge firing caps/primers through clean muzzle loader barrels may do so at appropriate parking areas for Hunting Areas where muzzle loader use is authorized. A clean muzzle loader barrel is without shot, bullet, or powder. The discharge of the caps must be with the muzzle pointed downward, away from any building, road, vehicle, or person.
- **2.6.5. Impact Area Management Hunts.** Management lottery hunts are offered through the iSportsman portal. Lottery tickets go on sale 2 weeks prior to Impact Area hunts and winners are drawn a minimum of 3 days prior to the hunt.
- 2.6.5.1. Hunters must be in possession of a winning lottery ticket to participate. Each winning ticket allows 1 full day of hunting in the Impact Area.
- 2.6.5.2. All daily and season bag limits and regulations apply, further information is given in a safety brief by CES prior to each hunt.

- 2.6.5.3. Hunters are escorted and "placed" by the 733 CES and are not permitted to hunt freely within the Impact Area. Deer may not be recovered without the presence of 733 CES.
- 2.6.5.4. 733 CES reserves the right to disqualify hunters from all future management lotteries due to confirmed or suspected violation of Federal, State, Local, and JBLE-E policy, or safety infraction.
- 2.6.6. **Urban Archery Management Lottery Hunts.** Management hunts are offered as a means to manage deer population in specific locations within cantonment and are offered through the iSportsman portal. Lottery tickets may be entered 2 weeks prior to Urban Archery Management Lottery Hunts and winners are drawn a minimum of 3 days prior to the hunt.
- 2.6.6.1. Hunters wishing to participate in urban archery management lottery hunts must pass a qualification course whereas they can demonstrate the ability to place 5 out of 6 arrows/bolts in the 10 or better ring of a 3D deer target, or within a 6" diameter circle. Random distances between 5 and 35 yards will be chosen by 733 CES Hunters may use personal range finders while qualifying. Hunters must also demonstrate safe handling and general knowledge regarding the use of archery equipment and ethical shot distances and shot placement.
- 2.6.6.2. Qualifications are valid for 2 years beginning the date qualified. This allows entry into all urban archery management hunts during that 2-year period.
- 2.6.6.3. Hunters must be in possession of a winning lottery ticket to participate.
- 2.6.6.4. All daily and season bag limits and regulations apply, further information is given in a safety brief by 733 CES prior to each hunt.
- 2.6.6.5. Hunters are escorted and "placed" by 733d CES and are not permitted to hunt freely within the hunting area. Deer may not be recovered without the presence of 733d CES.
- 2.6.6.6. 733d CES reserves the right to disqualify hunters from all future management lotteries due to confirmed or suspected violation of Federal, State, Local, and JBLE-E policy, or safety infraction.
- **2.7. Turkey Hunting.** Turkey hunting is conducted each spring through a lottery system in the iSportsman portal. Specific information will be posted in February about lottery ticket sales occurring in March each year.
 - 2.7.1. Turkey hunters with winning lottery tickets have two (2) hunts, to harvest one (1) bearded turkey. Turkey hunters will follow DWR regulations for hunting timelines (30 min prior to sunrise until noon first half of season, and until sunset second half).

- 2.7.2. Scouting is not permitted for turkey hunting except observing from paved roads.
- 2.7.3. Authorized shot size no larger than #2 IAW DWR regulations.

2.8. Small Game and Predator Hunting.

- 2.8.1. Predators may be harvested during the DWR defined seasons.
- 2.8.2. Game birds may be harvested during the DWR defined seasons, with the exception of Northern bobwhite quail.
- 2.8.3. Hunters wishing to small game or predator hunt during the deer season must coordinate with 733d CES prior to the day of hunting to determine if adequate hunting areas are available.
- 2.8.4. Use of electronic calls is prohibited, except while predator hunting.
- 2.8.5. Hunting small game and predators at night is not authorized at Fort Eustis. Small game and predator hunters must check out by one half hour after sunset.
- **2.9. Waterfowl Hunting.** Waterfowl hunting seasons and bag limits will be IAW Federal and State laws. Specific installation policy is listed in this document.
 - 2.9.1. Waterfowl hunting is permitted at designated locations as indicated on the Waterfowl Hunting Map.
 - 2.9.2. Temporary ground blinds and/or decoys may be placed for waterfowl hunting but must be removed upon conclusion of the hunt.
 - 2.9.3. Waterfowl hunters utilizing interior ponds may hunt anywhere within the boundary of the water feature IAW waterfowl hunting map, provided that deer season is closed.
 - 2.9.4. Waterfowl hunters utilizing the marker system in tidal creeks are permitted to hunt within 100 yards of posted markers, provided that deer season is closed.
 - 2.9.5. Waterfowl hunters must use non-toxic shot.
 - 2.9.6. Exterior waterfowl blinds and identified waterfowl blind markers may be hunted regardless of training area occupancy.
 - 2.9.7. If training areas are occupied by activities other than waterfowl hunting, waterfowl hunters must hunt from the blind or identified marker.

- 2.9.8. Waterfowl hunters may utilize kayaks or canoes to set/retrieve decoys and to retrieve harvested waterfowl at any interior waterfowl hunting location.
- 2.9.9. Waterfowl hunters operating boats, kayaks, canoes, etc. or wading in water features with depths greater than two (2) feet shall utilize a personal floatation device.
- 2.9.10. Waterfowl hunters are required to document all harvested, un-retrieved and crippled waterfowl IAW installation policies. Combined harvest information for hunting groups does not count towards an individual's daily harvest limits.

2.10. Weapons and Ammunition

- 2.10.1. Authorized Weapons and Ammunition for Deer Hunting.
 - a. Shotguns .410 gauge through 10 gauge bore firing slugs.
 - b. Muzzle loading rifles and muskets .45 caliber and larger, firing a single projectile.
 - c. Bows and crossbows with broad heads measuring no less than 7/8" in diameter and draw weight of no less than 40lbs. Broad heads may be fixed blade or mechanical.
- 2.10.2. Authorized Weapons and Ammunition for Migratory Game Bird Hunting.
 - a. Shotguns .410 gauge through 10 gauge bore.
 - b. Shot sizes and type restrictions shall be IAW federal and state regulations.
 - c. Auto loading shotguns capable of holding more than three shells must be plugged with a one-piece filler plug inserted inside the magazine in such a way the plug may not be removed without disassembly of the shotgun.
 - d. Nontoxic shot is required for hunting migratory waterfowl.
- 2.10.3. Authorized Weapons and Ammunition for Small Game and Predator Hunting.
 a. Shotguns .410 gauge through 10 gauge bore. Shot sizes larger than #4 are prohibited.
 - b. Air rifles not exceeding .22 caliber are authorized. Air rifle use is prohibited within 200 yards of any structure or paved road. Air rifle use is limited to designated locations, to include Hunting Area 24I, Hunting Area 28 (see hunting map for specifics), Hunting Area 24 west of the train tracks.
- 2.10.4. Authorized Weapons and Ammunition for Turkey Hunting.
 - a. Shotguns .410 gauge through 10 gauge bore. Shot sizes larger than #2 are prohibited for Turkey Hunting.
 - b. Bows with arrows and crossbows with broad heads measuring no less than 7/8" in diameter. Broad heads may be fixed blade or mechanical.

- 2.10.5. Unauthorized Weapons and Ammunition in Possession while Hunting:
 - a. All centerfire and rim-fire rifles.
 - b. Buckshot.
 - c. Lead shot shells while hunting migratory waterfowl.
 - d. Pistols, revolvers; muzzle loading pistols.
 - e. Fully automatic weapons.
 - f. Slingbows, arrowguns, and airbows.

2.11. Safety Regulations

- 2.11.1. Archery hunters must be a minimum of 100 yards from any permanent or moveable structure and 50 yards from any paved road unless "placed" by 733d CES during management hunts.
- 2.11.2. Firearm hunters must be a minimum of 200 yards from any permanent or moveable structure and 100 yards from any paved road unless "placed" by 733d CES during management hunts.
- 2.11.3. Entry into any "Restricted Areas" is prohibited. Appendix B shows the Fort Eustis restricted areas". All personnel are required to acknowledge these permanent "Restricted Areas". Other areas maybe temporarily off limits. Hunters are required to remain within the Hunt Area they are checked into at all times unless granted permission from Range Operations.

FISHING

- **3.1.** Lawful Fishing. Fishing shall be by hook and line or rod and reel. A landing net may be used to land fish. Using set lines, trot, jug lines, bank poles, seines, fish traps, spears, explosives, and lights is prohibited.
- **3.2.** Fishing Permit. Individuals age 16 and older shall possess a current State of Virginia Saltwater and/or Freshwater Fishing License in addition to a JBLE-E Fishing Permit. JBLE-E Fishing Permits must be obtained through iSportsman.
 - 3.2.1. Participants who are renting an MWR cabin or dry (tent) camping site are exempt from JBLE-E fishing permits during their stay while fishing Eustis Lake or within the dry camping site on Harrison Rd. They must possess a valid Virginia Fishing License(s).
 - 3.2.2. Participants of MWR Golf Course fishing events are exempt from JBLE-E fishing permits. Golf Course sanctioned fishing events are coordinated in advance through 733d CES and 733d SFS and are the responsibility of 733d FSS (MWR). Participants must possess a valid Virginia Fishing License.
- **3.3. General Fishing Regulations**. Persons authorized to fish shall comply with the provisions of this instruction and adhere to all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, JBLE-E INRMP, AF, and installation regulations governing fishing.
 - 3.3.1. Fishing of any type is not permitted when the installation is closed by order of the Installation Commander.
 - 3.3.2. Fishing tackle and lines must be attended. Fishermen must remain within the general area and within line of sight of their fishing tackle.
- **3.4. Freshwater Fishing Regulations.** Freshwater fishing locations are designated on the iSportsman Fishing Map. Freshwater fishing at JBLE-E is strictly catch and release only.
 - 3.4.1. Fish may be caught and released by hook and line only. Each line shall contain no more than two hooks per line. This limit does not apply to artificial lures.
 - 3.4.2. Personal floatation devices are required to be worn by persons 16 years of age and under when fishing from boats on Eustis Lake. Personal floatation devices must be accessible for persons 17 years of age and older. Personal floatation device use and storage must be IAW United States Coast Guard regulations.
 - 3.4.3. Any activity that may disturb lake-bottom sediment or shoreline is prohibited such as using waders, float tubes, or gasoline powered motors.

- 3.4.4. Using any bait, live or deceased, that has been captured from within the Installation is prohibited.
- **3.5. Saltwater Fishing Regulations.** Saltwater fishing is allowed in areas as indicated on the iSportsman fishing map. Daily creel and size limits are IAW Federal and State Regulations.
 - 3.5.1. Children 16 and under fishing from piers are required to wear personal flotation devices.
 - 3.5.2. Saltwater fishing locations are depicted on iSportsman Fishing Maps.
 - 3.5.4. Cleaning/filleting of fish in picnic areas is prohibited. There is a fish cleaning station provided on the pier adjacent to the Warwick River boat launch for the purpose of cleaning fish.

BOATING

- **4.1. Lawful Boating.** Boats and watercraft may be launched only from designated launch locations as indicated in iSportsman Boating map.
 - 4.1.1. All boaters using motorized watercraft shall carry on their vessel proof of completion of a State approved Boating Safety Education Course and valid boat registration in accordance with Virginia State regulations.
 - 4.1.2. Recreational boaters and fishermen launching from James and Warwick River launch sites are permitted to launch and recover from these locations, but are not authorized to enter the restricted areas defined by 33 CFR § 334.280 (Appendix B) and depicted on the iSportsman Boating Map. Boaters launching from TA20 small watercraft launch site proceed directly south and avoid the James River Reserve Fleet Facility and the Military Vessel Training Area. Recreational boaters are prohibited from entering restricted areas as defined in 33 CFR § 334.280.
 - 4.1.3. Trailered boats must be launched from areas identified on the iSportsman boating map.
- **4.2. Boating Permit.** The individual responsible for the watercraft must obtain a JBLE-E boating permit (Free) and must check-in and check-out through the iSportsman portal.
- **4.3. General Boating Regulations**. Persons authorized to boat shall comply with the provisions of this instruction and adhere to all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, JBLE-E INRMP, AF, and installation regulations governing boating. Boating safety and regulation is IAW VDWR and U.S. Coast Guard regulations. Some helpful link and additional information is located on the iSportsman home page.
 - 4.3.1. Boating of any type is not permitted when the installation is closed by order of the Installation Commander.
 - 4.3.2. Children under the age of 16 must wear personal flotation devices while on a boat or dock within the confines of JBLE-E. Personal flotation devices are worn IAW DWR and U.S. Coast Guard regulations while in navigable waterways of the state.
 - 4.3.3. Paddleboards are not permitted in freshwater locations on JBLE-E.
 - 4.3.4. The operator of the watercraft should consult nautical maps and navigational aids prior to boating and be familiar with local water hazards (tides, obstructions, visibility, etc) before operating a watercraft at JBLE-E.

4.3.5 Boaters shall designate an emergency POC who will initiate emergency response procedures within pre-arranged return time from boating in accordance with the iSportsman boater acknowledgement.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- **5.1. 733d CES** is the Program Manager providing management and oversight of the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program. Effective management of the program consists of coordinated efforts of 733d CES, 733d SFS, 633d Staff Judge Advocate (SJA), Safety and the Army Support Activity (ASA).
 - 5.1.1. Serves as Program Manager of the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program. The Natural Resources Manager or any individual assigned to the Environmental Element typically serves this role.
 - 5.1.2. Develops, coordinates and staffs written installation policy documents for Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program activities to include but not limited to JBLE I 32-102, the INRMP and Annual INRMP Review Summaries.
 - 5.1.3. Prepares Environmental Impact Assessment Process (EIAP) documentation for applicable recreating activities.
 - 5.1.4. Sets harvest regulations and hunting season parameters.
 - 5.1.5. Sets limits and restrictions on non-game and other wildlife and natural resource harvests, collections, and use. This includes but is not limited to common snapping turtles, frogs, salamanders, etc.
 - 5.1.6. Establishes hunting and off-limits areas and requests 633d Air Base Wing (ABW) Commander approval.
 - 5.1.7. Establishes archery, air rifle, black powder, and shotgun use locations and boundaries.
 - 5.1.8. Develops and produces maps depicting all boundaries and limitations to recreating.
 - 5.1.9. Maintains the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program in iSportsman at JBLE.isportsman.net.
 - 5.1.10. Develops, staffs and executes special management programs for restricted and offlimits areas including the impact area, golf course, and cantonment areas.
 - 5.1.11. Collects, analyses, and compiles reports using biological, harvest, and recreationist collected data.
 - 5.1.12. Conducts end of season After Action Review briefing to 733 CES leadership.

5.2. 633d ABW Safety Office

5.2.1. Reviews all safety related aspects of the Hunting, Fishing, and Boating Program.

5.3. 733d SFS

- 5.3.1. Enforces Federal, State and Local laws, rules and regulations and installation policies that govern conservation to protect wildlife and the environment.
- 5.3.2. Protects natural resources through a combination of enforcement, education, and conservation programs.
- 5.3.3. Conducts surveillance activities as part of investigatory actions.
- 5.3.4. Conducts vehicle check points.
- 5.3.5. Investigates conservation violations/activities.
- 5.3.6. Prepares reports, issues citations/summons and information packages for administrative and prosecution actions.
- 5.3.7. Issues suspension and revocation notices for illegal and unsafe activities.

5.4. ASA

- 5.4.1. Maximizes opportunities for recreating in training areas consistent with training and safety requirements.
- 5.4.2. Reserves and provides range bulletins to 733 CES on 7-day intervals.

5.5. 633d SJA

5.5.1. Provides legal sufficiency review of the recreating program.

5.6. 733d MSG/CC

5.6.1. On 28 Sep 20 decision by 633d ABW/CC to delegate approval for all change requests and decisions for JBLE 32-102 on Fort Eustis-only to the 733d MSG/CC. The approval for the JBLE-Langley Hunting, Fishing and Boating Program decisions remain the responsibility of the 633d ABW/CC.

VIOLATION PENALTIES

6.1. Violations

- 6.1.1. Violators of Federal and State conservation laws are subject to prosecution before the U.S. Magistrate or Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Any actions taken by the magistrate or by commanders under the UCMJ are in addition to the administrative suspension or revocation of privileges.
- 6.1.2. 733d SFS Commander has the authority to suspend or revoke recreating privileges for violating this regulation, AF regulations, installation policies, INRMP, and federal and state regulations regarding conservation laws. 733d SFS Commander will officially notify, in writing, persons whose privileges have been suspended or revoked. Persons whose privileges have been suspended must request reinstatement in writing to the 733d SFS Commander at the end of the suspension period. Persons whose privileges have been revoked, may apply in writing to the 733d MSG Commander's office for reinstatement after two (2) years from date of revocation. Persons wishing to appeal suspension or revocation of hunting/fishing privileges must contact the 733d MSG Commander's office in writing within 30 days of official notification of suspension or revocation of hunting/fishing privileges.
- 6.1.3. The 733d SFS Commander will consider those in violation of fish/game laws or regulations (i.e.: shooting before legal light, illegal possession, fishing out of season, etc) for suspension or revocation of privileges, in addition to state, 16 U.S. Code § 670 (Sike's Act) and 10 U.S. Code § 2671 penalties. Installation policies (i.e.: improper parking, failure to checkin/out, etc) are not state or federally regulated and may be handled administratively at the discretion of 733d SFS; as described in section 6.2.3 of this instruction.
- 6.1.4. The iSportsman program will automatically place any recreationalist in an administrative hold status who fails to follow program set requirements. For example, failing to check out by required times will be placed in an administrative hold status following the expiration of internal grace period. Administrative holds will expire automatically following guidelines listed in iSportsman, and administrative hold lengths are extended for each subsequent offense within one calendar year.

6.2. General Categories

- 6.2.1. Penalties for violations of Federal, State and Local laws are set by the appropriate governing bodies and are prescribed by appropriate judicial platforms.
- 6.2.2. Penalties for violations of installation policies are prescribed by federal statutes and determined by appropriate judicial platforms.

- 6.2.3. Penalties for violations of specific installation regulations not covered by federal statutes may result in suspension or revocation of recreating privileges based on categorical classification of the offense.
 - 6.2.3.1. Penalties for violations of administrative controls may result in loss of privileges for 2-4 weeks for first time offense, 4-8 weeks for a second offense, and loss of privileges for one (1) year from date of offense for a third offense within a five (5) year period.
 - 6.2.3.2. Penalties for violations of safety controls may result in loss of privileges for 2 weeks to remainder of the season, for first time offense and revocation of privileges for second time offense.
 - 6.2.3.3. Situations with multiple violations of either category may result in suspension for the season or revocation of privileges on first offense, i.e. no safety harness, no blaze orange, and failure to sign in properly (two safety violations and one administrative violation).

Appendix A

GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

References

AFMAN 33-363, Management of Records, 01 March 2008 (Incorporating Change 1, 28 January 2015)

AFMAN 32-7003, Environmental Conservation, 20 April 2020

Adopted Forms

AF Form 847, Recommendation for Change of Publication

Abbreviations and Acronyms

ABW-Air Base Wing

AF-Air Force

ASA-Army Support Activity

CES-Civil Engineering Squadron

DODI-Department of Defense Instruction

DWR-Department of Wildlife Resources

EIAP-Environmental Impact Analysis Process

FSS-Force Support Squadron

IAW-In Accordance With

INRMP-Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan

JBLE-Joint Base Langley-Eustis

JBLE I-Joint Base Langley-Eustis Instruction

MSG-Mission Support Group

MWR-Morale, Wellfare, Recreation Program

OPR-Office of Primary Responsibility

SFS-Security Forces Squadron

SJA-Staff Judge Advocate

UCMJ-Uniform Code of Military Justice

UXO-Unexploded Ordinance

Terms

Animal: Includes wildlife as defined below (such as deer, other mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians), as well as insects and other invertebrate organisms.

Artifact: An object of cultural significance.

Engaging: To become involved in.

Exterior Waterfowl Blinds: Waterfowl blinds that are located within 100 yards of the outmost boundary of the installation along the James and Warwick River or designated within a safe distance from areas that under normal circumstances could be occupied by humans.

Fauna: Includes any wild animal including game wildlife, non-game wildlife and invertebrate organisms.

Inaccessible: Unable to be reached, not within reach of the driver under normal driving operations.

Interior Waterfowl Blinds or Areas: Waterfowl blinds or areas that are located more than 100 yards inward of the outmost boundary of the installation.

Jump shooting: The act of stalking with intent to take, sneaking up on, or flushing game from land or water.

Night Hunting: Hunting between the hours of 30 minutes past sunset and 30 minutes before sunrise.

Pesticide: "Any substance or mixture of substances including biological control agents, that may prevent, destroy, repel, or mitigate pests and is specifically labeled for use by the EPA. Also, any substance or mixture of substances used as a plant regulator, defoliant, desiccant, disinfectant or biocide." as defined by DODI 4150.07, 28 May 2008. Pesticides include but are not limited to acaricides, algaecides, fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, nematocides and rodenticides.

Processing facility: A roofed structure located in the 3500 block south of The Pines Golf Course behind building 3516 where deer processing is authorized and deer biological data is collected.

Revocation: Permanent forfeiture of an individual's recreating privileges on the installation.

Secure: Placed so not to be moved or taken.

Senior: Person 65 years of age and over.

Suspension: Forfeiture of an individual's recreating privileges for a prescribed period of time.

Take: Capture or gain possession of.

Taking: Capture or gain possession of.

Youth: Person 15 years of age and under.

Wildlife: Animals that have not been domesticated or tamed and are usually living in a natural environment, including both game and non-game species.



Appendix B

33 CFR § 334.280 Fort Eustis Restricted Areas