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Regulation Supplement
United States Army Alaska Fort Wainwright

Yukon, Donnelly, Gerstle, Black Rapids, and Whistler Creek Training Areas

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INTRODUCTION

This supplement applies to hunting, fishing, trapping, off-road recreational vehicles (ORVs), and other recreation on Fort Wainwright managed lands. The lands of Fort Wainwright include the Fort Wainwright Main Post, Tanana Flats, Yukon, Donnelly East and West, Gerstle River, Black Rapids, and Whistler Creek Training Areas. This supplement is divided into individual sections on hunting, fishing, trapping, and ORVs, with military regulations pertaining to each of these activities.

The regulations contained in this supplement are not quoted verbatim from Army regulation (USAG Alaska 190-13); they have been formatted for your convenience.

WARNING: Unexploded military ordnance may be found anywhere within the boundaries of the military reservations. DO NOT HANDLE! MARK THE AREA AND CONTACT RANGE CONTROL OR THE MILITARY POLICE.

RED FLAG: Flying a red flag in a training area means active training is taking place; do not enter.

Recreation information is available from the following phone numbers:

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  [www.state.ak.us/adfg]
Fairbanks Office 459-7206
Delta Junction Office 895-4484


Fort Wainwright:
Natural Resources Office 361-9686
Post Conservation Officer 353-7710
Range Control 353-1266
Cultural Resource Manager 361-3002
Garrison Public Affairs Office 353-6701

Donnelly and Gerstle River TA:
Natural Resources Office 873-1616/1614
Range Control 873-4714
Black Rapids 873-4098

Eielson Air Force Base Natural Resources Office 377-5182

Alaska State Troopers
Fairbanks 451-5100
Delta Junction 895-4800

Recreation Access Permit (RAP)

All personal 16 years of age and older are required to obtain the US Army Garrison Fort Wainwright (USAG FWA) Recreation Access Permit (RAP) before participating in recreation activities on Fort Wainwright training lands. Permits are good for 2 years and can be renewed 30 days before the expiration date. To obtain recreation access to Eielson Air Force Base (EAFB) you must contact the EAFB Natural Resources Office at 377-5182.
You can obtain your Army RAP on-line at [http://usartrak.isportsman.net/](http://usartrak.isportsman.net/) or at one of the three kiosks located at the Fort Wainwright Main Gate Visitor Center, the Fort Greely Main Gate Visitor Center (Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 4:30 PM, closed on weekends), or the Fort Wainwright Natural Resources Office during regular business hours. A safety liability release must be signed before the RAP is issued. RAPs are valid for two years from the date of issue.

**Two things must be done before entering Fort Wainwright training lands for recreation purposes or passing through military lands:**
1. Obtain a Recreation Access Permit
2. Check into a training area by using the USARTRAK automated phone system or on-line.

At most main entrances into Army training lands you will find a recreational information kiosk. Please take the time to stop by the kiosk and check for current information relating to recreation and training that may be taking place currently or in the near future.

**Procedures for use of the USARTRAK Recreational Access Automated Phone System:**

**Fairbanks/North Pole/Eielson area call 353-3181**
**Delta Junction area call 873-3181**
**Fort Wainwright main post and outlying areas call 1-877-250-9781**

- Range closures will be noted within the telephone message. These messages are updated as needed and will list which areas are closed for training or other purposes.
- Groups can be checked in by entering multiple permit numbers at the beginning of the check-in process, eliminating numerous calls.
- You can check in 24 hours in advance.
- You can check in for up to 14 days.

After calling the appropriate USARTRAK telephone number for your area you will be asked the following:
1. Enter your RAP number.
2. Enter the first 2 digits of your last name.
3. Enter additional permit numbers if applicable.
4. Enter the # of days for your stay (1-14).
5. Choose activity type.
6. Enter Training Area 3 digit ID you are entering.

2. Listen to training area closures without checking in.

**Note:** You will need to use the USARTRAK brochure to identify which training areas you will be entering.

- If you have questions relating to the USARTRAK check-in system call Fort Wainwright Natural Resources at 361-9686.

**Procedures for use of the USARTRAK Recreational Access on-line System:**
To check-into training areas on-line you need your permit number and pin number, these can be found on your Recreation Access Permit (RAP).

Go to: [http://usartrak.isportsman.net/](http://usartrak.isportsman.net/)
Click on CHECK IN located on the menu bar.
Sign in using your Permit # and pin #
After you have signed in just follow the prompts on the check in page
  o Start date of check-in
  o End date of check-in, you can check in 24 hours in advance for up to 14 days.
  o Are you hosting a group yes or no (you will need permit numbers for everyone in your group)
  o Select type of recreational activity
  o Select specific activity then click next
  o From the overview menu at the top of the check in map select the parent training area
  o Click on the specific training area number you wish to recreate in
  o Confirm your selection by adding it to your check-in cart and then click submit check-in

All non-military groups/organizations requesting recreational access to Fort Wainwright land must direct their land-use request to the Garrison Public Affairs Office.

OFF-LIMITS/ CLOSED AREAS

Fort Wainwright training areas may be temporarily closed. These closures are indicated in the Donnelly Training Areas when red flags are flying at major entrance points near the Richardson Highway. Training area closure information is provided on the USARTRAK website and automated phone system.

All recreational users are responsible for knowing and obeying temporary, long-term or permanent closures of training areas. For further clarification or additional information concerning closed areas call the Fort Wainwright Natural Resources Office listed on Page1.

FORT WAINWRIGHT OFF-LIMITS/CLOSED AREAS

Tanana Flats Training Area
  o The Alpha Impact Area including all waterways
  o The Blair Lakes Impact Areas
  o All military towers and structures within 500 meters

Yukon Training Area
  o Detachment 460 (AFTAC) along the east side of Transmitter Road. Beaver Creek Trail is accessible to ORVs less than 1500 lbs gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR). Beaver Creek Trail (within the AFTAC Area) is only open for recreational use as a pass through trail. No dismounted recreation is authorized on the trail and all areas adjacent to the trail are closed/off-limits.
  o The abandoned missile sites Bravo (Quarry Road) and Charlie Battery (Johnson Road).
  o Training sites, to include: Manchu Road Infantry Platoon Battle Course (IPBC), Digital Multipurpose Training Range (DMPTR) and Manchu Range, McMahon Trench on South Camera Road, and Grizzly Battle Course on Brigadier Road
  o The Infantry Squad Battle Course (ISBC) on Quarry Road
  o Arctic Survival Training Site on Quarry Road
  o Stuart Creek Impact Area and Manchu Range Impact Area
  o Firebird Assault Strip on Johnson Road
  o Dyke Range in North Pole
  o French Creek Small Arms Impact Area
  o All military towers and structures within 500 meters, all hardened Bivouac and Firing Points

Fort Wainwright Main Post (Areas off-limits to all recreational access)
- Petroleum, Oils, and Lubrication Tank Farm (end of Canol Service Road)
- Sanitary Landfill
- Birch Hill radio antenna towers and that portion of Birch Hill Road closed by gates
- 100 meters out in all directions from the fence surrounding the Upper Ammunition Supply Point
- Small Arms Range Complex (south of the Richardson Hwy and north of the Tanana River)
- The Obstacle Course and Rappel Tower in TA 104

**Areas closed to hunting and ORV (Off-road recreational vehicle) use:**
- All areas south of the Chena River including, Glass Park, McNair Woods, the Chena Bend Golf Course, Power Plant cooling pond (except the trail from Raven Roost Storage Lot to the Bailey bridge over the Chena River)
- The east and west approach zones to the airfield (landing lights)
- Forward Operations Base adjacent to east approach lights(Warrior FOB)
- The NBC chamber
- Birch Hill Ski Area, Skeet Range, and associated areas
- Area encompassing the White Bear Loop cross country ski area
- All areas west and south of Canol Service Road (TA 106 Hunting Restriction Only)
- Within 100 meters of all structures throughout the training areas on Main Post

**DELTA JUNCTION AREA OFF-LIMITS/CLOSED AREAS**

**Donnelly Training Area East (east of the Delta River)**
- All areas west of Meadows Road to the west bank of the Delta River
- The Fort Greely Missile Defense Site, including Allen Army Air Field
- All small arms ranges along Beales Road
- Bolio Lake Compound (Cold Regions Test Center)
- Troop bivouac and staging area on Beales Road
- Texas and Washington Ranges
- Battle Area Complex (BAX), Combined Arms Collective Training Facility (CACTF)
- All hardened Bivouac and Firing Points
- All military towers and structures within 500 meters

**Donnelly Training Area West (west of the Delta River)**
- Oklahoma Impact Area and Delta Creek Impact Area bordered by Delta Creek on the west and 100 Mile Creek to the east and south
- Mississippi and Washington Impact Areas (Delta River)
- Lakes Impact Area, located between the Delta River and Oklahoma Impact Area (Nevada, Kansas, Oregon, Arizona, and Michigan Lakes)
- All military towers and structures within 500 meters

**Black Rapids Training Area**
- Hunting is permitted, no ORV use
- All military towers and structures within 500 meters
- Access is gained by telephonic or face-to-face permission from the non-commissioned officer in charge.

**Whistler Creek Training Area**
- Hunting is permitted, no ORV use
- All military towers and structures within 500 meters
Gerstle River Training Area

- Hunting is permitted
- All military towers and structures within 500 meters

ADFG DELTA JUNCTION MANAGEMENT AREA (DJMA) BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Unit 20D is bounded by a line beginning at the confluence of Donnelly Creek and the Delta River, then up Donnelly Creek to Richardson Highway (Mile 238), then north along the east side of the highway to the “12-mile crossing trail” (Mile 252.4) then east along the south side of the “12-mile crossing trail” and across Jarvis Creek to the 33-mile loop road, then northeast along the 33-mile loop road to the intersection with the Alaska Highway (Mile 1414), then southeast along the north side of the Alaska Highway to the bridge at Sawmill Creek (Mile 1403.9), then down the west bank of Sawmill Creek to its confluence with Clearwater Creek and down the south bank of Clearwater Creek to its confluence with the Tanana River, then down the Tanana River to its confluence with the Delta River, and upstream along the east bank of the Delta River to the point of beginning at Donnelly Creek. **This area is open to moose hunting by permit only.**

NOTE: The boundary for the Delta Junction Management Area (DJMA) includes the following ranges: Texas, Washington and Wills Range Complex and all areas west of Meadows Road. These areas are permanently off-limits. Recreational access to these areas is not permitted, regardless of whether a DJMA moose permit or bison tag is in possession.

Army lands are open to “ALL” users when training is not occurring.

- It is illegal to build structures on USAG FWA lands without specific approval. Unauthorized structures will be removed. This includes hunting camps, tree stands, hunt towers, cabins, tent frames, and shelters.
- DO NOT BLOCK trails with tents, barricades, signs, etc.
- Remove all trash
- Remove all equipment including propane bottles, gas containers, tables, chairs, cook sets, and ATVs.
- Tree Stands-- It is illegal to erect and/or use towers or other permanent structures for hunting purposes. Portable tree stands can be used provided that minimal vegetation is cut and that the stand and all accompanying equipment is removed within 7 days of the hunting season in which the equipment is used.

HUNTING ON US ARMY LANDS

Read the current “Alaska Hunting Regulations” booklet before hunting anywhere in the State of Alaska. Visiting Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG) offices in Fairbanks or Delta Junction is strongly recommended before hunting. This supplement is not meant to take the place of State hunting, trapping, or fishing regulations.

Game Management Unit (GMU) 20 hunters 16 years of age or older, and were born after January 1, 1986, must successfully complete a Basic Hunter Education Course before they hunt.

While hunting or in possession of firearms, persons under 16 years of age, must be under the direct or immediate supervision of their parent(s) or an adult 21 years of age or older, who is currently authorized to recreate on USAG FWA lands and in full compliance with all applicable rules and regulations.
Commercial guiding and outfitting (as defined by AS 08.54) is prohibited on all Fort Wainwright-managed land. Persons wishing to provide commercial transportation for hunting, fishing, or other services on Fort Wainwright land may apply for a land use permit through BLM and a letter of non-objection from the Garrison Commander.

This section applies to hunting big game, small game and waterfowl on Interior Alaska, Army managed lands. All federal and state laws apply, including seasons and bag limits. The ADFG sets hunting seasons, bag limits, weapons restrictions, closed areas, etc. for each of the 26 Game Management Units (GMU) in the state.

Fort Wainwright Main Post (Fairbanks Management Area) and the Yukon Training Area are in GMU 20B. Tanana Flats Training Area and Donnelly Training Area West are in GMU 20A. Donnelly Training Area East (Delta Junction Management Area makes up a large portion of this TA) and the Gerstle River Training Area are in GMU 20D.

ALASKA STATE HUNTING/ FISHING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

See AS 16.05.415 or the State of Alaska Hunting/Fishing Regulations for residency definition and requirements related to these activities.

Active members of armed forces reserves may qualify for a free hunting and fishing license. See hunting and fishing regulations for qualifications and application requirement.

Active duty members of the military or US Coast Guard, and their dependents, who do not qualify as residents and who are permanently stationed in Alaska may obtain a special military hunting license at the resident rate. See hunting and fishing regulations for qualifications and restrictions.

Guiding Requirements. All nonresidents, including military personnel and their dependents are required to be accompanied in the field by a registered guide or a relative within 2nd degree of kindred who is 19 years or older and an Alaska resident, to hunt brown/grizzly bear, Dall sheep, or mountain goat.

NOTE: Commercial guiding and outfitting (as defined by AS 08.54) is prohibited on all FWA Managed land.

HUNTING RESTRICTIONS ON FORT WAINWRIGHT MAIN POST

Hunting on main post is restricted to north post (see off-limits/closed areas) north of the Chena River by limited methods.

- Moose may be taken by bow and arrow and small game can be taken by shotgun using shot shells with size BB shot or smaller.
- Handgun and rifle use in conjunction with hunting or fishing on the main post is prohibited.
- Spotlighting, use of artificial light or shooting after dark, is not allowed on Fort Wainwright Main Post.
- Hunting restrictions for other areas of Fort Wainwright lands are outlined in the OFF-LIMITS/CLOSED AREAS section of this document.

WATERFOWL STAMPS

All waterfowl hunters 16 years of age or older must have a current Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp and an Alaska Waterfowl Conservation Stamp (unless exempt). State and Federal stamps must be signed in ink and must be carried at all times while hunting waterfowl. Stamps need not be attached to a hunting license. Migratory bird hunters required to enroll in the Harvest Information Program (HIP) must carry proof of enrollment while
hunting; the serial number on the back of state duck stamps is the HIP number. Call (907) 267-2159 for more information.

Non-toxic shot must be used when hunting waterfowl.

**BOW HUNTING**

State authorized bows and arrows, other than crossbows, may be used for all open hunting areas on the Interior Alaska Army lands. Crossbows are considered firearms and their use is not permitted on Fort Wainwright Main Post.

**Moose hunting in the Fairbanks Management Area (North Post Fort Wainwright) is by bow and arrow only. Hunters are required by state law to have completed an archery certification course.**

**FIREARMS**

All military and civilian personnel wanting to carry, transport, or store privately owned firearms on Fort Wainwright Main Post must register their weapon(s) with the Directorate of Emergency Services. Civilians and off-post residents can register their privately-owned firearms at Fort Wainwright and Fort Greely Main Gate Visitor Center immediately upon entry to post. Do **not** bring firearms into the Visitors Center. To register firearms you must have make/model, caliber, and serial number.

All active duty military personnel stationed at Fort Wainwright must register their firearms with the Provost Marshal Office. This provision does not apply to firearms stored off post and brought onto the Military Reservation by a person other than active duty military for authorized recreational purposes. For information regarding weapons registration contact the Fort Wainwright Military Police at 353-7535.

- Shotguns are the only firearm allowed on Fort Wainwright Main Post for hunting; they can only be used for small game with size BB shot or smaller. State authorized firearms are allowed for hunting off main post in the other Army training lands.
- Any person on non-duty status with a firearm in their possession must have a valid Recreation Access Permit (RAP).
- In the main cantonment areas all firearms will be transported unloaded in a weapons case and out of the immediate reach of any occupant of the highway vehicle.
- Discharge of firearms, other then while participating in a legal hunting activity, including target practicing, is prohibited.
- Discharge of firearms with 500 meters of a building, facility, or structure is prohibited.
- Discharge of a firearm on or across a roadway is prohibited.

**TRANSPORTATION OF LOADED FIREARMS OUTSIDE OF CANTONMENT AREAS**

Privately owned weapons may be transported loaded (outside of Cantonment areas) in motorized vehicles and watercraft provided there is no round in the chamber. Magazines, clips, or revolver cylinders for these firearms may be loaded and/or contained within the weapon itself provided there is no round in the chamber or immediately behind the firing pin or hammer. This policy applies to all personnel engaged in recreational activities in training areas open to recreation.

**At no time will firearms be concealed on the person unless they are engaged in lawful outdoor activities that typically involve carrying a firearm for personal protection from wildlife.** “Concealed on the person”
is defined as hidden from plain view. Authority granted by the State of Alaska to carry a concealed firearm is NOT valid on USAG FWA installations.

**BLACK BEAR BAIT HUNTING**

Black bear baiting is allowed on Fort Wainwright, including the Donnelly and Gerstle River Training Areas. You must register your bait station with Fort Wainwright Natural Resources or Donnelly Training Area Natural Resources Offices and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG). Some GMUs on Fort Wainwright lands may allow the taking of Grizzly bears over Black bear bait, for more information read the State of Alaska Hunting Regulations or contact ADFG.

The following restrictions apply:

- You may not register a bait station in Unit 20B (Yukon Training Area) unless you have successfully completed an ADFG approved bear baiting clinic.
- The first day to register bear bait stations will be the first working day of April.
- No bait station will be allowed closer than ½ mile from the next bait station.
- No bait station will be allowed within ¼ mile of a publicly maintained road, trail, or stocked lake.
- No person will set up a bait station within 1 mile of a school, business, permanent dwelling including seasonally-occupied cabins, developed recreational facility or campground, business, designated training facility, firing point, observation point (OP), bivouac, or Battery.
- An individual may set up two bear bait stations on the Donnelly, Gerstle River or in the Tanana Flats Training Area. Only one stand per hunter may be set up in the Yukon Training Area; however a second stand may be set up in other location.
- Bait stations; including barrels, buckets, stands, trash, and contaminated soil must be completely removed at the close of the baiting season. (June 30)

- **NO HARVEST REPORT REQUIRED AS OF April 1, 2018**

**TRAPPING ON US ARMY LANDS**

This supplement applies to trapping on Interior Alaska Army lands. All State laws apply; seasons and bag limits are the same as the state.

- To trap on EAFB, call the Natural Resource Office at 377-5182.
- For state trapping regulations, see the current ADFG State Trapping Regulations

**TRAPPING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

- You are required to have a trapping license if you are 16 years of age or older.
- See State of Alaska Trapping Regulations for license requirements.

**TRAPLINE REGISTRATION**

All tralines located on USAG Alaska lands must be registered through isportsman

How to register: go to https://usartrak.isportsman.net/ and click on the trapping tab in the blue menu bar.
Traplines will have a sign with their Army trapline registration number placed in plain view at the head and any branches of the trapline.

Tanana Flats, Yukon, Donnelly East, Donnelly West, and Gerstle River Training Areas are open to trapping.

- Do not block trails, they are open to ALL recreational users.
- No trapper may have exclusive rights to any particular area.
- Pull your traps, associated equipment and garbage and remove from the field at the end of the season.

**Fort Wainwright Main Cantonment and Main Post is closed to trapping** except below the high water mark between the banks of the Chena River. This area is within GMU 20B of the Fairbanks Management Area.

- ADFG restricts trapping west of the Chena River Flood Project to the Tanana River except by special permit.

### FISHING ON US ARMY ALASKA LANDS

This section applies to fishing on interior Alaska Army lands which all fall within the Tanana River drainage. All state laws apply; seasons and bag limits are the same as for the state. Consult the ADFG regulations for more information (Region 3: Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim and Upper Copper/Upper Susitna River Areas).

- Special restrictions and closures almost always apply to the Chena River and its tributaries.
- The Chena Flood Control Project is the dividing line for the upper and lower Chena River.
- Fishing from bridges is not allowed.
- Gasoline powered motor boats are not authorized for use on Fort Wainwright Lakes, however electric props are authorized.
- To fish on EAFB contact EAFB Natural Resources Office at 377-5182.

### FISHING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

All military personnel must purchase a state fishing license for fishing activities on or off post. No state license is required of persons under 16 years of age. All other persons are required to have in their possession the appropriate state license and special stamp (when required). Active duty military personnel permanently stationed in the state, who do not qualify as residents, may obtain a special nonresident fishing license at a reduced cost.

### FISHING OPPORTUNITIES--STOCKED LAKES

**Donnelly Training Area**
ADFG stocks 16 lakes on the Donnelly Training Area. Fifteen of these are accessible by road or trail through the training areas west of the Richardson Highway. Koole Lake, in the Northwest corner of the installation, is accessible by float plane in the summer and snowmobile in the winter.

**Fort Wainwright**
ADFG stocks five lakes on Fort Wainwright. Four of these lakes are on Fort Wainwright Main Post; Manchu Lake is located in the Yukon Training Area. The Chena River, Tanana River, and Wood River, along with various creeks in the Tanana Flats Training Area provide additional fishing opportunities.

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Doc Ghost
Sheefish No Mercy
Mark Koole

Icehouses
Icehouses are permitted on Yukon Training Area, Tanana Flats Training Area, and Donnelly Training Area lakes. Icehouses not removed from the ice, at the end of a day’s fishing, must be registered and permit obtained from ADFG. State of Alaska icehouses must be removed from Fort Wainwright land by April 30th. On Main Post, temporary icehouses are permitted but must be removed at the end of the fishing day.

OFF-ROAD RECREATIONAL VEHICLE AND MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT USE
ON US ARMY LANDS

This section applies to the operation of off-road recreational vehicles (ORV) on Fort Wainwright and Donnelly Training Area managed lands. ORVs and motorized watercraft regulations apply to all persons, civilian and military, operating ORVs and motorized watercraft on USAG FWA-managed lands. All ORVs and motorized watercraft will be operated in compliance with State of Alaska laws addressing registration, safety equipment and pollution.

1. Off-Road Recreational Vehicles (ORV) Defined.

Off-road recreational vehicles (ORV) are defined as motorized vehicles primarily designated for operation over hard surfaces including frozen lakes and rivers. They include snowmobiles, dirt bikes, four-wheelers, swamp-buggies, civilian use small unit support vehicles, and four-wheel drive vehicles.

ORVs are further defined into two classifications, those with a gross vehicle weight (GVW) or GVWR of 1500 lbs. or less, and those over 1500 lbs.


Motorized watercraft is defined as watercraft propelled by machinery. This includes any vessel temporarily or permanently equipped with a motor (e.g. riverboats, airboats, hydrofoils, personal watercraft).

3. Off-Road Recreational Vehicle (ORV) and Motorized Watercraft Areas.

All land and water areas will be closed to off-road recreational use by motorized off-road recreational vehicles except those areas and trails, which are determined suitable and specifically designated for ORV use as established by the USAGFWA Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan. Vehicles greater than 1500 lbs are not allowed at any time on Fort Wainwright lands without a special use permit issued by the Garrison Commander. Vehicles with a GVWR greater than 1500 lbs are restricted to improved roads.

- Army lands are managed for a number of different types of recreational use.
- All areas that are determined open for recreational use may be closed temporarily during periods of military use.
- All users must check in daily through USARTRAK to determine if areas are open to recreational use.

USAG FWA uses the following classification system to describe recreational areas on installation lands.
**Open Use Area:** Open to all types of off-road recreational vehicles. Open to all other recreational activities year round.

- **Frozen** (6+ inches of snow cover): No restrictions for any off-road recreational vehicles when soil is frozen.

- **Unfrozen summer conditions:** During unfrozen conditions, off-road recreational vehicles over 1500 lbs (road vehicles, dune buggies, Argo’s, small unit support vehicle’s etc) must stay on existing roads and trails. No restrictions for off-road recreational vehicles under 1500 lbs (all terrain vehicle, dirt bikes etc.). Motorized watercraft must stay within existing open water channels.

**Modified Use Area:** Open to all types of off-road recreational vehicles. No restrictions for any off-road recreational vehicles when soil is frozen. All off-road recreational vehicles must stay on existing roads and trails during summer months. Motorized watercraft must stay with existing open water channels. Open to all other recreational activities year round.

**Limited Use Area:** Open to all non-motorized recreational (hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, skiing, and berry picking) year round but are not open to any type of off-road recreational vehicle at any time. Motorized watercraft must stay within existing open water channels.

**Closed Area:** Closed to all recreational activities year round.

**Fort Wainwright Main Post:**

- **Open Use Area:** ORV use on Main Post is restricted to areas north of the Chena River, except as the authorized route from Raven’s Roost Storage yard to the Bailey bridge across the Chena River. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

**Tanana Flats Training Area:**

- **Modified Use Area:** Tanana Flats Training Area is open to ORV use. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

**Closed Use Area:** There is no recreational activity of any type permitted in the Alpha Impact and Blair Lakes Impact Areas.

**Special Use Area Training Area 202, 203, and 204**

- The Tanana Flats Training Areas 202 and 203 are bordered by the area between the Salchaket Slough, Bonnifield Trail, Willow Creek, and the Tanana River. This area is divided into the upper fen (TA 203) and lower fen (TA 202).
- Training Areas 202 and 203 are closed to all ORVs and watercraft between 1 May and 15 July each year, access between 16 July and 15 August will be dependent upon existing water levels.
- Training Areas 202 and 203 are open only to watercraft between 15 August and May 1 each year.
- Training Area 204 will remain closed to all off-road recreational vehicles and watercraft between 1 May and 30 October each year.
- No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed.

**Yukon Training Area:**

- **Open Use Area:** Yukon Training Area is open to ORV use. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

**Closed Use Area:** There is no recreational activity of any type permitted in the Stuart Creek Impact Area, Air Force Technical Applications Center (except for by-passing through on the Beaver Creek Trail) and French Creek
Small Arms Impact Area. All firing ranges including Manchu Range, Winter Camp, Digital Multi-Purpose Training Range (DMPTR), Infantry Platoon Battle Course (IPBC), Infantry Squad Battle Course (ISBC), Arctic Survival Training Site (ASTS), Bravo Battery, Charlie Battery, Firebird Assault Strip, McMahon Trench, and Grizzly Battle Course (GBC).

**Donnelly Training Area:**
*Open Use Area:* Donnelly Training Area-East is open to ORV use. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

*Modified Use Area:* Donnelly Training Area-West is open to ORV use. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

*Closed Use Area:* There is no recreational activity of any type permitted within the Fort Greely Missile Defense Area and within the Delta Creek, Washington, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nevada, Oregon, Michigan Lakes Impact Areas, Texas and Washington Ranges, or Wills Small Arm Complex.

**Gerstle River Training Area:**
*Open Use Area:* Gerstle River Training Area is open to ORV use. No vehicles with a GVWR of 1500 lbs or greater are allowed except on improved roads.

**Black Rapids Training Area:**
*Limited Use Area:* Black Rapids Training Area is closed to all ORV use but open for other forms of recreation including hunting.

**Whistler Creek Training Area:**
*Limited Use Area:* Whistler Creek Training Area is closed to all ORV use but open for other forms of recreation including hunting.

4. **Off–Road Vehicle (ORV) Registration:**
ORVs must be registered with the Alaska Department of Motor Vehicles per Alaska AS28.39.010.

5. **ORV Safety:**
- The speed limit is 25 miles per hour, or lower if posted.
- 3-wheel ORVs are not allowed to be used on USAG FWA lands.
- Passengers on ORVs are authorized if the ORV is equipped with a factory mounted seat.
- ORV operators and passengers are required to wear a DOT, ANSI, or Shell Memorial Foundation certified helmet, impact or shatter resistant goggles or full face shield properly attached to the helmet, sturdy leather boots or over the ankle shoes, full-fingered gloves, long trousers, long-sleeved shirt of jacket. A high visibility brightly colored out upper garment during the day and retro-reflective fornight.
- ORV operators may carry loaded weapons with restrictions. (See Firearms and Transportation of Loaded Firearms Outside Cantonment Areas p. 7).
- ORVs will not be operated by anyone under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- ORVs may tow commercial or homemade carts. Towing of disabled ORV with another ORV is authorized. Towing persons by rope or cable is prohibited.
- All ORVs will have head lights turned on while in operation.
- No person under the age of 16 years will operate an ORV unless under the direct and visual supervision of their parent(s) or an adult 21 years of age or older.
- ORVs can use the established FWA Small Arms Range recreational bypass route when the FWA Small Arms Range is being used by the military.
• ORV operators must check into the area they intend to use by calling the USARTRAK check-in system. See page 2 for details.

6. Liability:
• The United States shall not be liable for any damage or injury to either, equipment, persons or property resulting from the use of or participation in ORV activity on a United States Army Installation. It is understood by owners and operators of ORVs that both natural and man-made hazards do exist in the designated ORV use areas and that anyone who engages in this activity does so completely at their own risks.
• ORV owners and operators are financially liable for any damage to government or private property resulting from their activity.
• Insurance is not required; however insurance is highly recommended.

7. Violations and Revocation of Privileges:
• Operators and owners who habitually abuse ORV privileges may be denied further ORV/recreation privileges on the installation.
• Military personnel who violate the ORV provisions of this regulation can be cited under Article 92 of the UCMJ. Civilian violators may be cited and referred to the United States Magistrate for prosecution or loose their privileges to recreate on military training lands.

8. Motorized Watercraft/Boats:
• Travel through an off-limits/closed area is prohibited.
• All occupants of watercraft must wear a Coast Guard approved flotation device.
• All watercraft must be registered with the State of Alaska, and bear in plain sight on the bow the Alaska state registration numbers. Operators of watercraft must have in their possession a valid boat registration card for the craft they are operating.
• All watercraft operators are responsible to ensure the watercraft they are operating meet all USCG requirements (type and size requirements vary with vessel size).

HARVESTING WOOD-CHRISTMAS TREES-CUTTING TREES AND BRUSH

Tree and Bush Harvesting Restrictions
• All tree/shrub cutting on Main Post requires a permit from DPW Conservation Branch.
• Off Main Post, trees under four-inches in diameter may be cut without a permit but only under the following conditions: brushing out existing trails, clearing camping spots, or minor clearing for hunting or trapping use.
• Cutting more than 1/6 acre is prohibited.

Firewood Cutting Permits
Firewood cutting permits can be purchased on-line with a credit card at: http://usartrak.isportsman.net/. Permits cost $30.00 ($10.00 per cord minimum 3 cord purchase). You can purchase a wood cutting permit when you first register for the RAP or if you already have a RAP click on UPDATE RAP at the above website. Additional cords can be purchased after purchasing the wood cutting permit by clicking on the UPDATE RAP on-line. Please check our on-line wood cutting maps to see areas designated for wood cutting. For information on wood cutting outside designated areas contact the Fort Wainwright Natural Resources Office.
Christmas Tree Permits
Christmas tree permits are free and can be obtained at the Fort Wainwright Natural Resources Office, Building 3023, on the corner of Neely Road and Engineer Place, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Permits are usually available the last week in November until 25 December.

DISCOVERY OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES AND REMOVAL

All individuals who discover archaeological materials, human remains, or any such cultural resource will immediately cease any disturbance of the resource and surrounding area and report such findings to the installation’s Cultural Resource Manager (CRM). The disturbance or removal of cultural resources without the approval and direction of the CRM and the appropriate permit(s) can be a violation of federal, state law(s), and Army regulation. Archaeological and cultural resources can be any human/animal part or material fashioned by human activity over 50 years old. **Unless you are issued a permit for scientific research, you may not collect any artifacts, ancient or historical, on federal or state lands.**

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

- Recreational swimming in any stream, pond, river or lake (USARAK 350-2).
- Pets that are not under voice or leash control.
- Hang gliding, paragliding, or bungee-jumping.
- Commercial recreational activities of all types unless approved by the Garrison Commander.
- Building structures without specific approval by the Garrison Commander.
- Displaying of signs unless required by ADFG/FWA regulations or without DPW approval.
- Disturbing, harassing, damaging, cutting, and/or removing wildlife and vegetation except authorized by this regulation.
- Damaging fences, roads, dams, buildings, bridges, plantings, other improvements, or disturbing the landscape by rutting, trenching, or damaging wetlands.
- Littering or abandoning any man-made objects (including geo-caching).
- Release of hazardous substances.
- Tampering with unexploded ordnance.

- Blocking or impeding access to training lands/ there is no “ownership” or claim to an area for any recreational activity.
- Recreational activities involving removal of minerals (including gold panning, dredging, and mining of any kind) or fossils.
- No digging in excess of six inches in depth without a dig permit issued by the DPW Environmental Division.