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Chapter 1 - Overview

1-1. Purpose and Scope

a. To announce policies, hunting and fishing regulations, and outline responsibilities and procedures relative to hunting and fishing activities on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation. Specific season dates, bag limits, check-in/out times, and other pertinent information are published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide. Violations and administrative suspension rules contained in this regulation are outlined in Appendix B.

b. The primary mission of this installation is to conduct military training and other related military activities requiring the use of the land. Outdoor recreation and harvest of fish and wildlife resources will be permitted subject to the availability of areas as determined by the installation training mission requirements. However, hunting may be given priority for use of the training complex during the Firearms Deer Hunts.

c. The Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation is divided into 116 training areas, comprising 27,563 acres. The remainder of the installation is off-limits for all recreational activities due to unexploded ordnance and proximity to firing ranges. Controlled hunting within specified areas may be conducted with additional coordination and approval from the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS), Range Control (i.e., range 25, 26, 36, 37, 38, 42, 43, 51). Hunters utilizing these areas for the archery or firearms deer hunts will be given information regarding access points or gate access and/or other requirements when making a reservation in iSportsman. The hunting areas are displayed on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing map or can be downloaded from the iSportsman website. All hunters are required to have a digital or hardcopy of this map in their possession while hunting.

d. Rules pertaining to hunting and fishing on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation, including seasons and bag limits published in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide are in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana and the provisions of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Nothing in this regulation will be interpreted to permit acts contrary to either State or Federal statutes.

1-2. Definitions

The definitions for terms listed below are for the purpose of clarity as used herein and not necessarily applicable elsewhere.

a. Hunt. Means to take a wild animal except by trapping.

b. Take. Means to kill, shoot, spear, gig, catch, trap, harm, harass, or pursue a wild animal or attempt to engage in such conduct. Includes any lesser act:

(1) Designed to lure, attract, or entice for these purposes.

(2) To place, set, aim, or use any device, animal, substance, or agency which can reasonably be expected to accomplish these purposes; or,

(3) To attempt to do such acts or to assist any other person in the doing of or the attempt of such acts.

c. Authorized Hunter means:

(1) Current active military members of Active and Reserve Components

(2) Retired military personnel of Active and Reserve Components

(3) Federal and State civilians employed by the Indiana Adjutant General's Office.

(4) Command Directed hunters authorized by the Indiana National Guard (INNG) Hunt Board.

d. Installation hunting, fishing, and combination permits. The documents issued for a fee, or for free, granting permission to hunt and/or fish on this installation. Installation permits do not replace the need to have a valid state license for the participating activity.

e. Cantonment area. The cantonment area is defined as the area inside the heavy black lines and labeled cantonment area on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map.

f. Division of Environmental Management (DEM). The office operated by the DPW which serves as the coordinating entity for the Atterbury-Muscatatuck hunting and fishing programs.

g. Range. Those portions of the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation used for training and impact area that contain fixed infrastructure, including buildings, shelters, towers, firing lines/positions, downrange course and service roads, and target devices/positions which compose a range training site.

h. Impact area. The ground and associated airspace within the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation used to contain fired, placed, dropped, thrown, or launched military ammunition and explosives, and the resulting fragments, debris, and components from various weapons systems.

i. iSportsman. A web-based program designed to manage access and issue permits for hunting, fishing, or other recreational activities within the Installation.

1-3. Indiana National Guard (INNG) Hunt Board

a. Mission: The INNG Hunt Board conserves INNG's natural resources and improves various programs including hunting and fishing. The Board provides a means of representing the concerns and interests of all sportsmen authorized to participate in these activities on INNG lands (chiefly Camp Atterbury and Muscatatuck Training Complex). The Board will serve as a method of information exchange regarding the Hunting and Fishing program and recommend improvements to the Garrison Commander.

b. Goals: The Board manages based on the following goals:

(1) Ensure safety is a top priority (safety program, access control, formal policy publication).

(2) Deliver an effective and focused set of programs, recreational opportunities, policies, and procedures that increase the quality of life for Service Members and Civilians, while strengthening our partnership with local communities and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

(3) Monitor/manage game populations to ensure healthy levels and ensure no negative effect on habitat.

(4) Provide maximum practical recreational opportunity without compromising military training.

c. Responsibilities.

(1) Oversees the conduct of all hunts.

(2) Coordinate volunteers including zone leaders for special hunts.

(3) Establish rules and policy as it pertains to recreational use of the Installation.

(4) Oversee administrative suspension and appeal process.

- d. Notifying DPTMS Range Control immediately of the following:
 - (1) Any injury producing accident or incident.
 - (2) Any unaccounted-for personnel assigned to or thought to be on any range, training area, or impact area.
 - (3) Any incident or problem which could jeopardize safety of military or civilian personnel, damage government property, or hinder/delay training activities.
- e. INNG Hunt Board Charter: See Appendix A

1-4. Division of Environmental Management Responsibilities

The DPW DEM is responsible for managing natural and cultural resources including the following activities:

- a. Coordinating recreational activities such as hunting, fishing, and trapping.
- b. Management and operation of Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman, application procedures, selection process, area assignments, check-in/out process through iSportsman, and preparation and distribution of information to hunters.
- c. Issuing Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Permits.
- d. Controlling recreational use of all hunting areas as released for such use by DPTMS, Range Control. Hunting areas released for recreational use will be posted to the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website by COB Monday for the following Wednesday through Monday. These areas are subject to change based on military training schedules, natural resources management activities, and harvest results.
- e. Disseminating current hunting and fishing information provided by state and local sources.
- f. Participating member of the INNG Hunt Board
- g. Implementing and executing AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007.
- h. Ensuring participants are provided appropriate information on safety, limits of authorized area of use, dud munitions, and pyrotechnic threat through the iSportsman platform.
- i. Establishing and operating the biological check stations as described in the current Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide.

1-5. Range Control Responsibilities

The DPTMS Range Control is the responsible agency for access control to the Atterbury-Muscatatuck range and training area complex. Additionally, they are responsible for the release or withdrawal of hunting areas available for recreational use. All personnel in the training areas will adhere to all installation regulations, instructions, and/or restrictions issued by Range Control. DPTMS Range Control will review training requirements weekly and release those areas not required to support training. Required area withdrawals will be made 48 hours in advance, whenever possible. The Range Control also will provide fire desk operations during designated Special Hunts. In addition, DPTMS, Range Control will facilitate hunter accountability. DPTMS, Range Control is the primary entity responsible for enforcement of policies and regulation on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

1-6. Hunter Responsibilities

Hunter responsibilities include:

- a. Hunters on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation are responsible for purchasing appropriate Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman permits and state licenses, tags, stamps, and permits, including nonresident licenses and permits for nonresidents, before hunting or fishing on the Installation.
- b. It is the responsibility of hunters to know and adhere to the Atterbury-Muscatatuck hunting regulations and current State of Indiana laws for the type of hunting being conducted.
- c. Hunters must thoroughly review the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Guide, which can be found on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website.
- d. It is the hunter's responsibility to know the boundaries of their hunting area and any off-limits areas within their Hunting Area, as depicted on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map located on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website.
- e. Hunters must check in on iSportsman and hunt within approved hunting areas, as identified on the most recently approved hunting map.
- f. Hunters must check out of their assigned hunting area by the time required for that day through iSportsman. Failure to properly check out may result in suspension of hunting privileges at Atterbury-Muscatatuck (see appendix B).
- g. Baiting wildlife, such as placing grains, minerals, salt, fruits, vegetables, hay, or any other food materials, whether natural or manufactured, that may lure, entice, or attract wildlife, or the possession of such items in the hunting areas is prohibited.
- h. All participants who participate in any hunting event(s) do hereby release the United States of America, State of Indiana, Military Department of Indiana, their affiliates, officers, directors, volunteers and employees and all sponsoring businesses and organizations and their agents and employees, from any and all liability, claims, demands, and causes of action whatsoever, arising out of the persons participation in this event and related activities - unless it results from the negligence or intentional misconduct of any of the above listed parties.

1-7. Rules of Hunting Safety

At a minimum, hunters will implement the following safety measures.

- a. All firearms will be stored separately from ammunition, unloaded (muzzleloaders de-primed), and fully encased while being transported.
- b. Firearms will be unloaded (muzzleloaders de-primed) and actions open when not in use or at a vehicle.
- c. Be sure of the target before pulling the trigger; know identifying features of the game being hunted.
- d. Never point a firearm at anything not intended to be shot, absolutely no horseplay.
- e. Never climb a tree or fence or jump a ditch with a loaded gun. Never pull a gun toward the body by the muzzle.
- f. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or any other intoxicants before and/or during hunting.
- g. Hunters utilizing tree stands must wear a full-body safety harness/restraint system.
- h. There will be no discharging of any firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other similar device upon, over, or across any improved roadway.

1-8. Privately Owned Vehicles (POVs)

- a. Driving or parking POVs on unimproved roads, trails, or firebreaks is prohibited. An improved road is defined as any road or trail that has a gravel or paved surface. Off-road driving is not authorized in any area. No vehicles are permitted on lake dams or grass areas. Mired or immobilized vehicles are considered the responsibility of the vehicle operator.
- b. All vehicles will be driven by the most direct, authorized route to and from the assigned hunting area; cruising the training complex is not permitted. In each case of a reported violation of these regulations, Range Control will investigate, as appropriate.
- c. All POVs participating in recreational use of Atterbury-Muscatatuck training complex must display a vehicle pass in the vehicle in the driver's side windshield.
- d. POVs must be parked in a manner that does not obstruct buildings, gates, roads, or trails, or impede the flow of traffic and must be parked on the side of the road for the training area in use. Roads and trails must be kept clear to facilitate emergency vehicles.
- e. Vehicles will not be operated in a reckless, careless, or negligent manner, in excess of posted speed limits, or in a manner likely to cause excessive damage or disturbance of the land, wildlife, or vegetative resources.
- f. Failure to follow these guidelines will be grounds for suspension of hunting and fishing privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

1-9. Other Forms of Conveyance

The use of off-road vehicles, electric bikes, motorcycles, ATV, UTV and animals, such as horses and mules, is strictly prohibited. See paragraph 1-15 below for handicapped hunter access.

1-10. Archaeological or Historical Items

As required by the Archaeological Resource Protection Act (16 USC 470;1979) and Army Regulation 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, dated 13 December 2007, excavation or removal of archaeological resources or culturally significant artifacts is prohibited without a Department of the Army permit approved specifically for that purpose. Hunters and permit holders are to report archaeological or historical findings to the Cultural Resource Manager and/or Environmental Department at Atterbury-Muscatatuck. Alteration or defacement of an archaeological resource and/or collection or transportation of artifacts from federal property are violations of the Federal Antiquity Act of 1906 and the Archaeological Resource Protection Act and will be prosecuted accordingly. Further, the destruction or removal of cemetery headstones is prohibited.

1-11. Unexploded Ordnance or Abandoned Munitions

Numerous duds, unexploded ordnance, or abandoned munitions may be found throughout the installation. It is imperative that personnel do not attempt to move, disarm, or tamper in any way with any found munitions. Many may have activated fuses and are subject to explode at the slightest movement. Hunters are requested to mark the area of found munitions as clearly as possible and report their locations to Range Control. Individuals attempting to move, disarm, or tamper in any way with any found munitions will permanently lose their hunting and fishing privileges at Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

1-12. Ranges

No hunting is permitted within the established boundaries of any range area unless approved by Range Control. This restriction includes the entire area that makes up these facilities including the administrative area and all cleared areas associated with that facility designed to house any installed target devices or target device locations associated with that facility.

1-13. Additional Prohibited Activities

- a. The digging of all roots such as ginseng and yellow root is prohibited on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.
- b. All caves on Atterbury-Muscatatuck are off-limits.
- c. Hunters may not guide hunt in exchange for money or other compensation on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

1-14. Handicapped Hunter Access

The installation will attempt to accommodate handicapped access.

- a. Handicapped hunters issued a Handicap Hunting Permit by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) may hunt in pre-approved areas only. Hunters must present their hunting license, a current copy of their permit and the permit must be visibly displayed in the windshield next to their hunting permit.
- b. All game will be taken while out of the vehicle except for wheelchair-bound hunters who may shoot from their stationary vehicle. Hunting will take place only while the vehicle is stationary and not running. Weapons will be unloaded and fully encased while vehicle is in motion. The only person authorized to hunt from the vehicle is the person named on the IDNR permit. The vehicle will not be used to cruise the area to locate or shoot game.

1-15. Drugs and Alcoholic Beverages

Consumption of alcoholic beverages (to include malt beverages) or any intoxicant in a hunting area, lake, or creek, or hunting while under the influence of alcohol (blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent) or any intoxicant will result in the revocation of Atterbury-Muscatatuck permits and loss of hunting privileges for at least one year.

1-16. Fires

- a. Range and training area fires will be reported to the Range Control, phone (812) 526-1351. The Range Officer will report the fire to the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Fire Department. Fires will not be fought in the impact area unless it is necessary to prevent damage to US Government built-up property or to prevent spread of the fire to private property.
- b. The construction of fires in other than metal fire containment is prohibited. To reduce excessive or unusual smoke, only clean firewood may be burned.

1-17. Violations

- a. As required by Title 10 USC 2671, (Military Installations and Facilities: Hunting, Fishing and Trapping) all state and federal statutes for fish and game laws are enforced by Range Control and Federal and State Conservation Officers.
- b. Range Control and Federal and State Conservation Officers are authorized to stop any

vehicle or individual within the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation to request an inspection at any time in connection with the enforcement of hunting and fishing regulations to examine hunting or fishing licenses, tags, harvest logs, permits, firearms, equipment, and game or fish that may be in an individual's possession.

c. Range Control has primary responsibility for enforcing hunting and fishing regulations on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation. Any person witnessing or having knowledge of a violation of State statutes, or this regulation will report the facts as known to Range Control (812) 526-1351. In each case of a reported violation, a Conservation Officer will investigate and when appropriate, prepare citations or recommend suspension of privileges. All personnel who do not check out and/or clear any assigned area through iSportsman may have their account locked and must make an appointment with the Atterbury-Muscatatuck DEM prior to the account being released (see appendix B).

d. Any personnel violating this regulation, or relevant annually published guidelines, will be subjected to administrative suspension of their hunting and fishing privileges on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation and may also be subject to State and Federal civil or criminal actions.

e. Military personnel who violate state or federal laws may be prosecuted under Article 92 of the UCMJ and are subject to penalties under Appendix B of this regulation.

f. Civilian personnel who violate state or federal laws may be cited and be subject to penalties under Appendix B of this regulation. Civilians who commit violations against this regulation that are NOT COVERED under the state or federal statutes will be escorted off the installation and subject to administrative suspensions under Appendix B of this regulation. If a civilian violator returns to the installation to engage in any outdoor recreational activity after being notified, that individual will be in violation of Title 18 USC 1382, (entering military installation for prohibited purposes) and subject to prosecution.

g. All personnel destroying or desecrating any cemetery or historical site will be subject to prosecution under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and/or through Federal District Court or Federal Magistrate Court, in addition to the penalties under Appendix B of this regulation.

h. No hunter will carry more than one weapon system (shotgun, muzzleloader, bow, or crossbow) while in the hunting area.

i. Those who bring guests on the installation will be held responsible for guest violations. If a guest commits a violation of this regulation or the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide, the authorized person will be penalized as if he/she committed the violation.

j. See appendix B for further violation details.

1-18. Hunter Education Requirements

A valid state-issued hunter education card is required for all hunters including guests. Youth hunters can utilize an apprentice license. Youth hunters under age 17 must be accompanied by an adult hunter 18 years of age or older that possesses a valid state-issued hunter education card. Cards issued from other states will be accepted providing that it is sanctioned by that state's Natural Resources Agency. The card must be always carried while in the field hunting.

a. Hunter education from any state is acceptable

b. Hunter education is required on Military Installations regardless of age or state of residency, or state regulation.

1-19. Sportsmanship

The Sportsmen's Code of Ethics will always be exercised.

- a. A hunter is expected to shoot at game so there is a clean, quick kill.
- b. Hunters will always observe all safety precautions.
- c. Hunters will be always cautious and considerate of other hunters.

Chapter 2- Deer Hunting Overview

2-1. Deer Seasons

- a. Authorized hunters are permitted to hunt deer throughout the Atterbury-Muscatatuck archery season.
- b. Firearms deer hunting occurs only during approved special deer hunts.
- c. Authorized hunters must apply for and be selected to hunt during special hunts.
- d. Approved seasons, special hunt dates, application procedures, bag limits, and hours during which hunting may occur, are published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide.

2-2. iSportsman Validation

- a. Deer hunters must register through iSportsman and substantiate their authorized status (see Chapter 1-2, Subsection c.).
- b. Validation of authorized status is required annually prior to purchasing access permits.
- c. Validation may be completed in person at DEM or via email.
- d. Current military, Department of the Army civilians, and Adjutant General's Office employees may substantiate their status with a military email or Common Access Card (CAC).
- e. Command-directed personnel, and civilians selected for special hunts will provide a copy of a valid State or Federal ID.
- f. All hunters must provide a copy of their hunter education card.
- g. Validation process may take up to 72 hours.

2-3. Fees, Permits, and Refunds

- a. All deer hunters must purchase Atterbury-Muscatatuck access and deer hunting permits through iSportsman.
- b. All deer hunters must also purchase any deer hunting licenses required by State of Indiana.
- c. Permit fees are posted at the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website.

2-4. Youth Hunters.

Military or nonmilitary family members 17 years or younger will be allowed to hunt, provided the following requirements are met:

- a. A state-issued hunter education card is mandatory and must be always carried by the youth hunter except when an apprentice license is authorized.

- b. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult who shall be able to take immediate control of the firearm.
- c. One adult shall not accompany more than two youth hunters actively hunting (possessing a firearm) at any one time.
- d. Youth hunters must have in their possession the appropriate Indiana hunting licenses, permits, and a hunter education card as outlined in paragraph 1-18.

2-5. Hunter Orange Requirements

- a. Throughout the State of Indiana firearms deer hunting seasons, all personnel in the hunting areas are required to wear **both** a blaze orange hat and vest, jacket, or coverall.
- b. Ground blinds must have a blaze orange patch, a minimum of 12 inches by 12 inches (144 square inches), affixed to all sides of the blind, except when blinds are 5 ft or higher off the ground.

2-6. Legal Hunting Equipment

- a. Any legal hunting equipment allowed by the Indiana Hunting Regulation, **except for handguns**, for public land hunting is authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.
- b. Absolutely NO unauthorized firearms or ammunition will be permitted in hunting areas. No more than one hunting system per hunter may be possessed at a time in the hunting areas.
- c. Only portable tree stands that do not injure trees may be used at Camp Atterbury. Screw in steps, spikes, and nails that injure trees are prohibited. All hunters are required to use a safety harness/restraint system when utilizing a tree stand at Atterbury-Muscatatuck. All tree stands must be identified with owner's full name and phone number. Deer stands can be placed on Atterbury-Muscatatuck between 1 September and must be removed by 1 March each year (Guests must remove their stand the same day they hunt).
- d. Ground blinds may be used as outlined in paragraph 2-5 (b).

2-7. Antler Standards

- a. An antlered deer is any deer with ONE antler at least three inches long or longer.
- b. An antlerless deer is a deer with no antlers or BOTH antlers less than three inches as measured from the skin at the base of the antler to the furthestmost tip.
- c. Antler size standards DO NOT apply for youth hunters or Wounded Heroes participating in the Wounded Hero Hunt.
- d. Antler standards for antlered deer on Atterbury-Muscatatuck can be found in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck hunting, fishing, and trapping guide on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website.

2-8. Deer Hunt Control & Harvest Quotas

- a. Only training areas not used for military training will be open for hunting. The hunting areas allowed for hunting can be found on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website under maps.
- b. Hunting area availability will be determined by Range Control with input from

DEM.

c. Areas opened for recreational use after the weekly release from Range Control (i.e., units cancelling training or completing mission early) will be updated as soon as possible for use in iSportsman.

2-9. Deer Tagging and Checking

- a. A transportation tag must be completed once a deer is harvested.
- b. The tag must be attached to the deer before the deer is loaded into a vehicle
- c. The transportation tag must be attached to the deer when the animal arrives at the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Check Station.
- d. All deer harvested at Atterbury-Muscatatuck must be checked-in through the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' (IDNR) CheckIN online system on the day of harvest.
- e. All harvested deer must also be reported during check-out in the iSportsman system.
- f. All harvested deer must be physically inspected by installation staff before leaving the installation.

2-10. Additional Rules

- a. Hunters will not kill deer for other persons.
- b. Deer must be field dressed at the site where it is harvested. Deer will not be field dressed on a range or within 100 feet of a road.
- c. No deer will be dressed or hung in any on- post housing area or troop billet.
- d. Authorized hunters may return to the hunting area after they have "killedout" to assist others but will not carry a weapon.

Chapter 3 - Archery Hunting

3-1. Eligibility and Guest Information

- a. Authorized hunters are eligible to hunt deer on Atterbury-Muscatatuck on dates authorized through iSportsman during the archery season.
- b. Each authorized hunter may bring one guest each hunting day. Each guest must have an iSportsman account and sign in and sign out as required.
- c. Authorized hunters are responsible for the actions of their guests, including consequences for policy and antler standards violations.
- d. Guests must be always accompanied by an authorized hunter while on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.
- e. Archery bag limits (including guests bag limits) are published in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide.

3-2. Archery Safety and Permits

- a. All archery hunters must complete required safety briefings in iSportsman.
- b. Once training is completed, accounts will be validated to allow purchase of archery permits through iSportsman.
- c. See Section 2-2 for additional iSportsman validation information.

3-3. Archery Hunting Check-in Procedure

Each hunter must complete the following daily procedures to hunt on Atterbury-Muscatatuck with archery equipment:

- a. Log into the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website to review areas available for deer hunting.

b. Select one three-digit hunting area and complete the digital check-in process. You will receive a “check-in” confirmation notification from the iSportsman platform when you have successfully completed the digital check-in process. Printing or capturing a screen shot of your confirmation is recommended.

c. After receiving a confirmation notification, report to Range Control (Building 127) to sign for a vehicle pass before moving to your iSportsman-confirmed hunting area.

d. Hunters can check-in using iSportsman after 0545 on the morning of their hunt and will report to Range Control no earlier than 0600.

e. Display vehicle pass in a manner visible/readable from outside of the vehicle and proceed directly to the selected hunting area.

f. Hunters are not authorized to check-in for hunting if they do not intend to immediately begin their hunt. Military members and Civilian employees of the INNG are not authorized to be checked-in for hunting while performing official duty.

g. Hunters must have a functioning cell phone on their person while checked-in for hunting on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

h. Hunters may change their selected hunting area during the hunting day. Hunters must first check-out of their designated hunting area and then check-in to a new, available Hunting area. All check-in and check-out will be completed in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website.

i. Hunters are not authorized to access a hunting area without a confirmation notification from the iSportsman platform for that Hunting area, or specific authorization from Range Control if the iSportsman platform is offline.

j. Each hunter is required to personally return their vehicle pass to Range Control and check-out within the Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman website no later than one hour after legal shooting light.

k. Personnel failing to return their vehicle hunting pass on the day of their hunt are subject to loss of hunting privileges

l. Personnel found hunting outside their designated hunting area are subject to loss of hunting privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

m. A non-hunting person may accompany a checked-in hunter, but that person must have an iSportsman account and must always stay with the authorized hunter.

n. Hunters harvesting a deer or turkey must check-in harvest online and at the Atterbury-Muscatatuck check station. Failure to take harvested game to the deer check station is a violation that will result in the suspension of hunting and fishing privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

o. Hunting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset unless otherwise posted.

p. Hunters must be checked-out of iSportsman and clear Range Control no more than one (1) hour after the end of legal hunting hours.

q. Archery hunters must contact Range Control and request permission to track/recover game after the designated clearance time. Range Control is the

only authorized proponent to grant extended time for tracking/recovery.

3-4. Fall Archery Turkey Hunting

- a. Authorized hunters may harvest one (1) turkey of either sex during the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Fall Turkey Season.
- b. Hunters must have purchased an Indiana Fall Turkey license and a Atterbury-Muscatatuck Fall Turkey Permit.
- c. All previously mentioned check-in and check-out procedures still apply, and harvested turkey will be inspected by check station personnel.

Chapter 4 - Firearms Deer Hunting

4-1. Eligibility.

- a. Firearms deer hunting is limited to designated; special firearms hunt dates.
- b. Prospective hunters must apply for and be selected in order to hunt.
- c. Authorized hunters and non-authorized personnel may apply to participate in the special firearms hunts.
- d. Hunt dates are published in the INNG Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Guide.

4-2. Firearms Deer Hunt Application Procedures and Permits

- a. Authorized hunters and non-authorized personnel may apply through a lottery process in iSportsman.
- b. All Special Firearms Deer hunters must obtain an iSportsman account and purchase required permit(s).
- c. iSportsman account validation must be completed no less than 72 hours before attending a Special Firearms Deer Hunt. See Section 2-2 for additional iSportsman validation information.

4-3. Firearms Deer Hunting Area Assignment

- a. Hunters selected for special firearms deer hunts will be notified by email no less than seven (7) days prior to the hunt.
- b. Hunters may reserve hunting areas 24 hours prior to each hunt.
- c. All hunters will be permitted to check into no more than one hunting area per hunting day and will stay within original hunt zone each day of the special hunt.

4-3. Firearms Hunt Specifics

- a. Each hunter must attend hunter in-processing, meet with their Zone Leader (if applicable), and attend a mandatory safety briefing on the day of their hunt.
- b. All firearms must be unloaded and fully encased while in a vehicle.
- c. Authorized hunting hours will be briefed during the hunt safety briefing.
- d. Antlered deer harvested during the Special Firearms Deer Hunts **WILL** count toward the antlered deer season bag limit of one (1) antlered deer.

e. Antlered deer must meet standards described in Section 2-7 Antler Standards.

f. Hunters must ensure their weapons systems are compliant with state law and Atterbury-Muscatatuck regulations: handguns and high-powered rifles **ARE NOT** authorized.

g. Driving deer is prohibited.

h. Deer tagging and checking procedures are outlined in para 2-9. Failure to take a deer to the deer check station is a violation and will result in suspension of hunting and fishing privileges.

i. It is the hunter's responsibility to know the boundaries of, and any off-limits areas within, their hunting area as depicted on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map. Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area will be removed from the installation.

j. Firearms deer hunters must contact Hunt Control to track/recover deer after the designated clearance time. Hunt Control is the only authorized proponent to grant extended time for tracking/recovery.

4-4. Firearms Hunting Area Check-in/out

a. Checking into and out of hunting areas will be done through the iSportsman system.

b. Individuals must check-in using this system before entering any hunting area.

c. Youth hunters will check-in as a **Guest** of their chaperone.

d. Youth hunters must have a valid state-issued hunter education card or an apprentice license in their possession while hunting.

e. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a chaperone such as a parent, guardian, or guide, 18 years or older, at all times.

f. Late check-out is grounds for suspension of privileges (see Appendix B).

g. During Special Firearms Deer Hunts, a hunter with a medical need for assistance, may be accompanied by a non-hunting person (see Section 1-15 Handicapped Hunter Access). That person must have an iSportsman account and must always stay with the hunter. This will be coordinated with the INNG Hunt Board prior to the hunt date.

4-5. Zone Leaders

a. During Special Firearms Deer Hunts, a team of zone leaders are used to assist hunters and increase the safety and organization of the hunt.

b. Persons volunteering as a zone leader must meet the following requirements:

(1) Be at least 18 years of age.

(2) Be knowledgeable of the Atterbury-Muscatatuck terrain and boundaries.

(3) Be familiar with hunt zones for which they volunteer, as evidenced by experience as a hunter or other use of the areas.

(4) Be knowledgeable of Indiana and Atterbury-Muscatatuck deer hunting regulations. (Violation of such regulations will disqualify the individual for further service as a guide.)

(5) Provide their own transportation and cellular phones.

(6) Agree to serve all days of the Special Firearms Deer Hunts, to include returning to the area after they have filled their tags. Zone leaders returning to the hunting area after filling their tags will not be permitted to carry a firearm.

- c. Zone leaders will work directly for the Hunt Control team. They will enter and clear their areas as directed by Hunt Control.
- d. Zone leaders will be required to purchase any required hunting permits.
- e. Zone leaders will be required to accomplish the following:
 - (1) Attend a zone leader meeting before the deer hunt.
 - (2) Conduct briefings for hunters on safety protocols, including emergency response, geographic boundaries, hazards, off-limit areas, speed limits, and hunt-specific procedures and requirements.
 - (3) Report problems or violations to Hunt Control.
 - (4) Assist in retrieving harvested deer, if needed, and assist hunters in finding their way out of the hunting area.

4-6. Zone Leader Selection Process

- a. Zone leader teams will be selected from volunteer applications to fill positions. Individuals desiring to volunteer as zone leaders may do so by applying on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck public website under hunting and fishing policies and completing the volunteer application.
- b. Zone leader appointments are valid for the current firearms deer season only; zone leader status is a volunteer appointment, and appointees are not automatically reappointed.
- c. Zone leader teams will participate in zone selection meeting, where each team will be issued their hunt zone for the year.
- d. All zone leaders serve at the discretion of the INNG Hunt Board.
- e. Zone leaders will be dismissed by the INNG Hunt Board for:
 - (1) Failure to comply with their responsibilities and obligations
 - (2) Safety violations
 - (3) Misconduct
 - (4) Failure to follow Atterbury-Muscatatuck procedures, regulations, or game laws
 - (5) Failure to ensure others comply with the same.
- f. Unless otherwise prohibited by this regulation or game laws, zone leaders who are dismissed or not reappointed remain eligible to participate in the special firearms deer hunts as hunters.

Chapter 5 - Youth Firearms Deer Hunt

5-1. Eligibility

- a. To be eligible, youth hunters must be 17 years of age and under.
- b. Youth hunters must have a valid state-issued hunter education card or an apprentice license in their possession while hunting.
- c. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a chaperone such as a parent, guardian, or guide, 18 years or older, at all times.
- d. Chaperones must have a valid Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman account

e. An adult chaperone may accompany no more than two youths actively hunting (possessing a firearm) at one time and must be able to always take immediate control of the youth's firearm while hunting.

f. Adults may not carry firearms during the youth hunt and will not shoot deer for youth hunters.

5-2. Season and Bag Limit

a. The season dates for the Youth Firearms Deer Hunt will be published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Guide.

b. Antlered deer harvested during the youth firearms deer hunt **WILL** count toward the antlered deer season bag limit.

c. Antler size standards DO NOT apply for youth hunters.

5-3. Application Procedures

a. Prospective youth hunter chaperones must submit a youth firearms hunt application and will be required to purchase a Atterbury-Muscatatuck Youth Firearms Deer Hunting Permit through iSportsman.

b. Hunters selected for the Youth Firearms Deer hunt will be notified by email no less than seven (7) days prior to the hunt.

5-4. Hunting Area Assignment and Check-In/Out

a. Youth hunter teams (chaperone + youth) will check into and out of hunting areas through iSportsman.

b. Each youth hunter will check-in as a **Guest** of their chaperone.

c. Youth hunter chaperones may reserve hunting areas 24 hours prior to each hunt.

d. All participants (adult and youth) must wear two pieces of hunter orange (See para 2-5) while on Atterbury-Muscatatuck for this hunt.

Chapter 6 - Small Game Hunting

6-1. Eligibility

a. All authorized hunters are eligible to small game hunt on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

b. All authorized hunters must possess an Indiana State Hunting License, Atterbury-Muscatatuck Small Game Hunting Permit, and state-issued hunter education card while hunting.

6-2. Seasons and Bag Limits

a. Atterbury-Muscatatuck Small Game seasons will coincide with the State of Indiana's seasons, bag limits, and regulations, unless otherwise posted.

b. Small game hunting will be allowed on Atterbury-Muscatatuck during the state's modern firearms deer season. However, small game hunting will not be allowed during Special Firearms Deer Hunts.

c. When a shortage of hunting areas occurs during the Atterbury-Muscatatuck deer season due to military mission requirements, it may preclude the opening of small game areas in favor of deer hunting areas.

d. Fall turkey seasons and bag limits will be published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Trapping Guide.

e. Hunting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset unless otherwise posted.

6-3. Legal Hunting Equipment

a. Archery equipment and shotguns no larger than 10 gauge or smaller than .410 with pelleted ammunition and 22 caliber rifles are authorized.

b. Steel shot shells are the only ammunition permitted while hunting waterfowl.

c. Handguns are prohibited while hunting on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

d. Authorized turkey hunting equipment is identified in para 7-4.

6-4. Hunter Control

a. The Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map on iSportsman is used to control hunting and fishing activities. All sportsmen are required to familiarize themselves with this map and its proper use, the data contained, and explained thereon, and retain it in their possession while hunting.

b. It is the hunter's responsibility to know the boundaries of and any off-limits areas within their hunting area as depicted on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map. Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area may be suspended of hunting privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

6-5. Hunting Area Check-In/Out

a. Checking into and out of hunting areas will be done through the iSportsman system, procedures are published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping guide. Individuals must check-in using this system before entering into any hunting area. Check-in/out procedures are mandatory for all hunters 18 years of age or older. Hunters under the age of 18 must have an iSportsman account and appropriate licenses and permits and should be checked in as a guest of the authorized hunter.

b. Hunters will be responsible for checking in/out of their own hunting area the day of the hunt. Late checkout from your hunting area is grounds for suspension of hunting privileges.

c. Hunters must have a downrange vehicle pass acquired from Range Control prior to going downrange.

d. Hunters may only check into one (1) area at a time.

e. A non-hunting person may accompany a checked-in hunter, but that person must have an iSportsman account and must always stay with the authorized hunter.

6-6. Other Rules Regarding Small Game Hunting

a. Firearms will not be discharged from or across an improved road (asphalt or rock-based), structure, checkpoint, or airstrip. All firearms must be unloaded and

fully encased while at or in a vehicle.

b. Duck hunting on lakes is permitted. Motorized boats on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation are prohibited.

c. The use of mules, donkeys, or horses while hunting is prohibited.

d. The use of ATVs, UTVs or side by side UTVs is prohibited.

e. The use of dogs to hunt quail, rabbits, squirrels, raccoons, opossum, migratory birds, and fall turkey is authorized; however, the use of dogs to run deer or coyote is prohibited. Dogs may be hunted using vehicle conveyance for squirrel, raccoon, and opossum only. Firearms must be unloaded and encased until the dog(s) have treed.

f. Lost dogs will be reported to Range Control at (812) 526-1351. Hunters will make every attempt to locate such animals prior to leaving the field and, if unsuccessful, leave some article of personal clothing, such as a hat or jacket, at the location where the dog was last seen. Further attempts will be made to locate the lost dog or dogs the following day, if possible, with clearance from Range Control.

6-7. Coyote Hunting

a. A state of Indiana hunting license is required to hunt coyote.

b. During deer and turkey seasons, in areas released for these types of hunting, hunters permitted for these activities may harvest coyotes with legal hunting equipment during legal hunting hours for that activity.

c. A Atterbury-Muscatatuck Small Game Hunting Permit is required to hunt coyotes and small game hunting check-in/out and equipment rules apply.

6-8. Use of Traps, Snares, Pitfalls, Etc.

a. Trapping is authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation.

b. All trap sizes, types and requirements will meet the guidelines published in the Indiana Hunting and Trapping Regulation.

c. The use of snares is authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation without written permission.

d. All traps must be marked on the Trapping Map tool within iSportsman.

6-9. Illegal Possession of Wildlife

a. Persons making use of or having in their possession any wildlife or parts thereof which have been killed or taken in any manner contrary to wildlife laws, rules, regulations, or appropriate annually published hunting guidelines shall be equally guilty of the offense and may be punished in like manner as the person killing or taking such wildlife.

Chapter 7 - Spring Turkey Hunting

7-1. Eligibility

a. Turkey hunting is limited to authorized hunters (See para 1-2, c) and their non-hunting guests.

7-2. Season and Bag Limits

a. The Spring Turkey Season dates are published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Guide.

b. Atterbury-Muscatatuck bag limit is one (1) bearded turkey. A harvested turkey counts toward the State of Indiana bag limit.

c. Hunting hours are from 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1300. Hunting after 1300 can be coordinated through Range Control if space is available and does not conflict with other activities on post.

7-3. License and Permit Requirements

a. Any person hunting turkey must have in their possession a valid Indiana Spring Turkey Hunting License and a Atterbury-Muscatatuck Spring Turkey Hunting Permit, state- issued hunter education card, and Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map. A compass and/or GPS are highly recommended.

b. It is the hunter's responsibility to know the boundaries of, and any off-limits areas within, their hunting area as depicted on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map. Hunters found out of their assigned hunting area may be suspended of hunting privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

7-4. Hunting Area Check-In/Out.

a. Checking into and out of hunting areas will be done through the iSportsman system, procedures are published annually in the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping guide. Individuals must check-in using this system before entering any hunting area. Check-in/out procedures are mandatory for all hunters 18 years of age or older. Hunters under the age of 18 must have an iSportsman account and appropriate licenses and permits and should be checked in as a guest of the authorized hunter.

b. Hunters will be responsible for checking in/out of their own hunting area the day of the hunt. Late checkout from your hunting area is grounds for suspension of hunting privileges. Hunters must have a downrange vehicle pass acquired from Range Control prior to going downrange. Hunters may check into only one area at a time. A non-hunting person may accompany a checked-in hunter, but that person must have an iSportsman account and must always stay with the authorized hunter. Hunters may enter their hunting area only after checking into it through iSportsman and obtaining a vehicle pass from Range Control.

7-5. Legal Hunting Equipment

a. Any legal hunting equipment allowed by the Indiana Hunting Regulation, **except for handguns**, for public land hunting is authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

b. Longbows, recurves, compound and cross bows are authorized. Broadheads at least 7/8 inch wide and razor sharp. Arrows will not be fitted with barbed broadheads. Chemically treated arrows or broadheads, or

attachments containing chemicals may not be used or possessed on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

7-6. Prohibited Hunting Methods

- a. Hunting on any baited area or by the aid of baiting. The placement, or possession, of grains, fruits, vegetables, hay, or other natural or manufactured food materials on Atterbury-Muscatatuck for the purpose of baiting turkeys, or that may incidentally attract turkeys is prohibited.
- b. Hunting with the aid of dogs.
- c. Hunting from any type of vehicle (except for handicap hunters that have a Handicap Hunting Permit issued by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) (See para 1-14).
- d. Shooting a turkey that is roosting.
- e. Hunting with the aid of recorded or other electronic calls.
- f. Using live turkeys as decoys.
- g. Calling or attempting to call wild turkeys by mimicking the calls made by a wild turkey is permitted only during legal hunting hours of the Atterbury-Muscatatuck turkey season.
- h. Discharging any firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other similar device upon, over, or across any improved roadway.

7-7. Tagging and Checking Requirements

- a. Immediately after harvesting a turkey, and before moving it, hunters must completely fill out the transportation tag. The transportation tag must be with the turkey when transporting it by vehicle or when not in the hunters' presence. Hunters must check all turkeys harvested in at the Atterbury-Muscatatuck check station or Range Control and on the Indiana DNR online check-in on the day of harvest and at check-out in iSportsman.
- b. Harvest data will be collected at the Atterbury-Muscatatuck check station or Range Control prior to removing any harvested turkey from post.

7-8. Additional Rules Regarding Turkey Hunting

- a. All firearms must be unloaded and fully encased while in a vehicle.
- b. Turkeys may be taken using hand or mouth operated calls. Turkey decoys without electronic devices and locator calls such as crow or owl calls are permitted.
- c. Privately-owned vehicles are not authorized on unimproved roads, trails, or firebreaks in the hunting areas; violators may be suspended of hunting privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.
- d. A junior hunter (under 18 years of age) and their sponsor (must be 18 years of age and older) will be considered as one hunter. A junior hunter may return with sponsor hunter after harvesting a turkey but may not carry a firearm.

Chapter 8 – Fishing

8-1. Definition of Fishing

Fishing means to take, or attempt to take, fish, turtles, and frogs in any manner, whether

or not persons fishing have any of the above in their possession.

8-2. License and Permit Requirements

a. Any person fishing must have in their possession a valid Indiana Fishing License and a Atterbury-Muscatatuck Fishing Permit, state- issued hunter education card, and Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map.

b. It is the participating parties responsibility to know the locations of, and any off-limits areas within, their fishing area as depicted on the Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Map. Parties found out of their assigned fishing area may be suspended of fishing privileges on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

8-3. Size and Creel Limits

a. Size and creel limits follow the guidelines found in the Indiana Hunting and Fishing Guide.

b. Fish will be measured from the tip of the closed mouth to the tip of the lower tail with the lobes of the tail squeezed together. All undersized fish must be immediately returned to the waters from which caught.

8-4. Access to the Installation for Fishing

a. All ponds, lakes, rivers, creeks, and streams, or portions of, require daily check-in/out through iSportsman.

b. No parking on lake dams or grass areas.

c. All ponds, lakes, rivers, and streams are off limits for swimming or bathing.

8-5. Boats and Motors

a. Boats, to include canoes and kayaks, with electric trolling motors may be used on all lakes for the purpose of fishing. Outboard combustion motors are not authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation.

b. All vessels must be registered in accordance with Indiana laws. Boats are registered at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).

c. Boats used on waters on the installation will be equipped with at least one life preserver for each person aboard. Children under 12 and non-swimmers aboard will always wear preservers.

d. Operating a boat in a reckless or negligent manner, which may endanger the life, limb, or property of any person, is prohibited.

8-6. Bait and Equipment Restrictions

a. No person fishing may have more than three rods or poles in use at any one time.

b. Trotlines and throw lines may be used. Only two trotlines may be used or fished at any one time. Each will contain no more than 50 single or multi- barbed hooks, which should be placed no closer than 18 inches apart. Each trotline must be tagged at both ends with Atterbury-Muscatatuck iSportsman Fishing Permit number. It will be attended to at least once every 24 hours and all fish will be removed. Every trotline must be removed from the water when fishing is terminated.

c. Jug Fishing is authorized, but anglers must remain within sight of the Jugs. No more than 10 Jugs with one hook per jug for each angler actively jugging.

d. Fishing with bow and appropriate fishing arrows is permitted on all lakes and streams of Atterbury-Muscatatuck. Arrows must have a barbed or retractable style point that has a line attached for retrieval.

e. Limblines, seining, trapping, cast/throw nets, for any species of fish, reptiles, amphibians, and aquatic invertebrates is prohibited on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation.

8-7. Frog and Fish Gigging

a. Frog gigging is authorized on Atterbury-Muscatatuck Military Installation. All state season dates, limits and licenses apply. Those participating in gigging must possess a Atterbury-Muscatatuck Fishing Permit purchased through ISportsman.

Appendix A

INNG Hunting Board

A-1. Mission

The mission of the INNG Hunting Board is to conserve Atterbury-Muscatatuck's natural resources and improve various programs including hunting and fishing. The Board provides a means of representing the concerns and interests of all sportsmen authorized to participate in these activities on Atterbury-Muscatatuck. The Board will serve as a method of information exchange regarding the hunting and fishing program and recommend improvements to the Garrison Commander.

A-2. Board Organization

The Board will be chaired by the Garrison Commander, or their designated representative. Each major installation organization may designate a person to attend the meeting. Attendees may also include individual non-installation stakeholders representing sportsmen eligible to participate in hunting and fishing activities on Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

A-3. Board Representatives

- a. The Adjutant General or Representative.
- b. Post Commander or Representative.
- c. Post CSM or Representative.
- d. Environmental Agency Staff.
- e. All other voted Board Members.

A-4. Operations

The INNG Hunting Board will act as a means of communication among stakeholders of natural resources on the installation. The Board will neither have the authority to obligate funds, either appropriated or non-appropriated, nor the authority to implement any changes in existing regulations, practices, or policies without prior approval of the Garrison Commander.

A-5. Board Meetings

The Board will meet generally every quarter. The agenda, date, time, and location will be published via electronic mail (e-mail) no later than 10 working days prior to a scheduled meeting. Minutes of the meeting will be provided to all attending Board members via e-mail no later than 15 working days after the meeting. The designated months will allow the Board to review changes to the hunting/fishing regulations and provide recommendations prior to the upcoming hunting or fishing season.

A-6. Conduct of Meeting

The Board will meet in accordance with paragraph A-5. The attendees will be briefed by members of the DEM responsible for managing natural resources. The following may be used as a guideline for the principal subjects of each meeting:

- a. January:
 - (1) Deer season report and upcoming fishing.
 - (2) Spring turkey and squirrel season.
 - (3) Review statistics from previous hunting seasons.

(4) Discuss recommendations and changes to upcoming hunting or fishing Seasons.

b. June:

(1) Fishing.

(2) Turkey season report.

(3) Upcoming fall hunting seasons.

(4) Discuss recommendations and changes to upcoming hunting or fishing Seasons.

A-7. Point of contact

The point of contact is Chief, Environmental Management Division, DPW at (317) 247-3300 x 61255

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A-8. INDIANA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD HUNTING PROGRAM GUIDANCE

Article 1: Name, Mission, Vision, Purpose, and Goals

Section 1 Name: INDIANA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD HUNTING PROGRAM

Section 2 Mission:

The Indiana Army National Guard (INNG) Hunting Program exists to coordinate hunting activities on INNG lands (chiefly Camp Atterbury and Muscatatuck Urban Training Complex) in a way that balances safe, satisfying recreational opportunities with habitat preservation and natural resources stewardship.

Section 3 Vision:

INNG maintains healthy wildlife populations, avoids negative impacts on habitat, and annually provides safe, satisfying recreational opportunities for youth, wounded veterans, military members, and the public.

Section 4 Purpose:

The Program will be managed to allow for ample recreational opportunities to be conducted in a safe and ethical manner, with emphasis on sustainable use of natural resources. The Program will strive to synchronize and balance recreational access with military training requirements.

Section 5 Goals:

The Program will be managed based on the following goals:

- A. Ensure safety is a top priority (safety program, access control, formal policy publication).
- B. Provide quality hunting opportunities to youth hunters & wounded veterans.
- C. Provide opportunities for archery hunters that do not conflict with military training.
- D. Provide hunting opportunities to military veterans and INNG employees, as well as opportunities to civilian hunters through a partnership with Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).
- E. Monitor/manage game populations to ensure healthy levels and ensure no negative affect on habitat.

F. Provide maximum practical recreational opportunity without compromising military training.

Article 2: Program Administration

Section 1: INNG Hunting Program Manager

A Hunting Program Manager shall be appointed by The Adjutant General (TAG) to oversee the INNG Hunt Program. The Manager will serve until a successor is appointed by TAG. Program Manager duties shall include:

- A. Establishing a formal Hunting Board for the purpose of achieving Hunt Program Goals
- B. Preside over Hunting Board meetings and direct official Hunting Program business
- C. Coordinate program initiatives and provide updates to the Indiana Adjutant General
- D. Act as primary liaison between INNG and IDNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife for all hunting activities. This includes coordination for all annual DNR sponsored draw hunting events and the establishment of all hunting season dates as required by Indiana law.
- E. Work directly with Atterbury-Muscatatuck, DPTMS – Range Control, Muscatatuck-Grizzly Operations, and the INNG Environmental Office to synchronize hunting initiatives.
- F. Coordinate all volunteer support efforts with Atterbury Sportsman Club (ASC) to ensure efforts are synchronized and appropriate for hunting events.
- G. Publish annual hunting policies which outline dates, hunter eligibility, authorized equipment, safety requirements, bag limits, and related guidance:
 - a. Small Game Hunting Policy
 - b. Deer Hunting Policies
 - c. Spring Turkey Hunting Policy
 - d. Mushroom Hunting Policy
 - e. Youth Hunting Policies

Section 2: INNG Hunting Program Board Members

A volunteer Hunting Program Board shall be appointed by the Hunt Program Manager to help achieve stated Program Goals. Board Members will serve at the discretion of the Program Manager until officially relieved or re-assigned. Primary Program Board Member duties shall include:

- a. Assisting the Hunting Program Manager with hunting policy development.
- b. Providing guidance and input to shape program initiatives.
- c. Planning, preparation, execution, and assessment of program events.
- d. Other duties as assigned by Program Manager

The board shall consist of “voting members” and “advisory members” as defined below:

a. Voting Members

The Hunting Program Manager will appoint Hunting Program Board Voting Members consisting of four current staff of the Indiana Army National Guard. Voting Members are each entitled to one vote in matters pertaining to policy development/changes.

b. Advisory Members

The Program Manager will appoint Hunt Program Board Advisory Members consisting of non-voting subject matter experts who may attend program meetings and provide technical guidance. The Advisory Board will include representation from the Atterbury Sportsman’s Club, and technical experts selected by the Program Manager.

Article 3: Program Operations

Section 1: Meetings and Working Groups

The INNG Hunting Program Board will meet quarterly or more frequently based on program requirements. Board meetings will focus on requirements for planning, preparation, execution and assessment of program events and initiatives. Working groups will be developed to help give focus to specific initiatives. Working groups only require one board member or the Hunting Program Manager to be present. Working group ideas and outputs must meet program goals and should be presented to the Hunt Program Board once complete.

Section 2: Hunting Policy Development

The INNG Hunting Program Manager is responsible for publishing INNG policy with guidance from the Adjutant General. INNG Hunting Policies will be used to document specific hunting program requirements regarding hunt safety measures, participation requirements, and standard operating procedures for each hunting event.

- a. Hunting policy will be reviewed by the INNG Hunting Program Board during formal meetings or remotely via email prior to publication.
- b. Annual changes to policy can be made based on a simple majority consensus of the Hunting Program Board. If the Board cannot reach general consensus on policy changes, the Board will vote, with each Voting Member receiving one vote, and the Program Manager receiving one vote.
- c. Each hunt policy will be used to guide the development of each hunt plan and should be published no later than 45 days before the first authorized hunting event.
- d. Published annual hunting policies will outline dates, hunter eligibility, authorized equipment, safety requirements, bag limits, and related guidance.
- e. The minimum policies to be published will be:
 - (1) Small Game Hunting Policy
 - (2) Deer Hunting Policies (Archery and Firearms)
 - (3) Spring Turkey Hunting Policy
 - (4) Mushroom Hunting Policy
 - (5) Youth Hunting Policies (Spring Turkey and Fall Deer)

Section 3: Program Operations Processes

The INNG Hunt Program Board will utilize the following process for all hunting events.

- a. Planning: Planning meetings will drive program requirements. Planning meetings will be designed to focus on annual hunting event quotas and dates, program policy development, hunting event execution concepts, and event resource requirements. Each hunting event will produce a one-page hunt concept of the operation document.
- b. Preparation: Preparation activities include event set up, training area preparation/set up, and allocation of resources available. The goal during preparation for event activates is to ensure the requirements for a successful hunt are in place prior to the event execution.
- c. Execution: Execution will focus on ensuring safety is the number one priority during any hunting event. Event success depends on how each event support program goals. Volunteer support for hunting events must be included in the event execution plan/concept of the operation document and should be resourced through the Atterbury Sportsman Club.
- d. Assessment: Assessment of hunt program events and initiatives is imperative to the program's success. Event After Action Reviews (AAR's) will be conducted after every individual event and once annually. The annual AAR will focus on the overall program success at accomplishing program goals. Event AAR's will focus on the single events success at accomplishing program goals.

Section 4: Hunting Policy Violation Process

Policy violations will be formally reviewed by the INNG Hunting Program board. Any consequences (e.g., harvest restrictions, suspensions, loss of hunting privileges, etc.) will be voted on by the INNG Hunting Program board. Official notification of consequences will be provided to the accused, and written record will be maintained by the INNG Hunting Program Manager (PM). The process for addressing policy violations should be as follows:

- a. A verbal accusation of a policy violation or a formal notification (email, phone call or statement) is received by Range Control or a board member and is reported to the INNG Hunting Program Manager.
- b. Program Manager determines the initial actions to be taken. (Temporary suspension of hunting privileges pending investigations, closure of hunting areas, etc.)
- c. Program Manager conducts an informal inquiry. PM or designated board member will assign an Investigating Officer.
- d. Investigating Officer conducts the investigation and documents the findings and recommendations in a memorandum for record format.
- e. Investigating Officer provides the findings and recommendations to the PM who then presents it to the board for a decision.
- f. Program Manger provides a written record of the findings and the board's decision to the accused.

Appendix B

Administrative Suspension and Appeal of Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Privileges

B-1. Administrative Suspension

- a. One or more citations issued by State or Federal Conservation Officers to personnel violating fish/wildlife laws and statutes is cause for immediate removal of the offender from the hunting area.
- b. Removal of a violator from the hunting area during hunting or fishing activities for an administrative violation will be recommended by a zone leader, Conservation Officer, and/or a member of Range Control, and a decision made on the recommendation by the INNG Hunt Board. Recommendation and action will be in writing and the individual making the recommendation will provide the written report to the INNG Hunt Board for administrative action at the close of each hunting day.
- c. Suspension of hunting and fishing privileges is an administrative action which does not replace or preclude prosecution by military or federal authorities, as appropriate.
- d. Suspension will be recommended to the INNG Hunt Board in conjunction with any citation from civilian law enforcement.
- e. Suspension will be administratively determined by the INNG Hunt Board, and upon approval, notify the subject in writing of the suspension and appeal/reinstatement procedures. A copy of this suspension will be maintained by the INNG Hunt Board.

B-2. Appeal of Administrative Suspension of Privileges

- a. A written appeal of administrative suspension of privileges may be made in writing to the INNG Hunt Board via email: ng.in.INNG.mbx.hunting-program@army.mil
- b. The Indiana Hunt Board will decide and inform the individual making the appeal of the decision.

B-3. Violations Subject to Administrative Suspension

Violations subject to administration suspension of hunting and fishing privileges are not exclusive to the list below. In addition to those listed, any violation of Indiana or Federal Game Laws on or off the Installation may also result in suspension of privileges. Game Wardens may suspend immediately and remove personnel from installation in violation of Indiana or Federal Game Laws, or CA 210-1. Personnel in violation with a weapon or trespassing may be subject to additional measures from Range Control and Federal and State Game Wardens. Personnel suspended will not accompany others hunting and/or fishing (including dependents). The periods listed are guidelines only and do not restrict the discretion of the Indiana Hunt Board fashioning an appropriate administrative remedy for violations. Any listed violation may result in the permanent suspension of installation privileges. Appeals for one

year or more may be submitted to the Indiana Hunt Board within seven working days. Suspensions of 30 days or less are not appealable. Aiding or abetting a violation of the below list results in the same suspension as the violator.

B-4. Violations

Suspension of Privileges - 15 Days 1st offense, 30 days 2nd offense

Failure to comply with iSportsman requirements: Check-in/check-out/false information, etc.

Boating violations.

Failure to properly check-in for downrange recreational activities (sign-in at Range Control, display vehicle pass)

Failure to check-in to iSportsman or checked-in to the wrong area.

Failure to record game on harvest log.

Transporting an unloaded, uncased weapon.

Failure to provide name and phone number on any tree stand or blind or trail camera.

Leaving a pole or poles unattended or in the custody of a person not properly licensed and/or not having a valid Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting and Fishing Permit.

Suspension of Privileges - 1 year

No Indiana Hunting or Fishing License

No Atterbury-Muscatatuck Hunting or Fishing Permit.

Altered or using another person's License/Permit.

Exceeding bag limit of fish or game.

Use/possession of bait (baiting wildlife).

Failure to wear orange or display on blinds.

Failure to wear a safety harness/restraint system while hunting in a tree stand.

Failure to provide identification, license, or permit to law enforcement.

Mired/immobilized vehicle in a hunting, training, or impact area.

Failure to check-in big game as required and on same day harvested.

3rd offense of 15/30 day violations.
Driving vehicles on lake dam structures or off improved roads.
Littering.
Falsifying information to gain access for recreational activities.
Trespassing.
Failure to record game on harvest log (2nd offense).
Transporting a loaded cased or uncased weapon.

Suspension of Privileges - 3 years

Hunting/Fishing/Scouting in an area not released for recreation.
Hunting out of season.
Unauthorized use of traps, snares, pitfalls, or similar devices.
Harvesting ginseng/yellow root.

Suspension of Privileges - Permanent

Theft of tree stand, blind, game camera, or other hunting/fishing equipment.
Hunting using a motor vehicle, boat, or aircraft contrary to current State/Federal Law.
Use/possession of unauthorized weapons, ammunition, explosives, poison, etc.
Use/possessing alcohol or drugs to include under the influence (.05%).
Discharging a weapon in a restricted, off-limits area, or in an unsafe manner.
Discharging a weapon from a vehicle or from/across a roadway.
Illegal hunting at night. Defacing/destroying government property.
Removal of government property, munitions (duds) or like material, metal picking.
Collection of historical artifacts.
Trespassing (2nd offense).
Resisting or interfering with apprehension (arrest).
Using explosives or firearms to kill fish.
To sell, barter, trade, or utilize in commercial establishment any fish caught on
Atterbury-Muscatatuck.

B-5. NOTES.

a. For the second or subsequent similar offense/violation, the suspension period will be doubled.

- b. The suspension of hunting and/or fishing privileges is an administrative action that may be imposed in addition to any judicial or punitive action.
- c. Suspensions of one year will be effective through the end of the next hunting season in which the violation occurred.