



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND  
HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON, FORT BELVOIR  
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MEMORANDUM FOR Fort Belvoir Watercraft Recreation, Hunting, and Fishing Participants

SUBJECT: Fort Belvoir Policy Memorandum #75, Watercraft Recreation, Hunting, and Fishing

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Engel Act (10 USC 2671), February 1958
- b. Sikes Act (16 USC 670a), September 1960
- c. Department of Defense Instruction Number 4715.03 (Natural Resources Conservation Program), February 2011
- d. Army Regulation 200-1 (Environmental Protection and Enhancement), December 2007
- e. Fort Belvoir Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP), August 2017 (Draft)

2. PURPOSE. To implement the Fort Belvoir Watercraft Recreation, Hunting, and Fishing Manual.

3. APPLICABILITY. This policy applies to all persons participating in watercraft recreation, hunting, and fishing on Fort Belvoir.

4. POLICY.

a. Authorization. All watercraft recreation, hunting, and fishing are authorized and controlled by the Garrison Commander in accordance with applicable law, regulation, and policy. Patrons who fail to adhere to these provisions may suffer permanent loss of watercraft recreation, hunting, and fishing privileges on Fort Belvoir and/or criminal prosecution. Recreational opportunities are a privilege, not a right.

b. This policy is implemented in accordance with the Sikes Act, which requires military installations to provide for the sustainable multipurpose use of natural resources, to include hunting, fishing, trapping, and non-consumptive uses. Furthermore, Army Regulation 200-1 requires installations to collect fees for hunting, fishing, and trapping and deposit them into the Army Fish and Wildlife Conservation Fund to be utilized for fish and wildlife habitat projects, management, and conservation.

c. Restrictions on recreational activities are established to ensure safety, security, protection of property and natural resources, and to support the military mission. There are no guarantees

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of places for recreational activities, and those areas are subject to closure based upon scheduled military trainings, safety, or natural resources management.

d. The Fort Belvoir Watercraft Recreation, Hunting, and Fishing Manual outlines all guidelines and procedures for authorized users to participate in the activities on Fort Belvoir. The Manual also summarizes Fort Belvoir policies and regulations as they apply to each activity.

e. Supplementation. A Supplement to the Manual is included and details all revisions and summaries of changes. The Supplement is reviewed and updated annually to reflect all watercraft recreation, hunting, and fishing seasons, dates, and permit fees in accordance with United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, and Fort Belvoir policies and procedures.

f. The Fort Belvoir Watercraft Recreation, Hunting, and Fishing Manual and Supplement are subject to change at any time. Changes will be posted at Outdoor Recreation (ODR) website (<https://belvoir.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>), iSportsman website ([www.ftbelvoir.isportsman.net](http://www.ftbelvoir.isportsman.net)), Fort Belvoir website ([www.belvoir.army.mil](http://www.belvoir.army.mil)), and Fort Belvoir newspaper and social media outlets.

g. Suggested Improvements. Users are invited to send comments/suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms), to Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division (Kevin Walter), 9430 Jackson Loop, Fort Belvoir, VA, 22060.

5. PROPONENT. The proponent of this policy is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division at 703-806-3193.



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