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NASPAXRIV INSTRUCTION 5510.16K

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Patuxent River

Subj: PRIVATELY OWNED WEAPONS

Ref: (a) Navy Regulations, Article 1159  
(b) OPNAVINST 5530.14E  
(c) NASPAXRIVINST 11015.6J CH-1  
(d) NASPAXRIVINST 1747.2Q

1. Purpose. To publish procedures for the possession, registration, and use of privately owned weapons aboard the Naval Air Station (NAS).

2. Cancellation. NASPAXRIVINST 5510.16J

3. Background. No person shall have a concealed weapon or dangerous instrument, device, compound, or any highly explosive article aboard any craft, aircraft, vehicle, or any ship of the naval service within any base, or another place under naval jurisdiction except as necessary to the proper performance of his/her duties or as may be authorized by proper authority. A weapon is defined as being capable of discharging a projectile by pressure or propellant, which includes BB guns, air pistols, air rifles, sling shots, bows and arrows. The possession of other weapons, (i.e. metal knuckles, razors, switchblade knives, nunchaku, sand club) or other dangerous or deadly weapons, is strictly prohibited. NAS is under exclusive Federal jurisdiction and the purview of the Assimilative Crimes Act, 18 U.S.C. § 13.

4. Action

a. Department Heads/Installation Program Directors, tenant Officers-in-Charge, COs will give wide dissemination of this information to ensure that all hands have knowledge of prescribed regulations.

b. Staff Judge Advocate may prosecute violators per the Uniform Code of Military Justice or Assimilative Crimes Act, 18 U.S.C. § 13, as applicable.

5. Transportation. All personal firearms approved by the Commanding Officer (CO) for transport onboard NAS Patuxent River shall:

a. Be transported only after Installation Security Department has been notified.

b. Be unloaded and located in the trunk of the vehicle or, if the vehicle has no trunk, be disassembled or secured with an approved

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individual trigger or chamber-style lock. The firearm must be stored in a locked container.

c. Ammunition will be in a separate compartment from the one in which the firearm is stored (e.g., a glove box or secure interior storage box in the passenger compartment).

d. In all cases, individuals will comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

## 6. Housing

a. Personnel may store properly registered personal firearms in on-base military family housing, including on-base family PPV housing, and in existing Navy armories or weapons containers. All weapons must be registered with the Security Department Pass/ID Office, where a permit will be issued. Possession, registering, handling, and storage are the direct responsibility of the adult sponsor assigned to housing. Personal firearms storage in other locations on-base is NOT authorized (e.g., Bachelor Quarters, automobiles, and workcenters).

b. Personnel will have their privilege of keeping privately owned weapons in government housing suspended whenever the Security Department responds to a call for service where someone is charged with a crime of domestic violence. All weapons will be seized and placed in the NAS Armory. Once a weapon(s) has been seized, it will not be returned to the owner until authorized in writing by the Installation CO. At no time will ammo be stored in the Armory.

c. When an individual's privilege to keep privately owned weapon(s) in military housing has been revoked due to non-domestic crime, weapon(s) and ammunition will be removed from the installation within one working day.

d. Personal firearms must be stored in either a locked container or locked gun rack, or secured with an approved individual trigger or chamber-style gun lock that prevents loading or firing. Ammunition must be stored in a separate, locked container.

e. Individuals storing privately owned firearms and ammunition in family housing (to include on-base PPV housing) will ensure firearms and ammunition are inaccessible to unauthorized persons and minors.

f. In all cases, individuals will comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations concerning firearm ownership, possession, registration, and use.

## 7. Registration, Inventory, Receipt, and De-registration.

a. Weapon(s) permits will be issued at the Security Department Pass/ID Office to authorized individuals. Individuals registering weapon(s) shall provide the following information:

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- (1) DD Form 2760 (obtained from the Security Department)
- (2) Proof of Ownership
- (3) Serial Numbers
- (4) Caliber
- (5) Make
- (6) Model
- (7) Manufacturer
- (8) Valid Identification

b. Registration must be completed prior to bringing the weapon(s) aboard the installation.

c. A locally developed receipt will be provided to the owner of a personal firearm when turned into the Security Department for storage and when the firearm is retrieved.

d. Personal firearms will be identified by manufacturer, caliber, model, and serial number. This information will be included on the registration.

e. Semi-annual sight inventories by serial number will be conducted of all personal firearms stored in Navy armories.

f. Documentation of each time the owner of a personal firearm removes and returns the personal firearm to storage in Navy armories.

g. Personal firearms approved for storage in an existing installation armory or magazine shall not be stored in the same container or weapons rack with government owned firearms, ammunition, and explosives.

h. Personal firearms brought onto the installation after normal duty hours shall be stored at the Security Department Ready-for-Issue (RFI) facility. The Security Department RFI shall only be utilized for short term storage of personally owned weapons (i.e., less than 30 days). Storage for longer periods will require the transfer of personally owned weapons to the Security Department Armory. Weapons stored in the Armory will not be accessible by owners outside of normal duty hours. Accountability procedures as identified above apply.

i. Introduction, possession, and/or storage of illegal or unauthorized firearms (i.e. automatic machine guns, short barreled long arms, etc.) is not authorized onboard the installation.

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8. Concealed or Loaded Handguns.

a. Individual state licenses or permits that authorize individuals to carry concealed handguns are not recognized or valid on Navy installations. Under no circumstances will the transportation of loaded or concealed handguns, shotguns, or rifles be permitted on Navy installations except by duly authorized law enforcement personnel, authorized private security personnel, or by military personnel in the performance of their official duties.

9. Use

a. Privately owned firearms may be used in designated areas. Individuals authorized to hunt must comply with all requirements of reference (c).

b. Weapon permits will be issued to personnel authorized to hunt/trap aboard NAS who meet requirements outlined in reference (c), and to members of approved shooting clubs aboard NAS per reference (d). This permit authorizes the transportation/return of weapons to and from authorized hunting/shooting areas.

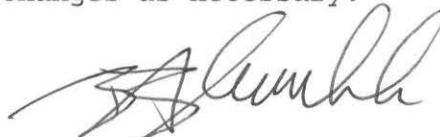
c. No weapon will be discharged within 150 yards of any occupied building.

d. The Conservation Officer will maintain the list and maps of designated ranges for various types of weapons.

e. Anyone who brings a weapon aboard NAS and meets the requirements of reference (c) or (d) will immediately proceed to an authorized usage area or the Security Department Headquarters to surrender their weapon(s) for storage during working hours.

f. Law Enforcement Officers, Deputy Sheriffs, State Troopers, DNR Police and Private Security (i.e. Lockheed Martin, Wackinhut, etc.) while aboard NAS are required to follow their Departmental policy on carrying, wearing, storing, transporting of weapon(s). It is their direct responsibility to notify the Regional Dispatch Center at (301-342-3208) should any incident occur while aboard NAS.

9. Review Authority. The Security Officer will review this instruction annually, making changes as necessary.



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