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**MEMORANDUM FOR All Soldiers, Airmen, and Employees of the Arkansas National Guard**

**SUBJECT: The Adjutant General's Policy No. 2021-12, Possession of Privately Owned Firearms on Arkansas National Guard Property/Facilities**

**1. References:**

- a. 18 United States Code § 930 - Possession of Firearms and Dangerous Firearms in Federal Facilities;
- b. Arkansas Code Annotated § 5-73-301, et seq., Concealed Handguns, updated through November 2017;
- c. Arkansas Code Annotated § 12-15-201, et seq., Concealed Handgun Permits;
- d. Arkansas Code Annotated § 12-60-101, et seq., the Military Code of Arkansas;
- e. Arkansas Code Annotated § 12-63-201, Definition of Military Reservation;
- f. Department of Arkansas State Police, Arkansas Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules, Effective January 1, 2018;
- g. Army Regulation 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives, 5 September 2013.

**2. This memorandum supersedes The Adjutant General's Policy No. 2018-15 Possession of Privately Owned Firearms on Arkansas National Guard Properties and Facilities, 21 June 2018.**

**3. Purpose.** This memorandum establishes a policy regarding the possession of privately owned firearms in or on Arkansas National Guard (NG AR) property/facilities, government vehicles, and aircraft. The provisions of paragraph five (5) are punitive in

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nature with respect to Arkansas State Military Department Employees, Arkansas National Guard Servicemembers, and Federal Civilian Technician Employees (NG AR Personnel). NG AR Personnel in violation of this policy may be subject to appropriate disciplinary action under the Military Code of Arkansas, or Federal or State civilian personnel regulations. This policy is applicable, but not punitive, in regards to non-Arkansas National Guard military personnel. Other individuals, to include federal, state, and local law enforcement, contractors, and visitors, are subject to applicable State of Arkansas and federal laws.

#### 4. Background.

a. Some Arkansas National Guard property/facilities are owned by the State of Arkansas while others are federally-owned or leased (See Enclosure). This policy differs for each type of property/facilities based on the difference in applicable State of Arkansas and federal laws or regulations.

b. Camp Joseph T. Robinson Maneuver Training Center (RMTC), except for the portion that is commonly referred to as "Camp Pike," and all National Guard Readiness Centers are property of the State of Arkansas.

c. Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center (FCJMTC) is federally licensed property that is subject to the jurisdiction and oversight of the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State of Arkansas.<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Army Regulation 190-11, Section 1-3, the regulation of privately owned firearms, ammunition and explosives on Army National Guard installations that are subject to the jurisdiction and oversight of the Governor and/or the Adjutant General of a state are within the province of the cognizant authorities of that state.

d. Ebbing Air National Guard Base (EANGB) is federally leased property that is subject to the jurisdiction and oversight of the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State of Arkansas.<sup>2</sup>

e. The Little Rock Air Force Base, Camp Pike, and all joint Arkansas National Guard/United States Army Reserves Centers not owned by the State of Arkansas are subject to federal oversight in regards to privately owned firearms. The provisions of paragraph five (5) are not applicable to these locations. The local federal policy regarding privately owned firearms must be followed by NG AR personnel.

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<sup>1</sup> Ark Code Ann §12-63-201.

<sup>2</sup> Id.

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## 5. Policy.

a. NG AR Personnel, non-Arkansas National Guard military personnel, contractors, and visitors are prohibited from possessing unauthorized privately owned firearms in any NG AR facility under the control of the Adjutant General.

b. NG AR Personnel who are authorized by a valid license to carry a concealed firearm under Arkansas law<sup>3</sup> may lawfully possess privately owned firearms within their privately owned vehicle, including in a parking lot on RMTTC, FCJMTC, EANGB, and all National Guard Readiness Centers owned by the State of Arkansas, provided the privately owned firearm and ammunition is stored and concealed in a case within a locked vehicle out of plain view.

c. NG AR Personnel are prohibited from carrying privately owned firearms on their person when performing official duties or while in any government or military vehicle or aircraft, regardless of duty status.

d. This policy does not prohibit NG AR Personnel who are authorized by any valid license to carry a concealed firearm under Arkansas law<sup>4</sup>, while not on State of Arkansas or federal property or facility, and not performing official duties, from exercising the individual decision to lawfully conceal carry a privately owned firearm in accordance with all applicable laws. NG AR Personnel doing so will be acting in their individual capacity and not as agent of the Arkansas National Guard, the State of Arkansas, or the United States Government.

e. This policy does not prohibit non-NG AR Personnel who are authorized by a valid enhanced license to carry a concealed firearm under Arkansas law<sup>5</sup>, while not on a federal property or facility, while not performing as a contractor or in a duty status, from exercising the individual decision to lawfully conceal carry a privately owned firearm in accordance with all applicable laws for an enhanced license. An enhanced license does NOT authorize individuals to carry a concealed firearm into a federal building or facility.

f. Commanders of Arkansas Army National Guard military reservations will establish procedures that regulate privately owned firearms on military reservations in accordance with AR 190-11, Chapter 1, paragraph 1-10. These procedures will address the registration of firearms belonging to personnel living on the installation and registration of firearms by personnel who bring a firearm onto the installation for the

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<sup>3</sup> Arkansas Code Annotated § 5-73-301, et seq.

<sup>4</sup> Id and Department of Arkansas State Police, Arkansas Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules, Revised November 2013

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purpose of engaging in authorized activities such as hunting or marksmanship events.

g. Certified law enforcement officers, auxiliary law enforcement officers, employee of a local detention facility, prosecuting attorneys, or deputy prosecuting attorneys designated by the prosecuting attorney (Law Enforcement Authorities) who routinely lawfully carry an authorized job-related firearm as part of their assigned civilian duties are permitted to carry firearms onto Arkansas National Guard property/facilities when in the execution of their official duties. Unless otherwise directed by a commander, NG AR Personnel who are off-duty Law Enforcement Authorities, retired law enforcement officers, or retired auxiliary law enforcement officers authorized under Arkansas Code Annotated § 12-63-201 are allowed to lawfully carry their concealed firearm when in a military duty status if consistent with their departmental policies and applicable State of Arkansas and federal law.

h. Commanders of Arkansas National Guard military reservations may establish more restrictive policies in regards to the possession of privately owned firearms by NG AR Personnel or non-Arkansas National Guard military personnel, including individuals identified in paragraph 5.g. above, who are in a military duty status for training purposes.

6. This policy does not under any circumstance grant further authority to NG AR Personnel who are authorized by a valid license to carry a concealed firearm under Arkansas law beyond the direction and conditions contained within Arkansas law and the Department of Arkansas State Police, Arkansas Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules.

7. A copy of this policy memorandum will be posted on all unit bulletin boards until further notice.

8. POC for this memorandum is the Arkansas National Guard Staff Judge Advocate at commercial (501) 212-5031 or DSN 962-5031.

Encl



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Major General  
The Adjutant General

<b>Enclosure - Arkansas National Guard Property/Facilities</b>	
<b>Owner</b>	<b>Type</b>
Federally Owned	Armed Forces Reserve Center - Arkadelphia
Federally Owned	Armed Forces Reserve Center - El Dorado
Federally Owned	Armed Forces Reserve Center - Hot Springs
Federally Owned	Armed Forces Reserve Center - Jonesboro
Federally Owned	Armed Forces Reserve Center - White Hall
State of Arkansas	Armed Forces Reserve Center - Bentonville
State of Arkansas	Armed Forces Reserve Center - Camden
Federally Owned	189th Airlift Wing - Air National Guard
Federal - License	Fort Chaffee Joint Manuever Training Center
Federal - License	188th Wing - Air National Guard
State of Arkansas	Camp Joseph T. Robinson
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Malvern
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Warren
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Hazen
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Harrison
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Searcy
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - Russellville
State of Arkansas	Field Maintenance Shop - CMTC
Federally Owned	Field Maintenance Shop - Jonesboro
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - Little Rock
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - North Little Rock
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - Jacksonville
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - Conway
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - Fort Smith
State of Arkansas	Store Front Recruiting Lease - Fayetteville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Augusta
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Batesville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Beebe
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Benton
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Booneville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Cabot
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Clarksville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Conway
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Dardanelle
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Dequeen
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Fayetteville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Forrest City
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Harrisburg
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Harrison
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Heber Springs
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Hazen
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Hope
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Lincoln
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Lonoke

<b>Enclosure - Arkansas National Guard Property/Facilities (continued)</b>	
<b>Owner</b>	<b>Type</b>
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Mena
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Morrilton
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Mountain Home
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Ozark
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Paragould
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Paris
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Prescott
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Rogers
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Russellville
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Searcy
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Sheridan
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Siloam Springs
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Stuttgart
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Texarkana
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Walnut Ridge
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - Warren
State of Arkansas	National Guard Readiness Center - West Memphis
Federal Lease	ANG Store Front Recruiting Lease - Jacksonville