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AIR STATION ORDER 5090.9A

From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point
To: Distribution List

Subj: PROCUREMENT OF FIREWOOD FOR PERSONAL USE

Ref: (a) MCO P5090.2

Encl: (1) Sample Firewood Permit

1. Situation. To establish policy and procedures for procurement of firewood for recreational or home heating use. This Order does not authorize collection of firewood for commercial use and/or resale.

2. Cancellation. 5090.9.

3. Mission. It is the policy of this command to allow the collection of firewood for personal use. Firewood may be taken from timber downed by natural events, a completed timber harvest, or land clearing operations. All firewood collected for personal use requires a permit (enclosure (1)) prior to collection. No standing timber may be cut without permission of the Natural Resources Manager or Forestry Section personnel.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent

(a) The reference requires activities with available forest resources suitable for the production of timber and wood products to develop a Forestry Resource Management Program. Multiple-use potentials such as recreation, wildlife habitat, and aesthetics must be considered to ensure maximum usage and benefits. Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point forest products are federal property and must be administered within property management procedures.

(b) Only active duty, retired military, and currently employed civilian personnel assigned to commands aboard this Air Station are authorized to procure firewood from on-base resources. Retired or former civilian personnel are excluded from participation.

5. Concept of Operations

a. The Environmental Affairs Officer of the Facilities Directorate is assigned overall responsibility for administering the subject program.

b. The Station Forester or his designated representative will:

(1) Provide information to permit holders about availability and location of wood.

(2) Maintain a record of personnel participating in the program.

(3) Issue permits to qualified personnel.

(4) Coordinate access to firewood gathering areas. Some forestry roads may need to be closed during wet weather in order to prevent damage by vehicles to both forest and access roads.

c. The Provost Marshal shall monitor traffic to ensure that personnel in vehicles carrying firewood off the Air Station have proper permits for possession of the firewood. The Provost Marshal will contact the duty Game Warden for investigation and issuance of a citation, if appropriate.

d. The Game Warden staff will be responsible for patrolling Air Station timberlands to check for illegal wood gathering activities. Persons in violation of the Order will be cited to appear before the Station Inspector for corrective action.

e. Participant Requirements. People who meet the criteria in paragraph 5 above, who desire to collect wood will:

(1) Obtain a firewood permit at the Environmental Affairs Department. Permits are issued Monday through Friday.

(2) Retain their permit during the collection period to serve as a property pass for the possession of wood removed from the Air Station. Participants will present the permit to the gate sentry upon request.

(3) Do not sell, give away, or otherwise transfer wood to another party.

(4) Do not cut standing trees, dead or alive, without permission from the Natural Resources Manager or the Forestry Section personnel.

(5) Do not collect more than one cord of wood per month.

(6) Leave cutting sites neat and orderly. Littering will not be tolerated.

6. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Air Station Order Change is applicable to all of Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point.

b. Signal. This (order/directive) is effective the date signed.



C. G. HUGHES, II
Chief of Staff

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MCAS CHERRY POINT FIREWOOD PERMIT # _____

This permit allows the permittee to collect up to One Cord of Downed wood (No Standing or Leaning trees) per month.

This permit must be displayed on the dashboard of vehicle being used.

Collected firewood is intended for personal use only; it must not be sold, given away or otherwise transferred to another party.

Persons involved in the collection of firewood are encouraged to wear protective equipment, gloves, saw chaps, lace-up work boots hearing and eye protection and to be mindful of other working in the cutting area.

Permittee: _____

Permit Period: _____ Through: _____

Issued By: _____ (Initial) On: _____ (Date)