

Privately Owned Weapons (POWs)

1. **Storage of POWs.** All POWs belonging to soldiers living in the barracks will be stored in the unit arms room. Commanders will include privately owned weapons as part of their monthly inventory. You must establish written procedures for safeguarding and controlling privately owned firearms, ammunition, and other weapons stored in the unit arms room. Notify the Military Police Desk Sergeant immediately upon discovery of loss of accountability of privately owned firearms stored in the unit arms room. Following is guidance in Fort Bragg Regulation 190-12 (Weapons and Ammunition Control and Prohibited Items). This regulation can be found at <https://dragonnet.bragg.army.mil/itbc/pubs/regulati.htm>



2. **Firearm Registration Requirements.** All individuals residing on the installation, to include family members, must register all firearms they own or possess that are located on Fort Bragg within five days of arrival on the installation or purchase of the weapon. Fill out FB Form 1381, Weapons Registration Form, and submit it to any Vehicle Registration site. You do not need to present the weapon when registering.

3. Official and unofficial visitors who intend to remain on the installation for five days or less are not required to register their firearms, but must store their firearms with the Military Police as stated in Chapter 5-1.a.(2).

4. Service members who have registered their weapons and are leaving Fort Bragg on Permanent Changes of Station or Expiration Tour of Service orders will advise the PMO by notifying any of the Vehicle/Weapons Registration Points of their departure and of their new duty station if applicable. The PMO Stamp will then be affixed on their clearing papers.

5. All persons will keep their copy of Fort Bragg Form 1381 on them when transporting weapons as proof of compliance with this regulation and will present it to any Military Policeman or other Federal Law Enforcement Officer, to include Fish and Game wardens on Fort Bragg, when so requested.

6. Individuals buying, selling, or transferring firearms must adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local provisions governing such transactions. Soldiers desiring to purchase a firearm (handgun, shotgun, or rifle) must follow the following procedures IAW Fort Bragg Regulation 190-12:

a. Report to the Police Services Section of the Provost Marshal Office in Building AT-3275 on Butner Road to request Fort Bragg Form 1380. The soldier will complete Part II of the form in the Police Services Office. A Police Services representative will then complete an initial local background check. If the background check produces any derogatory information the representative will write "See Attached"

on the bottom of the form and attach any supporting documentation for the soldier's commander to review. A sample form is at Appendix E.

b. The soldier will bring the form to his unit commander for approval and signature.

c. The soldier will return to Police Services with the approved form, and Police Services will complete another background check and stamp the form.

d. The soldier then has 5 working days to take the paperwork to the local sheriff's department to obtain a North Carolina permit to purchase a firearm. The permit will cover the purchase of up to five firearms. If the soldier does not bring the form to the sheriff's department within five working days, the form is no longer valid and the soldier must start the process again from the beginning.

7. Individuals must **transport firearms unloaded and in a compartment separate from the ammunition.** Only privately owned vehicles are authorized for the transport of privately owned weapons and ammunition. Weapons in automobiles must be transported in the trunk or other area, such as the bed of a pickup truck covered by a cap, inaccessible to persons in the passenger compartment. Individuals in vehicles designed without an inaccessible area will transport weapons in open view in the passenger compartment. Weapons and ammunition will be transported separately.

8. **North Carolina concealed carry weapons permits are not applicable on Fort Bragg.**

9. **Prohibited Items.**

a. Fixed blade knives having a cutting edge in excess of two and one-half inches, except when carried openly.

b. Pocket or folding blade knives having a cutting edge in excess of four inches, except when carried openly.

c. Knives having a switchblade, automatic blade opener, or gravity operated blade.

d. Brass knuckles or any similar device fitting over or concealed in the hand, including knuckle knives.

e. Nunchucks, throwing stars, shurikins, throwing spikes, and samurai swords.

f. Blackjacks, slappers, saps, riot clubs, night sticks, lead or iron pipes, rubber or plastic hoses wrapped with tape or filled with sand or lead buckshot, or any other similar

devices, except riot clubs and night sticks when carried by duly constituted law enforcement officials in the line of duty.

g. Razors, ice picks, boxcutters, screwdrivers or other similar devices and tools when carried concealed or for use as a weapon.

10. All privately owned weapons, ammunition, and other prohibited items seized pursuant to this regulation as contraband will be treated as evidence of a crime. Seized contraband will be processed in accordance with AR 195-5, Evidence Procedures, and ultimately destroyed.