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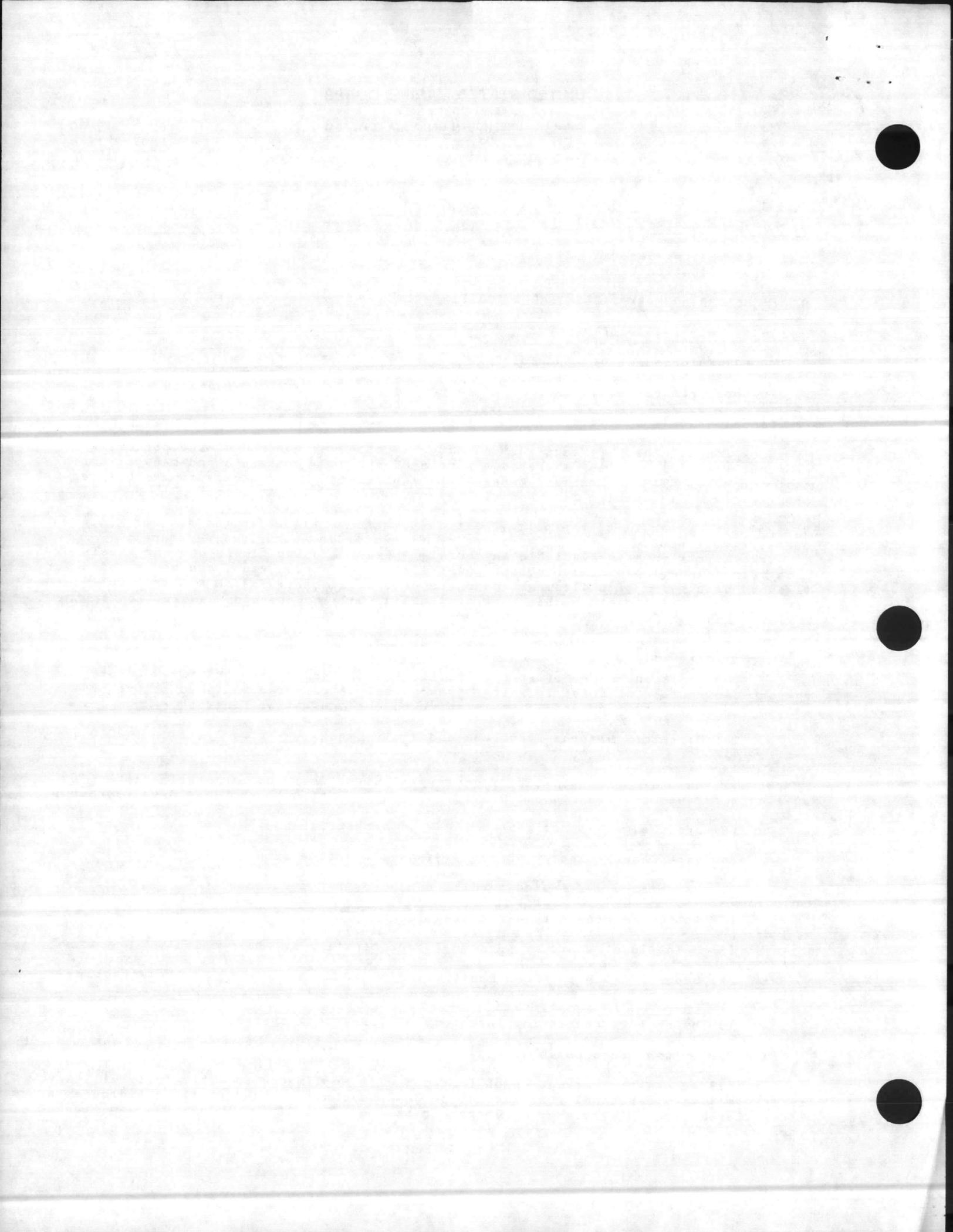
From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: USE OF NONMARKETABLE TIMBER FOR FIREWOOD

Ref: (a) MCO P11000.8B

Encl: (1) Enforcement of Firewood Regulations

1. Purpose. To establish procedures governing the gathering of firewood.
2. Cancellation. BO 11015.8B.
3. Background. The reference governs natural resources management and prescribes procedures for disposal of marketable wood products on a sustained and managed basis that supports multiple-use land management requirements. The enclosure establishes a program for administering firewood violations.
4. Policy. It shall be the policy of this Command to allow limited gathering of nonmarketable wood products as a source of firewood for authorized personnel. Nonmarketable timber is available in certain areas following timber harvest, training area maintenance, road construction, power line maintenance, etc., and may be used for firewood as a means of utilizing a resource that would otherwise be wasted. Cutting or removal of any timber other than that designated above constitutes destruction or theft of Government property.
5. Responsibilities
 - a. The Assistant Chief of Staff, Facilities will administer the firewood program through designation of sites in which firewood may be gathered and through processing, accounting and control of applicants wishing to cut and gather firewood.
 - b. The Director, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Division (NREAD), shall:
 - (1) Maintain an up-to-date inventory of sites where nonmarketable timber is available for use as firewood and provide this information to the Base Game Protector.
 - (2) Erect signs at designated firewood harvest areas.
 - c. The Base Game Protector, Provost Marshal's Office (PMO) shall:
 - (1) Issue annual firewood permits to authorized personnel.
 - (2) Authorize access to designated firewood areas on a daily basis.
 - (3) Maintain a record of personnel participating in this activity.
 - (4) Supervise, inspect and monitor the program as directed by the Director, NREAD.
 - (5) Maintain a continuing inventory of firewood gathered.
 - d. Participant requirements:
 - (1) Access for harvesting of firewood will be limited to active duty military, retired military personnel residing in the Camp Lejeune area and civilian employees of Marine Corps Base (MCB) or Marine Corps Air Station, New River, (MCAS, NR), and tenant commands.



(2) At the time of the application for the firewood permit, applicants will execute a Certificate of Understanding releasing the Government from responsibility in the event of an accident or injury.

(3) Applicants will sign a statement attesting that the firewood is for the applicant's personal use and will not be sold.

(4) Gathering of firewood will be strictly limited to designated areas.

(5) Nonmarketable timber consists of trees that have been downed or previously cut and located within a site designated for firewood gathering. Cutting or removal of any timber other than that designated above constitutes destruction or theft of Government property.

6. Clearance for Firewood Gathering

a. To prevent possible conflict with training exercises, hunting or other activities and to provide for accounting and control of this program, clearance with the Base Game Protector, Building PT-4, Parachute Tower Road, is required.

(1) Access will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.

(2) Access will be based on possession of a valid annual firewood permit (obtainable at the Base Game Protector Office, PT-4 Parachute Tower Road).

(3) Access may be granted by calling the Base Game Protector Office, Ext. 451-5226/2196 and check-in for designated firewood areas on a daily basis. If granted access, the permittee shall:

(a) Have the annual firewood permit in his possession while aboard base.

(b) Cut firewood only in the designated areas where access was granted.

(4) Upon completion of firewood gathering for the day, the permittee shall call the Base Game Protector Officer and check out to insure his clearing the areas.

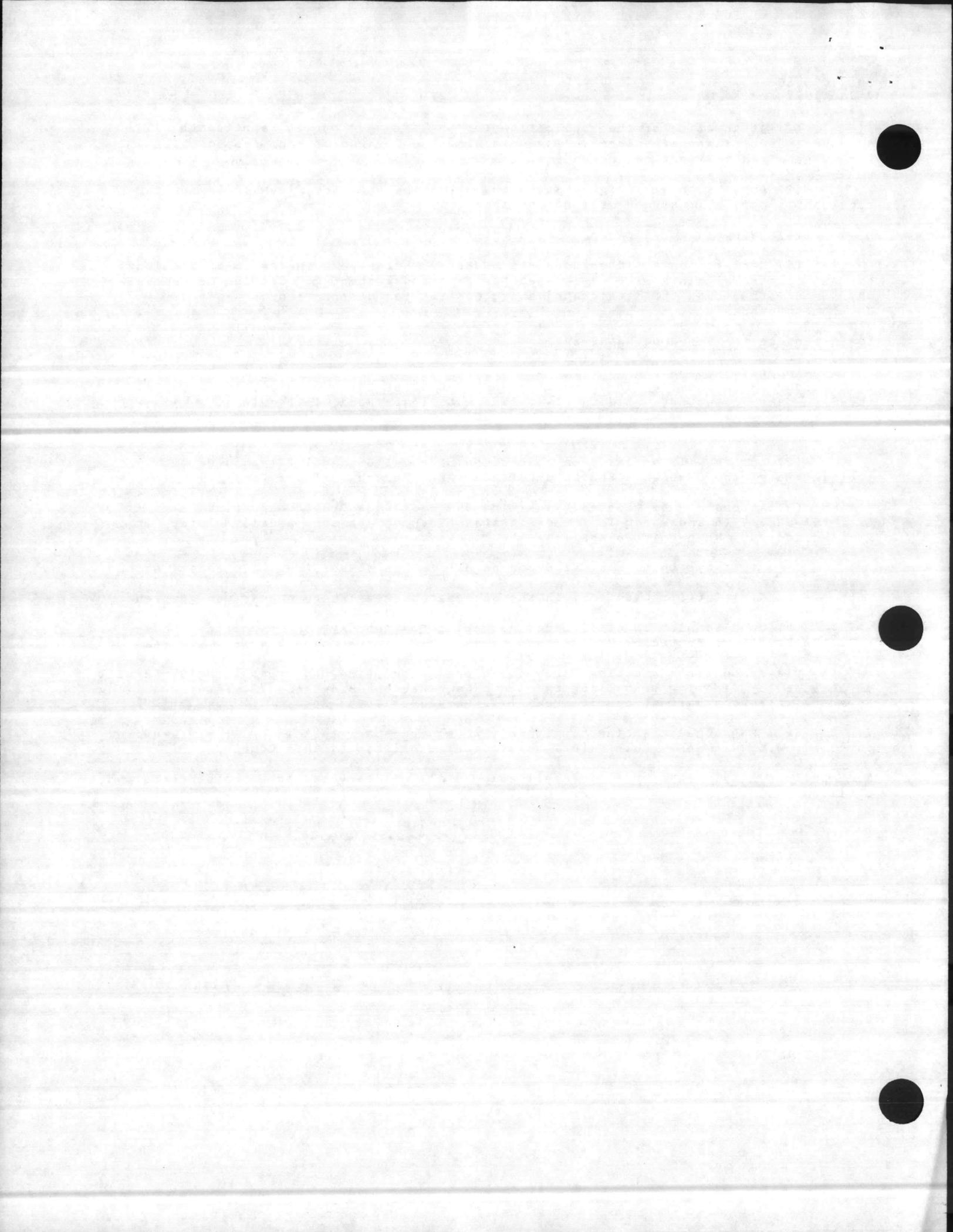
b. Clearance for harvesting firewood in designated firewood areas at MCAS, NR will be obtained by visiting or calling the State Game Warden, Bldg. AS-122, after receiving an annual firewood harvest permit from PT-4, Parachute Tower Road.

7. Safety. Personnel desiring to gather firewood pursuant to this Order are required to comply with all applicable safety regulations published by this Command.

8. Applicability. This order is applicable to all military personnel, dependents and civilians gathering firewood aboard MCB Camp Lejeune and MCAS NR.


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ENFORCEMENT OF FIREWOOD REGULATIONS

1. General. It is the continuing policy of the Commanding General to use legal means to reduce violations of firewood regulations. Violators shall be educated and disciplined, as appropriate, by the most effective means available.

2. Responsibility

a. Each firewood gatherer shall comply with these regulations when gathering firewood aboard MCB and MCAS, NR.

b. The Director, NREAD shall supervise and coordinate the enforcement of firewood regulations.

c. Firewood permits will be issued at Bldg. PT-4, Parachute Tower Road from 0800 until 1630 Monday through Friday, and from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset during hunting season.

3. Game Protectors

a. The Base Game Protector and his duly authorized assistants are the agents through whom the Commanding General exercises his enforcement power in the control of firewood gathering. In this regard, the aforementioned protectors and their assistants shall have full authority, within established rules and regulations, to carry out enforcement activities in control of firewood gathering to include the issuing of citations for violation(s) of firewood regulations.

b. Under cognizance of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Facilities, the Director, NREAD, shall supervise the Base Game Protector in the coordination of firewood enforcement activities.

c. No person shall fail or refuse to comply with any published order or direction of the aforementioned protector and his assistants in the enforcement of firewood regulations.

d. The Base Game Protector and his duly authorized representatives will conform to the standards and regulations set forth in BO P1630.8C in performing enforcement duties. Particular attention is directed to the applicable portions of BO P1630.8C dealing with apprehension of offenders, handling and disposition of offenders and use of force.

4. Processing of Violations

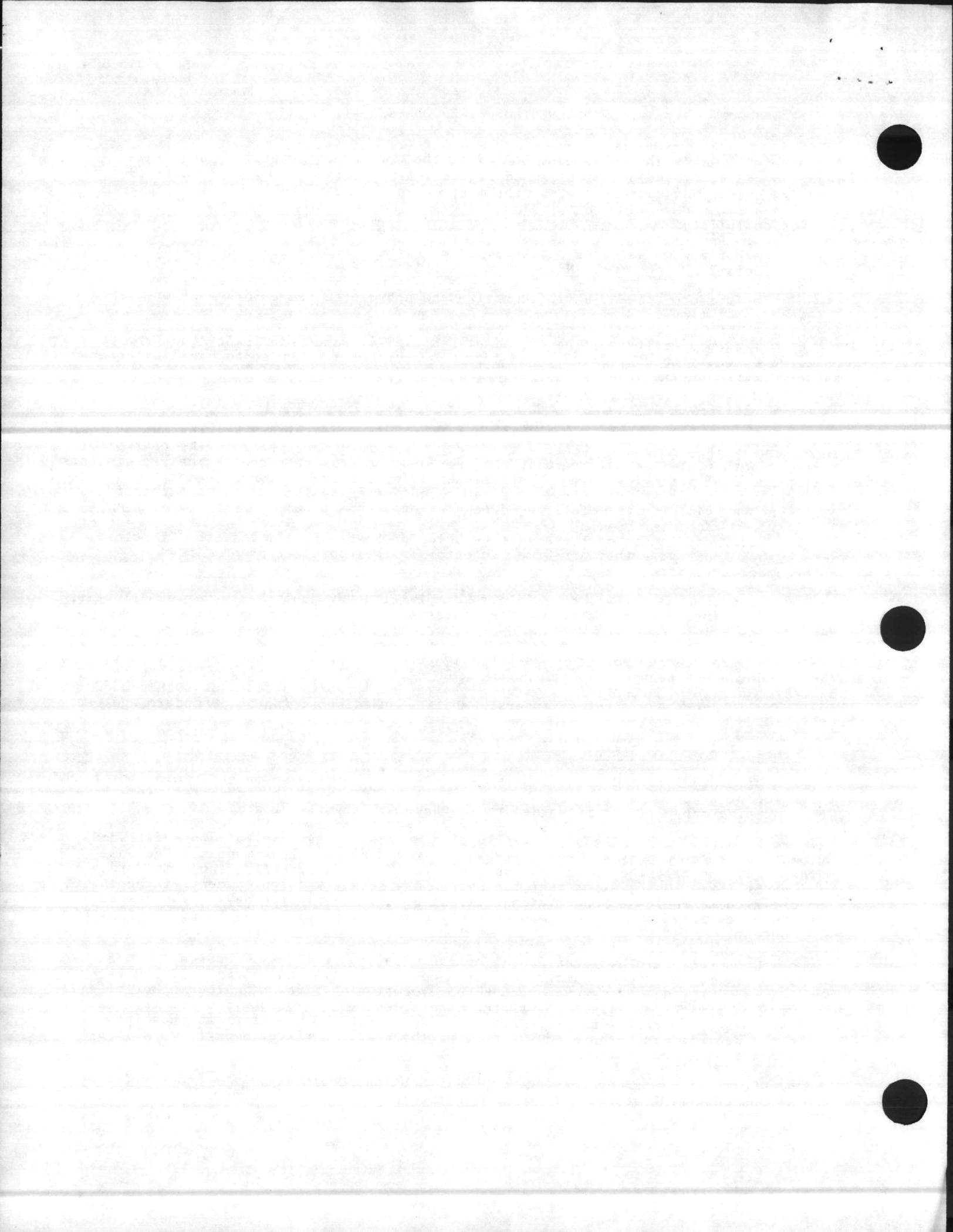
a. Military firewood citations shall be issued upon the suspected violation of any provision of these regulations and a copy shall be furnished the suspected violator. The remaining copy will be forwarded to the Base Conservation Board.

b. Persons who receive a citation will have their privilege to remove firewood automatically revoked by the Base Game Warden for a period of 12 months. The Game Warden will annotate the revocation on the citation. Additionally, the Game Warden will annotate on the citation that the person may submit written comments in appeal of the citation to the Base Conservation Hearing Officer within ten days. The comments must be typewritten, or legibly handwritten, complete, concise, and temperate in tone and content.

c. Upon receipt of written appeal of the citation, the Base Conservation Hearing Officer will review the circumstances surrounding the citation. The Hearing Officer may reduce, suspend, disapprove or approve revocation of firewood gathering privileges, and will notify the appellant in writing of his decision. The decision of the Hearing Officer on such an appeal shall be final, and no further appeal from the Hearing Officer's decision is authorized. A copy of the Hearing Officer's decision will be forwarded to the Base Game Warden.

d. Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, New River, will process firewood violations occurring at the Air Station in accordance with this Order.

ENCLOSURE (1)



e. Citations given to active duty personnel will be referred by the Base Game Warden to that person's Commanding Officer. Citations given to civilians will also be referred to the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Marine Corps Base, (Attn: Special Assistant U. S. Attorney). Copies of all correspondence containing reports of violations will be forwarded by the Base Game Warden to the Assistant Chief of Staff, Facilities.

f. Violations of this Order by military personnel are punishable as violations of Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Violations by other persons are punishable in Federal Court.

5. Suspension or Revocation of Firewood Privileges. No person shall gather firewood within jurisdiction of MCB, Camp Lejeune, or MCAS, NR during any period in which his firewood gathering privileges have been suspended or revoked pursuant to the provisions of this Order.

