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**17. Descriptive Headings**

The descriptive headings of the various policy terms and conditions are formulated for convenience only and are not intended to affect the construction or meaning of any of the provisions of the contract.

**18. Determinations**

All determinations required by the policy will be made by us. If you disagree with our determinations, you may obtain reconsideration of or appeal those determinations in

accordance with Appeal Regulations (7 CFR 400, Subpart J).

**19. Notices**

All notices required to be given by you must be in writing and received by your service office within the designated time unless otherwise provided by the notice requirement. Notices required to be given immediately may be by telephone or in person and confirmed in writing. Time of the notice will be determined by the time of our receipt of the written notice.



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SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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SOURCE: 34 FR 12939, Aug. 9, 1969, unless otherwise noted. Redesignated at 36 FR 22807, Dec. 1, 1971.

### Subpart A—Conduct on U.S. National Arboretum Property

#### §500.1 General.

The rules and regulations in this part apply to the buildings and grounds of the U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, D.C., and to all persons entering in or on such property. The Administrator, General Services Administration, has delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture, with authority to redelegate, the authority to make all the needful rules and regulations for the protection of the buildings and grounds of the U.S. National Arboretum (34 FR 6406). The Secretary of Agriculture has in turn delegated such authority to the

Administrator, Agricultural Research Service (34 FR 7389). The rules and regulations in this part are issued pursuant to such delegations.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

#### §500.2 Recording presence.

Admission to the U.S. National Arboretum during periods when it is closed to the public will be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign the register and/or display identification documents when requested by the Security Staff, or other authorized individuals.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

#### §500.3 Preservation of property.

It is unlawful to willfully destroy, damage, or remove property or any part thereof.

#### §500.4 Conformity with signs and emergency directions.

Persons in and on property of the U.S. National Arboretum shall comply with official signs of prohibitory or director nature and with the directions of authorized individuals.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

#### §500.5 Nuisances.

The use of loud, abusive, or otherwise improper language, unwarranted loitering, sleeping, or assembly, the creation of any hazard to persons or things, improper disposal of rubbish, spitting, prurient prying, the commission of any obscene or indecent act, or any other unseemly or disorderly conduct, throwing articles of any kind from a building, and climbing upon any part of a building, is prohibited.

#### §500.6 Gambling.

Participating in games for money or other personal property, or the operation of gambling devices, the conduct of a lottery or pool, or the selling or purchasing of numbers tickets, in or on U.S. National Arboretum property, is prohibited.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.7 Intoxicating beverages and narcotics.**

Entering U.S. National Arboretum property or the operation of a motor vehicle thereon, by a person under the influence of intoxicating beverages or narcotic drug, or the consumption of such beverages or the use of such drug in or on U.S. National Arboretum property, is prohibited.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.8 Soliciting, vending, debt collection, and distribution of handbills.**

The soliciting of contributions, display or distribution of commercial advertising and the collection of private debts, is prohibited. This section does not apply to national or local drives for funds for welfare, health, and other purposes sponsored or approved by the Agricultural Research Service, concessions, or personal notices posted by employees on authorized bulletin boards. Distribution of material such as pamphlets, handbills, and flyers is prohibited without prior approval of the Director, U.S. National Arboretum.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.9 Photographs for news, advertising, or commercial purposes.**

Photographs for news purposes may be taken at the U.S. National Arboretum without prior permission. Photographs for advertising and commercial purposes may be taken, but only with the prior approval of the Director, U.S. National Arboretum and fees may be charged.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.10 Pets.**

Pets, except assistance trained animals, brought upon U.S. National Arboretum property must be kept on leash and have proper vaccinations. The abandonment of unwanted animals on USNA grounds is prohibited.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.11 Vehicular and pedestrian traffic.**

(a) Drivers of all vehicles in or on U.S. National Arboretum property shall drive in a careful and safe manner at all times and shall comply with the

signals and directions of the Security Staff and all posted traffic signs;

(b) The blocking of entrances, driveways, walks, loading platforms, or fire hydrants in or on U.S. National Arboretum property is prohibited;

(c) Except in emergencies, parking in or on U.S. National Arboretum property in other than designated areas is not allowed without a permit. Parking without authority, parking in unauthorized locations or in locations reserved for other persons, or contrary to the direction of posted signs is prohibited. This section may be supplemented from time to time, by the issuance and posting of specific traffic directives as may be required, and when so issued and posted such directives shall have the same force and effect as if incorporated in this part.

[61 FR 65302, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.12 Weapons and explosives.**

No person while in or on U.S. National Arboretum property shall carry firearms, other dangerous or deadly weapons, or explosives, either openly or concealed, except for official purposes.

[61 FR 65303, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.13 Nondiscrimination.**

There shall be no discrimination by segregation or otherwise against any person or persons because of race, religion, color, age, sex, disability or national origin, in furnishing, or by refusing to furnish to such person or persons the use of any facility of a public nature, including all services, privileges, accommodations, and activities provided thereby on U.S. National Arboretum property.

[61 FR 65303, Dec. 11, 1996]

**§ 500.14 Exceptions.**

The Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, may in individual cases make prior, written exceptions to the rules and regulations in this part if he determines it to be not adverse to the public interest.

**§ 500.15 Penalties and other law.**

Whoever shall be found guilty of violating the rules and regulations in this

part is subject to fine of not more than \$50 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days, or both (see 40 U.S.C. 318c). Nothing contained in the rules and regulations in this part shall be construed as abrogating or authorizing the abrogation of any other regulations or any Federal law or any laws and regulations of the District of Columbia which may be applicable.

**Subpart B—Fee Schedule for Certain Uses of National Arboretum Facilities and Grounds**

SOURCE: 62 FR 46432, Sept. 3, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 500.20 Scope.**

The subpart sets forth schedules of fees for temporary use by individuals or groups of United States National Arboretum (USNA) facilities and grounds for any purpose that is consistent with the mission of the USNA. This part also sets forth schedules of fees for the use of the USNA for commercial photography and cinematography. Fees generated will be used to offset costs of services or for the purposes of promoting the mission of the USNA. All rules and regulations noted in 7 CFR 500, subpart A—Conduct on the U.S. National Arboretum Property, will apply to individuals or groups granted approval to use the facilities and grounds for the purposes specified in this subpart.

**§ 500.21 Fee schedule for tram.**

The USNA provides tours of the USNA grounds in a 48-passenger tram (accommodating 2 wheelchairs) for a fee as follows: \$3.00 per adult; \$2.00 per senior citizen or Friend of the National Arboretum; \$1.00 per child ages 4 through 16. Children under 4 sharing a seat with an adult will not be charged.

**§ 500.22 Fee schedule for use of facilities and grounds.**

The USNA will charge a fee for temporary use by individuals or groups of USNA facilities and grounds. Facilities and grounds are available by reservation at the discretion of the USNA and may be available to individuals or groups whose purpose is consistent with the mission of the USNA. Agency initiatives may be granted first priority. Non profit organizations that substantially support the mission and purpose of the USNA may be exempted from the requirements of this part by the Director. Reservation requests should be made as far in advance of the need as possible to ensure consideration. The fees for use of USNA buildings listed in the following fee schedule are for times when the building is open. "Half Day" usage is defined as 4 hours or less; "Whole Day" is defined as more than 4 hours in a day. For after hours usage of such buildings, an additional \$25/hour will be added for supervision/security.

Area	Includes	Per day charge	
		Half day	Whole day
Auditorium .....	Basic audience-style set-up for 125 people or classroom set-up for 40–50 people. Includes microphone/lectern, screen, projection stand, (2) flip charts (no paper) and (2) trash cans. Also includes the use of the Kitchen space, Upstairs Conference Room, and Coat Room. Extra tables are \$10 each	N/A	\$250
Upstairs Conference Room.	(Only if Auditorium is not in use) ..... Includes use of telephone for local calls. Also includes the use of the Kitchen space and Coat Room.	\$50	100
Lobby .....	As is (with furniture in place) ..... Furniture removed .....	N/A	100 150
Classroom .....	Standard set-up with 40 chairs. Includes microphone/lectern, screen, projection stand, (2) flip charts (no paper) and trash can.	50	125
Classroom-Multiple	3 hour limit; 5 sessions .....		225
	3 hour limit; 10 sessions .....		450
Yoshimura Center Grounds—1–301 people.	For use from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekends only ..... No Public Invited—Patio, Meadow, Triangle, NY Avenue, etc. Cost includes scheduling time, extra mowing, and site preparation.. Guest organization responsible for everything related to their event, including portable toilets.	50 N/A	125 500
300–600 people ...	Same as above .....	N/A	750

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Area	Includes	Per day charge	
		Half day	Whole day
Grounds .....	Public Invited (i.e., show or sale)—Cost includes scheduling time, extra mowing, and site preparation. Guest organization responsible for everything related to their event, including portable toilets..	N/A	750
Damages. Damages to plants, grounds, facilities or equipment will be assessed on a value based on replacement cost (including labor) plus 10% (administrative fee)..	.....	.....	.....

**§ 500.23 Fee schedule for photography and cinematography on grounds.**

The USNA will charge a fee for the use of the facility or grounds for purposes of commercial photography or cinematography. Facilities and grounds are available for use for commercial photography or cinematography at the discretion of the USNA Director. Requests for use should be

made a minimum of two weeks in advance of the required date. In addition to the fees listed below, supervision costs of \$25.00 per hour will be charged. The USNA Director may waive fees for photography or cinematography conducted for the purpose of disseminating information to the public regarding the USNA and its mission or for the purpose of other noncommercial, First Amendment activity.

Category	Type	Notes	Per day charge	
			Half day	Whole day
Still Photography	Individual	For personal use only. Includes hand-held cameras, recorders, small non-commercial tripods. Includes all photography which uses professional photographer and/or involves receiving a fee for the use or production of the photography. Note: This includes 5 people or less with carry on (video) equipment. Set up sets; no filming performed. Sliding scale based on number of people in cast and crew and number of pieces of equipment. 45 people and 6 pieces of equipment=\$1,500. 200 people=\$3,900. Note: 5 people with carry on equipment=same as still photography.	No Charge	No Charge
	Commercial		\$250 plus Supervisor	\$500 plus Supervisor
Cinematography	Set Preparation	Sliding scale based on number of people in cast and crew and number of pieces of equipment. 45 people and 6 pieces of equipment=\$1,500. 200 people=\$3,900. Note: 5 people with carry on equipment=same as still photography.	N/A	\$250 plus Supervisor
	Filming			\$1,200 to \$3,900
Slide Production	Strike Set	Take down sets, remove equipment; no filming	N/A	\$250 plus Supervisor
	Music Videos	No sound involved; smaller operation. Providing USNA photos/slides for use in promotions/advertisements. Fee is for one-time rights.	N/A	\$1,000 plus Supervisor
Damages	All	Damages to plants, grounds, facilities or equipment will be assessed on a value based on replacement cost (including labor) plus 10% (administrative fee). Half Day=4 hours or less. Full Day=more than 4 hours.		\$100 per image to reproduce

**§ 500.24 Payment of fees.**

Payment for use of tram will be made by cash or money order (in U.S. funds) and is due at the time of ticket purchase. Fee payments for use of facilities or grounds or for photography and cinematography must be made in advance of services being rendered. These payments are to be made in the form of a check or money order. Checks and money orders are to be made payable, in U.S. funds, to the "U.S. National Arboretum." The National Arboretum will provide receipts to requestors for their records or billing purposes.

**PART 501—CONDUCT ON U.S.  
MEAT ANIMAL RESEARCH CENTER,  
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AUTHORITY: Secs. 2, 4, 62 Stat. 281; 40 U.S.C. 318(a), (c); sec. 103, 63 Stat. 380; 40 U.S.C. 753; sec. 205(d), 63 Stat. 389; 40 U.S.C. 486(d); 36 FR 1293 and 36 FR 21706.

SOURCE: 37 FR 2423, Feb. 1, 1972, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 501.1 General.**

The rules and regulations in this part apply to all property of or under the charge or control of the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center, Clay Center, Nebr. (hereinafter referred to as the Research Center), and to all persons entering in or on such property. The Administrator, General Services Administration, has delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture, with authority to redelegate, the authority to make

all the needful rules and regulations for the protection of the Research Center (36 FR 1293). The Secretary of Agriculture has delegated this authority to the Director of Science and Education (36 FR 21706) who in turn has delegated such authority to the Administrator, Agricultural Research Service (36 FR 21706). The rules and regulations in this part are issued pursuant to such delegations. It is the responsibility of occupant or cooperating agency to require observance of these rules and regulations.

**§ 501.2 Admission.**

Admission to the Research Center during "off duty" hours shall be restricted to the main arteries and any deviation therefrom by individuals shall be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign a register and display identification documents when requested by a guard or other authorized individuals. "Off duty" hours will be posted at the Research Center. Admission during "duty" hours when the Center is closed to the public in emergency situations will be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign a register and display identification documents when requested by a guard or other authorized individual.

**§ 501.3 Preservation of property.**

It is unlawful to willfully destroy, damage, or remove property or any part thereof. Hunting, fishing, motorcycling, using snowmobiles, and other disturbances or encroachment activities are prohibited except for official purposes.

**§ 501.4 Conformity with signs and emergency directions.**

Persons in and on property of the Research Center shall comply with official signs of a prohibitory or directory nature, and with the directions of authorized individuals.

**§ 501.5 Nuisances.**

The use of loud, abusive, or otherwise improper language, unwarranted loitering, sleeping, or assembly, the creation of any hazard to persons or things, improper disposal of rubbish, spitting, prurient prying, the commission of any

obscene or indecent act, or any other unseemly or disorderly conduct, throwing articles of any kind from a building, or climbing upon any part of a building is prohibited. Further, conduct which obstructs the usual use of entrances, foyers, corridors, offices, elevators, stairways and parking lots, or which otherwise tends to impede or disturb Center employees in the performance of their duties or which otherwise impedes the general public from obtaining the administrative services provided by the Research Center is prohibited.

**§501.6 Gambling.**

Participating in games for money or other personal property, or the operation of gambling devices, the conduct of a lottery or pool, or the selling or purchasing of numbers tickets, in or on Research Center property, is prohibited.

**§501.7 Intoxicating beverages and narcotics.**

Entering Research Center property or the operating of a motor vehicle thereon, by a person under the influence of intoxicating beverages or narcotic drug, hallucinogen, marijuana, barbiturate, or amphetamine (unless prescribed by a physician) or the consumption of such beverages, or the use of any such drug or substance in or on the Research Center property, is prohibited.

**§501.8 Soliciting, vending, debt collection, and distribution of handbills.**

The soliciting of alms and contributions, commercial soliciting and vending of all kinds, the display or distribution of commercial advertising, or the collecting of private debts, in or on Research Center property, is prohibited. This section does not apply to national or local drives for funds for welfare, health, and other purposes sponsored or approved by the Agricultural Research Service, concessions, or personal notices posted by employees on authorized bulletin boards. Distribution of material such as pamphlets, handbills, and flyers or the posting of materials on bulletin boards or elsewhere, is prohibited without prior approval of authorized individuals.

**§501.9 Photographs for news, advertising, or commercial purposes.**

Except where security regulations apply, or a Federal court order or rules prohibit it, photographs for news purposes may be taken in entrances, lobbies, foyers or auditoriums when used for public meetings without prior permission. Photographs for advertising and commercial purposes may be taken only with the prior written permission of the Director, Research Center. Photographs for news, advertising, or commercial purposes may be taken in space or areas occupied by a cooperator only with the consent of the cooperator concerned and the Director, Research Center.

**§501.10 Pets.**

Animals shall be brought or allowed, as applicable, upon the Research Center only with the prior written approval of the Director, Research Center, except seeing eye dogs may be brought to the reception area serving the offices of the Director, Research Center, without prior approval.

**§501.11 Mobile equipment and pedestrian traffic.**

(a) Drivers, operators, or pilots of all equipment whether or not motorized in or on Research Center property, or within the scope of Research Center activity, shall operate in a careful and safe manner at all times and shall comply with the signals and directions of guards, special policemen, or other authorized individuals, and all posted traffic signs;

(b) The blocking of entrances, driveways, walks, railways, runways, loading platforms, or fire hydrants in or on Research Center property is prohibited;

(c) Except in emergencies, parking or landing in or on Research Center property in other than designated areas is not allowed without a permit. Parking without authority, parking in unauthorized locations or in locations reserved for other persons, or parking continuously in excess of ten hours without permission, or contrary to the direction of posted signs is prohibited. This section may be supplemented from time to time by the issuance and posting of specific traffic directives as may be required, and when so issued

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and posted such directives shall have the same force and effect as if made a part hereof;

(d) The operation of unlicensed gasoline powered vehicles is prohibited.

§ 501.12 Weapons and explosives.

No person while in or on Research Center property shall carry firearms, bows and arrows, darts, other dangerous or deadly weapons, or explosives, either openly or concealed, except as officially authorized, for official purposes.

§ 501.13 Nondiscrimination.

There shall be no discrimination by segregation or otherwise against any person or persons because of race, sex, religion, color, or national origin, in furnishing, or by refusing to furnish to such person or persons the use of any facility of a public nature, including all service, privileges, accommodations, and activities provided thereby on Research Center property.

§ 501.14 Non-Federal law enforcement.

Research Center special policemen may be deputized by State or local law enforcement agencies to exercise police power on property outside the Research Center. With the consent of any State or local law enforcement agency, the facilities or services of such State or local law enforcement agency may be utilized by the Research Center.

§ 501.15 Exceptions.

The Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, may in individual cases make prior, written exceptions to the rules and regulations in this part if he determines it to be not adverse to the public interest.

§ 501.16 Penalties and other law.

Whoever shall be found guilty of violating the rules and regulations in this part where the United States has and exercises exclusive or concurrent legislative jurisdiction, is subject to fine of not more than \$50 or imprisonment or not more than 30 days, or both (see 40 U.S.C. 318c). Nothing contained in the rules, regulations, or penalties in this part shall be construed as abrogating or authorizing the abrogation of any other rules, regulations, penalties, or

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any Federal law, or any State and local laws and regulations which may be applicable.

PART 502—CONDUCT ON BELTSVILLE AGRICULTURE RESEARCH CENTER PROPERTY, BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND

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AUTHORITY: Secs. 2, 4, 62 Stat. 281; 40 U.S.C. 318 (a), (c); sec. 103, 63 Stat. 380; 40 U.S.C. 753; sec. 205(d), 63 Stat. 389; 40 U.S.C. 486(d); 36 FR 18440 and 60 FR 56392.

SOURCE: 37 FR 2424, Feb. 1, 1972, unless otherwise noted.

§ 502.1 General.

The rules and regulations in this part apply to the buildings and grounds of the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC), Beltsville, MD, and to any persons entering in or on such property. The Administrator, General Services Administration, has delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture, with authority to redelegate, the authority to make all the needful rules and regulations for the protection of the buildings, grounds, equipment, and experimental plants and animals of BARC (36 FR 18440). The Secretary of Agriculture has delegated this authority to the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics (60 FR 56392) who in turn has delegated such authority to the Administrator, Agricultural Research Service (60 FR 56392). The

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rules and regulations in this part are issued pursuant to such delegations.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.2 Admission.

Admission to BARC during "off duty" hours shall be restricted to the main arteries and any deviation therefrom by individuals shall be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign a register and display identification documents when requested by BARC Security or other authorized individual. "Off duty" hours will be posted at BARC. Admission during "duty" hours when BARC is closed to the public in emergency situations will be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign a register and display identification documents when requested by BARC Security or other authorized individual.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.3 Preservation of property.

It is unlawful to willfully destroy, damage, or remove property or any part thereof.

### § 502.4 Conformity with signs and emergency directions.

Persons in and on property of BARC shall comply with official signs of a prohibitory or directory nature, and with the directions of authorized individuals.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.5 Nuisances.

The use of loud, abusive or otherwise improper language, unwarranted loitering, sleeping, or assembly, the creating of any hazard to persons or things, improper disposal of rubbish, spitting, prurient prying, the commission of any obscene or indecent act, or any other unseemly or disorderly conduct, throwing articles of any kind from a building, or climbing upon any part of a building is prohibited. Further, conduct which obstructs the usual use of entrances, foyers, corridors, office elevators, stairways and parking lots, or which otherwise tends to impede or disturb BARC employees in the performance of their duties or which otherwise impedes the general public from ob-

taining the administrative services provided by BARC is prohibited.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.6 Hunting, fishing, camping, horseback riding.

The use of BARC grounds for any form of hunting, fishing, camping, or horseback riding is prohibited. Further, the use of these grounds for unauthorized picnicking is also prohibited.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.7 Gambling.

Participating in games for money or other personal property, or the operation of gambling devices, the conduct of a lottery or pool, or the selling or purchasing of numbers tickets, in or on BARC property, is prohibited.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.8 Intoxicating beverages and narcotics.

Entering BARC property or the operation of a motor vehicle thereon, by a person under the influence of intoxicating beverages or narcotic drug, hallucinogen, marihuana, barbiturate, or amphetamine (unless prescribed by a physician) or the consumption of such beverages, or the use of any such drug or substance in or on BARC property, is prohibited.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

### § 502.9 Soliciting, vending, debt collection, and distribution of handbills.

The soliciting of alms and contributions, commercial soliciting and vending of all kinds or the display or distribution of commercial advertising, or the collecting of private debts, in or on BARC property, is prohibited. This section does not apply to national or local drives for funds for welfare, health, and other purposes sponsored or approved by the Agricultural Research Service, concessions, or personal notices posted by employees on authorized bulletin boards. Distribution of material such as pamphlets, handbills, and flyers or the posting of materials on bulletin boards or elsewhere is prohibited without prior approval of the Director, Beltsville Area.

[61 FR 51211, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.10 Photographs by visitors or for news, advertising, or commercial purposes.**

Photographs may be taken by visitors or for news purposes without prior permission. Photographs for advertising and commercial purposes may be taken at BARC only with the prior written approval of the Director, Beltsville Area.

[61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.11 Pets.**

Pets, except assistance trained animals, brought upon BARC property must be kept on a leash and have proper vaccinations. Pets that are the property of employees residing on BARC must be up to date on their vaccinations, in accordance with State or local laws, and be kept on a leash or similarly restrained. The abandonment of unwanted animals on BARC grounds is prohibited.

[61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.12 Vehicular and pedestrian traffic.**

(a) Drivers of all vehicles whether or not motorized in or on BARC property shall drive in a careful and safe manner at all times and shall comply with the signals and directions of the security staff and all posted traffic signs;

(b) The blocking of entrances, driveways, walks, loading platforms, or fire hydrants in or on BARC property is prohibited;

(c) Except in emergencies, parking in or on BARC property in other than designated areas is not allowed without a permit. Parking without authority, parking in unauthorized locations or in locations reserved for other persons, or contrary to the direction of posted signs is prohibited. This section may be supplemented from time to time, by the issuance and posting of specific traffic directives as may be required, and when so issued and posted such directives shall have the same force and effect as if made a part hereof.

(d) The operation of unlicensed gasoline powered vehicles is prohibited.

[37 FR 2424, Feb. 1, 1972, as amended at 61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.13 Weapons and explosives.**

No person while in or on BARC property shall carry firearms, other dangerous or deadly weapons, or explosives, either openly or concealed, except as officially authorized for official purposes.

[61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.14 Nondiscrimination.**

There shall be no discrimination by segregation or otherwise against any person or persons because of race, religion, color, sex, age, disability or national origin, in furnishing, or by refusing to furnish to such person or persons the use of any facility of a public nature, including all services, privileges, accommodations, and activities provided thereby on BARC property.

[61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.15 Exceptions.**

The Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, may in individual cases, make prior, written exceptions to the rules and regulations in this part, if a determination is made that the exception is not adverse to the public interest.

[61 FR 51212, Oct. 1, 1996]

**§ 502.16 Penalties and other law.**

Whoever shall be found guilty of violating the rules and regulations in this part is subject to fine of not more than \$50 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days, or both (see 40 U.S.C. 318c). Nothing contained in the rules and regulations in this part shall be construed as abrogating or authorizing the abrogation of any other regulations or any Federal law or any laws and regulations of the State of Maryland.

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**PART 503—CONDUCT ON PLUM ISLAND ANIMAL DISEASE CENTER**

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AUTHORITY: Secs. 2, 4, 62 Stat. 281; 40 U.S.C. 318(a), (c); sec. 103, 63 Stat. 380; 40 U.S.C. 486(d); 38 FR 31165 and 38 FR 31166.

SOURCE: 39 FR 36563, Oct. 11, 1974, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 503.1 General.

The rules and regulations in this part cover the buildings, grounds, and vessels of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center (PIADC), United States Department of Agriculture, Orient Point, New York, and apply to all persons entering in or on such properties both on the mainland, Orient Point, New York, and on Plum Island. The Administrator, General Services Administration, has delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture authority to make all needful rules and regulations, and to annex to such rules and regulations such reasonable penalties (not to exceed those prescribed in 40 U.S.C. 318c) as will ensure their enforcement for the protection of persons and property at Plum Island, New York. The Secretary of Agriculture has redelegated this authority to the Assistant Secretary for Conservation, Research, and Education, who in turn has delegated it to the Administrator, Agricultural Research Service (38 FR 31166).

#### § 503.2 Admission.

No person will be admitted to PIADC, into animal holding areas, specified restricted areas, laboratory compounds, or into laboratories without having in his or her possession a specific approved pass or permit authorized by the Director, PIADC, to enter such areas. The pass must be presented at the request of the guard or other authorized PIADC safety representative.

#### § 503.3 Preservation of property.

The willful destruction, damage to or removal of property or any part thereof from the Government-owned buildings, grounds, and vessels in or on the PIADC is prohibited.

#### § 503.4 Conformity with Plum Island regulations.

Persons in and on PIADC shall at all times comply with official signs of a prohibitory or directory nature and with the directions of law enforcement or other authorized officials.

#### § 503.5 Nuisances.

The use of loud, abusive or otherwise improper language, unwarranted loitering, sleeping or assembly, the creation of any hazard to persons or things, improper disposal of rubbish, spitting, prurient prying, or the commission of any obscene or indecent act in or on the PIADC is prohibited.

#### § 503.6 Camping, boating, and fishing.

The use of PIADC as a recreational area for camping, boating, fishing, and picnicking is prohibited. The use of Plum Island beaches for unauthorized landings and sightseeing is prohibited.

#### § 503.7 Gambling.

Participating in games for money or other personal property, or the operation of gambling devices, the conduct of a lottery or pool, or the selling or purchasing of numbers tickets in or on the PIADC is prohibited.

#### § 503.8 Intoxicating beverages and narcotics.

Entering the PIADC or operating a motor vehicle thereon by a person under the influence of intoxicating beverages or narcotic drugs, or the consumption of such beverages or the use of such drugs in or on the PIADC, is prohibited.

#### § 503.9 Soliciting, vending, debt collection, and distribution of handbills.

The soliciting of alms and contributions, commercial soliciting and vending of all kinds, the display or distribution of commercial advertising, or the collecting of private debts, in or on PIADC is prohibited. This section does

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not apply to national or local drives for funds for welfare, health, and other purposes, sponsored or approved by the PIADC, or concessions or personal notices posted by employees on authorized bulletin boards. Unauthorized distribution of materials such as pamphlets, handbills, and flyers is prohibited.

**§ 503.10 Photographs for news, advertising, commercial purposes or for personal use.**

Photographs on the PIADC for news, advertising, commercial purposes, or personal use may be taken only with prior written permission of Director, PIADC.

**§ 503.11 Pets.**

No pets or animals of any kind may be brought to the PIADC.

**§ 503.12 Vehicular and pedestrian traffic.**

Drivers of all vehicles on the PIADC Government-owned parking areas in PIADC shall drive in a careful and safe manner at all times and shall comply with the signals and directions of guards and all posted traffic signs. Pedestrians will also observe specific safety directives as may be issued and posted from time to time by the Director, PIADC, or his authorized representative.

**§ 503.13 Weapons and explosives.**

No person while in or on the PIADC shall carry firearms or other dangerous or deadly weapons or explosives either openly or concealed, except when authorized to do so for official purposes by the Director, PIADC, or his authorized representative.

**§ 503.14 Nondiscrimination.**

There shall be no discrimination by segregation or otherwise against any person or persons because of race, religion, sex, color, or national origin in furnishing or refusing to furnish to such person or persons the use of any facility of a public nature, including all services, privileges, accommodations and activities provided by the PIADC.

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**§ 503.15 Exceptions.**

The Director, PIADC, may, in specific cases, make prior written exceptions to the rules and regulations in this part if he determines it to be in the best interest of the Government.

**§ 503.16 Penalties and other law.**

Whoever shall be found guilty of violating any rule or regulation in this part while in or on the PIADC is subject to a fine of not more than \$50 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days, or both. (See 40 U.S.C. 318c.) Nothing contained in these rules and regulations shall be construed to abrogate any other Federal laws or regulations, or any State and local laws and regulations, applicable to the PIADC.

**PART 504—USER FEES**

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AUTHORITY: 31 U.S.C. 9701.

SOURCE: 50 FR 5365, Feb. 8, 1985, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 504.1 General statement.**

This part sets forth fees to be charged for the deposit and distribution of microbial patent cultures. The fees set forth in this part are applicable to the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) Patent Culture Collection, Northern Regional Research Center, Peoria, Illinois.

**§ 504.2 Fees for deposit and requisition of microbial cultures.**

(a) Depositors of microbial cultures must pay a one-time \$500 user fee for each culture deposited on or after November 1, 1983.

(b) For cultures deposited on or after November 1, 1983, requesters must pay a \$20 user fee for each culture distributed. Cultures which were deposited on or after November 1, 1983 have an identification number greater than 15,722.

**§ 504.3 Payment of fees.**

(a) Payment of user fees must accompany a culture deposit or request.

(b) Payment shall be made by check, draft, or money order payable to USDA, National Finance Center.

**§ 504.4 Exemptions from user fee charges.**

(a) USDA laboratories and ARS co-operators designated by the Curator of the ARS Patent Culture Collection are exempt from fee assessments.

(b) The Curator of the ARS Patent Culture Collection is delegated the authority to approve and revoke exemptions from fee assessments.

**§ 504.5 Address.**

Deposits of and requests for microbial patent cultures should be directed to the Curator, ARS Patent Culture Collection, Northern Regional Research Center, USDA-ARS, 1815 N. University St., Peoria, Illinois 61604; (309) 685-4011.

**PART 510—PUBLIC INFORMATION**

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AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 301, 552; 7 CFR Part 1, Subpart A and Appendix A thereto.

SOURCE: 60 FR 66062, Dec. 21, 1995, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 510.1 General statement.**

This part is issued in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture in Part 1, Subpart A of this title and Appendix A thereto, implementing the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552). The Secretary's regulations, as implemented by the regulations in this part, govern the availability of records of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) to the public.

**§ 510.2 Public inspection, copying, and indexing.**

5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2) requires that certain materials be made available for public inspection and copying and that

a current index of these materials be published quarterly or otherwise be made available. Members of the public may request access to such materials maintained by ARS at the following office: Information Staff, ARS, USDA, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770; Telephone (301) 344-2207. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**§ 510.3 Requests for records.**

Requests for records of ARS under 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(3) shall be made in accordance with § 1.6 of this title and submitted to the FOIA Coordinator, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770; Telephone (301) 344-2207; Facsimile (301) 344-2325; TDD (301) 344-2435. The FOIA Coordinator is delegated authority to make determinations regarding such requests in accordance with § 1.3(a)(3) of this title.

**§ 510.4 Denials.**

If the FOIA Coordinator determines that a requested record is exempt from mandatory disclosure and that discretionary release would be improper, the FOIA Coordinator shall give written notice of denial in accordance with § 1.8(a) of this title.

**§ 510.5 Appeals.**

Any person whose request is denied shall have the right to appeal such denial. Appeals shall be made in accordance with § 1.6(e) of this title and should be addressed as follows: Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250.

**PART 520—PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT**

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AUTHORITY: National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et*

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*seq.*; E.O. 11514, 34 FR 4247, as amended by E.O. 11991, 42 FR 26927; E.O. 12144, 44 FR 11957; 5 U.S.C. 301; 40 CFR 1500-1508.

SOURCE: 51 FR 34191, Sept. 25, 1986, unless otherwise noted.

### § 520.1 General statement.

These procedures assure that research and other activities of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) comply with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and appropriate regulations implementing this Act. These procedures incorporate and supplement, and are not a substitute for, CEQ regulations under 40 CFR parts 1500-1508, and Department of Agriculture NEPA Policies and Procedures under 7 CFR part 1b. ARS conducts and supports research as authorized by legislation to support one of the USDA goals of assuring adequate supplies of high quality food and fiber. Information generated through such research often forms the basic data needed to assess the impact of a new technology upon the environment. Large scale projects simulating commercial practices are normally implemented in cooperation with other agencies of the Federal or State Governments.

### § 520.2 Definition.

*Control Agents* mean biological material or chemicals which are intended to enhance the production efficiency of an agricultural crop or animal such as through elimination of a pest.

### § 520.3 Policy.

(a) It is ARS policy to comply with the provisions of NEPA and related laws and policies.

(b) Environmental documents should be concise, written in plain language, and address the issues pertinent to the decision being made.

(c) Environmental documents may be substituted or combined with other reports which serve to facilitate decisionmaking.

(d) Costs of analyses and environmental documents are to be planned for during the budgetary process for the plan, program, or project. Special provisions for financing NEPA process activities which are unanticipated and

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extraordinary may be made in the Office of the Administrator of ARS.

(e) ARS personnel will cooperate with other agencies, States, contractors, or other entities proposing to undertake activities involving the ARS to assure that NEPA considerations are addressed early in the planning process to avoid delays and conflicts as required by 40 CFR 1501.2.

(f) For some activities, project participants outside ARS may be required to provide data and documentation. When an applicant or contractor prepares an environmental assessment (EA) or a contractor prepares an environmental impact statement (EIS), the activities shall be carried out according to 40 CFR 1506.5.

(g) Environmental documents, decision notices, and records of decision must be made available for review by the public. There shall be an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed in the environmental analysis process (40 CFR 1501.7).

(h) The concepts of tiering to eliminate repetitive discussions applicable to EIS's (40 CFR Part 1502) are also applicable to EA's.

(i) ARS personnel may adopt an existing EA or EIS when a proposed action is substantially the same as the action for which the existing EA or EIS was prepared (40 CFR 1506.3 (b)).

(j) ARS personnel may incorporate by reference any existing documents in order to reduce the bulk of an EA or EIS (40 CFR 1502.21).

(k) After prior consultation with the Council on Environmental Quality, ARS personnel may forego preparation of an EA or EIS in emergency situations (40 CFR 1506.11).

### § 520.4 Responsibilities.

(a) *Administrator.* The Administrator is responsible for environmental analysis and documentation required for compliance with the provisions of NEPA and related laws, policies, plans, programs, and projects. The ARS Assistant Administrator for Cooperative Interactions has been delegated responsibility for the establishment of procedures and coordination necessary to carry out the policies and provisions of NEPA.

(b) *Deputy Administrators and Area Directors.* The Deputy Administrators and Area Directors are responsible to the Administrator for assuring that ARS programs are in compliance with the policies and procedures of NEPA.

#### § 520.5 Categorical exclusions.

For the following categories of actions, the preparation of an EA or EIS is not required:

(a) *Department of Agriculture categorical exclusions (7 CFR 1b.3).*

(1) Policy development, planning and implementation which are related to routine activities such as personnel, organizational changes or similar administrative functions;

(2) Activities which deal solely with the functions of programs, such as program budget proposals, disbursement, transfer or reprogramming of funds;

(3) Inventories, research activities and studies, such as resource inventories and routine data collection when such actions are clearly limited in context and intensity;

(4) Educational and information programs and activities;

(5) Activities which are advisory and consultative to other agencies, public and private entities, and

(6) Activities related to trade representation and market development activities overseas.

(b) *ARS categorical exclusions.* ARS actions which, based on previous experience, have been found to have limited scope and intensity and produce little or no individual or cumulative impacts to the human environment. Some examples are:

(1) Repair, replacement of structural components or equipment, or other routine maintenance of facilities controlled in whole or in part by ARS;

(2) Research programs or projects of limited size and magnitude or with only short-term effects on the environment. Examples are:

(i) Research operations conducted within any laboratory, greenhouse or other contained facility where research practices and safeguards prevent environment impacts such as the release of hazardous materials into the environment;

(ii) Inventories, studies or other such activities that have limited context

and minimal intensity in terms of changes in the environment;

(iii) Testing outside of the laboratory, such as in small isolated field plots, which does not involve the use of control agents requiring containment or a special license or a permit from a regulatory agency.

(c) *Exceptions to categorical exclusions.* An environmental assessment shall be prepared for an activity which is normally within the purview of categorical exclusion if there are extraordinary circumstances which may cause such activity to have a significant environmental effect.

#### § 520.6 Preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA).

(a) *Actions requiring EA.* The following actions would normally require an EA:

(1) Programs, supported in the majority by ARS, which may assist in the transition of a particular technology from field evaluation stage to large-scale demonstration or simulated commercial phase;

(2) Field work having an impact on the local environment such as earth excavation, explosives, weather modifications, or other such techniques; and

(3) The testing outside the laboratory, such as small isolated field plots, of control agents which require containment precautions or either a special license or a permit from a regulatory agency.

(b) *Multiple agencies actions.* If more than one Federal agency participates in a program activity, the EA shall be prepared by the lead agency as provided in 40 CFR 1501.5.

(c) *Format and conclusion.* An EA can be in any format provided it covers in a logical and succinct fashion the information necessary for determining whether a proposed Federal action may have a significant environmental impact and thus warrant preparation of an EIS. The EA will contain the information required by 40 CFR 1508.9. This information will include brief discussions of the need for the project or other proposal, alternatives, environmental impacts of the proposed action and alternatives and a listing of agencies and persons consulted.

(d) *Decision notice.* Upon completion of an EA, the responsible official will consider the information it contains, decide whether an EIS is required or that no significant environmental impact will occur, and will document the decision and the reasons for it. The decision and the EA shall be available to the public in a manner appropriate to the situation. If there is a finding of no significant impact, the EA may be combined with the decision notice.

**§ 520.7 Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).**

(a) *Actions requiring EIS.* An EIS will normally be prepared for:

(1) Proposals for legislation which are determined to be a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment; or,

(2) Other major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. In the experience of ARS, an environmental impact statement shall normally be required in situations when a research project

has advanced beyond the laboratory and small plot testing to full scale field testing over a very large area and involving the introduction of control agents.

(b) *Notice of intent.* If the responsible official recommends the preparation of an EIS, then the public shall be apprised of the decision. This notice shall be prepared according to 40 CFR 1508.22.

(c) *Draft and final EIS.* The process of preparing the draft and final EIS, as well as the format, shall be according to 40 CFR parts 1502–1506.

(d) *Decisionmaking and implementation.* The responsible official may make a decision no sooner than thirty days after the notice of availability of the final EIS has been published in the FEDERAL REGISTER by the Environmental Protection Agency (40 CFR 1506.10). The decision will be documented in a Record of Decision required by 40 CFR 1502.2, and monitoring and mitigation activities will be implemented as required by 40 CFR 1505.3.