



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
NAVAL WEAPONS STATION EARLE  
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NWSEARLEINST 11015.1T  
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NAVAL WEAPONS STATION EARLE INSTRUCTION 11015.1T

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Weapons Station Earle

Subj: SALTWATER FISHING PROGRAM

Ref: (a) 16 U.S. Code § 670 et seq.  
(b) 32 C.F.R. Part 190  
(c) CNICINST 1710.3  
(d) NWS Earle Access Control Policy SEC02410  
(e) DoD 7000.14-R, Financial Management Regulation

Encl: (1) NWS Earle Saltwater Fishing Regulations  
(2) NWS Earle Authorized Saltwater Fishing Areas  
(3) NWS Earle Saltwater Fishing Permit Application

1. Purpose. To promulgate policy, procedures and regulations for recreational saltwater fishing at the Naval Weapons Station (NWS) Earle Pier Complex located in Leonardo, New Jersey.

2. Cancellation. NWSEARLEINST 11015.IS

3. Background. Reference (a) requires sustainable, multipurpose use of natural resources on naval installations. Such uses may include saltwater fishing and must conform to safety and security requirements. Due to security restrictions, the general public is not authorized to fish on NWS Earle. Reference (b) requires compliance with Federal and State fishing laws and prescribes licenses or registration as required. Fishing from NWS Earle's pier complex is authorized from 1 March to the second Friday in December of the same calendar year. The fishing season will be secured thereafter until the following March.

4. Policy

a. The following personnel are authorized to fish at the NWS Earle pier complex:

(1) Active Duty, Reserve and Retired military personnel.

(2) Department of Defense (DoD) civilian employees, NWS Earle personnel only.

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(3) Federal civilian employees who have retired from NWS Earle (Must have Retired Civilian Identification Card (ID)). Full-time government contractor employees assigned to NWS Earle as a primary job with restricted area access to the pier. Contractor employees will be allowed to fish after United States Citizenship is proven and passing of the vetting process.

(4) Crewmembers of visiting ships.

(5) Personnel with a valid Teslin ID.

(6) Patrons of Deer Run Lodging and Recreational Vehicle Park that meet the requirements of paragraph 4, section a.

(7) Spouses of Active Duty military personnel assigned to NWS Earle, who have completed the fishing application and have obtained a fishing badge.

b. An annual fee of \$50.00 will be charged for the privilege of fishing at NWS Earle's pier complex to offset associated Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Program costs per reference (c). Fee schedules will be published annually by the MWR Director. No fee will be imposed on Active Duty and Reserve military personnel or crewmembers of visiting ships.

c. An annual fishing badge shall entitle the bearer to escort immediate family (i.e. spouse, dependents, with or without a dependent ID card, grandchildren under 18, and loco parentis). Immediate family members do not need a separate badge, but do need valid ID to be identity proofed. Each authorized badge holder will be authorized one (1) guest in addition to their family members. The guests will be vetted and designated as guests for a one year period. All guests over 18 must pay the annual fee. Guests will only be allowed to fish at the NWS Earle pier complex with their sponsors. This guest policy applies to all badge holders.

d. Pets are not authorized on the pier at any time.

5. Procedures. The fishing program is governed by the following procedures along with enclosure (1), Saltwater Fishing Regulations, and enclosure (2), Authorized Saltwater Fishing Areas.

a. Issuance of Annual Fishing Badge. Applicants must submit for review and approval a completed fishing badge application enclosure (3) along with a government issued photo identification, proof of eligibility, and a current Saltwater Fishing Permit to the MWR Fishing Program Manager located at NWS Earle Mainside Building C-29. The application must be presented in person during normal working hours (0800-1330) Monday through Friday. Once approved, the application shall be submitted in person to the NWS Earle Visitor Control Center (VCC) located in Mainside Building C-68 for issuance of a photo fishing badge. The badges will only be issued during the hours of

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0830-1400, Monday through Friday at the Mainside VCC. Fishing permits are valid from 1 March of the calendar year to 0630 of the second Friday in December of the same calendar year.

Note: Crewmembers of ships berthed at NWS Earle are only required to have a valid ship identification card for authorization to fish at the pier complex (for the duration of ship's visit).

b. Issuance of Fishing Badge to customers of Deer Run Lodging and RV Park. Customers of Deer Run Lodging and the RV Park that meet the requirements of paragraph 4, section a will be afforded the privilege of accessing the pier complex and fishing, subject to completion of application and approval by the MWR Fishing Program Manager. Badge cost is \$5 per day.

c. Access

(1) A fishing badge entitles personnel listed in paragraph 4.a.(1) through 4.a.(7) to access the NWS Earle Waterfront in a vehicle and drive/park on the pier complex. All personnel onboard NWS Earle are subject to the applicable NWS Earle security requirements cited in reference (d). All personnel entering NWS Earle and the pier complex, 18 years and older, shall possess a valid state or government issued photo ID.

(2) Access to the pier complex for fishing will be regulated by vehicle count, with a maximum of 50 vehicles authorized on the pier complex at any given time. Access shall be on a "first come – first served" basis. No exceptions are authorized and those turned away shall not be entitled to any "front of the line" privileges for future consideration.

(3) Acceptance of a NWS Earle saltwater fishing badge constitutes consent to inspection at any time by NWS Earle Security for purposes of safety, security, and/or compliance with the statutes and regulations referenced in this instruction. Reference (d) regulates access to the installation.

d. Guests. Per paragraph 4c, authorizations notwithstanding, guests as defined herein are authorized to access the NWS Earle Waterfront and the pier complex while accompanied by their sponsor.

6. Restrictions. Access to NWS Earle shall be contingent on the Force Protection Condition (FPCON) posture of the installation. Fishing shall only be authorized under FPCON NORMAL and FPCON BRAVO, unless waived by the Commanding Officer. Fishing on pier 2, 3, and 4 is permitted only if no ships or railcars are on that pier. Specific fishing and vehicle access restrictions are cited in enclosures (1) and (2).

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7. Responsibilities

a. Executive Officer (XO). Will review and approve any exceptions to the instruction as appropriate to installation policy.

b. Security Officer

(1) Conduct vetting of all applicants within five working days of application receipt.

(2) Review and forward reports of fishing violations to the XO via the Chain of Command and MWR Director.

(3) Oversee the issuance of annual fishing badges to approved personnel and enforce access control per reference (d).

c. Port Operations Officer

(1) Ensure life safety equipment (e.g., life rings) are posted throughout the pier complex. The equipment shall be maintained in satisfactory condition and inventoried daily.

(2) Ensure waterfront conditions are routinely monitored and, in the event of unsafe fishing conditions (e.g., lightning, high wind/waves, etc.), close the pier complex to nonessential personnel when necessary.

d. Safety Officer

(1) Monitor compliance with fishing program safety regulations through regular coordination with the Fishing Program Manager and Security Department. Review accident/incident reports in connection with the program.

(2) Investigate all accidents/incidents at the pier complex in connection with the fishing program and provide appropriate corrective action recommendations to the Chain of Command.

(3) Review this instruction annually to affirm completeness and conformance with operational risk management. Recommend changes/additions/deletions as appropriate.

e. MWR Director

(1) Oversee management of the fishing program.

(2) Review and approve fishing badge applications.

(3) Promulgate the annual fee and fishing schedules not later than 1 March annually.

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(4) Vet guests as per form SECNAV 5512/1 April 2014 through base Pass and ID office.

(5) Review this instruction annually.

f. MWR Fishing Program Manager

(1) Issue a copy of the Fishing Program Instruction to each fisherman.

(2) Ensure all funds are collected and processed per MWR cash handling procedures and references (c) and (e).

(3) Maintain a spreadsheet of fishing badges issued by category.

g. Environmental Manager

(1) Maintain liaison with New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) wildlife biologists, U.S. Fish and Wildlife personnel, and conservation officers.

(2) Provide policy guidance and recommendations to the command for the management of fish and wildlife resources.

h. Fishermen

(1) Obtain Federal and/or State saltwater fishing licenses or registration required by regulations.

(2) Abide by all Federal and State regulations, as well as the procedures and regulations of this instruction.

(3) Conduct all fishing activities in a safe manner. The sponsor is responsible for the compliance, conduct and safety of guests. All fishermen will wear orange or yellow vests with reflective properties, from one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour after sunrise. Children under 10 years of age shall wear a USCG approved personal floatation device (life jacket or vest). All safety products must be in serviceable condition.

(4) Log in upon arrival at the pier complex entry control point and account for all guests; log out at departure.

(5) Suspected violations of Federal or New Jersey statutes and regulations shall be reported to Security at (732) 866-2291.



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8. Enforcement

a. The NWS Earle Security Department can be contacted at (732) 866-2291. Security personnel are located in Building R-37 on Pier 3 or in Mainside Security (Building C-34).

b. The privilege to fish at NWS Earle may be revoked at any time for violation of procedures or regulations prescribed herein. Specific violations which will result in immediate termination of privileges and expulsion from NWS Earle include:

(1) Smoking or an open flame beyond designated smoking areas.

(2) The introduction of portable heaters or propane tank to the pier complex.

(3) Public intoxication or possession and/or consumption of alcohol. Not using portable bathrooms provided.

(4) No fisherman shall have more than three rods in use at one time and shall position the rods no more than 6 feet apart.

(5) Failure to use designated safety equipment. Saltwater fishing incidents involving personal injury or property damage, especially those with potential to result in claims for or against the Government, shall be investigated and adjudicated per reference (c). Initial reports of personal injury or property damage shall be made by the most expeditious means available to Security at (732) 866-2291.

9. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, must be managed per Secretary of the Navy Manual 5210.1 of January 2012.



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NAVAL WEAPONS STATION EARLE SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS

The following regulations pertain to all authorized patrons and guests, herein collectively referred to as fishermen, regardless if guests are actually fishing. Violation of any regulation may be grounds for immediate termination of fishing privileges and expulsion from Naval Weapons Station (NWS) Earle.

1. Authorized Fishing Season. The authorized fishing season is from 1 March of the calendar year to 0630 of the second Friday in December of the same calendar year.

2. Authorized Fishing Hours

Monday: 1630 to 2200  
Tuesday: 1630 to 2200  
Wednesday: 1630 to 2200  
Thursday: 1630 to 2200  
Friday: 1630 to Midnight on Sunday  
Holidays: 0630 to 2200

3. Restricted Fishing Conditions. Fishing is prohibited 0630-1630 Monday through Friday and when:

a. Any ordnance operation is conducted at the pier complex as indicated by the flying of a red "BRAVO" flag.

b. Fishing will be secured when the installation is in any FPCON measure above BRAVO, unless specifically waived by the Commanding Officer.

c. Fishing is prohibited from any NWS Earle water craft.

d. Fishing will be secured from the second Friday in December through the last day of February.

4. Authorized Fishing Areas. Trestle 1A, old trestle 2, and pier "wye,".

Note: Crewmembers are authorized to fish from any visiting ship, subject to ship's policy, provided the ship is not encircled with an oil containment boom.

5. Prohibited Fishing Areas

a. Fishing on pier 2, 3, and 4 is permitted only if no ships or railcars are on that pier.

b. All ladder ways, pilings and walkways under the piers.

c. All piping running along main deck of trestle 1A.

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d. Between light posts #8 and #13 on trestle 1 or where the Baykeeper Oyster Project is marked.

6. Pier Complex Access

a. Vehicles must have a badged fisherman embarked and the sponsor must present his/her fishing badge to gain entry to the pier. Exception - Spouses of Active Duty military personnel assigned to NWS Earle, who have completed the fishing application and have obtained a fishing badge.

b. Guest vehicles are not allowed on the pier complex in addition to the vehicle occupied by the sponsor.

c. No "recreational vehicles" are allowed on the pier complex.

d. All fishermen are required to log in/out at the Pier Security Post upon arrival/ departure, to include all guests.

e. The issued fishing badge shall be prominently worn by authorized fishermen at all times while on the pier complex.

7. Safety

a. All fishermen ten years of age and younger shall wear a Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device and be under the constant supervision of their adult sponsor.

b. All fishermen shall wear either a fluorescent or reflective vest from one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour after sunrise to enhance their visibility on the pier.

c. No fires, open flames or portable heaters are permitted.

d. Propane tanks are not authorized on the NWS Earle Waterfront or pier complex.

e. Smoking is prohibited at the NWS Earle Waterfront and pier complex.  
Exception: Designated smoking area is located at building S-454.

f. Parking is authorized at the "wye," and trestle 1A. These are exceptions to the base traffic safety and parking instruction for the purpose of fishing. Vehicles are not authorized on old trestles 1 and 2, or on pier 1.

g. Vehicles shall be parked facing inshore with the engine off, doors unlocked, and keys in the ignition.



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- h. All traffic lanes on the pier complex shall be kept clear of any/all obstructions (no parked vehicles, chairs, coolers, fishing gear, etc.).
- i. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited. Urination on the pier is prohibited. A portable bathroom is provided and located in the vicinity of the wye.

Note: If caught urinating on or off the pier, fishing privileges will be revoked for the remainder of the year.

- j. In the event of fire or other emergency, all fishermen shall depart the pier complex in an orderly manner and as directed.

8. Fish bag and size limits are in accordance with State of New Jersey fishing regulations and will be strictly enforced by Fish and Wildlife personnel. Any violation of these regulations may result in immediate expulsion from NWS Earle and a permanent loss of fishing privileges.

9. Housekeeping

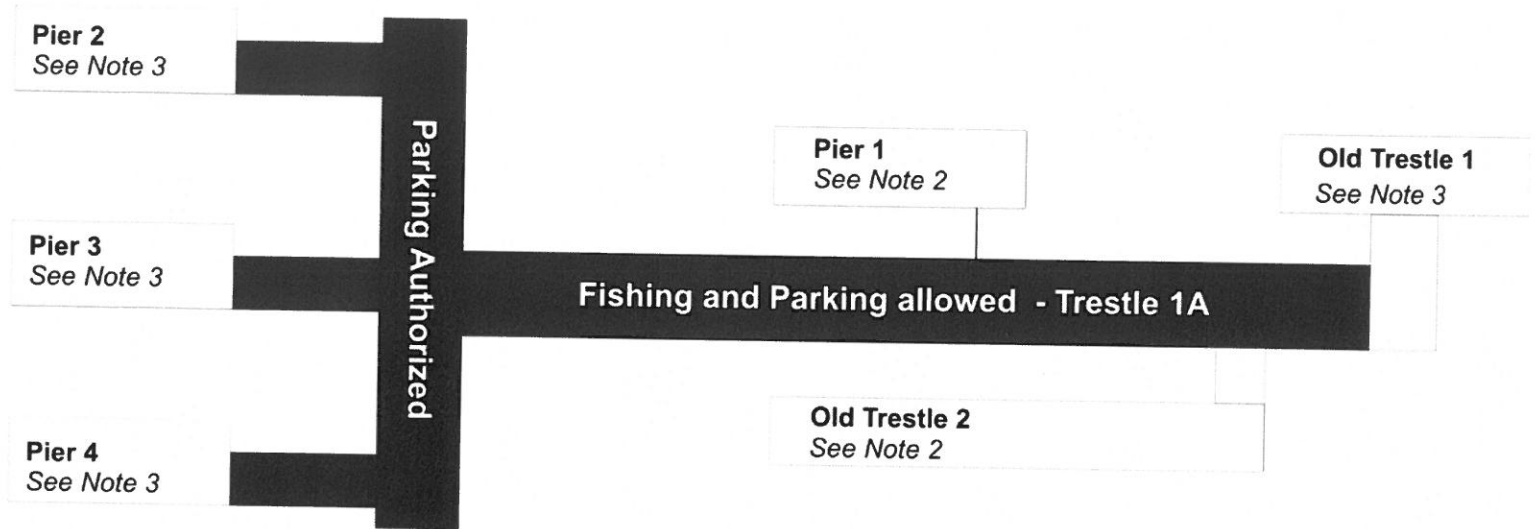
- a. A table for cleaning fish, equipped with running water, is located at the pier "wye" behind building S-455. Table clean-up is the responsibility of all users immediately following each use. Fish carcasses or bait shall not be left on the pier, or placed in a trash can.

Note: Failure to cleanup thoroughly will be reason to revoke fishing privileges for the remainder of the year.

- b. All fishermen are responsible for the cleanup of respective fishing areas prior to departing the pier complex. Everything brought to the pier complex (e.g., trash, fishing line, tackle, etc.) shall be removed; waste/trash may be placed in an appropriate recycling or trash receptacle prior to departure.

10. Authority. Command Leadership, including the Security Director, Port Operations Officer, Command Duty Officer, and/or the Security Watch Commander may secure fishing throughout the pier complex at any time.

# Authorized Fishing Areas

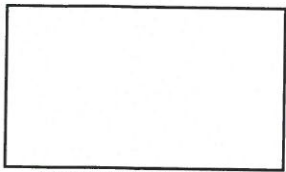


**Note 1:** See exception for Ship's crew.

**Note 2:** Vehicles are prohibited on piers 1,2 and Old Trestles 1 and 2.

**Note 3:** Vehicles are prohibited.

**Due to scientific study in progress, fishing is prohibited between trestle light posts #8 to #13.**



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### 2021 SALTWATER FISHING PERMIT APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\* DOB and SS# will be required for vetting with Security

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

#### ELIGIBILITY STATUS

(Circle One)

ACTIVE DUTY      Earle DOD    MIL RETIREE      EARLE DOD RETIREE      FT GOV CONTRACTOR-Earle

100% DAV      DEER RUN CUSTOMER - Unit# \_\_\_\_\_      RV

SALTWATER RECREATIONAL REGISTRY PROGRAM # \_\_\_\_\_ (Required)      www.nj.gov/dep/saltwaterregistry/

#### USER FEE SELECTION

OTHER THAN DIRECT FAMILY MEMBERS (SPOUSE, CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18) - ONE GUEST PER YEAR

\_\_\_\_\_ USER PERMIT (\$50.00)      \_\_\_\_\_ Guest - \$50

TOTAL DUE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

VETTING:    CLEARED    DENIAL

AUTHORIZED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE BEEN ISSUED A COPY OF THE NWS EARLE FISHING PROGRAM REGULATIONS. I HAVE READ IT AND UNDERSTAND IT. I WILL COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS WHILE FISHING AT NWS EARLE. I ATTEST THAT I HAVE FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE RISKS AND DANGERS INVOLVED IN FISHING AND HEREBY RELIEVE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF ALL LIABILITY FOR LOSS, DAMAGE, PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH SUSTAINED THEREIN WHILE ON BOARD NWS EARLE, NJ. I AGREE THAT THIS RELEASE NOT ONLY BINDS ME BUT ALSO MY FAMILY, HEIRS, ASSIGNS, ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Privacy Act Statement - Badge and Access Control System

Authority: 5 U.S.C.301, Departmental Regulations, OPNAVINST 5530.14E and I.O.9397 (SSN)

Principal Purpose: To maintain all aspects of proper access control, to issue badges; to maintain visitor statistics; and collect information to adjudicate access

Routine Use: The "Blanket Routine Uses" that apply to Department of the Navy systems of records, see SECNAVINST 5211.5D, enclosure (9)

Disclosure: Voluntary, however, failure to provide information may result in denial of access into the installation.