

Vehicle Policy & Regulations

What is the policy regarding rental vehicles?

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Upon entry you must present a valid operator's license, valid proof of liability insurance and a copy of the rental agreement.

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We are just visiting the area. Can we take tour of the base?

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Yes. Vehicle passes to the Visitor's Center are issued at the gate. However, you must have a valid driver's license, vehicle registration and insurance documentation. Also, your vehicles

A: are subject to inspection.

Is visitor parking available?

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On and off street parking spaces will be used on a first come, first served basis. The parking lot adjacent to Peatross Parade Deck is the main visitor parking area.

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No person shall stop, stand, or park a motor vehicle, except when necessary to avoid interference with other traffic, in compliance with law or the direction of a military policeman or traffic control device or when otherwise authorized, in any of the following places:

No person shall park a vehicle or permit it to stand, attended or unattended, upon a roadway in front of a private driveway or within 15 feet in either direction of a fire hydrant or the entrance to a fire station, nor within 25 feet from the intersection of curb lines or if none, within 25 feet of the intersection of property lines at an intersection of highways.

At any curb which is painted yellow.

On the hard surface of any paved road or area except where marked parking lanes or parking signs indicate that parking is permitted. The driver shall not drive to the left side of the roadway and park unless the road is designated for one-way traffic.

Within an intersection or on a crosswalk.
On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of the curb of a road.
Within fire lanes.
Upon a landing field or site except on official business.
Within 50 feet of the rear loading ramp of any dining facility.
Upon any bridge or in any moving lane of traffic.
Except for emergency stops, parking is prohibited on either side of the causeway from the main gate to Depot Maintenance, building 450.
Parking on the grass or seeded area is prohibited and no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle, whether attended or unattended, except when directed by military police.

Q: Is handicap parking available?

A: Yes. Parking designated for vehicles bearing handicap decals, plates, or placards is available.

Q: What is the policy for recreational vehicles, trailers, and motorcycles?

A: The Peatross Parade Deck parking lot does have parking designated for recreational vehicles; however, there are no hook ups or accommodations available for designated over night parking on the Depot.

Motorcycles

No person shall operate a motorcycle upon any road on the Depot not equipped to meet the mechanical and safety requirements of the state of South Carolina.

Motorcycle operators and passengers will wear the following personal protective equipment and clothing: Snell Institute (SNELL) approved motorcycle helmet is required to be properly worn for all motorcycle operators and passengers on the Depot, and all military personnel off the Depot.

Eye Protection. Eye protection will consist of goggles or a face shield attached to the helmet.

Footwear. Boots or shoes are required and should be constructed of leather or other sturdy material with non-skid soles. Athletic, recreational, sandals, and open-toe shoes are not considered adequate footwear.

Clothing. Clothing must cover the upper torso and legs and conform with Depot

clothing regulations.

High visibility vests (international orange; reflective silver; bright green or yellow) that cover the upper torso shall be worn by all motorcycle operators and passengers on the Depot, and all military personnel off the Depot while in uniform. When civilian attire is worn, and approved, high visibility jacket or other approved upper torso garment may be worn in lieu of the vest.

What is the policy for dogs?

Q:

Pets will not be permitted to run free. When not penned, pets will be leashed or under the positive control of their owner or a responsible representative of the owner. Positive control means that the pet must be under the immediate physical control or voice command of its

A: owner or the owner's representative and that the owner or their representative is in the vicinity of the animal.

Except for guide dogs or other handicapped assistance animals, pets are not permitted at any military ceremony, in the medical or dental clinic, barracks, BOQ, temporary lodging facility, officer's guest house, club facilities, exchange activities, other public facilities or any place where food is sold, stored, prepared or served.

Are the traffic laws on the base different from the S.C. state laws?

Q:

Not substantially. However, vehicle drivers aboard the Depot must observe posted speed limits and parking restrictions. The use of a cell phone while driving is strictly prohibited. Also,

A: all vehicles aboard the Depot are subject to search.

My vehicle already has a military installation decal. Do I still need a vehicle pass?

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All motor vehicles bearing a valid DOD decal with an installation tab from other military posts or stations shall be granted access without restriction.

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What is the vehicle pass policy for retired or former Marines and other service members?

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A: Active duty military personnel, depot civilian employees, retired and former military personnel, survivors of deceased active duty and retired military members, and bona fide dependents whose military sponsors are assigned elsewhere may be issued a temporary pass valid for up to 30 days.