

# INFORMATION PAPER

## Dog Mushing on JBER Richardson 2011-2012 Season

1. All Chugiak dog Musers and passengers/guests must obtain and carry a current recreational access permit and photo ID while recreating on Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER) land. Contact the Main Gate Visitor Center at, 384-0296, or 384-2916 to obtain your permit.
2. Before recreating on JBER you must properly check into, and when finished, checkout of, the recreational access system. If the automated system is not working you must check in/out at the main gate. Individuals may not enter any of the areas indicated as closed (or not specifically mentioned as being open) by the recreational access system or any other closed area, as indicated by placard, blockade, verbal warning, red flag, or other means of communication. Under no circumstances will anyone move into or through a closed area.
3. Range Control determines which training areas will be open to recreation and provides this information to the Police Desk, and to the recreational access system. Any questions regarding open/closed training areas not covered in the recreational access system should be directed to Conservation Enforcement (552-9453), Range Control (384-6232), or the Police Desk (552-3421).
4. Training areas are closed to all recreational activities from 2300 to 0600 hours.
5. No new trails or modifications to existing trails may be made without prior approval. Existing trails may be maintained in the winter with traditional trail grooming equipment towed by ORV's with GVWR 1500 lbs. or less (Snowmobile/ATV). No tree/wood cutting is allowed except for the clearing of deadfall blocking existing trails.
6. Mushing is authorized on established, agreed upon trails north of Eagle River only.
7. Mushing is prohibited on maintained/plowed roadways.
8. Firearms may be carried but cannot be concealed and must be registered with JBER. Registration can be accomplished at the JBER Richardson Main Gate Visitor Center on Arctic Valley Road. You need not bring the firearm to the Visitor Center; however bring the make, model, serial number, and caliber.

9. All incidents involving the killing or wounding of any wild animal on JBER land, whether in defense of life or property (as defined by the State), or as a result of an accident, will be reported immediately to the Police Desk or Conservation Enforcement.
10. Off-Road Recreational Vehicles (ATV/Snowmobiles) 1500 lbs. or less will be operated in compliance with the State of Alaska laws addressing registration, safety equipment and pollution. Any operation of ORV's on JBER that damages the surface soil layer, or creates ruts or erosion is prohibited.
11. All personnel operating or riding upon ORV's are required to wear a DOT, ANSI, or Snell Memorial Foundation certified helmet, impact or shatter resistant goggles or full face shield properly attached to the helmet, sturdy leather boots or over the ankle shoes, full fingered gloves, long trousers, long sleeved shirt or jacket. A high visibility brightly colored outer upper garment during the day and retro-reflective for night. No person under 16 years of age will operate an ORV, unless under the direct and visual supervision of their parent(s) or an adult 21 years of age or older, who is currently authorized to recreate on JBER.
12. The Chugiak Dog Musers are responsible for maintaining the Kiosk at the entry to the trail system and ensuring relevant and up to date information is available to all club trail users.
13. At Force Protection Condition B, all non-mission essential activity (outdoor recreation) is discontinued. Recreational users physically on the training lands at the time that FPCON C is declared will be contacted by Military Police/Security Forces personnel and asked to immediately exit the training lands or the installation as the situation dictates.
14. Liability. The U.S. Government shall not be liable for any damage or injury to equipment, persons, or property, resulting from the use or participation in any recreational activity on JBER land. Anyone who engages in recreational activities, do so completely at their own risk. Recreational users are financially liable for any damage to government or private property resulting from their activity.
15. If you have any questions please contact Conservation Enforcement at 552-9453 or 552-8609.

