



Fort Huachuca Gate Access Information

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Gate Hours – The Van Deman Gate and Visitor Control Center is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Commercial or enclosed large vehicles must enter through the Van Deman Gate for inspection and to request an access badge. The Buffalo Soldier Gate (BST) is open to vehicles/pedestrians/bicyclist inbound/outbound 7 days a week, 0500-2100. The West Gate is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Access to the West Gate is for residents who reside in the immediate vicinity who have access badges and a proximity card and for DoD ID card holders. Anyone can exit the West Gate at any time of the day.

Visitor Control Center (VCC) – Person(s)/Visitors who do not have a DoD ID Card, 18 years and older, are required to have a background (NCIC III) check and issued an installation access badge to enter the installation. Thirty day access badges are issued to out of area residents and contractors without sponsors. One year access badges are issued to Cochise County, Arizona residents with an Arizona driver's license (the license must have a physical address) or anyone officially sponsored (see Sponsorship below). This badge is only for access onto the installation and, upon request, presented to installation law enforcement personnel. The access badge is not to be used for any other purpose, or as a form of identification.

NCIC III - The Army's baseline background check for entrance onto Army installations for Non-Common Access Card (CAC) or Non-DoD card holders. Upon successful completion of a background check the individual(s) will be issued a Fort Huachuca Installation Access Badge.

Denials - The Installation Commander will, in the absence of an approved waiver, deny uncleared contractors, subcontractors, and visitor's unescorted access to the installation based on results of an NCIC III check that contains credible derogatory information indicating the individual may present a threat to good order, discipline, or health and safety of the installation. For those person(s) denied access, upon request, they will be given a denial access waiver form to be completed and returned to the VCC. The denial waiver committee will review the packet and determine suitability for access to the installation. A list of the 11 disqualifying factors are located on the Fort Huachuca Homepage, Gate Information, and About Background Checks.

Sponsorship – Only Active Duty Service Members and their family members, DoD Retirees, Active Army Federal Employees with a DoD ID Card or Official Army Units or Organizations may sponsor a cleared (NCIC III vetted) guest for one year. Retired Army Federal employees may sponsor their legal spouse for one year.

Escorts – Only U.S. State Department vetted foreign nationals are approved for unescorted access. All other foreign nationals must be escorted by a DoD Active Duty or Active DA Civilian. Retirees and family members may escort foreign nationals **only** when approved by the Directorate of Emergency Services. Aside from an approved request, retirees, family members, and contractors are not authorized to escort foreign nationals on the installation.

Lost Access Badge - If an Installation Access Badge is lost or damaged the individual will report to the VCC, complete a lost Installation access badge form, re-vetted and re-issued an installation access badge. If the same individual loses a badge for a second time the individual must report to the VCC and complete a Denial Waiver form. The Denial Waiver Committee will determine if another badge will be issued.

All vehicle(s) entering the installation are subject to search by law enforcement or gate access personnel. This search may include the use of a Military Working Dog.

Only hands-free communication devices are authorized while operating a vehicle on Fort Huachuca. All access information is on the Fort Huachuca Homepage, www.huachuca.army.mil, Gate Information.

**The point of contact is the Directorate of Emergency Services, Physical Security Division
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