



Fort Huachuca Access Information

(Updated as of September 25, 2017)



Gate Hours –

Van Deman Gate and Visitor Control Center (VCC) is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Commercial or oversize vehicles must enter through the Van Deman Gate for inspection and to request an access badge. All personnel without a Fort Huachuca Access Badge or DoD identification card will enter at the Van Deman Gate and proceed to the VCC to request an access badge.

Buffalo Soldier Gate is open to vehicles/pedestrians/bicyclist inbound/outbound 7 days a week, 0500-2100. Only Fort Huachuca Access Badges and DoD Identification cards are accepted at the Buffalo Soldier Gate. Privately owned weapons registration and tax exemption for Arizona vehicle registration is Monday through Friday, 0800-1500 except weekends and holidays.

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 or night.

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, 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.

**The point of contact is the Directorate of Emergency Services, Physical Security Division
520-533-2447/8423**



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Weapons Registration and Arizona Vehicle Tax Exemption (In-Lieu Tax) -

Request for weapons registration and Arizona vehicle registration tax exemption (in-lieu tax) will be processed at the Buffalo Soldier Gate on Monday through Friday, 0800-1500 except weekends and holidays.

Tax exemption for Arizona vehicle registration is afforded to active duty service members assigned in Arizona who are NOT Arizona residents and Arizona resident service members who are 100% disabled. Service members requesting vehicle tax exemption will need the following documents to obtain an exemption:

- FH Form 190-6-R-E (Privately Owned Weapons Authorization Form)
- Current end of month Leave and Earnings Statement (LES)
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) printed on the registration, title or sales agreement
- Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders assigning the service member to an assignment in Arizona
- Power of Attorney (POA) if spouse or family member is acting upon the service members behalf.

Weapons registration - All privately owned weapons stored on or transited through Fort Huachuca must be registered with the Fort Huachuca Military Police.

- Please do not bring the weapon to the Buffalo Soldier Gate
- FH Form 190-6-R-E for the weapons requesting registration or complete the form at the Buffalo Soldier Gate.
- Active duty personnel must have Commanders authorization and signature to register weapons stored on Fort Huachuca
- Weapons cannot be transported on Fort Huachuca in a loaded condition, must be transported separate from ammunition and in a locked container or trunk, separate from the passenger compartment, and cannot be stored in a vehicle or other location outside an approved residence or unit arms room.

////////////////////////////////////ROAD CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION////////////////////////////////////

On or about October 4, 2017, the ADOT (Arizona Department of Transportation) will begin a one year road improvement project at the intersection of Hatfield Street and Buffalo Soldier on State Route (SR) 90. Improvements include:

- Widen pavement to add a second northbound (NB) to westbound (WB) and southbound (SB) to eastbound (EB) left turn lane
- Convert the WB to NB and EB to SB right turn lanes to free flow movements
- Provide pavement rehabilitation for the existing pavement and improve shoulder widths
- Reconstruct paths, sidewalks and ramps to meet American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Replace the traffic signal system and provide new signing

According to ADOT there will be intermittent timeframes when SR 90 may be closed. This will reroute traffic onto Fry Boulevard, thereby increasing inbound Fort Huachuca traffic through the Buffalo Soldier Gate. DES will work with ADOT to minimize impacts to traffic entering and exiting Fort Huachuca. The Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office and DES will provide project updates, road closure, and gate access information as soon as it becomes available. Please drive safely and be patient as the project may increase wait times to enter the installation.

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All vehicle(s) entering the installation are subject to search by law enforcement or Gate Access personnel. The 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.

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