



**U.S.  
FORCES**



# **SPORT SHOOTING HANDBOOK**

## **Responsibilities**

**For sport shooters of the U.S. Forces and  
other authorized shooters within the Area of  
Responsibility of the Hunting,  
Fishing and Sport Shooting Clubs  
(former Rod & Gun Clubs)  
within the Federal Republic of Germany**

## **Description of Responsibilities (Summary)**

### **Sport Shooter**

Sport shooters are obliged to comply with the pertinent statutory regulations, the military regulations and the rules of the sport shooting association.

The sport shooter must submit the following documents in order to apply for issuance of a permit pursuant to the Weapons Law:

- a. Authorization to Conduct Background Investigation (FBI check) (AE Form 190-6D, Part A)
- b. Application for Issuance of a Permit Pursuant to the Weapons Law (WaffG), (AE Form 190-6D, Part B)
- c. Commander's Statement of Reliability (AE Form 190-6H(a) for Soldiers, Airmen, and/or Civilian Employees or AE Form 190-6H(b) for Family Members of US Forces personnel).
- d. Certificate of Examination Regarding Technical Knowledge (AE Form 190-6K)
- e. Certificate of Need (AE Form 190-6L)
- f. Shooting Book (proof of active participation in sport shooting for more than one year)
- g. Weapons possession card (if any)
- h. Weapons bill of sale (or other proof of ownership)

### **Commander (Garrison, Base, or applicant's Unit Commander)**

Signs commander's statement of reliability, AE Form 190-6H(a) for Soldiers, Airmen, and Civilians, or AE Form 190-6H(b) for family members of US Forces personnel.

### **Deputy Commander (Garrison or Base)**

Approves installation-level standard operating procedures for recreational sport shooting on military ranges within their area of responsibility.

### **Schützenmeister**

These individuals are experienced sport shooters who are trained and certified by the association level (see below). Upon gaining certification, these individuals become eligible to oversee garrison and base level sport shooting training and competition events. In addition, these individuals become eligible to assist the association level in practical knowledge presentations and testing for entry level sport shooters.

### **Hunting, Fishing & Sport Shooting Program Manager (former Rod & Gun)**

The sport shooting program manager, as an employee or volunteer within the garrison or base outdoor recreation program, trains entry-level sport shooters, signs the shooting log book (individual entries) and certificates of need (AE Form 190-6L) for individual sport shooters. The manager coordinates with the IMCOM Europe Region program manager for practical knowledge training and testing.

### **Sport Shooting Association Level**

Within IMCOM Europe Region, the association level is represented by individuals on the Europe Region staff, as identified in part 2 (administrative control procedures and program responsibilities) of this handbook.

- a. In coordination with certified “Schützenmeister” instructors, conducts practical knowledge training and testing sport shooters at garrisons and bases throughout Germany.
- b. Reviews sport shooters applications for weapons possession cards (WBK) or acquisition of additional weapons and reviews and signs Certificate of Need (AE Form 190-6L) as second instance in addition to the sport shooting program manager.

### **HQ, USAREUR Vehicle Registration / Weapons Section**

- a. Transmits the application “Authorization to Conduct Background Investigation” to the FBI to do the check (AE Form 190-6D, Part A).
- b. Reviews sport shooters’ applications and transmits them to the Federal Administration Office (BVA) for processing. In addition, this agency registers all firearms in the US Forces Registry.

### **German Federal Administration Office (BVA)**

Reviews sport shooters’ applications and issues weapons possession cards (WBK) or changes weapons possession cards.