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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

ANFB-ELE-E (25-30xx)  
USAGFB Policy Letter #200-15-02

15 October 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Use of Metal Detectors

(Expires 14 October 2005)

1. Applicability. This policy applies to all military and civilian personnel of the United States Army Garrison, Fort Belvoir, and to all installation residents and non-residents.
2. Proponent. Directorate of Installation Support, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, (703) 806-4007.
3. In order to protect discovered and undiscovered archaeological resources, the use of metal detecting equipment is prohibited on Fort Belvoir property. Several federal laws and Army Regulations (AR), such as the Archaeological Resources Protection Act, the Antiquities Act of 1906, the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and AR 200-4, Cultural Resources Management, protect historic and prehistoric artifacts and sites. Protection is not limited to identified archaeological resources but, also, includes undiscovered cultural resources that have the potential of being historically significant.
4. There are specific educational, work experience, and permitting requirements for those individuals who can conduct archaeological surveys or excavations and assess significance.
5. This policy letter does not supersede any other policy letter.

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