2018 General Fishing Access Permit Rules  
Resource Enforcement and Compliance

1. **Customer Information:** Camp Pendleton (CPEN) Fishing Access Permit (FAP) entitles the holder to angle at specific locations if the FAP holder follows all regulations. Resource Enforcement and Compliance (REC) employees are available to answer your questions and provide assistance during your stay. The Wardens Office Building (WOB) is located within building 2648 and our phone number is 760-725-3360. We are open from 0900-1700 from Friday – Sunday. Have a great Fishing experience. Camp Pendleton follows all California Fishing regulations, but has additional restrictions and handouts at the office.

Some REC fishing rules are:

2. **Ocean, Seasons, Dates, and Times.**

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<td>Del Mar Harbor</td>
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<td>(There is no fishing on the south side of Del Mar harbor. See items 6-7 below)</td>
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<td>(The above is available to everyone, including the general public, if sponsored by DOD)</td>
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<td>(The below is only available to active duty, retired military and current and retired DOD employees, unless sponsored)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cockleburr</td>
<td>Seasonal</td>
<td>Sept-March</td>
<td>0600-2200</td>
<td>Weekends</td>
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<td>(Winter Only)</td>
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<td>(15 Sept-1 March)</td>
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<td>RED Beach</td>
<td>Annual</td>
<td>Jan-Dec</td>
<td>1630-2200</td>
<td>Fri-Sun</td>
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<td>(Civilian general public campers with a valid CAP/FAP can fish at Red beach)</td>
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3. **Fresh Water, Seasons, Dates, and Times.**

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<td>Annual</td>
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<td>(Catch and release only)</td>
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4. **Notes:**
   a. **All Anglers.** Times and dates may change at the last minute due to training requirements, weather, fire danger ratings, force protection and/or anti-terrorism measures, or other concerns that are beyond our control. Make sure the REC has your cell number.

   b. **Permit Suspensions and Revocations.** The CPEN REC reserves the right to suspend and revoke FAP’s and remove anglers for failing to abide by rules and regulations, or violations of fishing ethics.

   c. **Responsibility.** You are responsible to know and abide by all CPEN rules and regulations, state and federal laws and be respectful to others on CPEN. There is no digging or removing anything from CPEN without approval. Anglers must abide by all California and Base fishing regulations and not regulations.

   d. **Public Nuisance and Ethical Standards.** Anglers creating a public nuisance or safety hazard to others can be removed from the area, recreation permits seized, and permits suspended or revoked.

5. **General Information:** FAP’s are $10.00 cash for an annual permit. Personnel must purchase a FAP at 18 years of age and older. Everyone 16 years of age and older must purchase and possess a California (CA) fishing license. FAP holders are responsible for everyone in their party.

   a. The general public may only purchase a fishing permit & fish aboard CPEN when physically accompanied by an authorized patron. Military Reservists are considered 'general public'; when assigned to active duty, they are considered 'active duty'.

   b. Anyone purchasing a FAP will be required to sign a Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Form. You will also be required to read and initial the back of this form, which contains some of the more frequent violations of the Fishing Regulations.

   c. Anglers must call and check-in and check-out on each weekend or other day, and just prior to entering and when leaving, locations when the Game Warden's Office determines Training Area (TA) availability for fishing. No areas may be used without prior approval from the WOB. Only registered and insured high-rise (SUV, Jeep, Truck) POV's are authorized. Motorcycles, dirt bikes, atv’s and off-roading is not authorized as part of the fishing program. Stay on existing maintained roads.

   d. Permits can only be used by the person to whom the permit is issued and it is non-transferable or refundable. FAPs entitle the
bearer to enter designated fishing areas and only at the designated times and dates.

e. FAP placards must be prominently displayed in the front windshield or window area of your vehicle when accessing training areas and when fishing. This placard allows you to use your POV to access training areas. This placard is not valid for other uses.

f. Fishing float tubes are authorized at O’Neill, Pulgas and Case.

g. There is no digging, metal detecting, artifact collection, or disturbance of cultural items. Failure to abide by these rules will be considered a violation of the Archaeological Resources Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 470aa-mm. The FAP holder is required to report any type of ‘find’ to the REC if artifacts or other cultural items are discovered.

h. REC employees are the only personnel that have accurate, correct and up-to-date information regarding the availability and time for fishing access. Military Police at the gates or other Marine units/Commands cannot provide this information.

i. Anglers should be aware that fishing areas may be restricted or closed at anytime due to military training or other reasons as listed in section 4 above. FAP holders are required to call and check-in to confirm access immediately before they want to enter, and when leaving training areas for that specific day.

j. There is no water contact, such as diving, snorkeling, or swimming while fishing on Camp Pendleton.

6. Ocean Shore-Fishing: Surf-fishing is authorized only from the shoreline and wading into the ocean no more than waist deep for the purpose of casting for small near-shore game fish only. Employees with the warden office, the lifeguards, PMO, or other persons of authority, can limit fishing access immediately, depending upon the needs of the government. All anglers shall immediately follow all guidance.

a. Anglers cannot use larger fishing gear, tackle, hook, line, bait, or other devices to attract different species of shark, due to concerns of creating a human-health hazard.

b. Smaller gear, tackle, hook, line, bait and other devices used for fishing is limited to the smaller near-shore game fishery, such as: smelt, bonita, barred-surf perch, grunion, kelp, barred, and sand-bass, halibut, white seabass, croaker, white fish, sand-dab, sole, pacific mackerel, sardine, or other similar smaller species.
c. Anglers cannot swim, use or launch boats, kayaks, boggie-boards, or other floatation devices directly from the shoreline for the purpose of fishing or placing bait in deeper ocean waters for the purpose of attracting fish from greater distances from the shoreline.

7. **Del Mar Harbor Fishing**: Fishing at Del Mar harbor is limited to angling from the shoreline and boat access for DOD employees. Jetty access is limited to day-time fishing with calm waters only.

   a. There is no fishing from the south side of the Del Mar harbor boat basin. This is due to military buildings, boats, docks; and private boats and docks in that area.

   b. Anglers cannot impact any ongoing training that may be occurring within the basin; to include casting in close proximity to boats, equipment or people in the water. There is no fishing from the Am-track ramps when in use.

   c. There is no ‘general public’ boat access in Del Mar harbor for the purpose of fishing. The Base does allow DOD members private boat access for the purpose of fishing. Boaters from Camp Pendleton must also follow the guidance within Item 6 above and limit their off-shore fishing to smaller game species only while also using smaller tackle and bait.

   d. Attended fishing lines and hoop nets are authorized during specific seasons.

8. **Inland Fishing**:

9. **Motor Vehicles**: Motorcycles, mini-bikes, ATV’s, or any other type of off-roading is expressly prohibited on CPEN while using REC programs. Vehicle traffic is only authorized on primary/secondary access roads to and from your designated locations. Please keep your vehicles locked at all times in your absence.

   a. Your vehicle placard must be properly displayed on your dashboard when you are in training areas using REC programs.

   b. You are not allowed access to fishing locations (unless directed) prior to, or after times and dates authorized.

   c. Vehicles are not allowed on the loose sandy beaches, off established roadways and areas not authorized.
10. **Parking**: There are no assigned parking spaces while in the training areas on CPEN. The CPEN Fire Department requires space be allowed for easy access and movement between vehicles during emergencies. Do not block established roads and access ways. Do not park within 150 feet of any buildings, structures, pump stations, or utility poles because workers may have to access these areas.

11. **Threatened and Endangered Species**: Threatened and endangered species nest and forage on CPEN. Birds are extremely sensitive to disturbance. Occasionally, birds nest in close proximity to fishing areas. These sensitive areas may be posted with orange colored markers when biologists determine these birds might be using specific areas. Please keep a wide safety buffer from these signs of approximately 150 yards. Permit holders, parents and adults will stay with the children and pets at all times and children and pets should be kept further away due to the noise and potential disturbances they can make. People should not be in close proximity or congregate near these signs because birds/wildlife may not return to these areas if they feel threatened.

12. **Pets**: Pets should be left at home if at all possible. Only domesticated licensed and leashed dogs are allowed if you do bring a pet. Not more than two dogs are allowed. All pets will be leashed or caged at all times when outside of vehicle. You will immediately clean up after your pets.

13. **Fires**: Anglers can provide their own stove or Hibachi type cooking container if they want to cook food. Fires must be kept contained within these devices and over bare earth only. It is illegal to collect firewood on CPEN. Your cook stove is your responsibility and you must know the fire danger rating for that day. No open pit/bon/pallet type fires are allowed. Clean everything up before you leave.

14. **Swimming and Surfing**: Swimming, surfing, boogie-boarding, snorkeling, scuba diving and full body submersion are prohibited while using the FAP. FAP holders will keep everyone in their party out of the water unless they are using approved areas.

15. **Trash**: Do not place any trash in trash containers provided for the use of military units. You must keep your area clean and remove all your trash when you depart. There is zero tolerance for littering. Sometimes coastal/inland winds can get quite intense. Make sure everything within your area is secured so it does not blow away. You are responsible to keep your site clean.

16. **Alcoholic Beverages**: Although alcoholic beverages are allowed while fishing, you should take certain precautions if you decide to
consume alcohol. Public drunkenness, loud verbal exchanges, shouting and other displays of intoxication are prohibited. Driving Under the Influence (DUI) of drugs or alcohol on CPEN is just as illegal, or more so, than off-base. The FAP holder shall keep themselves and everyone in your group quiet and in compliance of established rules and regulations.

16. **Firearms/Weapons**: Firearms or other weapons of any kind, including: B.B, pellet pistols and rifles; bows and arrows; dirks; daggers, and explosives (including fireworks) are expressly prohibited while fishing. Fillet-type knives are allowed and can be used by anglers to clean fish.

18. **Ordinance Material**: Ordinance material (shells, cartridges, etc.) found in the area WILL NOT BE disturbed or handled for any reason. Please report any found military ordinance or equipment to the WOB or the Military Police as soon as possible.

19. **Camp Pendleton Emergency Telephone Numbers**: Call one of the below numbers in the case of an emergency. State your emergency, your exact location, your name, and your telephone number. Do not hang up until told to do so.

- a. Game Warden (760) 725-3360
- b. Camping Problems (760) 725-3360
- c. Military Police (760) 725-3888 (after hours)
- d. Base Fire Dept. (760) 725-4321 or 4214

20. **Further Information**: The Warden office number is 760-725-3360 and we are open Friday through Sunday, from 9:00a.m. To 5:00p.m. The warden office is closed for customer service walk-in traffic from Monday through Thursday, and on Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year’s, Martin Luther King and Presidents holidays.

a. Please use the below address if you wish to communicate with us in writing:

   Environmental Security  
   Resource Enforcement and Compliance  
   P.O. Box 555008  
   Camp Pendleton, CA 92055-5008  

   Attn: Chief Game Warden