

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE**

**FRANCIS MARION AND SUMTER NATIONAL FORESTS**

ORDER NUMBER: FMS-14-06

**OCCUPANCY AND USE – FOOD STORAGE**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the following developed campgrounds on the Andrew Pickens Ranger District of the Francis Marion and Sumter National Forest: Burrells Ford Campground, Cherry Hill Campground, Grapevine Campground, Whetstone Campground and Woodall Shoals Campground. This order is effective until terminated.

1. **Possessing, storing, or leaving any food, refuse or bear attractant unless it is:**
  - a. **properly stored in a bear-resistant container;**
  - b. **suspended at least ten feet clear of the ground at all points, suspended at least four feet horizontally from the supporting tree or pole, and suspended at least four feet from any other tree or pole adjacent to the supporting tree or pole;**
  - c. **stored in a motor vehicle with closed windows, doors and truck with hard sides and a hard top (i.e., not vehicles with soft sides or soft, convertible tops); or**
  - d. **being eaten, being prepared for eating or being transported.**
2. **Discarding or abandoning any food, refuse, or bear attractant unless it is:**
  - a. **disposed of in a bear-resistant trash receptacle which has been provided by the Forest Service for that purpose.**
3. **Burning or burying any food, refuse, or bear attractant.**

**36 CFR 261.58cc**

**As used in this Order, the following definitions apply:**

**“Bear attractant” means any substance having an odor that may attract bears, such as food, cooking grease, toothpaste, soap, and garbage.**

**“Bear-resistant container” means a securable container constructed of solid non-pliable material marketed commercially and clearly labeled by the manufacturer as being bear resistant. When secured and under stress the container will not have any cracks, openings, or hinges that would allow a bear to gain entry by biting or pulling with its claws.**

**“Food” means any nourishing substance, solid or liquid or refuse thereof, that is not native to the immediate area, which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the**

**body to sustain life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal, including nourishing substances for pets and livestock but excluding baled hay or water.**

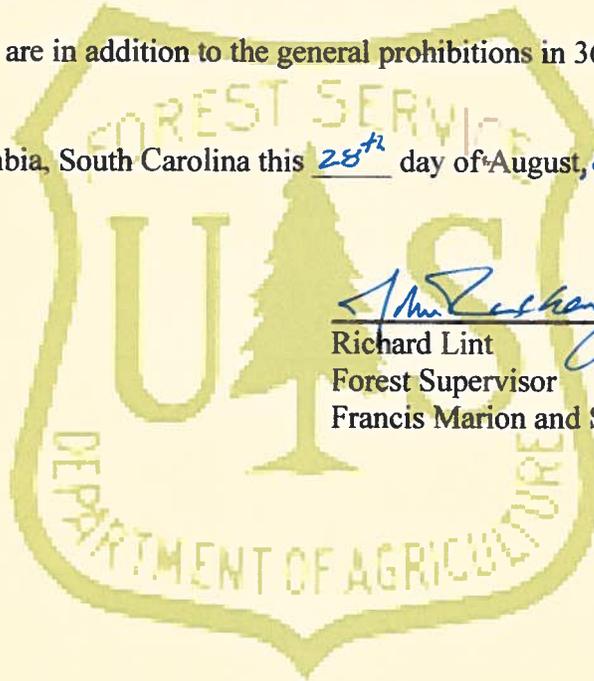
**“Refuse” means any discarded material or solid waste.**

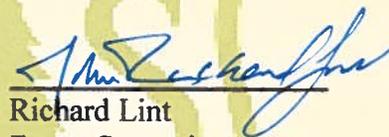
Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from the provisions of the above order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A

Executed at Columbia, South Carolina this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014





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Violations of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. Title 16 USC 551 and Title 18 USC 3559 and 3571.