PART 500—NATIONAL ARBORETUM

Subpart A—Conduct on U.S. National Arboretum Property

§ 500.1 General. The rules and regulations in this part apply to the buildings and grounds of the U.S. National Arboretum (USNA), Washington, DC, and to all persons entering in or on such property. The Administrator, General Services Administration, has delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture, with authority to further delegate, the authority to make all the needful rules and regulations for the protection of the buildings and grounds of the USNA (34 FR 6406). The Secretary of Agriculture has in turn delegated such authority to the Administrator, Agricultural Research Service (34 FR 7389). The rules and regulations in this part are issued pursuant to such delegations.

§ 500.2 Recording presence. Admission to the USNA during periods when it is closed to the public will be limited to authorized individuals who may be required to sign the register or display identification documents when requested by the Security Staff, or other authorized individuals.

§ 500.3 Preservation of property. (a) While at the USNA, it is unlawful to:
   (1) Willfully destroy, damage, or remove USNA property or any part thereof;
   (2) Set or maintain any open fire on the property of the USNA; however, the use of small candles may be approved at the discretion of the Director, USNA; or
   (3) Apply any type of insecticide or herbicide on the grounds of the USNA, except for USNA employees in the course of their official duties or other persons authorized by the Director, USNA.

(b) Persons not employed by USNA are not permitted to bring biological agents of any kind, including but not limited to disease and pest agents of plants, onto the property without written permission of the Director, USNA.

§ 500.4 Conformity with signs and emergency directions. Persons in and on property of the USNA shall comply with official signs of prohibitory or directive nature and with the directions of authorized individuals.

§ 500.5 Nuisances. (a) The use of loud, abusive, or otherwise improper language; unwarranted loitering, sleeping, or assembly; the creation of any hazard to persons or things; improper disposal of rubbish; spitting; prurient prying; the commission of any obscene or indecent act, or any other unseemly or disorderly conduct; throwing articles of any kind from a building, and climbing upon any part of a building is prohibited.

(b) Playing of music or creation of other noises of a decibel level high
enough to be heard outside of the
USNA is prohibited.

§ 500.6 Gambling.

Participating in games for money or
other personal property, or the oper-
ation of gambling devices, the conduct
of a lottery or pool, or the selling or
purchasing of numbers tickets, in or on
USNA property, is prohibited.

§ 500.7 Intoxicating beverages and nar-
cotics.

(a) Entering USNA property or the
operation of a motor vehicle thereon,
by a person under the influence of in-
toxicating beverages or a narcotic
drug, is prohibited.

(b) Except as provided in subpart B of
this part, possession of or consumption
of intoxicating beverages on USNA
property is prohibited.

(c) The sale of alcoholic beverages on
the grounds of the USNA is prohibited.

(d) The possession of or use of nar-
cotic drugs on the grounds of the USNA
is prohibited.

§ 500.8 Soliciting, vending, debt collec-
tion, and distribution of handbills.

(a) The following activities are pro-
hibited on USNA grounds:

(1) Soliciting of alms or contribu-
tions;

(2) Display or distribution of com-
mercial advertising;

(3) Collecting private debts;

(4) Campaigning for election to any
office;

(5) Soliciting and vending for com-
mercial purposes (including, but not
limited to, the vending of newspapers
and other publications);

(6) Soliciting signatures on petitions,
polls, or surveys (except as authorized
by the USNA); and

(7) Impeding ingress to or egress from
the USNA.

(b) Distribution to USNA general
public visitors of material such as pam-
phlets, handbills, and flyers is prohib-
ited without prior approval of the Di-
rector, USNA.

(c) The prohibitions in paragraphs (a)
and (b) of this section do not apply to:

(1) Commercial or nonprofit activi-
ties performed under contract or con-
cession with the USNA or pursuant to
the provisions of the Randolph
Sheppard Act;

(2) The solicitation of USNA per-
sonnel for contributions for the Com-
bined Federal Campaign (CFC);

(3) National or local drives for funds
for welfare, health, and other purposes
sponsored or approved by the Agricul-
tural Research Service; or

(4) Personal notices posted by em-
ployees on authorized bulletin boards.

§ 500.9 Photographs for news or adver-
tising.

Photographs for news purposes may
be taken at the USNA without prior
permission. Photographs for adver-
tising and other commercial purposes
may be taken, but only with the prior
approval of the Director, USNA and
fees may be charged pursuant to
§ 500.23.

§ 500.10 Pets.

Pets brought upon USNA property
must have proper vaccinations and, ex-
cept assistance trained animals, must
be kept on leash at all times. The re-
lease or abandonment of fish, plants,
and animals of any kind on USNA
grounds is prohibited.

§ 500.11 Vehicular and pedestrian traf-
fic.

(a) Drivers of all vehicles in or on
USNA property shall drive only on es-

tablished roads, shall drive in a careful
and safe manner at all times, and shall
comply with the signals and directions
of the Security Staff and all posted
traffic signs.

(b) The blocking of entrances, drive-
ways, walks, loading platforms, or fire
hydrants, and parking in designated no
parking areas in or on USNA property
is prohibited.

(c) Except in emergencies, parking in
or on USNA property in other than des-
ignated areas is not allowed without a
permit. Parking without authority,
parking in unauthorized locations or in
locations reserved for other persons, or
contrary to the direction of posted
signs, is prohibited.

(d) USNA approval is required for all
vehicles needed for access setup and