INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO FILE A CLAIM FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE AS A RESULT OF THE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY FIRE ON 15 - 16 MAY 2007

The following are instructions on how to fill out the "CLAIM FOR DAMAGE, INJURY, OR DEATH" form. Please read the Instructions portion on the back of the form for more information on the claims process.

Note: If you are also claiming for evacuation payment and/or lost wages, please refer to the instructions found on the links to those pages from our homepage. You should fill out only one Claim form for all of your losses.

Block 1: Print the following address:

305 AMW/JA
2901 Falcon Lane
McGuire AFB, NJ 08641

Block 2: Print the name(s) of all registered owners of the property that was damaged. Print

the address where we may mail correspondence to you.

Block 3: Check the box for civilian, unless you are on active, reserve or guard duty with the military.

Block 4: Write your birth date.

Block 5: State your marital status.

Block 6: Write May 15, 2007

Block 7: Leave blank

Block 8: Give a detailed description of the damage to your property.

Block 9: Write the address where the property may be inspected, if different than the mailing address in block 2.

Block 10: Leave blank, unless you are claiming for personal injuries.

Block 11: Leave blank, unless you are claiming for personal injuries.

Block 12: Fill in the amount of property damage in block 12a, and give a total amount claimed in block 12d. **Block 12d must be filled in or you have not filed a claim.**

Block 13: All registered owners of the property must sign in block 13a. Put your phone number in block 13b

Block 14: Enter the date you signed the form.

Block 15 – 19 (reverse of the form): If you have already filed a claim with your insurance carrier, fill these in; otherwise, leave blank.

Next, fill out the Electronic Funds Transfer Form. This information will be used to automatically deposit into your bank account the amount for which our claims office adjudicates your claim.

Please also send copies of the following:

-Certificate of title, evidencing ownership of the property;

-repair estimate(s) that describe the damage to be repaired;

-If you are claiming for lost wages and/or evacuation, please refer to the instructions for those claims for the documents we need for those damages.

Next, mail your claim forms and other pertinent documents to the following address:

Claims Office
305 AMW/JA
2901 Falcon Lane
McGuire AFB, NJ 08641

Once received, regulations give the Air Force up to 6 months to evaluate your claim. If, after examining your claim, we have determined that you are to be paid for your damages, the Air Force will mail you a settlement agreement

which you must sign and return to the above address. After the Air Force receives your signed settlement agreement the settled amount will be automatically deposited into the bank account you detailed on the Electronic Funds Transfer form.

You have until 15 May 2009 to deliver your claim to the Claims Office at McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey.

These instructions are not, are in no way intended to be, and should not be construed as, legal advice or as an admission of liability or fault on the part of the United States, the Air Force, the State of New Jersey or the New Jersey National Guard, its agents, servants, or employees, and it is specifically denied that they are liable to the claimants. These instructions detail the claims process for the purpose of compromising disputed claims under the National Guard Claims Act.

Please contact the Temporary Claims Office located at the Tuckerton New Jersey Army

National Guard Armory if you have any questions: (609) 296-2129 or (609) 296-0648. After that location has closed, please contact the Legal Office at McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey with any questions you may have. (609) 754-5950.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGE, INJURY, OR DEATH	INSTRUCTIONS: Please read carefully the instructions on the reverse side and supply information requested on both sides of this form. Use additional sheet(s) if necessary. See reverse side for additional instructions.	FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1105-0008

1. Submit To Appropriate Federal Agency:	2. Name, Address of claimant and claimant's personal representative, if any. (See instructions on reverse.) (Number, Street, City, State and Zip Code)

3. TYPE OF EMPLOYMENT ☐ MILITARY ☐ CIVILIAN	4. DATE OF BIRTH	5. MARITAL STATUS	6. DATE AND DAY OF ACCIDENT 15 May 07	7. TIME (A.M. OR P.M.) 2pm

8. Basis of Claim (State in detail the known facts and circumstances attending the damage, injury, or death, identifying persons and property involved, the place of occurrence and the cause thereof. Use additional pages if necessary.)

9 **PROPERTY DAMAGE**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER, IF OTHER THAN CLAIMANT (Number, Street, City, State, and Zip Code)

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PROPERTY, NATURE AND EXTENT OF DAMAGE AND THE LOCATION WHERE PROPERTY MAY BE INSPECTED. (See instructions on reverse side.)

10 **PERSONAL INJURY/WRONGFUL DEATH**

STATE NATURE AND EXTENT OF EACH INJURY OR CAUSE OF DEATH, WHICH FORMS THE BASIS OF THE CLAIM. IF OTHER THAN CLAIMANT, STATE NAME OF INJURED PERSON OR DECEDENT

11 **WITNESSES**

NAME	ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, and Zip Code)

12 (See instructions on reverse.) **AMOUNT OF CLAIM** (in dollars)

12a. PROPERTY DAMAGE	12b. PERSONAL INJURY	12c. WRONGFUL DEATH	12d. TOTAL (Failure to specify may cause forfeiture of your rights.)

I CERTIFY THAT THE AMOUNT OF CLAIM COVERS ONLY DAMAGES AND INJURIES CAUSED BY THE INCIDENT ABOVE AND AGREE TO ACCEPT SAID AMOUNT IN FULL SATISFACTION AND FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THIS CLAIM

13a. SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT (See instructions on reverse side.)	13b. Phone number of person signing form	14. DATE OF SIGNATURE

CIVIL PENALTY FOR PRESENTING FRAUDULENT CLAIM	CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR PRESENTING FRAUDULENT CLAIM OR MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS
The claimant is liable to the United States Government for the civil penalty of not less than $5 000 and not more than $10,000, plus 3 times the amount of damages sustained by the Government. (See 31 U.S.C. 3729.)	Fine of not more than $10 000 or imprisonment for not more than 5 years or both. (See 18 U.S.C. 287, 1001.)

INSURANCE COVERAGE

In order that subrogation claims may be adjudicated, it is essential that the claimant provide the following information regarding the insurance coverage of his vehicle or property.

15. Do you carry accident insurance? ☐ Yes If yes, give name and address of insurance company (Number, Street, City, State, and Zip Code) and policy number. ☐ No

16. Have you filed a claim on your insurance carrier in this instance, and if so, is it full coverage or deductible? ☐ Yes ☐ No

17. If deductible, state amount.

18. If a claim has been filed with your carrier, what action has your insurer taken or proposed to take with reference to your claim? (It is necessary that you ascertain these facts.)

19. Do you carry public liability and property damage insurance? ☐ Yes If yes, give name and address of insurance carrier (Number, Street, City, State, and Zip Code). ☐ No

INSTRUCTIONS

Claims presented under the Federal Tort Claims Act should be submitted directly to the "appropriate Federal agency" whose employee(s) was involved in the incident. If the incident involves more than one claimant, each claimant should submit a separate claim form.

Complete all items - Insert the word NONE where applicable.

A CLAIM SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN PRESENTED WHEN A FEDERAL AGENCY RECEIVES FROM A CLAIMANT, HIS DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT, OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, AN EXECUTED STANDARD FORM 95 OR OTHER WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF AN INCIDENT, ACCOMPANIED BY A CLAIM FOR MONEY DAMAGES IN A **SUM CERTAIN** FOR INJURY TO OR LOSS OF PROPERTY, PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED BY REASON OF THE INCIDENT. THE CLAIM MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE APPROPRIATE FEDERAL AGENCY WITHIN **TWO YEARS** AFTER THE CLAIM ACCRUES.

Failure to completely execute this form or to supply the requested material within two years from the date the claim accrued may render your claim invalid. A claim is deemed presented when it is received by the appropriate agency, not when it is mailed.

If instruction is needed in completing this form, the agency listed in item #1 on the reverse side may be contacted. Complete regulations pertaining to claims asserted under the Federal Tort Claims Act can be found in Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 14. Many agencies have published supplementing regulations. If more than one agency is involved, please state each agency.

The claim may be filed by a duly authorized agent or other legal representative, provided evidence satisfactory to the Government is submitted with the claim establishing express authority to act for the claimant. A claim presented by an agent or legal representative must be presented in the name of the claimant. If the claim is signed by the agent or legal representative, it must show the title or legal capacity of the person signing and be accompanied by evidence of his/her authority to present a claim on behalf of the claimant as agent, executor, administrator, parent, guardian or other representative.

If claimant intends to file for both personal injury and property damage, the amount for each must be shown in item #12 of this form.

The amount claimed should be substantiated by competent evidence as follows:

(a) In support of the claim for personal injury or death, the claimant should submit a written report by the attending physician, showing the nature and extent of injury, the nature and extent of treatment, the degree of permanent disability, if any, the prognosis, and the period of hospitalization, or incapacitation, attaching itemized bills for medical, hospital, or burial expenses actually incurred.

(b) In support of claims for damage to property, which has been or can be economically repaired, the claimant should submit at least two itemized signed statements or estimates by reliable, disinterested concerns, or if payment has been made, the itemized signed receipts evidencing payment.

(c) In support of claims for damage to property which is not economically repairable, or if the property is lost or destroyed, the claimant should submit statements as to the original cost of the property, the date of purchase, and the value of the property, both before and after the accident. Such statements should be by disinterested competent persons, preferably reputable dealers or officials familiar with the type of property damaged, or by two or more competitive bidders, and should be certified as being just and correct.

***(d)* Failure to specify a sum certain will render your claim invalid and may result in forfeiture of your rights.**

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE

This Notice is provided in accordance with the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(3), and concerns the information requested in the letter to which this Notice is attached.

A. *Authority:* The requested information is solicited pursuant to one or more of the following: 5 U.S.C. 301, 28 U.S.C. 501 et seq., 28 U.S.C. 2671 et seq., 28 C.F.R. Part 14.

B. *Principal Purpose.* The information requested is to be used in evaluating claims.

C. *Routine Use:* See the Notices of Systems of Records for the agency to whom you are submitting this form for this information.

D. *Effect of Failure to Respond:* Disclosure is voluntary. However, failure to supply the requested information or to execute the form may render your claim "invalid".

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ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

(For Direct Deposit of claims payment)

Required for payment pursuant to Title 31, United States Code, Section 3325

All information on this form is required under the IAPS system. The information provided is used to process payment data from DFAS to the financial institution and/or its agents. Failure to provide the requested information will cause delay in the processing of your claim and prevent payment thereof.

I ELECT THAT PAYMENT FOR MY CLAIM BE DEPOSITED TO THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION NAMED BELOW:

Name of Bank:_____

Address of Bank:_____

City:_____State:_____Zip Code:_____

Name on Account:_____

Account Number:_____

Type of Account:_____

Routing Number:_____
(Bank's number, located at the bottom left of a check)

Printed Name:_____SSN:_____

Signature:_____Date:_____

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