

23 SOPS UXO SAFETY BRIEF



HAZARDS FROM UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE (UXO)
COULD EXIST ON THIS INSTALLATION
DIGGING IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED!

IF YOU SEE UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE

DO NOT TOUCH IT!

RECORD THE LOCATION, **RETREAT** FROM AREA AND REPORT TO SECURITY FORCES 471-2285



New Boston SFS UXO History

- 1942-1956: Aerial Bombing
 - Used by Navy & Army Air Corps for air-to-ground bombing & strafing
 - Two primary ranges
 - Joe English Pond (Air-to-Ground)
 - Shooting Field (rocket attacks & strafing)
 - Armament used
 - Practice & high-explosive bombs (3 lbs. up to 2,000 lbs.)
 - 50 Cal & 20 MM ammunition
 - Rockets (2.25" up to 5" in diameter)
- 1959: USAF acquires land
- 1960: Satellite operations begin



Munitions Debris as Found in the Field











Installation UXO Boundaries

HOT LINE
PLEASE CALL THE
RECREATION
HOT LINE FOR
CURRENT
INFORMATION
471-2488

NOTICE

No Swimming/Wading/Boating
Or Fishing

By Order Of The Installation Commander

BOATING PERMITTED

<u>Paddleboards ONLY!</u>

Anchors and Motorized crafts
are not allowed

By Order Of The
Installation Commander

Please remove any vegetation from your boat before launching!

Help 23 SOPS stop invasive species from spreading!



No Digging Anywhere on Station





<u>DO</u>

- Recreate throughout the Installation (SURFACE ONLY)!
- · Pay attention to signage!
- · Retreat and report any UXO!
- Fish and boat only in dedicated ponds this includes Joe English Pond!
- Use Tent Stakes in Designated Camping Site Only!

DON'TS

- · Dig anywhere unless you have an approved Explosive Safety Submission or an approved local Operational Risk Management Worksheet for the activity and the area has been cleared by a UXO technician!
- · Fish, swim, wade or boat in any of the RED ponds!
- · Touch any metal or suspicious objects!
- · No Magnet Fishing in any body of water!



Remember the 3 Rs

Recognize

• Before entering an actual or suspected UXO contaminated area, get a UXO familiarization briefing from local explosive safety personnel. Be alert to anything unnatural – it may be UXO

• Retreat

Do not move toward UXO. Immediately leave the area the same way you entered. Other UXO may be present. If you can see the UXO, it can "see" you.

• Report

 Note the location, route, landmarks, or any other features that would aid authorities in locating the UXO. Report this information to Security 471-2285.