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Explosives training to be conducted this week at Camp James A. Garfield

NEWTON FALLS, Ohio — Residents and business owners near Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center may notice an increase in blast noise from the area. Explosives will be used during training conducted by the Ohio Army National Guard on Wednesday through Sunday, Sept. 16-20, 2026.

Sounds from the explosions may be heard farther away than what occurs during normal operations. There will be intermittent explosions and gunfire at the installation during annual training season, which typically runs through September.

Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center is an Ohio Army National Guard training site in Portage and Trumbull counties that consists of about 21,000 acres, with various small arms and machine gun weapons ranges and permanent facilities to support individual and collective training events for both weekend and annual training, for Army and other U.S. Department of War units in the midwestern United States.

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