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From: Commander, Marine Corps Installations National Capital
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Subj: 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR HUNTING SEASON

Ref: (a) MCBO 11015.2B

Encl: (1) 2015-2016 Hunting Season
(2) 2015-2016 Game Checking Station Hours of Operation,
License Sales Hours, Hunter Orientation Safety Class
Schedule and Archery Qualification Class
Schedule
(3) 2015-2016 Early Reservation Schedules

1. Situation. To publish 2015-2016 Hunting Season dates, bag limits, Game Checking Station (GCS) hours of operation, and Hunter Safety Orientation and Archery Qualification class schedules for hunting aboard Marine Corps Base, Quantico (MCBQ).

2. Mission. To operate a hunting program aboard MCBQ that is consistent with all federal and state laws and compatible with military training requirements.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. Hunting will be provided to the extent allowable in keeping with mission security, safety, and good conservation stewardship.

(2) Concept of Operations

(a) All hunting regulations and procedures are contained in reference (a). These regulations and a map of

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MCBQ Hunting Areas will be available on-line and at the GCS. Anyone wanting to hunt aboard the base must review and adhere to the regulations and procedures.

(b) Hunting Season Dates and Bag Limits. Enclosure (1) provides the 2015-2016 Hunting Season dates and bag limits.

(c) Adjustments in Season Dates and Bag Limits. The Assistant Chief of Staff, GF (AC/S GF), Installation and Environment Division, is authorized by reference (a) to reduce or close hunting days in the event of inclement weather, elevated force protection conditions, or to limit the harvest in consonance with good conservation practices. Unscheduled closures or adjustments to season dates and bag limits made after publication of this Bulletin will be posted at the GCS hunter read board and at Quantico Outdoors website: <http://www.quantico.marines.mil/OfficesStaff/GFInstallationandEnvironment/NaturalResourcesEnvironmentalAffairs/QuanticoSportsman.aspx>. Additionally, hunters can call the MCBQ weather hotline at 703-784-3638 for information on weather related Base closures.

(d) GCS Hours of Operation. The GCS hours of operation are contained in enclosure (2). The GCS is closed and there is no hunting on Sundays, Labor Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. The GCS will close at 1200 on Thanksgiving Day.

(e) License Sales. MCBQ Hunting Licenses are sold on days when the GCS is open. See enclosure (2) for hours of sales. The annual Hunting License costs \$20.00 and a trip license valid for three (3) hunting days costs \$5.00. The cost to replace a lost MCBQ Hunting License is \$2.00. People under the age of 18, those 65 and over, those having the Virginia Permanently Disabled Resident Lifetime License, and Native Americans exempt from purchasing the Virginia Hunting License under Code of Virginia 29.1-301 will be provided a MCBQ Hunting License free of charge.

(f) Early Reservation Schedule. All MCBQ hunters must obtain a daily hunting permit before entering the hunting areas. MCBQ licensed hunters may attempt to reserve a daily hunting permit on the GCS business day prior to a hunting day per the schedule provided by enclosure (3). Full details about the reservation of daily hunting permits are contained in the reference.

b. Subordinate Element Missions. AC/S GF (Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Branch) will administer the hunting program per the reference.

4. Administration and Logistics

a. Administration. Recommendations concerning the contents of this Bulletin may be provided to the Commander MCBQ (B 046) via the appropriate chain of command.

b. Logistics. None.

5. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Bulletin is applicable to all personnel aboard MCBQ. Please contact the Provost Marshall's Office, (703) 784-2252, if witness to any violation of this Bulletin.

b. Signal. All land use restrictions are effective the date signed.

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2015-2016 HUNTING SEASON**BLACK BEAR**

Archery 3 Oct-13 Nov
Firearms 23 Nov-02 Jan

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries regulations apply: Separate Virginia bear license is now required! One (1) per season. Females with cubs may not be harvested. Minimum weight 100 lbs live or 75 lbs dressed. Bear can be taken in any open hunting area but hunters must abide by weapons restrictions, i.e., must use archery tackle only in archery hunting areas.

CROW

8 Sep-30 Jan No bag limit.

It is lawful to hunt crows only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Youth/Apprentice Hunt	26 Sep	Firearms or archery. Blaze orange required.
Archery Only	3 Oct-13 Nov	Either-sex. Base-wide.
	4 Jan-30 Jan	Antlerless only; Available Only in Mainside Archery Area.
Firearms	14 Nov-2 Jan	Buck-only, except on designated either-sex days, which are 28 Nov, 19 Dec, 26 Dec - 2 Jan.

See next page for deer bag limits and MCBQ policies.

DOVE

8-11 Sep; 12 Sep - 31 Oct; 21-28 Nov; 26 Dec - 15 Jan

Daily Limit: 15, during the first 4 days of the season, 8-11 Sep, hunting is allowed from noon until sunset. Beginning 12 Sep, the legal shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until sunset for remainder of the season. Dove may be hunted in any open dove field or firearms hunting area.

MCBQ Deer Hunting Policies and Bag Limits

Antlerless Deer: Females (does) and male fawns (button bucks) having no polished antler protruding above the hairline.

Antlered Deer: During the "buck"-only portion of the firearms deer season, only deer with polished antlers protruding above the hairline, may be taken. Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) and antlerless tags may not be used on antlered deer.

Daily Bag Limit. 1

Season Bag Limit: 4 per license year. No more than 2 antlered bucks (see definition above) can be taken at MCBQ during the 2015-2016 deer season. Any of the tabs on the Virginia deer and turkey licenses can be used at MCBQ so long as no more than 2 antlered bucks are harvested and the total number of tabs notched at MCBQ does not exceed 4. Antlerless deer taken on DMAP tags do not count against the season limit.

Special Youth Antlerless Deer Regulation: The Virginia youth antlerless deer regulation applies at MCBQ.

Special Muzzle Loading Gun Season. There will be no muzzle loading gun season aboard MCBQ, with the following exception: muzzle loader gun hunting for deer is authorized for paralyzed citizens from 31 Oct - 13 Nov and for a Wounded Warrior hunt scheduled on 6-7 Nov. Guest hunt coordinators who are providing guide services on these special hunts are not authorized to use muzzle loading firearms but may hunt with archery tackle.

Bonus Deer Tags. Bonus deer tags, sold by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, will not be accepted for deer harvested aboard MCBQ.

Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) Tags. The Game Checking Station may provide DMAP tags to hunters for the harvest of antlerless deer in the following archery hunting areas: Mainside, Engineer Test Area, OCS (2, 3, 4), 5B, 5C, 6C, 7C, 8A, 8B, 17C, and 17 Upshur. Only DMAP permits issued by the GCS are valid aboard MCBQ. No more than 2 DMAP tags may be used per day per hunter. Deer tagged with DMAP tags will not count against either daily or season bag limits.

FURBEARERS

Fox	1 Nov-30 Jan	No Limit
Opossum	15 Oct-30 Jan	No Limit
Raccoon	15 Oct-30 Jan	Daily Limit: 2
Bobcat (Archery)	3 Oct-31 Oct	Daily Limit: 2
Bobcat	1 Nov-30 Jan	Daily Limit: 2

Annual bobcat limit: 4 taken by hunting and trapping combined

Note: Night hunting is prohibited on MCBQ; furbearers can only be taken during daytime hunting hours, ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

QUAIL & RUFFED GROUSE - Season closed

RABBIT

31 Oct-30 Jan

Daily Limit: 6

SEPTEMBER CANADA GOOSE

8 Sep-25 Sep

Daily Limit: 10

Note: Hunting ceases at ½ hour after sunset from 8-16 Sep east of I-95 and 8-19 Sep west of I-95. Hunting ceases at sunset east of I-95 from 17-25 Sep and west of I-95 from 21-25 Sep.

SEPTEMBER TEAL

17-30 Sep (East of I-95)

21-30 Sep (West of I-95)

Daily Limit: 6

SQUIRREL

8 Sep-30 Jan

Daily Limit: 6

TURKEY (Fall Seasons - Either-sex)

Archery 3 Oct- 7 Nov

Firearms 17 Oct (Youth & Apprentice Turkey Hunt)
 24 Oct - 6 Nov, 26 Nov, 30 Nov - 26 Dec, 9 - 23 Jan

TURKEY (Spring Gobbler -bearded birds only)

Youth/Apprentice Day 2 Apr (hunt ends at 1200 noon)

Gobbler Season 09 Apr - 14 May (hunt ends at 1200 noon)

Daily Limit: (All Seasons): 1

Annual Limit: 3

Note: No more than two turkeys may be taken in the fall and no more than two turkeys may be taken in the spring. The use of turkey calling devices while scouting hunting areas prior to the spring gobbler season is prohibited. Locator calls that do not mimic turkeys are allowed.

WATERFOWL

Duck, goose, and swan seasons established by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will be in effect at MCBQ from 8 Sep 2015 - 30 Jan 2016. Any Virginia special waterfowl hunting days for youths will be in effect at MCBQ on days GCS is open.

WOODCOCK

23 Nov - 5 Dec; 15 Dec - 15 Jan
 Daily Limit: 3

FALCONRY

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries falconry seasons will be applicable at MCBQ. Falconers must be licensed and follow the same check -in and -out procedures as other hunters.

2015-2016 GAME CHECKING STATION HOURS OF OPERATION,
 LICENSE SALES HOURS, HUNTER ORIENTATION SAFETY CLASS SCHEDULE,
 AND MAINSIDE ARCHERY QUALIFICATION CLASS SCHEDULE

DATES	GAME CHECKING STATION HOURS OF OPERATION	LICENSE SALES HOURS	HUNTER ORIENTATION SAFETY CLASS TIMES
8 Sep-2 Oct	0800-90 minutes past sunset	0800-1600	0800-1500, M,W,F 0800-1300, T,Th,S on the half hour.
3 Oct-2 Jan	0530-90 minutes past sunset ¹	0600-1600	0600-1500, M,W,F 0600-1300, T,Th,S on the half hour.
4 Jan-30 Jan	0800-1600 ²	0800-1600	By appointment
1 & 8 Apr	0800-1600	0800-1500	0800-1500, on the half hour
2 Apr	0445-1300	0500-1200	0500-1200 on the half hour
9 Apr-14 May	0445-1300	0500-1200	0500-1200 on the half hour
MAINSIDE ARCHERY QUALIFICATION SCHEDULE			
8 Sep-3 Oct			1400 at GCS, T,Th,S
10 Oct-7 Nov			1400 at GCS, Saturdays only. After 7 Nov contact GCS staff.

Note:

1. The Game Checking Station will remain open longer if individuals have been authorized to track wounded deer.
2. If no Game Checking Station attendant is present, Waterfowl hunters will be able to check-out on a clipboard provided at the big game weigh shed. All other hunters will use the Hunter Tracking System.

2015-2016 EARLY RESERVATION SCHEDULES

FALL/WINTER HUNTING SEASON		
Hunter Category	Checkout Time¹	Authorized Issue of Daily Permits²
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1135-2359	A
GREEN	1145-2359	A; B after 1300
BLUE with CVP Card	1215-2359	B first; then A
BLUE	1230-2359	A+B
BROWN with CVP Card	1300-2359	C first, then A
BROWN	1330-2359	C
ALL LICENSES	1700	A+B+C

- Note: 1. On rare occasions, late changes to the training schedule may result in the delay of reservation times.
2. Each hunter is permitted to checkout or reserve a maximum of 2 hunting permits, 1 for himself/herself and 1 for a friend. Quotas: A=70% of daily passes (GREEN); B=15% of daily passes (BLUE); C=15% of daily passes (BROWN).
3. CVP: Conservation Volunteer Program Card.

SPRING GOBBLER SEASON		
Hunter Category	Checkout Time¹	Authorized Issue of Daily Permits²
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1135-2359	A
GREEN	1145-2359	A; B after 1230
BLUE with CVP Card	1215-2359	B first; then A
BLUE	1230-2359	A+B
BROWN with CVP Card	1245-2359	C first, then A
BROWN	1300-2359	C
ALL LICENSES	At 1330	A+B+C

- Note: 1. On rare occasions, late changes to the training schedule may result in the delay of reservation times.
2. Each hunter is permitted to checkout or reserve 1 hunting permit. Quotas: A=70% of daily passes; B=15% of daily passes; C=15% of daily passes.
3. CVP: Conservation Volunteer Program Card. If the hunter has a Conservation Volunteer Program Guest Card, he/she may take a guest on a "companion" hunt. The hunters must proceed to and from the assigned hunting area in the same vehicle and must stay within 20 yards of one another. Each hunter may carry a weapon.

WATERFOWL BLINDS AND DOVE FIELDS		
Hunter Category	Checkout Time¹	Authorized Issue of Daily Permits²
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1125	A
GREEN	about 1126 ⁴	A
BLUE with CVP Card	about 1127	A+B
BLUE	about 1128	A+B
BROWN with CVP Card	about 1129	A+B+C
BROWN	about 1130	A+B+C
ALL LICENSES	about 1131	A+B+C

- Notes:
1. Quotas: A=70% of available blinds (GREEN); B=15% of daily blinds (BLUE); C=15% of daily blinds (BROWN).
 2. A calendar will be published prior to the season that designates for each hunting day, which waterfowl blinds are in the "A, B or C" quota for checkout purposes. The designation of the blinds will be rotated on a systematic basis. Due to the limited number of blinds, a hunter may reserve or pick up only 1 blind during early checkout. To encourage equal access to blinds, any individual who hunted a blind may not reserve the same blind for the next day's hunt prior to 1600 during early checkout.
 3. CVP: Conservation Volunteer Program Card.
 4. Each group will be called to the window as soon as all patrons in the preceding group have been served. After all groups have been called to the window, any remaining passes will be issued first come first served in person or by telephone reservation by calling 703-784-5523/5329.