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From: Commander, Marine Corps Installations National Capital

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Subj: 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR HUNTING SEASONS

Ref: (a) MCBO 11015.2C

Encl: (1) 2018-2019 Hunting Season

(2) 2018-2019 Game Checking Station Hours of Operation, License Sales Hours, Hunter Orientation Safety Class Schedule, and Archery Qualification Class

Schedule

- (3) 2018-2019 Early Reservation Schedules
- 1. <u>Situation</u>. To publish 2018-2019 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 Installations National Capital Region-Marine Corps Base Quantico (MCINCR-MCBQ).
- 2. <u>Mission</u>. To operate a hunting program aboard MCINCR-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) <u>Commander's Intent</u>. Hunting will be provided to the extent allowable in keeping with mission security, safety, and good conservation stewardship.
 - (2) Concept of Operations

DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A: Approved for public release; distribution is unlimited.

- (a) All hunting regulations and procedures are contained in reference (a). These regulations and a map of MCINCR-MCBQ Hunting Areas will be available online and at the GCS. Anyone wanting to hunt aboard the base must review and adhere to the regulations and procedures.
- (b) <u>Hunting Season Dates and Bag Limits</u>. Enclosure (1) provides the 2018-2019 Hunting Season dates and bag limits.
- Assistant Chief of Staff, G-F (AC/S G-F), 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: https://www.quantico.marines.mil/Offices-Staff/G-F-Installation-and-En vironment/Natural-Resources-Environmental-Affairs/Quantico-Sportsman/. Additionally, hunters can call the MCBQ weather hotline at 703-784-3938 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 22 Nov Thanksgiving Day.
- (e) <u>License Sales.</u> MCINCR-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 MCINCR-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 MCINCR-MCBQ Hunting License free of charge.

- (f) Early Reservation Schedule. All MCINCR-MCBQ hunters must obtain a daily hunting permit before entering the hunting areas. MCINCR-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.
- (g) New Hunter Tracking System. During the 2018-2019 hunting season, the current hunter tracking system will be replaced with a more modern service that will permit users to use the internet to check in and out, along with many other features. Updates about the new hunter tracking service will be provided at GCS as new developments arise.
- (h) Sportsman Advisory Council (SAC) Email Account. The SAC email account is used to support communication between NREA and the hunting community. Sportsman wanting to provide NREA with feedback about the hunting and fishing programs should send messages to quan_sac@usmc.mil. NREA personnel will consolidate responses for the SAC committee members to review.
- (i) Antler Point Restriction. The antlered deer definition continues into this hunting season. One of the 2 antlered deer permitted to be harvested by a hunter on base must have at least 3 antler points, 1 inch or longer, on 1 side.
- (j) Antlerless Deer Restriction. The antlerless deer season bag limit has been reduced from a maximum of 4 to 1 per year. This restriction is intended to increase the deer population in response to hunter concerns about recent deer harvests.
- (k) <u>Deer and Turkey Tag Validation</u>. Hunters will have the option to validate the tag of the deer or turkey killed by either physical removal of their paper license tag or "enotching" of their electronic license via the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) Go Outdoors Virginia mobile application.
- (1) Deer and Turkey Checking Procedures. All deer and turkey harvested on MCINCR-MCBQ must be checked electronically using either DGIF hotline 1-866-GOT-GAME (468-4263), website https://gooutdoorsvirginia.com, or DGIF mobile application. Hunters still must notch their tag before moving the game from the place of kill but must check them in with one

of the DGIF systems prior to presenting the animal to GCS staff. Hunters must record the DGIF confirmation number on their deer and turkey license and show evidence of this to the GCS staff. If the hunter needs assistance or desires a paper check card, they can contact the GCS for further details.

- (m) Change in Legal Weapons. In response to DGIF regulation changes, arrow guns, pneumatic-powered air guns that fire an arrow, will be allowed during any legal firearm season as per enclosure (1). They are not allowed during archery only season except by persons with a disability that prevents them from drawing a bow or crossbow. Such persons must be in possession of an authorization form provided by DGIF. A copy of the authorization form must be provided to the GCS.
- b. <u>Subordinate Element Missions</u>. AC/S GF (Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Branch) will administer the hunting program per the reference.

4. Administration and Logistics

- a. <u>Administration</u>. Recommendations concerning the contents of this Bulletin may be provided to the Commander MCINCR-MCBQ (B 046) via the appropriate chain of command.
 - b. Logistics. None.

5. Command and Signal

- a. <u>Command</u>. This Bulletin is applicable to all personnel aboard MCINCR-MCBQ. Please contact the Provost Marshall's Office, (703) 784-2252, if witness to any violation of this Bulletin.
- b. <u>Signal</u>. All land use restrictions are effective the date signed.

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2018-2019 MCINCR-MCBQ HUNTING SEASON

BLACK BEAR

Archery 6 Oct - 16 Nov Firearms 26 Nov - 05 Jan

Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) regulations apply: Virginia bear license is 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. MCINCR-MCBQ will NOT participate in the new Firearms Early Bear Season (1-3 Oct) passed by DGIF.

CROW

4 Sep - 26 Jan No bag limit.

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

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Youth/Apprentice	Hunt	29 Sep	Firearms or archery. Blaze color required.
Archery Only	6 Oct - 17 Nov -		Either-sex. Base-wide. Either-sex. DMAP areas only.
Firearms	17 Nov -	5 Jan	Buck-only, except on (3) designated either-sex days, which are 1, 15, and 29 Dec.

MCINCR-MCBQ will NOT participate in Urban Archery seasons in Prince William County and Stafford County passed by DGIF. See next page for deer bag limits and MCINCR-MCBQ policies.

DOVE

4 Sep - 27 Oct; 21 - 28 Nov; 22 Dec - 14 Jan

Daily Limit: 15 per day, 45 in possession. The legal shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until sunset for the entire season. Dove may be hunted in any open firearms hunting area.

MCINCR-MCBQ Deer Hunting Policies and Bag Limits

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

Antlered Deer: One of the 2 antlered deer permitted to be harvested by a hunter on base must have at least 3 antler points, 1 inch or longer, on 1 side. 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.

<u>Daily Bag Limit</u>. 1 per day. Exception: Guests selected for a Wounded, Ill, and Injured Warrior Hunts may harvest 2 deer per day, one which must be antlered and one which must be antlerless. Deer harvested by these hunters count against their season bag limit. Antlerless deer taken on DMAP tags do not count against the daily bag limit.

Season Bag Limit: 3 per license year. Only one antlerless deer can be taken and no more than 2 antlered bucks (see definition above) can be taken at MCBQ during the 2018-2019 deer season. Any of the tabs on the Virginia deer license 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 3. Antlerless deer taken on DMAP tags do not count against the season limit.

<u>Special Youth Antlerless Deer Regulation</u>: The Virginia youth antlerless deer regulation applies at MCINCR-MCBQ.

Special Muzzleloader Gun Season. There will be no muzzle loading gun season aboard MCINCR-MCBQ, with the following exceptions: from 3 - 16 Nov, persons requiring wheelchair for mobility may be assigned to Hunt master stands and may harvest one deer per day, either-sex. Guests selected for a Wounded, Ill, and Injured Warrior Hunts may use a muzzle loading firearm and hunt either-sex. Guest hunt coordinators who are providing guide services on these special hunts are not authorized to use muzzle loading firearms.

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

Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) Tags. The Game Checking Station may provide DMAP tags for the harvest of antierless deer in the following archery hunting areas: Main side, Engineer Test Area (ETA), OCS (2, 3, 4), 5B, 5C, 6C, 7C, 8A, 8B, 17C, and 17 Upshur. Only DMAP permits issued by the GCS are valid aboard MCINR-MCBQ. Only 1 DMAP tag 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 - 26 Jan	No Limit
Opossum	15 Oct - 26 Jan	No Limit
Raccoon	15 Oct - 26 Jan	Daily Limit: 2
Bobcat (Archery)	6 Oct - 31 Oct	Daily Limit: 2
Bobcat (Firearms)	1 Nov - 26 Jan	Daily Limit: 2

Annual bobcat limit: 4 taken by hunting and trapping combined

Note: Night hunting is prohibited on MCINCR-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

3 Nov - 26 Jan
Daily Limit: 6

SQUIRREL

4 Sep - 26 Jan Daily Limit: 6

TURKEY (Fall Seasons - Either-sex)

Archery

6 Oct - 9 Nov

Firearms

20 Oct (Youth & Apprentice Turkey Hunt)

27 Oct - 9 Nov, 22 Nov, 3 - 29 Dec, 12 - 26 Jan

TURKEY (Spring Gobbler - bearded birds only)

Youth/Apprentice Day 6 Apr (hunt ends at 1200 noon)

Gobbler Season

13 Apr - 18 May (hunt ends at 1200 noon)

Daily Limit: (All Seasons): 1

Annual Limit: 3

Note: No more than 2 turkeys may be taken in the fall and no more than 2 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.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

SEPTEMBER CANADA GOOSE

4 Sep - 25 Sep

Daily Limit: 10 per day; 30 in possession*

East of I-95

West of I-95

4 - 15 Sep; Hunting ceases at

4 - 20 Sep; Hunting ceases

½ hour after sunset.

at % hour after sunset.

17 - 25 Sep; Hunting ceases at

21 - 25 Sep; Hunting ceases at

sunset.

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CANADA GOOSE

21 Nov-2 Dec; 18 Dec-26 Jan
Daily Limit: 3 per day 21 Nov-2 Dec and 18 Dec-14 Jan
5 per day 15-26 Jan

SEPTEMBER TEAL

17 - 29 Sep (East of I-95)

21 - 29 Sep (West of I-95)

Daily Limit: 5 per day; 18 in possession*

DUCKS

5-8 Oct (Black duck closed); 21 Nov-1 Dec; 15 Dec-26 Jan Daily Limit: 6 ducks of any species following DGIF restrictions

MERGANSERS

5-8 Oct; 21 Nov-1 Dec; 15 Dec-26 Jan
Daily Limit: 5 birds of which 2 birds may be a hooded merganser (15 in possession*, only 6 of which may be hooded mergansers)

*No person shall possess, have in custody, or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either (a) his automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility. No person on the opening day of the season shall possess any freshly killed migratory game birds in excess of the daily bag limit, or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

RAILS

8 Sep-16 Nov

Daily Limit: Sora/Virginia 25 total; 75 in possession*

GALLINULE and MOORHEN

8 Sep-16 Nov

Daily Limit: 15 per day; 45 in possession* (singly or in combination)

SEA DUCKS

10 Nov-8 Jan

Daily Limit: 5 per day; 15 in possession*

SNIPE

5-8 Oct; 22 Oct-26 Jan

Daily Limit: 8 per day; 24 in possession*

COOTS

5-8 Oct; 21 Nov-1 Dec; 15 Dec-26 Jan

Daily Limit: 15 per day; 45 in possession*

WOODCOCK

27 Oct - 2 Nov; 8 Dec - 14 Jan

Daily Limit: 3 per day; 9 in possession

All other migratory game bird species not listed will follow the DGIF seasons and bag limits.

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2018-2019 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
4 Sep-5 Oct	0800-90 minutes past sunset	0800-1600	0800-1500, M,W,F 0800-1300, T,Th,S on the half hour.
6 Oct-5 Jan	0530-90 minutes past sunset	0600-1600	0600-1500, M,W,F 0600-1300, T,Th,S on the half hour.
7-26 Jan	0800-1600	0800-1600	By appointment
5 Apr & 12 Apr	0800-1600	0800-1600	0800-1500, on the half hour
6 Apr	0445-1300	0500-1200	0500-1200 on the half hour
13 Apr-18 May	0445-1300	0500-1200	0500-1200 on the half hour
MAINSIDE ARCHERY QUALIFICATION SCHEDULE			
4 Sep-5 Oct			1300 at GCS, T,Th,S
6 Oct-3 Nov			1200 at GCS, Saturdays only. After 3 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.

2018-2019 EARLY RESERVATION SCHEDULES

FALL/WINTER HUNTING SEASON			
Hunter Category ²	Checkout Time ¹		
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1135-2359	·	
GREEN	1145-2359		
BLUE with CVP Card	1215-2359		
BLUE	1230-2359		
BROWN with CVP Card	1300-2359		
BROWN	1330-2359		
ALL LICENSES	1700		

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.
- 3. CVP: Conservation Volunteer Program Card.

SPRING GOBBLER SEASON			
Hunter Category ²	Checkout Time ¹	Authorized Issue of Daily Permits ²	
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1135-2359	А	
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	С	
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.
- 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
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Hunter Category	Checkout Time ¹	Authorized Issue of Daily Permits ²
GREEN with CVP Card ³	1125	A
GREEN	about 11264	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.