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Installations

Hunting and Fishing Bag Limits and Seasons

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SUMMARY of CHANGE

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This administrative revision dated 5 October 2012 –

- Updates all season dates to reflect current calendar year.
- Changes the format of this publication.

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Hunting and Fishing Bag Limits and Seasons

History. This revision is an administrative revision. Portions affected by this revision are listed in the summary of change.

Summary. This circular sets hunting and fishing bag limits and seasons at Fort Hood.

Applicability. This circular applies to anyone hunting or fishing at Fort Hood.

Supplementation. Local supplementation of this regulation is

prohibited without prior approval of Directorate of Public Works (DPW).

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this circular is the DPW. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements to the Commander, III Corps and Fort Hood, ATTN: IMWE-HOD-PW, Fort Hood, Texas 76544-5000.

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Chapter 1 Overview

1-1. Purpose

This circular establishes hunting controls, fishing limitations, special lake restrictions, and bag limits and seasons at Fort Hood.

1-2. References

Appendix A lists required and related publications and prescribed and referenced forms.

1-3. Abbreviations and terms

The glossary explains abbreviations and terms used in this regulation.

Chapter 2 Hunting and Fishing

2-1. Hunting controls

a. Table 2-1 outlines controls on weapons, seasons, hours of shooting, and possession limits at Fort Hood.

b. Allowances do not exceed those established by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Table 2-1. Game limitations

Game species	Season	Bag limit	Possession limit	Weapons
Mourning dove; white wing dove; white-tipped dove	1 Sep – 24 Oct 12 and 22 Dec 12 - 6 Jan13. One-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Subject to change per federal mandates.	15 per day, <u>not</u> more than 2 white-tipped dove in the aggregate.	30	Shotgun plugged with a one piece filler to a three shell capacity, including one in the chamber with shot smaller than No. 2; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader.
Early teal	15-30 Sep 12	4 per day	8	Same as duck or goose.
Duck or goose	Per state and federal regulations. Note: Use only non-toxic steel shot for waterfowl hunting.	Per state and federal regulations.	Per state and federal regulations.	Shotgun not larger than 10 gauge with BB-size shot or smaller, plugged with a one-piece filler to a three-shell capacity, including one in the chamber; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloaders with BB-size shot or smaller; legal archery equipment.

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Table 2-1. Game limitations (continued)

Game species	Season	Bag limit	Possession limit	Weapons
Bobwhite quail	27 Oct 12 – 24 Feb 13	5 per day	15	Shotgun with shot smaller than No. 2; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloaders.
Turkey	Spring gobbler season: 30 Mar – 12 May 13. Special youth season: 23-24 Mar and 18-19 May 13. One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Per state regulations.	3 Tom Turkey. Limit 1 per hunt. Limit 3 turkeys per license year.	Same as bag limit. Note: Texas State Turkey Stamp required.	Shotgun of 20 gauge or larger, or smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader with BB-size shot or smaller only; legal archery equipment.
White-tailed deer and turkey	Special archery season: 29 Sep – 2 Nov 12. Special antlerless and spike deer season: 7-20 Jan 13. Special youth turkey season: 27-28 Oct 12 & 19-20 Jan 13. Special youth deer season: 27-28 Oct 12 & 7-20 Jan 13. Regular fall season: 3 Nov 12 – 6 Jan 13.	3 white-tailed deer - <u>not</u> more than: 1 antlerless, 1 buck with unbranched antler, and 1 branch antlered buck with inside spread 13 inches ¹ or greater. 3 <i>bearded</i> turkey. See turkey above.	Same as bag limit.	Archery season: Texas state archery stamp required, legal archery equipment only IAW state regulations. Must possess a Fort Hood Archery Proficiency Stamp. Crossbows IAW state regulations.
White-tailed deer and turkey (continued)	One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Deer hunting may close without advance notice dependent upon the Fort Hood white-tailed deer harvest quota and security.	Note: Upland Game Bird Stamp required (except youth). Harvests during the regular fall season are cumulative with the special archery season.		Regular fall season (guided hunt): Shotgun 20 gauge or larger using slug load; muzzleloader .45 caliber or larger; legal archery equipment; rifle other than rimfire. Crossbows IAW state regulations Regular fall season (unguided hunt): Shotgun 20 gauge or larger using slug load; muzzleloader .45 caliber or larger; legal archery equipment; no rifles. Crossbows IAW state regulations.

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Table 2-1. Game limitation (continued)

Game species	Season	Bag limit	Possession limit	Weapons
Furbearing animals	Trapping season: per state regulation.	Per state regulation.	Per state regulation.	Shotgun (no slug load or buckshot), smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader with No. 2 shot or smaller; legal archery equipment.
Squirrel and rabbit	No closed season.	10 per day	20	Shotgun (no slug load or buckshot), smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader with No. 2 shot or smaller; legal archery equipment.
Unprotected wildlife	No closed season.	No limit	No limit	See deer; fall season; except no rifles.
Feral hog	No closed season.	No limit	No limit	Regular fall season (guided hunt): Shotgun 20 gauge or larger using slug load; muzzleloader .45 caliber or larger; legal archery equipment; rifle other than rimfire. Crossbows IAW state regulations. Unguided: Shotgun 20 gauge or larger using slug load or buck shot; muzzleloader 45 caliber or larger; crossbow; or legal archery equipment.

Legend:

Apr – April	Mar - March
Dec – December	No. - number
Feb – February	Nov - November
IAW – in accordance with	Oct - October
Jan – January	Sep – September

Notes:

¹ 13 inches = 330 millimeters

2-2. Fishing limitations

Table 2-2 shows possession limits that apply on Fort Hood.

- a. Allowances do not exceed those established by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.
- b. Other species conform to Texas state law.

Table 2-2. Fishing limitations

Game species	Lake	Season	Size limit	Daily bag limit	Possession limit	Other
Channel catfish	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	No closed season	Minimum: 12 inches ¹	15	30	Archery equipment is prohibited. Hand fishing ("noodling") is prohibited.
All black bass	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	No closed season	Minimum: 14 inches ²	5 in the aggregate	10 in the aggregate	Note: Includes all black bass; largemouth, smallmouth, and spotted bass.
Crappie (white perch)	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	No closed season	Minimum: 10 inches ³	25	50	
White bass	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	No closed season	Minimum: 10 inches ³	25	50	

Notes:

¹ 12 inches = 305 millimeters

² 14 inches = 356 millimeters

³ 10 inches = 254 millimeters

2-3. Special lake restrictions

Table 2-3 shows lakes and ponds on Fort Hood with special restrictions.

Table 2-3. Limitations

Lake	Restriction
Cantonment B (kid's pond)	Boats or flotation devices are prohibited at all times. Pond is designated as kids only fishing. All adults must be accompanied by at least one (1) fishing child 16 years old or younger.
East Lake	Catch and release only. No fish from this pond may be kept for consumption. All fish must be released. This pond is a permitted facility.
Henry	Catch and release only. No fish from this pond may be kept for consumption. All fish must be released.
Birdbath Lake	Catch and release only. No fish from this pond may be kept for consumption. All fish must be released. This pond is a permitted facility.
Landfill Lake	Catch and release only. No fish from this pond may be kept for consumption. All fish must be released. This pond is a permitted facility.
Plastic Lined Ponds	Fishing is not permitted in the plastic lined ponds.

Appendix A References

Section I Required Publications

Fort Hood Reg 210-25

Hunting, Fishing, and Natural Resources Conservation Regulations

Texas Park and Wildlife Code

Section II Related Publications

This section not used.

Section III Prescribed Forms

This section not used.

Section IV Referenced Forms

FH Form 1853

Distribution Scheme

Glossary

Section I Abbreviations

APR

April

ATTN

Attention

CIR

Circular

DEC

December

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

FEB

February

FH

Fort Hood

IAW

In Accordance With

JAN

January

MAR

March

No.

Number

NOV

November

OCT

October

SEP

September

TPWD

Texas Park and Wildlife Department

Section II

Terms

This section not used