

**Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29**

**Public Works**

# **Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Laws & Regulations**

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# SUMMARY of CHANGE

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### *This Revision*

- Updates the Permit Sales Office email address.
- Discontinues the muzzle-loader hunting season.
- Requires all firearms and bows to be unloaded and cased when on or in a vehicle. (para 2-1b).
- Prohibits concealed weapons on government property (para 2-1b).
- Requires fishing permit holders to display Activity Information Card (para 2-1e).
- Provides additional safety information related to Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) (para 2-1k).
- Removes requirement to register a deer before removing it from Fort McCoy property (para 2-1l and 3-4k).
- Allows hunters to walk into hunting areas from adjoining property (para 2-2 b(1) and 3-4 j(2)).
- Changes the Welcome Center to Visitor Control Center (para 2-2c(2)).
- Updates quota permit selection process (para 2-2c(2)).
- Requires gun-deer permit applicants to provide personal cell phone number and two emergency contacts (para 3-4b).
- Updates hunting hours timetable for the gun-deer season (para 3-4g).
- Allows hunters to participate in group hunting after harvesting a deer (para 3-4h).
- Requires ice shanties to be removed daily (para 3-8d).
- Adds fishing bag and size limits for Ranch Creek (para 3-8e).
- Updates Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Maps (appendices C, D, E, G and H).
  - Adjust B-25 Hunting Area boundary.
  - Adjust B-20 Hunting Area boundary.
- Updates Suspension/Revocation of Fort McCoy Game Privileges (appendix B).
  - Concealed carrying of firearms on Government property - Permanent Revocation.

### *Revision August 2011*

- Changes turkey registration procedure to follow Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource guidelines. Turkeys do not need to be registered at the Pine View campground or before leaving Fort McCoy (para 2-1j (13), 3-2f, and 3-7f)
- Removes requirement of turkey hunters to call the Public Safety Center if tracking a wounded turkey will result in the hunter not being out of the hunting areas by registration station operational hours (para 2-3e, 3-2f and 3-7f).

- ❑ Updates Suspension/Revocation of Fort McCoy Game Privileges (appendix B) related to turkey registration.
  - ❑ Removes failure to register turkey on Fort McCoy the day the turkey is harvested – One Year Revocation

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- ❑ Changes reference and phone numbers of Fort McCoy Police Department to DES E911 Communication Center (911) for emergencies and Public Safety Center (608-388-2000) for non-emergencies.
- ❑ Makes it unlawful to provide incorrect information when registering a deer or turkey (para 2-1j(15)).
- ❑ Advises users of possible unknown obstacles and dangers in and around signed LRAM areas (para 2-1l)
- ❑ Prohibits hunters from parking their vehicle in, drive on trails in, or walk across closed areas to access open hunting areas (para 2-2b(1)).
- ❑ Will subject the individual to permanent revocation of Cantonment Archery hunting privileges for any violations associated with the Cantonment Archery season regulation (para 2-2e).
- ❑ Allows youth hunters (age 10 and 11) to participate in hunting seasons under the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Mentorship Program. Youth and mentor's must possess appropriate Fort McCoy permit(s) (para 2-3a, 3-1b, 3-2b, 3-3b, 3-4b, 3-5b, 3-6b, and 3-7b).
- ❑ Requires hunters to call the Public Safety Center if tracking a wounded animal will result in the hunter not being out of the hunting areas by Black Out Drive or Registration Station operational hours (para 2-3e, 3-2f, 3-3f, and 3-4f).
- ❑ Removes blaze orange requirement on ground blinds for fall turkey hunting (para 2-3g and 3-2e).
- ❑ Removes reference to wolves for the reason coyote hunting is not allowed during the Gun-Deer, Disabled Deer, and Muzzle-Loader (para 2-3k, 3-4h(3), 3-5f, and 3-6g).
- ❑ Prohibits small game, fall turkey, or archery hunting on North Post during the Disabled Deer and Muzzle-loader seasons (para 3-1c, 3-2c, and 3-3c).
- ❑ Identifies late fall turkey season from November 28-December 31, 2011 if the Wisconsin season is extended by the WDNR (para 3-2c).
- ❑ Allows one deer of either sex to be harvested using the WDNR Archery Buck Carcass tag. WDNR antlerless carcass tags are not valid on Fort McCoy. Created table to better show carcass tag use and harvest limit (para 3-3e).
- ❑ Combines information and created table explaining season structure, harvest limit, and carcass tag use (para 3-4d).
- ❑ Authorizes Gun-Deer hunters to enter training areas no earlier than 2:00 a.m. each day and must be out each day by 6:30 p.m. Includes table of legal hunting hours based on WDNR table and adjusted for Fort McCoy hunting zone (para 3-4f).
- ❑ Removes handguns as authorized weapon in restricted weapon use areas. Hunting areas B-1, B-12, D-10W, G-3, G-7, G-8, and G-9 are restricted to shotgun and muzzle-loader use only (para 3-4g (1)).
- ❑ Requires hunters to show their Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit and Hunter Choice Approval when registering a deer (para 3-4j).
- ❑ Changes location for the Disabled – Deer and Muzzle-Loader hunts to North Post (para 3-5h and 3-6i).

- ❑ Defines “Total Daily Bag Limit” and “Possession Limit” and included table with species and location specific restrictions (para 3-9e).
- ❑ Updates and increases revocation periods associated with Suspension/Revocation of Fort McCoy Game Privileges (appendix B).
  - ❑ Provide incorrect information when registering deer or turkey - Two Year Revocation
  - ❑ Any violation of Cantonment Archery – Permanent Revocation of Cantonment Privileges
- ❑ Updates Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Maps (appendices C, D, E, G and H).
  - ❑ Change D-9 and G-2 to No Hunting designation on all maps.
  - ❑ Change Shotgun/Muzzle-loader/Handgun Restricted Use Areas to Shotgun/Muzzle-loader Only.
  - ❑ Change M-3, D-12 and G-3 to No Fishing designation.
  - ❑ Update trail to road classification.
  - ❑ Removed closed hunting area in B-11, B-24, B-25, B-31, and C-22.
  - ❑ Remove hunting area D-12 and portion of Area 24 from Cantonment Archery map.

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**HISTORY.** Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29 was developed in 2006 to replace Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13. This is the sixth revision to 420-29 since replacing Fort McCoy Regulation 190-13.

**SUMMARY.** This regulation sets forth laws and regulations for all hunting, fishing and trapping on Fort McCoy.

**APPLICABILITY.** This regulation is applicable to all activities on Fort McCoy. Civilian, military, tenants, and training units are required to comply with this regulation. No activity is exempt from this regulation.

**PROPONENT EXCEPTION AUTHORITY.** The Proponent of Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29 is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch. Requests for additional copies of this regulation should be directed to: Directorate of Public Works, (IMMC-PWE-N/Permit Sales), 2171 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5136, or, email: [usarmy.mccoy.imcom-northeast.mbx.dpw-permit-sales@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mccoy.imcom-northeast.mbx.dpw-permit-sales@mail.mil).

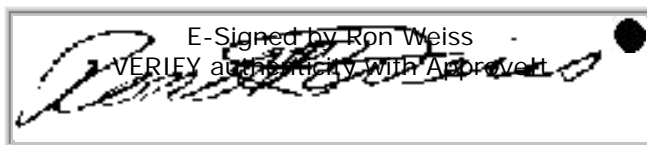
**SUPPLEMENTATION.** Supplementation of this regulation is prohibited without prior approval from the proponent.

**SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS.** The proponent agency for this regulation is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch. Send comments or suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) directly to Directorate of Public Works, (IMMC-PWE-N/Permit Sales), 2171 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5136.

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**SUPERSESSION:** This regulation supersedes Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29, 1 August 2011.

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## Chapter 1

**1-1. PURPOSE:** This regulation establishes laws and regulations enforceable in federal court for hunting, fishing, and trapping on Fort McCoy. This regulation promotes the management of these activities and populations of fish and game on Fort McCoy. If this regulation conflicts with State of Wisconsin hunting, fishing and trapping regulations or other federal or state directives, such conflicts will be brought promptly to the attention of the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch, (IMMC-PWE-N), 2171 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5136.

**1-2. REFERENCES:** Required and related publications as defined are available from the Directorate of Emergency Services, 1861 W Eaton, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5226.

### 1-3. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division, Natural Resources Branch is the proponent of this regulation.
- b. Fort McCoy Installation Legal Office will provide legal assistance and review/process all citations.
- c. For emergency situations and to report violations, call the **DES E911 Communication Center by dialing 911 for emergencies and (608) 388-2000 to report violations.**
- d. It is the responsibility of the individual recreational participant to call the GAME LINE at (608) 388-4263 for updates, changes, and/or temporary regulations to the activities associated with this regulation. GAME LINE information must be checked daily to ensure that the activity has not been restricted because of unforeseen mission requirements. The GAME LINE is also posted at the Hunter Information Point.

## Chapter 2

### 2-1. INSTALLATION GENERAL REGULATIONS AS RELATED TO HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING:

- a. **Fort McCoy is a separate Deer Management Unit. Unless otherwise stated within this regulation, State of Wisconsin antlerless, bonus, Herd Reduction Zone or Earn-A-Buck (EAB) tags are not valid on Fort McCoy.**
- b. **Transportation of Firearms/Bows.** Exceptions contained in WI ACT 51 for weapons do NOT apply on Fort McCoy. While on Federal property all firearms/bows must be unloaded and completely enclosed in a case designed to carry a firearm when in or on any vehicle, whether moving or stationary. Weapons are not allowed to be loaded in or on a vehicle at anytime with the exception for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) disabled class A and B permit hunters while stationary. Bows and crossbows must be unstrung or enclosed within a case when in or on a vehicle. **Concealed carry is prohibited on Federal Property.**
- c. Vehicle registration: All visitors entering the Cantonment Area of Fort McCoy property must obtain a pass from the Visitor Control Center (VCC) adjacent the Main Gate. Call the VCC at (608) 388-4988 for more information.
- d. Requirements for sign-in/sign-out:
  - (1) **Hunter sign-in/sign-out requirements have been suspended for all 2012 hunting seasons. Any changes to this requirement will be announced on the GAME LINE.**
  - (2) The Hunter Information Points (HIP), as identified on the hunting, fishing, and trapping maps (appendices C, D, E, G and H) will provide information to hunters as outlined in this regulation. The HIP located south of Highway 21 at the intersection of Quarry Hill Road and Highway 21 will be open for **all** hunting seasons. The North Post HIP, located north of Highway 21 on "X" Road, will **only** be open during the gun-deer season.
- e. Activity Information Card: All hunting, trapping, and fishing permit holders, are required to display an information card on the passenger side of the windshield with the following information: Permit holder's full name (if there is more than one permit holder per vehicle, the names of all permit holders will be noted), activity (e.g., archery, gun-deer, small-game, turkey, scouting, etc), and Personal Cell Phone Number and Emergency Contact Phone Number for each permit holder in the vehicle. **An Activity Information Card is required for fishing permit holders.**
- f. Vehicle Search: Owners and/or operators of motor vehicles that enter the property of Fort McCoy consent to the search of that motor vehicle.
- g. Alcohol: It is not permitted to be intoxicated or to consume alcohol while in hunting and trapping areas.
- h. Speed Limits: The speed limit on Fort McCoy is 10 mph when passing troops and 30 mph in all other areas, unless otherwise posted.

- i. **Reporting of Information:** All permit holders are required by this regulation to notify the Fort McCoy Public Safety Center at (608) 388-2000 of any observed violations of Federal, State or Fort McCoy Regulations or laws, uncontrolled fires, or the location of any found unexploded ordnance.
- j. **Conduct:** All permit holders will cooperate with military officials and Fort McCoy law enforcement personnel. In addition to the appropriate permits, all persons over 18 years old must have official picture identification in their possession at all times while on Fort McCoy property.
- k. **Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Hazard:** Military training involving live ammunition and explosives has occurred throughout Fort McCoy since 1909. Deliberate and comprehensive efforts have been conducted to clear the unexploded ordnance (UXO) hazard; however these items may occasionally still be encountered while on Fort McCoy.
- (1) UXOs are often referred to as duds, bombs, munitions, ordnance, ammo, dummy rounds, or by other terms. Regardless of what they are called, they should be considered extremely dangerous. They were designed to explode and still have the capability to do so. Never touch, move, or disturb munitions. Even Civil War cannon balls and souvenir munitions that may have been handled for years can potentially detonate at any time.
  - (2) UXOs come in many shapes and sizes and may be visible on the surface or be buried. It can be exposed by erosion or fires, and may look new or old. UXOs may also be found alone or in groups; and can be whole or in parts.
  - (3) Anyone encountering or believing they may have encountered unexploded ordnance should consider it extremely dangerous. The proper response to avoid injury to themselves and others is to follow the 3Rs of explosives safety:
    - (a) Recognize - Recognizing when you may have encountered UXO is key to reducing the risk of injury or death. If you encounter or suspect you may have encountered UXO, consider it extremely dangerous. Remember, UXO is sometimes hard to identify.
    - (b) Retreat - If you encounter or suspect you may have encountered UXO, do not touch, move or disturb it, but immediately and carefully leave the area following the same path on which you entered. If you can, mark the general area, not the UXO, in some manner (e.g., with a hat, piece of cloth, or by tying something to a tree branch).
    - (c) Report - Notify Fort McCoy Public Safety Center at (608) 388-2000 of what you saw, where you saw it, and the type of marking, if you were able to mark the area. These actions will protect you and others who may encounter the same area.
  - (4) Additional UXO safety information and a photo gallery of various types of UXO are available from the Department of Defense internet site at <http://www.denix.osd.mil/uxo/SafetyTopics/UXO.cfm>
- l. **Miscellaneous:** Within the boundaries of the installation and without prior authorization, it is **unlawful** to:
- (1) Pick up, disturb, carry off, or damage government equipment, ordnance, munitions or parts of the same.
  - (2) Litter.
  - (3) Start fires (charcoal grills are allowed only in designated areas of the Pine View Campground and Cantonment Area).
  - (4) Camp overnight, except at Pine View Campground.
  - (5) Shine wild animals with artificial light at anytime.
  - (6) Hunt bear.
  - (7) Operate vehicles off established roadways/trails during fishing, small game and archery seasons.
  - (8) Operate ATVs at anytime.
  - (9) Operate snowmobiles, unless on designated snowmobile trails.
  - (10) Possess air guns, slingshots or spring loaded devices.
  - (11) Molest or take any non-game species (**Except feral pigs, which may be taken with any Fort McCoy hunting permit. Any feral pigs taken must be reported to the Natural Resources Branch, Wildlife Program (608-388-5374 or 608-388-3337) before leaving Fort McCoy.**)
  - (12) **Use bait to attract wildlife for any reason (except while trapping or conducting official government studies).**
    - (a) Bait is defined as any feed material that is placed or used to attract wild animals, including salt, minerals, fruit/vegetable, grains, etc.
    - (b) Scent material may be used during the deer hunting seasons, but must not be placed or deposited in a manner to allow consumption by wildlife and must be removed daily.
    - (c) Hunting is allowed over/near naturally occurring food sources. These materials cannot be moved from their specific location to attract wildlife.
    - (d) Bird feeders may be used on Fort McCoy if the device is at a sufficient height and/or design to prevent access by deer **and** is within 50 yards of a dwelling.



(13) Register deer harvested outside of Fort McCoy property.

(14) Provide incorrect information when registering a deer.

m. Archaeological Resources: It is a federal offense to dig, excavate, disturb the ground, and/or collect archaeological artifacts on Fort McCoy without authorization from the Directorate of Public Works (608) 388-4919. Violators are subject to criminal penalties involving fines and/or imprisonment and civil fines and forfeiture of vehicles and equipment used in connection with a violation (reference Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, 16 USC 470, and 36 CFR 261.9).

n. Land Rehabilitation and Maintenance (LRAM): Fort McCoy has LRAM sites in some training areas on the installation. The LRAM program is responsible for the repair and revegetation of selected trails and sites within the training areas. The LRAM sites are clearly marked with red and white signs and/or yellow LRAM tape and shall not be disturbed. LRAM sites are **OFF LIMITS to vehicles**, however foot traffic is allowed. Be advised unknown obstacles and dangers may exist in and around signed LRAM areas.

o. Game Line: **The Game Line recording, (608) 388-4263, lists hunting areas that are closed on any particular day. The Game Line listing will be updated by Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security by 3:30 p.m. each Monday afternoon and again by 3:30 p.m. each Friday afternoon. The Fort McCoy Police Department will post information at the Hunter Information Point. Fort McCoy reserves the right to update hunting area closures at any time if needed. ALL hunters and anglers are required to call the Game Line daily at (608) 388-4263 for any changes.**

p. Black-Out Drive Hours: Civilian vehicles are prohibited in most training/hunting areas after dark. These areas are referred to as Black-Out Drive Areas and are **OFF LIMITS** to civilian vehicles during the following times:

**9:00 p.m. – 4:00 a.m. ---- 1 May thru 31 August**

**8:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m. ---- 1 September thru 30 April**

Personnel may be allowed into these areas earlier and/or later if Black-Out Drive hours are not in effect. Information pertaining to Black-Out Drive Areas can be checked by calling the **GAME LINE**. **Information will also be posted at the Hunter Information Point.** Black-Out Drive restrictions will be lifted for the Gun-Deer season. **The Black-Out Drive Areas are marked with appropriate signs at entry roads.**

q. Baiting and Feeding: **Due to health concerns and the potential spread of disease in deer, the use of bait (to include salt and mineral blocks or liquids) to attract deer to a specific location is not authorized on Fort McCoy. The planting of food plots, without proper authorization, is strictly prohibited. (See para 2-11 (12)(a) for definition).**

## **2-2. PERMITS/VIOLATIONS:**

a. Permit Requirements: The appropriate Fort McCoy hunting, fishing, trapping permit **and** appropriate State of Wisconsin license and stamps are required to hunt, fish, or trap on Fort McCoy. **Fort McCoy permits are not transferable or refundable.**

b. Access to Hunting Areas:

(1) Hunters are not allowed to drive on or over berms to access hunting areas. Hunters are allowed to enter and exit Fort McCoy hunting areas from adjoining property by foot only. **Hunters cannot park their vehicles in, drive on trails in, or walk in closed areas to access an open hunting area.**

(2) Gun-Deer Season: Unless authorized in writing by Fort McCoy Police Department or Natural Resources Branch, only Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit holders or Fort McCoy employees in the performance of their official duties may enter the hunting areas during the Gun-Deer Season.

c. Permit Sales: Fort McCoy hunting, fishing and trapping permits are sold through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Automated License Issuance System (ALIS). Permits can be purchased at any authorized WDNR ALIS vendor throughout Wisconsin including WDNR Service Centers, Fort McCoy Post Exchange (military ID required), and Fort McCoy Pine View Campground. Fort McCoy permits are also available through the WDNR Online Licensing Center.

(1) **Non-quota** season permits (i.e., Fishing, Regular Archery, and Small-Game) can be purchased directly from an authorized WDNR ALIS vendor or online. **A Fort McCoy application is not required to purchase these permits.**

(2) **Quota** season permits (i.e., Gun-Deer, Deer-Disabled, Cantonment Archery, Spring Turkey, Fall Turkey, and Trapping) are **only** available through the Fort McCoy application process. Quota permit applications are available from the Fort McCoy Permit Sales Office, Visitor Control Center, and on the Fort McCoy Public Website ([www.mccoy.army.mil](http://www.mccoy.army.mil)). Selection is conducted through a random drawing following the application deadline date. All applicants are notified of the selection results and individuals approved for a quota permit(s) are provided instructions to purchase their permit(s).

For further information contact Permit Sales at: Directorate of Public Works, (IMMC-PWE-N/Permit Sales), 2171 South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5136, by email: [usarmy.mccoy.imcom-northeast.mbx.dpw-permit-sales@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.mccoy.imcom-northeast.mbx.dpw-permit-sales@mail.mil) or by phone (608) 388-3337. The Permit Sales Office, bldg 2168, is open Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

d. **Regulations:** Most WDNR ALIS vendors do not have the Fort McCoy Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping regulation. Fort McCoy Hunting, Fishing and Trapping regulations are available at the Permit Sales Office, Fort McCoy Visitor Control Center, online at the Fort McCoy Public Website ([www.mccoy.army.mil](http://www.mccoy.army.mil)), and the HIP. In addition to this regulation, all State of Wisconsin Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Regulations are applicable on Fort McCoy except as indicated in this regulation. Violation of either the Wisconsin Hunting, Fishing, or Trapping regulations or this regulation may result in any or all of the following:

- (1) Criminal prosecution in Federal Magistrate Court.
- (2) Fines and/or forfeiture in U. S. District Court.
- (3) Suspension or revocation of Fort McCoy hunting, fishing, trapping, and/or firewood cutting privileges either immediately or by written notification (reference appendix B).
- (4) Written warning.
- (5) Disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for persons subject thereto.

e. **Violations:** Any violation associated with the Cantonment Archery season regulation will subject the individual to **permanent revocation** of Cantonment Archery hunting privileges and may include additional revocation for ALL privileges, to include hunting, fishing, trapping, and firewood cutting. Violations by an individual of any three or more offenses covered by the State of Wisconsin Hunting or Fishing Regulation and/or this regulation over a period of five years will subject the individual to permanent revocation of Fort McCoy hunting, fishing, trapping, and firewood cutting privileges. If your privileges have been revoked or suspended for a violation, ALL privileges, to include hunting, fishing, trapping, and firewood cutting will be revoked or suspended.

### **2-3. HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING GENERAL REGULATIONS:**

a. **Mentorship Program:** Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy permit for each hunting season they intend to participate in.**

b. **Open Hunting Areas:** **Hunting or tracking wounded game into the North Impact Area or onto any ranges within the North Impact Area is forbidden under any circumstances.** Not all areas on the installation are open on a given day. Individuals found in closed areas are subject to prosecution. The Fort McCoy Game Line (608) 388-4263 advises callers of areas that are closed. This recording is updated by 3:30 p.m. each Monday afternoon and again by 3:30 p.m. each Friday afternoon. Fort McCoy reserves the right to adjust area closures as needed to facilitate military training or game management operations. Hunters and anglers are required by this regulation to **call the Game Line daily** for any changes. **Scouting is not allowed in areas being used by the Disabled Hunt (Disabled Hunt – October 6-7, 2012).**

c. **Additional Regulations and Maps:** Maps showing the hunting areas referred to on the Game Line can be obtained at the Fort McCoy Vehicle Control Center or from the Permit Sales Office.

d. **Restricted Areas:** Hunting in areas B-13, B-15 and the western half of B-23 is restricted to Active and Retired Military and their dependents. **Each** person who is authorized to hunt in these areas can have **one guest** accompany them (a guest is defined as **ANY** non-Active Military, non-Retired Military or non-Military dependent person with a Fort McCoy hunting permit).

e. **Tracking Wounded Game:** **Hunting or tracking wounded game into the North Impact Area or onto any range within the North Impact Area is forbidden under any circumstances.** Hunters may not track wounded game into any closed hunting area unless accompanied by law enforcement personnel. **If tracking a wounded animal will result in the hunter going beyond the deer registration hours or black out drive times, the Public Safety Center must be contacted at (608) 388-2000 for assistance.** If a wounded deer or other game goes off the installation, it is the hunter's responsibility to obtain permission from the landowner.

f. **Tree Stands:** Elevated structures including climbing tree stands may be used on the installation providing they do not damage the tree and are completely removed each day at the close of hunting hours. Hunters are not allowed to construct or hunt from permanent tree stands. **Tree spikes and screw-in steps are not allowed. The cutting of any live trees or shrubs is not allowed to create shooting lanes.**

g. Commercial & Man-Made Hunting Blinds: **Commercial and man-made** (constructed of natural materials in the field) **blinds used during any gun deer season must display at least 144 square inches of solid blaze orange material visible from all directions around the blind. All commercial blinds must be removed daily by the end of hunting hours. The cutting of any live trees, tree limbs, or shrubs is not allowed to construct or conceal any hunting blind.**

h. Individuals are not allowed to hunt within 50 feet from the center of, or shoot across any Main Roads. (Reference maps at appendix C and appendix D).

i. Driving vehicles onto ranges and hunting from range towers/structures is strictly forbidden.

j. Hunting at night is not allowed.

k. Coyote Hunting: Coyote hunting will not be allowed during the Gun Deer or Disabled Deer Seasons.

**Coyote hunting with the use of dogs is limited to South Post only (south of Hwy 21). Any coyotes harvested on Fort McCoy must be reported to the Fort McCoy Wildlife Program for record keeping and population monitoring purposes (call (608) 388-3337 or (608) 388-5374).**

l. Deer Drives: **Hunting parties (groups) may not exceed 10 people. Deer drives are prohibited during the early Archery season and the first two days of the Gun-Deer season.** Deer drives are allowed as provided in the following paragraphs: 3-3i and 3-4h. A deer drive is defined as an organized activity including two or more individuals hunting together (group) where one or more members of the group are hunting with the intent of driving (moving) deer past another member or members of the group who are positioned in a pre-determined location(s) to shoot at the deer.

m. Cantonment Area Deer Archery Hunting: Archery hunting may be allowed in the Cantonment Area to Cantonment Archery Permit holders only. Refer to paragraph 3-3j for further information.

n. Vehicles, ATVs, and snowmobiles are not permitted on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers or streams.

o. Scouting Cameras: The use of scouting cameras to track game species movement (e.g., deer, turkey, coyote, etc.) is allowed on Fort McCoy. Cameras can only be placed and checked when the hunting areas are open to scouting. Fort McCoy is not responsible for the loss or damage of any cameras placed on the property.

**Baiting is not allowed to attract wildlife to the scouting camera site.**

## Chapter 3

**3-1. SMALL GAME REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix C

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Small Game hunting permit **and** appropriate Wisconsin hunting license are required. **The procedure to purchase a Fort McCoy Small Game permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (1).**

b. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy Small Game permit.**

c. Seasons: Except as specifically stated in this regulation, the Small Game seasons on Fort McCoy are the same as the State of Wisconsin. Hunting for coyote, crow, snowshoe hare, and unprotected species ends on February 28. **Small game hunting is not allowed from March 1 – August 31.**

(1) The small game hunting season (to include scouting) is **closed** in all areas **north of Hwy 21** on October 6-7, 2012.

(2) Small game hunting is **closed** on November 16, 2012 for Gun Deer Season preparations.

(3) Small game hunting, including waterfowl, is **not allowed** on Fort McCoy during the Gun Deer Season (November 17-25, 2012).

d. Hunting Hours and Ammunition: Reference State of Wisconsin Small Game Hunting Regulations. **Hunting at night is not allowed.**

e. Waterfowl regulations and season dates coincide with State and Federal Regulations.

f. Hunting areas B-1, B-12, B-13, B-15, the western portion of B-23, G-1, G-3, G-7, G-8, G-9, and D-10W are restricted to shotgun/archery use only for small game hunting. Handguns and .22 caliber rifles are NOT allowed in these areas.

g. **Coyote hunting with the use of a dog is limited to South Post (south of Hwy 21) only.** Hunters are not allowed in closed hunting areas unless accompanied by Fort McCoy law enforcement personnel. **Call the Public Safety Center at (608) 388-2000 if assistance is required. Any coyotes harvested on Fort McCoy must be reported to the Fort McCoy Wildlife Program for record keeping purposes (call 608-388-3337 or 608-388-5374).**

**3-2. FALL TURKEY REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix C

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Fall Turkey hunting permit, the appropriate Wisconsin hunting license (i.e., current Fall Turkey Hunting License, Conservation Patron License or a Senior Citizen Recreation Card), **and** Turkey Stamp are required. Conservation Patron License and Senior Citizen Recreation Card holders are exempt from the stamp requirement. **The procedure to apply for a Fort McCoy Fall Turkey permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2).** All persons must reference the Wisconsin Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations for additional license information. **Fort McCoy is a separate unit and is not part of Zone 1. Wisconsin Turkey Permits for Zone 1 are not valid on Fort McCoy.**

b. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy Fall Turkey permit.**

c. Season: The Fort McCoy fall turkey season (to include scouting) dates are September 15 – November 15, 2012. Fort McCoy will have a late fall turkey season November 26 – December 31, 2012 **if** the Wisconsin fall turkey season is extended.

The fall turkey hunting season (to include scouting) is **closed** in all areas **north of Hwy 21** on October 6-7, 2012.

d. Hunting Hours and Ammunition: Reference State of Wisconsin Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations.

e. Commercial & Man-Made Hunting Blinds: The use of either type blind is authorized. **Commercial blinds must be removed daily by the end of hunting hours. The cutting of any live trees, tree limbs, or shrubs is not allowed to construct or conceal any hunting blind.**

f. Registration: The WDNR has established online and phone in registration procedures for the fall turkey season. **Fort McCoy turkey hunters do not need to register their turkey on Fort McCoy, but must follow the WDNR guideline described in the State of Wisconsin Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations.** When registering your turkey through this process, be sure to select Fort McCoy (FM) as your hunting unit. If a wounded turkey goes off the installation, it is the hunter's responsibility to obtain permission from the landowner.

**3-3. ARCHERY REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix C

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Archery permit **and** Wisconsin Deer Archery hunting license are required to hunt on Fort McCoy. **The procedure to purchase a Fort McCoy Archery permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (1).**

b. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy Archery permit.**

c. Season: The Fort McCoy archery season dates are September 15–November 15, 2012 (early season) and November 26–December 31, 2012 (late season). The archery hunting season (to include scouting) is **closed** in all areas **north of Hwy 21** on October 6-7, 2012.

d. Hunting Hours: Reference State of Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations.

e. Harvest Limit and Tagging:

Carcass Tag Type	Limit
2012 WDNR Archery Buck Carcass Tag	1 deer of either sex
2012 Fort McCoy Antlerless Archery Deer Carcass Tag (Purchased Bonus Tag)	1 antlerless deer

Information regarding the availability of Fort McCoy bonus tags will be posted at the Hunter Information Point or through the Permit Sales Office. **State of Wisconsin antlerless, bonus, Herd Reduction, or Earn-A-Buck (EAB) tags are not valid on Fort McCoy.**

f. Deer Registration: All deer harvested by archers on the installation **must be registered** at the Pine View Recreation Area Main Office, bldg 8053, no later than one hour after hunting hours on the day of the kill. If tracking a wounded deer will result in the hunter arriving after deer registration operational hours, **the Public Safety Center must be contacted at (608)388-2000 before the closing of bldg 8053** for information. If a wounded deer or other game goes off the installation, it is the hunter's responsibility to obtain permission from the landowner. Archers are required to fill out an archery survey card available at Pine View Recreation Area when they register a deer.

g. Once an archer has tagged a deer, the archer can continue to hunt small game using blunt tipped or judo point arrows. Upon tagging a deer, archers cannot have broadheads in their possession except during the fall turkey season if they have a valid Fort McCoy Fall Turkey permit. Archers are not allowed to shoot deer for another archer.

h. Restricted Archery Hunting Areas: When hunting in areas around the airport, hunters are not allowed to cross the fence surrounding the runways. Call the **Public Safety Center** at (608) 388-2000 if a wounded deer enters the airport area.

i. Deer Drives: **Deer drives are prohibited during the early archery season** (see para 2-3l); however, they are allowed during the late archery season.

j. Cantonment Area Deer Archery Hunting: Archery hunting may be allowed in the Cantonment Area to Cantonment Archery Permit holders only as provided in appendix F and G of Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29. The Cantonment Area is subject to closure. Call the **Game Line at (608) 388-4263** before hunting.

**3-4. GUN-DEER REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix D

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit **and** Wisconsin Deer Gun hunting license are required to participate during the Gun-Deer season on Fort McCoy. **The procedure to apply for a Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2)**. Permit holders wishing to bring an underage child for educational purposes must obtain written approval from the Permit Sales Office before entering the hunting areas (para 3-4i (4)).

b. Hunter Contact Information: To improve the quality and safety of the hunt, all successful applicants for the gun-deer season will provide to the Permit Sales Office their personal cell phone number (if they own one) along with 2 emergency contacts (preferably members of their hunting party if hunting on Fort McCoy) by 2 November 2012. A form requesting this information is provided to the applicant with the selection notification letter. **Failure to do so may result in revocation of hunting privileges.**

c. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit.**

d. Seasons: The Fort McCoy Gun-Deer Season dates are November 17-25, 2012.

e. Season Structure, Harvest Limit and Tagging: Fort McCoy has a modified 9-day season, referred to as a 2-2-5. This season structure incorporates two days of buck only, two days of either sex, concluded by five days of buck only. Individuals with a Fort McCoy Hunter Choice Approval (HCA) can harvest one deer of either sex at anytime during the 9-day season using their Wisconsin DNR Gun Buck Deer Carcass tag. Information regarding the availability of Fort McCoy bonus antlerless tags will be available at the Fort McCoy Permit Sales prior to the Gun-Deer season. **Hunters are reminded that Fort McCoy operational requirements may require closing the season earlier.**

Season Dates	Carcass Tag Type	Limit
Saturday, November 17 Sunday, November 18	2012 WDNR Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag	1 antlered buck <b>or</b> 1 antlerless deer with a 2012 Fort McCoy Hunter Choice Approval
	2012 Fort McCoy Antlerless Gun Deer Carcass Tag (Purchased Bonus Tag)	1 antlerless deer
Monday, November 19 Tuesday, November 20	2012 WDNR Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag	1 deer of either sex (Fort McCoy Hunter Choice Approval not required)
	2012 Fort McCoy Antlerless Gun Deer Carcass Tag (Purchased Bonus Tag)	1 antlerless deer
Wednesday, November 21 Thursday, November 22 Friday, November 23 Saturday, November 24 Sunday, November 25	2012 WDNR Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag	1 antlered buck <b>or</b> 1 antlerless deer with a 2012 Fort McCoy Hunter Choice Approval
	2012 Fort McCoy Antlerless Gun Deer Carcass Tag (Purchased Bonus Tag)	1 antlerless deer

f. Hunter Choice Approval (HCA): Fort McCoy is a separate deer management unit and issues its own HCA. **A HCA sticker does not represent a bonus deer tag.** An HCA allows a hunter to harvest an antlerless deer at any time during the Gun-Deer season. **Deer must be tagged with the hunter's Wisconsin Gun Buck Deer Carcass tag. State of Wisconsin antlerless, bonus, Herd Reduction, or Earn-A-Buck (EAB) tags are not valid on Fort McCoy.**

g. Entry and Hunting Hours: **Hunters may enter the training areas no earlier than 2:00 a.m. each day. All hunters must be out of all training areas by 6:30 p.m.** If tracking a wounded deer will result in the hunter not able to exit the training area by 6:30 p.m. you must call the **Public Safety Center** at (608) 388-2000 before 6:30 p.m. for additional information.

Season Dates	Hunting Hours	
	Start (a.m.)	End (p.m.)
Saturday, November 17	6:30	4:55
Sunday, November 18	6:32	4:54
Monday, November 19	6:33	4:54
Tuesday, November 20	6:34	4:53
Wednesday, November 21	6:36	4:52
Thursday, November 22	6:37	4:51
Friday, November 23	6:38	4:51
Saturday, November 24	6:39	4:50
Sunday, November 25	6:40	4:49

h. Group Hunting: **Deer drives are prohibited during the first two days of the Gun-Deer season (see para 2-3I).** Once a hunter has tagged a deer, he or she may continue to hunt for the remainder of the season, but must abide by the Wisconsin Group Hunting Regulation.

i. Special Regulations:

(1) Firearms: Hunting areas B-1, B-12, D-10W, G-3, G-7, G-8, and G-9 are restricted to shotgun and muzzle-loader use only; hunting areas B-13, B-15, and the western portion of B-23 are restricted to shotgun, muzzle-loader, and handgun use only (reference appendix D). **Violators of these restrictions are subject to prosecution under applicable State laws and/or this regulation.**

(2) Commercial & Man-Made Hunting Blinds: The use of either type blind is authorized. Commercial type blinds and man-made blinds constructed of natural materials in the field must have at minimum of 144 square inches (12" by 12" square) of blaze orange material affixed on each side of the blind **when occupied**. **Commercial blinds must be removed daily by the end of hunting hours. The cutting of any live trees, tree limbs, or shrubs is not allowed to construct any hunting blind.**

(3) Hunting of Other Species: All other hunting seasons are closed on Fort McCoy during the Gun-Deer season. **Coyote hunting is not allowed during the Gun-Deer Season.**

(4) Access to Hunting Areas During the Gun-Deer Season: Unless authorized in writing by Fort McCoy Police Department or Natural Resources Branch, only permit holders or Fort McCoy employees in the performance of their official duties may enter the hunting areas during the Gun-Deer Season.

j. Entry/Exit to Hunting Areas: Gun-Deer permits allow hunters to hunt in authorized hunting areas on either North or South Post of Fort McCoy.

**(1) Hunter sign-in/sign-out requirements are suspended for the 2012 GUN-DEER Season.** Any changes to the sign-in/sign-out requirement will be announced on the Game Line. The Hunter Information Points, as indicated on the Gun-Deer map (appendix D), will have an AREA CLOSURE LIST and other important information. Due to military training requirements, available HUNTING AREAS may change daily, therefore all hunters must check the Area Closure List or call the Game Line daily at (608)388-4263.

(2) Hunters are not allowed to drive on or over berms to access hunting areas. Hunters are allowed to enter and exit Fort McCoy hunting areas from adjoining property by foot only.

k. Deer Registration: **Hunters must show their Fort McCoy Gun-Deer permit and HCA to registration personnel when registering their deer. All deer harvested on Fort McCoy must be registered on Fort McCoy on the day of the kill with a State registration tag. State of Wisconsin antlerless, bonus, Herd Reduction, or Earn-A-Buck (EAB) tags and are not valid on Fort McCoy.**

Deer may be registered at the South or North Deer Registration Station starting at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. All deer registration for the remainder of the season (Monday-Sunday) will be done at the South Deer Registration Station starting at 7:00 a.m. The carcass tag must be accessible to registration personnel, as required by State law.

**3-5. DEER - DISABLED HUNT REGULATION:** refer to Gun-Deer map at appendix D

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Disabled Hunt permit, Wisconsin DNR Disabled Permit (Class A, Class B, Class C, or Class D hunting), **and** Wisconsin Deer Gun hunting license are required. To be eligible under a Class B permit classification, the permit must be valid for longer than one year **and** allow shooting from a stationary vehicle. **The procedure to apply for a Fort McCoy Deer-Disabled Hunt permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2).**

b. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth must possess a valid Fort McCoy Disabled Hunt permit.**

c. Seasons: The Fort McCoy Gun Deer Hunt for Hunters with Disabilities will be conducted on October 6-7, 2012. Hunters are reminded that Fort McCoy operational requirements may require closing the season earlier.

d. Hours: Reference State of Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations. Any changes to hunting hours will be provided to hunters and/or announced on the Game Line at (608) 388-4263.

e. Firearms: Some hunting areas have restricted weapon use requirements (reference appendix D).

**Violators of these restrictions are subject to prosecution under applicable State laws and/or this regulation.**

f. Hunting of Other Species: All other hunting seasons are closed on North Post during the Deer-Disabled hunt. **Coyote hunting is not allowed.**

g. Harvest Limit: A Fort McCoy Disabled Hunt permit holder is allowed to harvest two deer during the 2-day season. Each permit holder will receive a Disabled Permit – Antlerless Carcass Tag with their permit allowing the harvest of one antlerless deer. In addition, a permit holder may harvest one buck **or** antlerless deer using their unused Wisconsin DNR Gun Buck Deer Carcass tag.

h. Hunting Areas: Hunting areas will be located on North Post (north of Hwy 21). **South Post (south of Hwy 21) is closed to disabled hunt participants.** Appendix D shows overall scouting/hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the **Game Line at (608) 388-4263.**

i. Hunter Briefings: Individuals selected for the Disabled Hunt are required to attend an informational and safety briefing with the Wildlife Biologist. Information will be provided to permit holders before the start of the hunt.

**3-6. SPRING TURKEY REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix C

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Spring Turkey hunting permit, the appropriate Wisconsin hunting license (i.e., current Spring Turkey Hunting License, Conservation Patron License or a Senior Citizen Recreation Card), **and** Turkey Stamp are required. Conservation Patron License and Senior Citizen Cardholders are exempt from the stamp requirement. **The procedure to apply for a Spring Turkey permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2).** All persons must reference the Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations for additional license information. **Fort McCoy is a separate unit and is not part of Zone 1. Wisconsin Spring Turkey Permits for Zone 1 are not valid on Fort McCoy.**

b. Mentorship Program: Fort McCoy allows youth ages 10 and 11 to participate in all hunting seasons under the WDNR Mentorship Program. All participants must follow this regulation **and** the WDNR guidelines and rules associated with the program. **Youth and Mentors must possess a valid Fort McCoy Spring Turkey permit.**

c. Seasons: The Spring Turkey seasons on Fort McCoy consist of six separate hunting periods, commencing on the opening day of the Wisconsin Spring Turkey season. The first hunt consists of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and the following five weekly periods are Monday - Friday. Hunting is not allowed on weekends. The specific season dates are printed on the Spring Turkey Carcass Tag.

d. Hunting Hours: Spring turkey hunting hours begin ½ hour before sunrise and end at 5:00 pm each day. Any changes to hunting hours will be provided to hunters and/or announced on the **Game Line at (608) 388-4263.**

e. Ammunition: Reference State of Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations.

f. Registration: The WDNR has established online and phone-in registration procedures for the spring turkey season. **Fort McCoy turkey hunters do not need to register their turkey on Fort McCoy, but must follow the WDNR guidelines described in the State of Wisconsin Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations.** When registering your turkey through this new process, be sure to select Fort McCoy (FM) as your hunting unit and Monroe as the county of kill.

g. Areas Open to Hunting/Scouting: **Advanced scouting is encouraged. Not all areas are open to hunting or scouting on any given day. Appendix C identifies scouting and hunting (military training) areas as referenced on the Game Line (608) 388-4263.**

h. Commercial & Man-Made Hunting Blinds: The use of either type blind is authorized. **Commercial blinds must be removed daily by the end of hunting hours. The cutting of any live trees, tree limbs, or shrubs is not allowed to construct or conceal any hunting blind.**

**3-7. TRAPPING REGULATION:** refer to Trapping map at appendix H

a. Permits: A Fort McCoy Trapping permit **and** Wisconsin Trapping license are required to trap on Fort McCoy. **The procedure to apply for a Fort McCoy Trapping permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2).**

b. Season: The Fort McCoy Trapping seasons and dates coincide with the State of Wisconsin seasons and dates. Trappers are reminded that, due to furbearer management goals, seasons may be closed at any time. **Trapping is not permitted during the Gun-Deer Season.**

c. Reporting: Trappers will inform the Fort McCoy Biologists of the date they intend to start trapping. Trappers will also provide maps to the Biologists that indicate the location, number and sizes of traps being used no later than one week after they are first set; the Biologist will furnish copies of all trapping maps to Fort McCoy Police Department. Unless trappers are authorized by the installation Biologists, they shall not, during the term of the permit, trap any furbearer in areas other than those designated on the trapping map.

d. All leg hold traps (wet or dry) will be checked on a daily basis.

e. Coyote sets are limited to #2 offset coil spring traps or smaller.

f. Fort McCoy Police, Biologist, and/or representatives may accompany trappers at any time to check their traps. All traps must be removed from the installation at the close of the trapping season.

g. Cantonment Raccoon Trapping: One trapper will be allowed to trap raccoon in specific areas within the Cantonment Area. A drawing will be held to determine who will be allowed to trap in these specified areas. Additional regulations will apply to these areas.

h. Trappers will furnish to the Biologist a report each week that shows the daily catch by furbearer species. Reports must be turned in by the Tuesday following the prior week of trapping. Late turn-in of weekly reports may result in suspension of trapping privileges. Additional information or data may also be required from trappers.

i. No more than 75 traps will be set at one time by each permitted trapper, unless specifically authorized by the Wildlife Biologist.

**3-8. FISHING REGULATION:** refer to map at appendix E

a. Categories and Fees: All persons fishing on Fort McCoy are required to have a Fort McCoy Fishing Permit **and** appropriate Wisconsin Fishing license. Wisconsin residents 65 and over, disabled (as determined by applicable Wisconsin Law), children under age 16 fishing independently, and 4-day residents/nonresidents, may purchase a reduced fee permit. Children under age 16 do not require a Fort McCoy fishing permit if fishing with someone who has a Fort McCoy fishing permit and state fishing license (with trout stamp if fishing for trout). However, fish caught by children under age 16 who do not have a Fort McCoy fishing permit must be included in the accompanying Fort McCoy and state licensed angler's daily bag limit. **The procedure to purchase a Fort McCoy Fishing permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c(1).**

b. Expiration: All fishing permits expire 31 March. Permit expiration coincides with annual Wisconsin Fishing License expiration. **Fishing permits are non-transferable and non-refundable.**

c. Seasons and Dates: Unless otherwise posted, fishing, including trout, is permitted on all lakes and ponds from the first Saturday in May through the first Sunday in March. The North Flowage and Lost Lake are open for panfish all year. Fishing on streams is permitted from the first Saturday in May through 30 September. **No fishing is allowed anywhere on Fort McCoy during the Gun-Deer Season.** Fort McCoy streams will be open for the early catch and release trout season as explained in the Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations and Guide. Anglers are responsible for knowing if fishing areas are closed due to training. This information can be obtained by calling the Game Line at (608) 388-4263 or by checking at the Hunter Information Point.

d. Ice Fishing: Anglers may fish through the ice on all lakes at their own risk. **Vehicles, ATVs, and snowmobiles are not permitted on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers or streams. Ice shanties can be used on lakes, but must be removed daily.**

e. Bag, Possession, and Size Limits: Bag, Possession, and Size limits on any Fort McCoy lakes, ponds, rivers and streams not listed below follow the State of Wisconsin Fishing Regulations. Once you reach any of these limits for a particular species, you must stop fishing for that species.

(1) Possession Limit means the maximum number of fish that a person may possess or control (i.e., in your freezer, cooler, vehicle etc.) which is twice the total daily bag limit.

(2) **Total Daily Bag Limit** is the maximum number of fish that an angler may possess from all water bodies fished for that day.



Species	Total Daily Bag Limit
Panfish*	25
Largemouth Bass	5
Trout	5
All other species	See State Fishing Regulations

\* **Panfish** are defined as the following species: bluegill, pumpkinseed, black and white crappies, yellow perch, green sunfish, warmouth, and sunfish

(3) **Daily Bag Limit** is the maximum number of fish that an angler may possess from a specific water body in one day. An angler may not possess in excess of the daily bag limit for the water while on the waters, banks or shores of that water.

Fort McCoy Location	Species	Daily Bag Limit	Size Limit
North Flowage	Largemouth Bass	5 Largemouth Bass (only one may be over 22 inches and none between 15-22 inches)	No minimum size No bass may be kept between 15-22 inches and only one over 22 inches
West Sandy Lake	Panfish	10 Panfish	8 inch minimum length
Big Sandy Lake	Rainbow Trout	5 Trout	No minimum size
Sandy Lake	Rainbow Trout	5 Trout	No minimum size
Silver Creek (West Silver Wetland dam to western Fort McCoy boundary (see Fishing Map appendix E))	Trout	3 Trout	7 inch minimum length
Ranch Creek	Trout	3	9 inch minimum length
All other waters	Trout	5 Trout	7 inch minimum length
All other waters	All other species	See State Fishing Regulations	See State Fishing Regulations

(4) **Early Trout:** The daily bag limit and possession limit for early trout season is zero.

(5) Fish caught by children under 16 years old who do not possess a Fort McCoy permit are included in the accompanying Fort McCoy and Wisconsin licensed angler's daily bag limit.

f. **Silver Creek:** Only artificial lures may be used on Silver Creek from the West Silver Wetland dam downstream to the western boundary of Fort McCoy. This section is highlighted on the Fishing Map (reference appendix E).

g. **Boats and Motors:** Operation of gasoline motors is prohibited on all Fort McCoy waters with the exception of emergency first responders IAW the performance of their assigned duties. Boats and canoes with or without electric trolling motors are allowed only on the North Flowage, Lost Lake, West Sandy, Sandy, Big Sandy, Squaw, and East Silver Lakes. Boats and canoes are **NOT** allowed on Alderwood, Hazel Dell, Stillwell, Swamp or Sparta Pond. At least one U.S. Coast Guard approved life preserver must be available and on board for each person and placed readily accessible. All boats and canoes on Fort McCoy waters must comply with Wisconsin Boating Regulations. All privately owned watercraft must be removed from Fort McCoy property daily.

h. **Minnows and Crayfish:** Legal minnows may **ONLY** be used in the North Flowage and Lost Lake. Other than the North Flowage and Lost Lake, minnows dead or alive (except commercially preserved) are not allowed as bait or to be in an angler's possession at any time. Crayfish are not allowed as bait on **any** Fort McCoy waters. It is not permitted to release unused bait fish into any Fort McCoy waters. Follow Wisconsin Minnow and other Baitfish Regulations regarding the purchase and transportation of minnows.

i. **Swimming / Wading:** Swimming is not allowed on Fort McCoy, except at the Pine View Recreation Area Beach, when open and the lifeguard is on duty. Wading in Fort McCoy waters is allowed only while in the act of fishing.

j. **Unauthorized Stocking:** It is illegal to transplant live fish from one water body to another without the consent of Fort McCoy Fisheries Biologist. DO NOT move, release, or stock fish, including minnows, into Fort McCoy waters.

k. Vehicles, ATVs, and snowmobiles are not permitted on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers or streams.

l. Lakes are closed to all fishing and recreational use when occupied by troops for military training.

## **APPENDIX A**

### References

#### **10 USC § 2671**

#### **16 USC 470, and CFR 261.9**

Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979

#### **16 USC §§ 670 *et seq***

SIKES Act

#### **18 USC § 13**

### **WI Statutes**

### **WI Natural Resource Code**

#### **Department of Defense Instruction 4715.03**

Natural Resources Conservation Program

#### **Army Regulation 200-1**

Environmental Quality – Environmental Protection and Enhancement

#### **Fort McCoy Regulation 190-5**

Installation Access Control and Traffic Code

#### **Fort McCoy Regulation 190-8**

Animal Control

#### **Fort McCoy Regulation 190-12**

Prohibited Activities and Items

#### **Fort McCoy Pam 385-1**

Range Safety Program

### **Fort McCoy Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan**

**Appendix B**

**SUSPENSION/REVOCAION OF FORT MCCOY GAME PRIVILEGES**

The suspension of game privileges is an additional administrative action in conjunction with any judicial or punitive actions. Suspension shall be immediate and include the date of the offense in the suspension period. Privileges will be suspended consecutively for two or more violations.

<b><u>VIOLATION/OFFENSE</u></b>	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
Hunting or trapping during the closed season -----	Permanent Revocation
Persons found to be legally intoxicated while hunting, trapping, or while operating watercraft -----	Permanent Revocation
Entering the North Impact Area for ANY reason -----	Permanent Revocation
Shooting at or killing, protected, threatened or endangered species -----	Permanent Revocation
Shining wild animals while in possession of a weapon -----	Permanent Revocation
Unauthorized stocking of fish or release of non-native wild animals-----	Permanent Revocation
Concealed carrying of firearm on Government property-----	Permanent Revocation
Using bait (including but not limited to salt/mineral blocks or liquids) for attracting deer-----	Five Year Revocation
Hunting before or after hours -----	Three Year Revocation
Possession of an illegal deer -----	Three Year Revocation
Damage of government property-----	Three Year Revocation
Entering Fort McCoy boundary from other than authorized access roads-----	Three Year Revocation
Hunting within 50 feet of center of roadway, or shooting from or across a roadway-----	Three Year Revocation
Transporting a loaded weapon (cased or uncased) in or on a vehicle-----	Three Year Revocation
Provide incorrect information when registering deer -----	Two Year Revocation
Persons consuming alcohol while in hunting or trapping area -----	Two Year Revocation
Harassing/obstructing hunters, trappers or anglers -----	Two Year Revocation
Exceeding daily or possession small game limits -----	Two Year Revocation
Making an unauthorized deer drive -----	Two Year Revocation
Transporting a uncased weapon in or on a vehicle -----	Two Year Revocation
Harassing, disturbing or pursuing protected species -----	One Year Revocation
Constructing or hunting from a permanent tree stand, fail to remove stand daily -----	One Year Revocation
Fail to remove commercial blinds daily -----	One Year Revocation
Failure to register a deer on Fort McCoy the day the deer is harvested -----	One Year Revocation
Failure to make reasonable effort to retrieve downed game -----	One Year Revocation
Failure to check leg hold traps on a daily basis (dry or wet) -----	One Year Revocation
Hunting with an illegal or unauthorized weapon, ammunition, etc. -----	One Year Revocation
Digging, disturbing the soil or painting vegetation/trees of any kind -----	One Year Revocation
Cutting down live trees over 1" diameter-----	One Year Revocation
Failure to cooperate with government officials when in the execution of their duties -----	One Year Revocation
Littering or depositing debris on Fort McCoy -----	One Year Revocation
Violation of BLACK OUT Drive restrictions -----	One Year Revocation

Hunting/scouting/driving/parking in closed area -----	One Year Revocation
Possession of under sized fish, violation of slot limit, exceeding daily or possession limits -----	One Year Revocation
Operating vehicles off established roadways, on unauthorized trails, or driving off authorized roads in LRAM areas -----	One Year Revocation
Use of minnows as bait, except on North Flowage and Lost Lake -----	One Year Revocation
Use of crayfish as bait on any Fort McCoy waters -----	One Year Revocation
Shining wild animals at anytime on Fort McCoy -----	One Year Revocation
Any violation of Cantonment Archery -----	Permanent Revocation of Cantonment Privileges
Any other law covered by the State of Wisconsin hunting regulation and/or this regulation -----	Forfeiture and/or Fine as depicted in the Fort McCoy Forfeiture Schedule

## Appendix F Cantonment Deer Archery Hunting Regulation

1. PURPOSE: This regulation sets forth laws and restrictions for archery hunting in the Cantonment Area.
2. APPLICABILITY: This regulation applies to all persons, military and civilian, who participate in the Cantonment Area archery hunts which coincides with the regular Fort McCoy archery season. All seasons, dates, and restrictions are subject to change.
3. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS: The Cantonment Archery hunting was established to manage the urban deer population within the Cantonment Areas (reference appendix G). Specific areas will be open for deer hunting to archers with a Wisconsin license **and** appropriate Fort McCoy Cantonment Area permit (**see paragraphs 4b and 4c below**).
4. SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND CONCERNS: This appendix to Fort McCoy Regulation 420-29 contains special provisions and regulations that pertain to this hunt. If not specifically stated below, Fort McCoy and Wisconsin Statutes apply.
  - a. **To hunt deer within the Cantonment Area, archers must possess a Fort McCoy Cantonment Archery permit and carcass tag. Regular Wisconsin archery carcass tags are not valid in the Cantonment Area.** This special (bonus) Fort McCoy tag allows the archer to shoot a spike buck or antlerless deer. **The procedure to apply for a Fort McCoy Cantonment Deer Archery permit is outlined under paragraph 2-2c (2).**
  - b. Archers with a Fort McCoy Cantonment Archery Permit are allowed to use their Cantonment Archery Tag only in specified areas as identified on the Cantonment Archery Hunting Map (reference appendix G).
  - c. A limited number of special (bonus) tags may be available on a first-come, first-served basis to hunt deer in these areas. These permits may be obtained from the Permit Sales Office.
  - d. **Deer drives are NOT allowed in the Cantonment Area.**
  - e. Vehicles are only allowed on established roads and trails.
  - f. Hunters in the Cantonment Area are not allowed to shoot at deer that are outside wooded areas (i.e., a deer standing in the open in the parade field).
  - g. Hunters in the Cantonment Area are not allowed to walk outside of the hunting areas in an attempt to chase deer into the hunting areas.
  - h. Hunters in the Cantonment Area must field dress deer in wooded areas only.
  - i. Archers may be required to verify the kill site.
  - j. The Cantonment Area may be closed at anytime during the season. The **Game Line, (608) 388-4263**, will inform hunters in the event an area is closed to hunting.