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**Summary:** This Regulation describes the policies and procedures that govern hunting, trapping and fishing and incorporates changes made on a yearly basis for use on Fort A.P. Hill.

**Applicability:** Applicability. This Regulation applies to all individuals hunting, trapping and fishing within the boundaries of Fort A.P. Hill. All individuals entering Fort A.P. Hill under authority of this regulation are also subject to local, state, and federal laws and regulations. This policy is punitive in nature. Violation of this policy may result in adverse administrative action, to include revocation of recreational privileges or being permanently barred from post, or punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 92. Violations may also result in civil or criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1382 or other applicable federal, state, or local laws.

**Suggested Improvements:** Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this Regulation is the Directorate of Public Works, Environmental and Natural Resources Division (DPW/ENRD). Users are invited to send comments/suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 to DPW/ENRD, Fish and Wildlife Branch, 19952 N. Range Road, Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia 22427-3123.

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**\*This Regulation supersedes APH Reg. 200-10, dated 1 September 2017.**

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a. This regulation sets forth policies, restrictions and procedures for all hunting activities on Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH). It applies to all individuals that hunt on the Installation. FAPH operates a hunting program in the areas used for military training on the Installation. This program is intended to offer public recreational hunting and opportunities to assist in wildlife management. Hunting on FAPH is a privilege, not a right. **New regulations for the 2018-19 seasons are shown in bold.**

b. All recreational activities on FAPH are authorized and controlled by the Garrison Commander in accordance with the applicable Federal, State, Caroline County Laws and Department of the Army Regulations. Minimum restrictions on all recreational activities are established to ensure safety, security, protection of property, and efficient accomplishment of FAPH missions. Federal, State, and Caroline County governments have concurrent legislative jurisdiction over most of FAPH. In case of conflict, the most restrictive applicable rule or statute governs.

c. There are no guarantees of a place to hunt on FAPH. Areas are open or closed to hunting based upon scheduled military training, safety, or biological management objectives.

d. By entering the Installation, every individual consents to the search and inspection of their person and vehicles at the gate. Failure to fully cooperate during the course of an investigation, documents check, vehicle inspection, law enforcement check point, could result in revocation of recreational privileges or being barred from post. Lying or concealing information during these law enforcement activities could also lead to revocation of recreational privileges or being barred from post.

e. All observed violations of Federal, State, Caroline County, or FAPH regulations or laws must be reported to the FAPH Police Desk (DES) at (804) 633-8888 or for non-urgent calls call (804) 633-8434. DES will support the enforcement of applicable laws and regulations and protection of FAPH's natural resources in accordance with the Sikes Act as Amended (2013) and Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) #5525.17 (2013).

f. In case of emergency call (804) 633-8911. Accidents and lost persons must be immediately reported to FAPH Police Desk (804) 633-8888, Range Operations (804) 633-8224 and the Fish and Wildlife Branch (804) 633-8984.

g. Unless otherwise addressed in this regulation, hunting on FAPH will be in accordance with Virginia State laws, applicable federal laws and supplemental orders issued by the Garrison Commander. Any supplemental order will be posted at Bldg. P00314 (Game Check Station), Bldg. 1253 (Range Operations), Bldg. 308 (Fish and Wildlife Branch), and on the iSportsman website.

h. This policy does not authorize or regulate the possession or use of privately owned weapons on FAPH. Command Policy Letter (CPL) 19 and APH Regulation 190-11 outline the policy for possession and use of privately owned weapons and will be reviewed prior to arrival at FAPH.

i. Any person found to have knowingly or deliberately entered false information into the iSportsman program or any person found to have used another person's information, PIN, or account number to fraudulently sign in or out of an area may be barred from post or have their recreational privileges revoked..

## **2. What is needed to Hunt at Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH).**

a. To be eligible to participate in hunting on FAPH you must possess, or have accomplished, the following:

(1) Step 1 – Must possess a valid Hunter Safety Education Certificate. See 2.b. below.

(2) Step 2 – Must possess all required state and federal hunting licenses, stamps, etc. for the species that will be hunted.

(3) Step 3 – To gain access to FAPH, a criminal history check is required. See 2.c. below. These can be completed upon entrance to the Garrison at the Visitor Control Center (VCC). Please call the VCC at 804-633-8585 to confirm their hours of operation. Hunters may also visit <https://faph.isportsman.net/> and complete the background information sheet. Email the form through your private email account to the VCC. There is no fee associated with the background check.

(4) Step 4 – The serial number, make, and model for all weapons (including bows and crossbows) that will be used while hunting at FAPH must be recorded at the VCC. Do not take the weapons into the VCC. Note the required data and bring the note to the VCC for recording. Steps 3 and 4 may be completed at the same time.

(5) Step 5 – Create a user profile in the iSportsman system and sign a General Release Statement and purchase the FAPH Hunting Permit.

(6) Step 6 – All hunters on FAPH must view the FAPH Hunting Orientation and Safety video located on the FAPH iSportsman website. The iSportsman system will not allow hunters to acquire permits until the FAPH Hunting Orientation and Safety video has been viewed in its entirety.

(7) **Step 7** – To hunt in the 31 Controlled Access Areas (CA) south of Rt. 301, a hunter must view the CA Area Orientation and Safety video located on the iSportsman website. The iSportsman system will not allow hunters to acquire a CA permit until the FAPH Hunting Orientation and Safety video has been viewed in its entirety (See 10. Special Area Regulations).

b. **Hunter Safety Certificate Requirement.** Hunters must have a Virginia State Hunter Safety Education Certificate or a state Hunter Safety Education Certificate from any state. Hunters must acknowledge having such In iSportsman in order to purchase a FAPH Hunting Permit. FAPH will honor Virginia Apprentice licenses for new hunters. A Virginia Apprentice license temporarily negates the requirement of the Hunter Education Safety Certificate. Other hunter education courses approved in writing by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) may be acceptable. Children younger than 12 will be allowed to hunt without the certificate but must remain within arm’s reach of a parent/guardian. Individuals possessing or purchasing a FAPH senior citizen or disabled lifetime permit are also required to present a Hunter Safety Education Certificate.

c. **Force Protection Requirement.** In accordance with Army Regulation 190-13, "The Army Physical Security Program" regarding un-escorted access to military installations, a Criminal History Check must be completed before being granted access to FAPH. This Criminal History Check can be done at the VCC during normal business hours, or pre-filing your data by email at <https://faph.isportsman.net/> .

d. **Fort A.P. Hill Hunting Permit.** Prior to purchasing a FAPH Hunting Permit, a hunter must possess a Hunter Safety Education Certificate (See 2.b.), complete their weapons registration, pass a current Criminal History Check, possess a current Virginia State or Caroline County Hunting License (resident or nonresident as applicable), and complete the FAPH hunting application and General Release Statement through the iSportsman system. A qualified guardian is required to sign a General Release Statement for children 17 years of age or under. These children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. All hunters new to FAPH are required to review the FAPH hunting safety program slide presentation before purchasing a FAPH Hunting Permit. Both the presentation and the Hunting Permit are available on the FAPH iSportsman website. A new hunter is an individual that has not hunted on FAPH in the past two years.

e. **Permit Fees:** The season runs from 1 Sep – 31 Aug.

General hunting permit (16-64 years old).....	\$65.00/season
Youth/Junior hunting permit (15 years old and below).....	Free
Disabled hunting permit.....	Free
<small>(Must possess a Virginia Resident Disabled Hunting License or a Virginia Nonresident Disabled License)</small>	
65+ years old prior to 1 September 2015.....	Free
Turned 65 years old from 1Sep 2015 to date of purchase ....	\$52.00/season
3 day hunting.....	\$45.00

CA Hunter permit.....	Free
Combination permit (General hunting and fishing).....	\$75.00/season
Active Duty Enlisted Military (E1 – E4).....	Free
Active Duty Enlisted Military (E5 – E6).....	\$20.00/season

**3. Telephone Numbers and Hours of Operation**

<b>BUILDING</b>	<b>SERVICES AND PHONE NUMBERS</b>
Fish and Wildlife Branch Building 308 Anderson Camp	<b>Recording for open TA's, CA's, and General information:</b> 844-326-3113 <b>Game Check Station &amp; Fish and Wildlife Branch:</b> (804) 633-8984/8750
Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) Provost Marshal Office Building #156	<b>FAPH Police Desk:</b> (804) 633-8888 <b>Emergency – 8911</b> <b>For suspected game violations:</b> (804) 633-8888 Police Desk (804) 633-8434 Game Wardens <b>(804) 363-9269 Game Warden cell phone</b> (804) 633-8984 Fish and Wildlife Office (804) 633-8131 Anonymous Game Warden tip line
Call-In Number for Hunting Area Reservations	(844)-326-3113 (iSportsman line) Allows you to reserve an area one day in advance
Visitor Control Center	Annual Criminal Background Check and Weapons Serial Number Registration. 804-633-8585.

**4. Fort A.P. Hill 2018/2019 hunting seasons and bag limits.** FAPH hunting seasons and bag limits are listed in Appendix A.

**5. Check-In/Check-Out Procedures.**

**Table 5-1**

<b>Checking In to Hunt</b>	<b>Checking Out From Hunting</b>
<p>During the Fall and Winter hunting seasons, hunters may not check in to their areas prior to 0430 in the iSportsman system. Hunters will not be permitted to enter FAPH until 0430. Those staying in recreational lodging are not permitted to proceed to training areas or range complex prior to 0430. Anyone found on the roads/trails prior to 0430 will have their privileges suspended and asked to leave the installation immediately. Hunters must not check in to a hunting area prior to physically arriving at FAPH. Hunters who fail to comply with this check in procedure will have their iSportsman accounts placed on administrative hold until the infraction has been reconciled by the Conservation Law Enforcement Program.</p>	<p>The following are the times that all hunters must be checked out from hunting through the iSportsman system. Hunters must be off the installation unless they are checking game at the Game Check Station or are staying in recreational lodging. Those hunters staying in recreational lodging must be clear of their hunting area, roads and trails that are not directly associated to their lodging. The end of legal shooting time is ½ hour after sunset (except for some migratory bird season). On days that FAPH has ½ day hunting the end of legal shooting time is 1200. Hunters must check out of their areas prior to leaving FAPH property or prior to arriving at their on-post lodging. Hunters who fail to comply with this check out procedure will have their iSportsman accounts placed on administrative hold until the infraction has been reconciled by the Conservation Law Enforcement Program.</p> <p><b>28 September – 28 February 1.5 hours after sunset, with the following exceptions:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Thanksgiving 23 NOV – 1200</b>  <b>Christmas Eve 24 DEC – 1200</b>  <b>Christmas Day 25 DEC – Closed</b>  <b>Closed Sundays</b></p> <p><b>CA Hunters must be clear of the entire CA complex no later than 8:00 pm. Range Management Branch will begin locking gates at that time for the next day's military training.</b></p>
<p>During the Spring hunting seasons, hunters may not check into their areas prior to 0400 in the iSportsman system. Hunters will not be permitted to enter FAPH until 0400. Hunters must not</p>	<p>The following are the times that all hunters must be checked out from hunting through the iSportsman system in the Spring hunting season. <b>Hunters must be off the installation at the</b></p>

<p>check in to their area prior to physically arriving at FAPH. Hunters who fail to comply with this check in procedure will have their iSportsman accounts placed on administrative hold until the infraction has been reconciled by the Conservation Law Enforcement Program. Those staying in recreational lodging are not permitted to proceed to training areas or range complex prior to 0400. Anyone found on the roads/trails prior to 0400 will have their privileges suspended and asked to leave the installation immediately.</p> <p>CA Hunters may not exit their vehicle before 6:00 AM. Follow these steps for morning access.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CA hunters may enter Fort A.P. Hill starting at 4:00am and check into a CA area in iSportsman.</li> <li>2. Hunters will then be permitted to stage along North or South Range Road, but may not travel downrange past any open cattle gate at that time.</li> <li>3. Hunters must stay in their vehicle until 6:00am.</li> <li>4. At 6:00 am hunters may drive to their chosen hunting location within the CA Complex &amp; proceed into the woods on foot.</li> </ol>	<p><b>designated time unless they are checking game or are staying in recreational lodging. Hunters must check out of their areas prior to leaving FAPH property or prior to arriving at their on-post lodging. Hunters who fail to comply with this check out procedure will have their iSportsman accounts placed on administrative hold until the infraction has been by reconciled the Conservation Law Enforcement Program.</b></p> <p>Those hunters staying in recreational lodging must be clear of their hunting area, roads and trails that are not directly associated to their lodging. The end of legal shooting time during this Spring season is 1200.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>06 APR - 18 MAY – 1300 Closed Sundays</b></p>
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a. **Hunting Permit**. To be assigned an area to hunt, hunters must check in to a hunting area using the FAPH iSportsman system either by phone, computer, smartphone, or at the iSportsman kiosk located at the VCC. A seasonal parking permit is issued at the same time when a hunter purchases their hunting permit. The hunting permit must be printed off and carried on the hunters' person.

b. **Parking Permit**. The parking permit, must be displayed face up on the left side of the dashboard of the hunters' vehicle **so that it is clearly visible to the roadway**. The parking permit must be clearly displayed for each hunter in a vehicle. Vehicles not displaying parking permits may be towed at the owner's expense and their hunting privileges may be suspended. When finished hunting, every hunter must check out from their hunting area using the iSportsman system.

c. **Hunting Areas**. Hunting areas are designated daily according to military needs. Hunters are restricted to hunting only in their assigned area, but will be permitted to



change areas when space is available by checking out using the iSportsman system by phone, internet or kiosk. During the fall/winter hunting seasons, the maximum approximate hunter density will be 1 daily hunting permit per 75 acres of land available for hunting on a given day. During the spring gobbler season, approximately 1 daily permit per 225 acres of available hunting land will be issued. Hunters may only check in to one area at a time, no exceptions. Hunters may only change areas four times per day.

d. **Open Area Information.** Recorded phone line (844-326-3113) will be updated each day by 1900 (7pm) to give the open hunting areas for the next hunting day. Open hunting areas are also posted on the FAPH iSportsman website.

e. **Reservations.** Hunters may reserve an open hunting area by telephone 844-326-3113, or on the FAPH iSportsman website, beginning at 1900 (7pm) and ending at 2400 (12am) the day prior to the hunting day. While there is no hunting on Sundays, Monday reservations can be made Sunday evening at 1900 (7pm). Reservations will be held only until 0600 (6am) the day of the hunt. The calling hunter may make a reservation for themselves and one other hunter.

f. **Checking Game.** All game animals taken on FAPH, to include small game, waterfowl, and furbearers, must be reported in the iSportsman system. Upon killing a deer, bear, or turkey, the hunter must immediately notch the appropriate tab on their Virginia State Big Game Hunting License prior to moving the animal from the place of kill. That hunter must then take the game to the FAPH Game Check Station where an official Virginia Game Check Card will be issued. Unless directed to do so, no deer are to be checked in using the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries telephone or internet checking system. The removal of unreported game from the Installation may result in revocation of recreational privileges or being barred from post. Hunters must make every effort to trail and recover wounded game. Hunters may not, however, violate checking out of the iSportsman system by the assigned time. To be allowed to stay in an area after the assigned return time to stay and track a wounded deer, the hunter must coordinate with the Range Operations Fire Desk, (804)-633-8224. Range Operations may grant or deny permission to stay in the training area or controlled access area to track the animal. If a hunter is granted permission to stay in the area by Range Operations the hunter shall call the Fish and Wildlife Branch, (804)-633-8984, to inform the biologist on duty that they have checked out of the iSportsman system and have coordinated with Range Operations to track. If the hunter is successful in recovery of the animal the hunter must bring the deer to the Game Checking Station and complete the late deer check in procedures as directed at the station. If wounded game goes off of FAPH, it is the responsibility of the hunter to obtain permission from the private landowner to enter the privately owned land. If a hunter fails to check out in the iSportsman system before the assigned time, the hunter's account will be place on automatic administrative hold. The user will be unable to hunt on FAPH until the matter is resolved. Hunters must check out of their area before departing FAPH or returning to on-post lodging.

g. **Observers.** A non-hunting observer may accompany a licensed hunter. To be allowed access to the areas, an observer must obey all blaze orange or blaze pink requirements, cannot carry any weapons and must sign the “General Release Statement.” Observers must check in and out of areas using the iSportsman system, just as the licensed hunter.

h. **Youth Hunters.** Any, civilian or family member under the age of 18 is prohibited from the use of firearms, unless accompanied and supervised by a parent or legal guardian (FAPH 190-11). An authorized adult, 18 years of age or older, can escort no more than two youth hunters (under the age of 18) or non-hunting observers. The underage hunters must stay within sight and voice contact and no more than 100 yards away from the adult escort. During spring gobbler season underage hunters must stay within 10 yards of the adult escort. Children younger than 12 must remain within arm’s reach of a parent/guardian.

**6. Prohibited Activities and Restrictions.** The following list is not all inclusive, but is offered for convenience. It includes FAPH-specific restrictions that may differ from state and county laws or ordinances. The list also includes some violations that are state laws but are included for emphasis.

a. **Buckshot.** Buckshot may not be used to hunt any game and may not be possessed on one’s person or in one’s vehicle while hunting at FAPH.

b. **Weapons in Vehicles.** Weapons must be encased or broken down and unloaded while in a vehicle. Weapons and ammunition must be separated during transport.

c. **Drive Hunting.** Drive hunting is strictly prohibited. Drive hunting is defined as an organized sweep by one or more moving people designed to push or drive deer to one or more hunters. **If you observe or hear hunters conducting drives, immediately call 804-633-8434 or 8984 and report the violation.**

d. **Shooting From Vehicle.** Shooting from a vehicle is prohibited.

e. **Deer Weapons.** Deer will be hunted only with archery tackle, shotguns loaded with slugs, and muzzle loading rifles .45 caliber or larger.

f. **Failure to Check-Out of Area By Assigned Time.** **Hunters must check out of their hunting area in the iSportsman system before departing FAPH or returning to on-post lodging.** Hunters who fail to check out of there areas in iSportsman by the assigned time will automatically have their accounts placed on administrative hold. **The first offense in a license year will result in the administrative hold remaining for a mandatory three (3) hunting days. A second offense of not checking out of an area will result in a mandatory minimum of fourteen (14) hunting days administrative hold on their account. Hunters who fail to check out of iSportsman at the end of the deer General Gun Season will have their administrative action applied into the next year’s opening of General Gun Season.**

- g. **Shooting Across Roads or Trails.** Firing across an **asphalt or gravel** road or trail is prohibited.
- h. **Spotlighting.** Casting a light or headlight off the roadway to observe is prohibited.
- i. **Discharging a Firearm.** Discharging a firearm for purposes other than hunting is prohibited.
- j. **Dogs and Deer.** It is unlawful to hunt or track deer with dogs on FAPH. Any hunter or member of a party of hunters who kills a deer while hunting with dogs will be subject to the loss of FAPH hunting privileges. Shooting a deer being pursued by dogs is prohibited. Shooting dogs is prohibited.
- k. **Trespassing.** Anyone found in a Permanent Restricted Area or in any other area (Training Area, Controlled Access area) without approval may have their FAPH hunting privileges revoked. Signing out for one area and hunting or entering a different area is prohibited and may result in loss of hunting privileges. Additionally, personnel found poaching/trespassing will be subject to prosecution and/or administrative action. Personnel reporting violations should contact the Game Wardens at (804) 633-8434 or Police Desk (804) 633-8888.
- l. **Road Hunting.** Hunters are to proceed directly to and from their assigned hunting area by the most direct route. Driving FAPH roads and trails to observe wildlife or for any other purpose other than to reach or leave the assigned hunting area is prohibited. If persons are observed driving in a manner that appears they are searching for wildlife, it will be assumed that they are hunting from that vehicle and they may be stopped and searched.
- m. **Accessing Hunting Areas, Legal Hunt Hours.** Hunters will not be permitted to enter FAPH prior to 0430 in the fall seasons and 0400 in the spring. Hunters staying in recreational lodging will not be permitted to proceed to their assigned hunting areas prior to 0430 in fall seasons and 0400 during the spring season. DES may ask hunters to leave the installation immediately if found on the road/trail system prior to the above times. Hunting will not commence prior to one-half hour before sunrise and will end not later than one-half hour after sunset. **WEAPONS WILL NOT BE LOADED OUTSIDE OF HUNTING HOURS.** Some migratory bird and turkey seasons have shorter hunt day lengths.
- n. **Deer Processing.** **Hunters are asked to please field dress their deer prior to transporting them to the Game Check Station.** Processing/skinning of any wildlife is prohibited at Champs Camp RV Park and/or any FAPH lodging facilities. If found to have processed/skinned game at one of these areas, personnel may lose their FAPH hunting privileges, and lodging privileges.

o. **Baiting, Plantings and Non-Game Species.** Feeding or baiting of any wildlife or taking of any species not addressed in these regulations is prohibited. **Hunters are prohibited from planting food plots, seeding, fertilizing, or the placement of salt and minerals on FAPH property.**

p. **Alcohol and Drugs.** Any hunter that uses or possesses alcohol or illegal drugs in a hunting area is subject to loss of hunting privileges and prosecution under Federal and/or state law. This prohibition extends to carrying alcohol or illegal drugs in a vehicle while checked out to hunt. NOTE: If alcohol or the odor of alcohol is detected by members of law enforcement personnel, the hunter will be denied hunting privileges, and may be issued applicable citations

q. **Government Property.** Picking up, touching or taking Government equipment, ordnance, munitions or any item is prohibited. Defacing, climbing on, or disturbing any part of a building, range structure, sign, equipment or property found on FAPH is also prohibited.

r. **Harassment and Hunter Conduct.** Harassment of government employees or contractors involved in natural resources management or check station duties is prohibited and may result in loss of hunting privileges. The use of inappropriate, crude, offensive or threatening language by hunters around the Game Check Station or directed at others at any location on FAPH, is prohibited and may result in revocation of recreational privileges.

s. **Interfering with Hunters.** Interfering with the lawful pursuit of taking of wildlife or disturbing any wildlife for the purpose of disrupting a hunt is prohibited.

t. **Party Hunting.** “Party Hunting” is prohibited. Party hunting is defined as one person killing a deer, bear or turkey and having another member notch their Big Game License and check in the animal for them. This also applies to small game and migratory birds.

u. **Artifacts.** Excavation or digging is prohibited. The collection of any artifact (such as Civil War artifacts, old bottles, coins, etc.), disturbance of any feature related to past human activity, and the collection of paleontological specimens on FAPH is prohibited. The use of metal detectors on FAPH is strictly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted under both the civil and criminal provisions of the Archeological Resources Protection Act, 16 USC Sections 470ee-470ff or other applicable law or regulation.

v. **Littering.** Littering or disposing of refuse except in receptacles provided for that purpose is prohibited.

w. **Checking In and Not Hunting.** Hunters who falsely check in to hunt an area and do not go hunting, or allow others to check them into areas, **or using another hunters iSportsman account** for the purpose of “locking up” openings to keep others out will be flagged as doing so in the iSportsman system and have their privileges

immediately placed on administrative hold until the incident is resolved. Such violations may result in permanent loss of hunting privileges and or permanent debarment from FAPH. Hunters must be in the TA or CA that they have checked in to, or be on FAPH driving directly to the area, or in a vehicle parked adjacent to the area with the following one exception: Between the hours of 1130-1300 hunters may leave FAPH for lunch without checking out of their area in iSportsman. Hunters are to check in to hunt on iSportsman once they arrive on FAPH property, or leave base lodging. Hunters are to check out of iSportsman before they leave FAPH property or return to base lodging.

x. **Photography**. Do not photograph installation facilities, training equipment, or troops while on FAPH. **Trail camera use is prohibited.**

y. **FAPH Access Under False Pretenses**. If a person falsely uses a hunting permit to gain access to FAPH and is not on the Garrison to hunt, that person may be subject to the loss of all FAPH privileges, other adverse action, and criminal prosecution.

z. **Hunting Guides**. **The use of paid or bartered hunting guides is prohibited.**

aa. **Two-Way Radios**. **Because of possible interference with military training or equipment the use of two-way radios is prohibited.**

## 7. Safety.

a. **Blaze Orange & Blaze Pink**. Violations of the following blaze color requirements may result in immediate and permanent loss of FAPH hunting privileges. Removing blaze garments once a hunter reaches a stand is a violation of this regulation. If hunters observe others not following these blaze color requirements, they are to immediately call 804-633-8888 or 804-633-8984 and report, in detail, this severe violation. Every hunter or person accompanying a hunter on FAPH beginning with the firearms deer seasons (including muzzle loader season), will wear a blaze orange or pink hat and outer body clothing with at least two square feet of blaze orange or blaze pink visible above the waist and visible from 360 degrees. Camouflage blaze orange or blaze pink body clothing is acceptable. Portable pop-up style blinds must also be marked with two square feet of blaze orange or blaze pink during the firearms deer seasons. Blaze orange or blaze pink must be clearly visible from all sides, 360 degrees, and must not be faded, or covered. Hats may have a bill or brim color or design other than solid blaze color. A logo, which does not detract from visibility, may be worn on a blaze hat. The blaze orange or blaze pink requirement during the deer firearms seasons also applies to bow hunters hunting in archery only areas. Waterfowl hunters must wear blaze orange or blaze pink while walking to and from their hunting areas during the general firearms season, but may wear camouflage while sitting in a blind or boat. After the deer general firearms season all small game hunters must still comply with the blaze orange or blaze pink requirement. From January 13 – 27 fall turkey hunters are not required to meet the blaze requirement.

b. **No Hunting Safety Zones.** Hunting is not permitted within 200 meters (219 yards) of the fuel storage area, built-up areas, dwellings or other occupiable structures. During all hunting seasons, hunting is prohibited within 50 meters (55 yards) of all perimeter (boundary), Training Area (TA) and Controlled Access (CA) area roads (paved or gravel). Roads that are interior to the assigned hunting area are not subject to this restriction. The blast zone arc limits for the Ammunition Supply Point and the Ammo Holding Area are marked with signage. Hunters are not allowed inside of the blast arcs.

c. **Keeping a Safe Distance.** Hunters need to be mindful of each other's presence in the woods. Ethical hunters, when realizing the presence of another hunter, will not enter, and will depart the area immediately to avoid interference with the hunter who is already in position to hunt. This separation distance should be at least 200 meters (219 yards). During the spring gobbler season, early archery and squirrel seasons, camouflaged hunters can be in close proximity and not realize it. Squirrel season presents the unique potential hazard of having a hunter shoot into a tree where a motionless archery hunter might be sitting. Extra care must be exercised to be sure of your target and what is beyond. All conflicts between hunters will be processed by the Game Wardens.

d. **Evacuate Hunting Areas.** Hunters must immediately leave their assigned hunting area and return to their vehicle if:

(1) There is contact with military personnel engaged in military training within the assigned hunting area. This means that either military personnel or the hunters are in the wrong area. Contact Fish and Wildlife Branch personnel (804-633-8984) or Range Operations (804-633-8224) to correct the problem. The hunter will either be allowed back into the area once it is clear, or they will be assigned to another area if available.

(2) There is a notice broadcast from loud speakers situated at various locations over the Installation. This system may signal an emergency or unsafe condition and may instruct all personnel to leave the areas and return to their vehicle or safe area.

(3) Directed by Range Operations.

(4) Notified by the FAPH iSportsman system by automated call, text message, or email to evacuate the area.

e. **Safety Equipment.** Cell phone, flashlight, and whistle are strongly encouraged to be carried at all times. It is advised that all hunters carry cell phones to call for assistance and to download FAPH's important phone numbers such as Range Operations (804) 633-8224, Fish and Wildlife Branch (804) 633-8984, Game Warden (804) 633-8434, and FAPH Police Desk (DES) (804) 633-8911 into their cell phones.

f. **Treestand Safety.** FAPH hunters may use treestands at their own risk. Only portable treestands may be used. Never climb into a permanent wooden stand. The

government is neither responsible for accidents and injuries that may occur nor liable for any loss or damage that occurs to stands left unattended. Use only professionally manufactured stands such as those that are certified by Treestand Manufacturers Association (TMA). Follow the manufacturer's instructions for their assembly and safe use. Inspect treestands prior to each use to ensure that there are no damaged or loose parts. Do not climb with anything in hand. Use an equipment haul line to raise and lower your unloaded gun, archery tackle, or other equipment. Always wear and properly use a Fall Arrest System/Full Body Harness that meets TMA type standards. Always use a harness that distributes weight through shoulders, chest, waist, and legs and is equipped with a safety release mechanism.

g. **Unexploded Ordnance**. All hunting areas are utilized for military training and dangers inherent to such training are present. It is possible to find unexploded ordnance (UXO) anywhere. Do not touch or disturb the UXO. If a UXO is found, mark the area, not the UXO and report it immediately to Range Operations at (804) 633-8224.

h. **Closed and Off Limits Areas**. Never, for any reason, enter a closed TA or CA area, explosive impact area, or any other area shaded off limits on the Hunting Area Map. It is imperative that hunters know their location at all times. Never cross a boundary road, cross a wire fence, or walk, drive, or bypass around a closed gate. It is the individual's sole responsibility to insure and verify they are in their assigned hunting area.

## 8. Conservation Law Enforcement Procedures.

a. **Information**. All federal and state laws concerning the harvest of fish and wildlife apply to all persons on FAPH regardless of the purpose of entry onto the Garrison. In addition, the FAPH Garrison Commander has prescribed special regulations for persons using government lands and facilities.

b. **Authority**. FAPH law enforcement personnel may detain, issue summons or arrest persons suspected of violating federal or state game laws. They are also authorized to suspend hunting privileges of anyone who violates the regulations prescribed in APH Reg 200-10. Accounts will be placed on administrative hold until incidents are resolved. Personnel operating the game checking station are authorized to take temporary custody of illegal wildlife brought to the game check station until law enforcement personnel arrive.

c. **Violations** of Federal and State Laws. FAPH law enforcement personnel will detain, arrest, or issue a Federal Court Violation Summons (DDFM1805) to all persons suspected of violating federal and or state fish and game laws. The summons form will either reflect a collateral fee issued by the U.S. Attorney Office or have a mandatory court appearance set for more serious crimes. In addition, in these cases, persons are subject to administrative actions. All recreational privileges will be temporarily suspended pending final adjudication or payment of all matters referred to the US Attorney's Office.

**d. Administrative Actions.** Persons who violate state, Federal or FAPH fish and wildlife laws and regulations on FAPH property are subject to both administrative actions up to and including permanent barring from FAPH and/or having their recreational privileges at FAPH permanently revoked. The following table 8-1 will be used as a general guide in determining the number of hunting days for which a violator’s hunting privileges will be on hold. Suspensions may vary due to circumstances and may take effect either at the time of the notice of violation is served or at a time specified at the discretion of the Game Warden.

Table 8-1

<u>Violations</u>	<u>Administrative Action</u>	
	<u>1st Offense</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Offense</u>
Failure to display parking permit.	3 hunting days	14 hunting days
Failure to hunt in assigned area.	Permanent Revocation	N/A
Hunting in a closed area, restricted area, or “No Hunting” zone.	Permanent Revocation	N/A
Failure to checkout on time.	3 hunting days	14 hunting days
Operating motorized vehicle on unauthorized road, unless retrieving game.	30 hunting days	1 year from violation
Transporting a loaded weapon in a vehicle.	1 year from violation	N/A
Failure to wear blaze orange during deer firearms season.	1 year from violation	N/A
Conducting deer drives.	Permanent Revocation	N/A
Discharging a firearm for purposes other than hunting or shooting across a road or trail.	1 year from violation	N/A

Table 8-1 - Recommended Penalties for Administrative Restriction of Hunting Privileges

**9. Weapons Regulation.** This regulation describes procedures and restrictions on the use of firearms for recreational hunting only. APH Regulation 190-11 and Commander’s Policy Letter #19 determine the proper protocol regarding the transport



and storage of firearms. Unless specifically authorized by the Garrison Commander, the possession and/or use of firearms on the installation are prohibited. This policy will be strictly enforced.

a. **Authorized Weapons.** Shotguns, muzzleloaders, rim fire rifles, air rifles, archery tackle, and crossbows are weapons authorized for hunting on FAPH. Air rifles, .22 and .17 rim fire are only legal for small game hunting. Handguns cannot be concealed regardless of permits. Pump and semi-automatic shotguns must be plugged so the magazine and chamber combined do not accommodate more than 3 shells. **No weapons will be loaded within 40 meters of an approved drivable boundary road.**

b. **Transporting Weapons.** All weapons will be unloaded and inaccessible to the driver and passengers while transported within the boundaries of FAPH in accordance with APH Regulation 190-11. Firearms are considered unloaded when there are no shells in the chamber or magazine. Muzzleloaders are considered unloaded when the percussion cap or primer has been removed from the nipple or breach plug or when all powder has been removed from the flash pan. During transportation all weapons shall be **CASED, DISASSEMBLED, OR LOCKED IN THE TRUNK, CAMPER, OR TOOL BOX.**

c. **Registering Weapons.** Hunters will register any weapons that will be transported on FAPH. Per AR 190-11, the registration of privately owned firearms by persons described below is prohibited:

(1) Any person convicted of a felony (Gun Control Act of 1968 (Title 18, United States Code Section 921 et seq. (18 USC 921 et seq.), as amended in 1996 (18 USC 922)).

(2) Any person convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence or a felony (the Lautenberg Amendment to the Federal Gun Control Act of 1968, as amended in 1996). The Amendment –

(a) Makes it a felony for any person to sell or otherwise dispose of firearms or ammunition to any person he or she knows or has reasonable cause to believe has been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence.

(b) Prohibits anyone who has been convicted of misdemeanor crime of domestic violence from shipping or transporting in interstate or foreign commerce, or possessing in or affecting commerce, any firearm or ammunition; or receiving any firearm or ammunition which has been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

(3) Any person who is a fugitive from justice.

(4) Any person who has been convicted in any court of the possession, use, or sale of marijuana, dangerous or narcotic drugs (the term convicted includes nonjudicial punishment under Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), Article 15).

(5) Any person who is presently declared mentally incompetent or who is presently committed to any mental institution.

Hunters will need to present serial numbers, make, and model of their weapons at the VCC for registration. Hunters are not to take the weapons into the VCC. Record the weapon information on paper and present it to the PMO representative. This service is free.

## **10. Special Area Regulations.**

a. **Controlled Access Areas.** All hunters 12 years old and above are eligible to hunt the Controlled Access (CA) areas. The CA areas are located south of Route 301. This side of the installation contains the range and impact areas. Live weapon's firing creates Surface Danger Zones (SDZ) and the area contains unexploded ordnance (UXO) that is mostly contained in the impact areas. The huntable 31 CA areas are located outside the perimeter of these impact areas. Because of their location near these dangerous military operations, hunting in the CA areas has additional requirements. Range Management Branch opens and closes all gates in the CA areas. They will also ensure to block access (cones, plastic barriers, etc.) to areas that are not clear for recreational vehicle traffic.

(1) In addition to purchasing the FAPH General Hunting Permit, CA hunters must also obtain a CA Hunting Permit at no cost.

(2) CA hunters fall into two categories, probationary (new to hunting in the CAs), and veteran (those that qualified as a veteran CA hunter for the 2009-2010 season and those that have been a probationary hunter for two seasons). Hunters 12-17 years of age may hunt in the CA areas when accompanied by a current probationary or veteran CA adult. Youth hunters will remain probationary hunters until they reach the age of 18 and must have been a probationary hunter for at least two seasons to become a veteran hunter at that time.

(3) All CA hunters must view the CA briefing video annually. The link to the CA video is located on the FAPH iSportsman website. CA hunters will not be able to acquire their CA permit until they have watched the CA briefing video in its entirety.

(4) With the exception of Youth Hunters, probationary CA hunters will remain on probation for two seasons. This probationary period allows the new CA hunter to become familiar with the roads, gate system and boundaries.

(5) During this two year probationary period, these CA hunters may only hunt the following CA areas: 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11A, 11B, and 12. The only exception to this is described in (9) below.

(6) If a probationary CA hunter completes the two years of hunting without being disciplined for misconduct or involved in any violation of regulations or laws (FAPH, State or Federal), then beginning the third year they will become a veteran CA hunter and can hunt the remaining CA areas.

(7) No guests are allowed in the CA areas. All CA hunters and observers must be either veteran or probationary in status.

(8) A veteran CA hunter may take one probationary CA hunter with them into the veteran only CA areas. The probationary hunter must be in the same CA and be hunting with the veteran.

(9) If a veteran CA hunter is unable to hunt for one or more seasons (ex. military deployment) they remain CA veterans upon their return to hunting FAPH.

b. **Archery Hunting Only Areas.** TA 1, TA 24 and TA 31 are archery only. Exceptions: Duck hunters may hunt Maxey Gregg Pond in TA 1 and Raymond's Fork Pond in TA 24B (see 16. Miscellaneous) with a shotgun during waterfowl seasons. Blaze orange or blaze pink is required in the archery only areas during any firearm deer season.

c. **Training Area 4.** TA 4 is reserved for hunters 65 years old and older as well as hunters with permanent mobility disabilities. To qualify as a disabled hunter and have the authority to hunt in TA 4, the hunter must qualify for and possess one of the following Virginia Hunting Licenses: Resident or Nonresident Annual Hunting License for 70 Percent Partially Disabled Veterans, Totally and Permanently Disabled Resident Special Lifetime License, Service-Connected Totally and Permanently Disabled Veteran Resident or Nonresident Annual or Lifetime Hunting License.

d. **Landing/Drop Zone.** Training areas 7, 8, and 9 border or contain a landing/drop zone. Hunters are prohibited from driving across the airstrip or taxiway in the drop zone.

**11. Motor Vehicle Operation.** The following regulations apply to operation of motor vehicles. Hunters violating these provisions are subject to prosecution and loss of hunting privilege.

a. **Off-road Vehicle Travel.** Off-road vehicle travel is prohibited. Hunters may only drive on roads that are marked as approved recreational roads on the Installation Hunting Area Recreation Map. If a hunter kills a deer that is close to a drivable road or trail that is not marked as legally drivable on the Recreation Map and needs to drive to the deer to keep from having a long drag, the hunter may drive to the deer at the

operator's own risk. This is the only exception to traveling on roads or trails not marked as approved for recreational travel. The hunter must be able to show a Game Warden a notched Big Game license and a deer that has been harvested and travel was needed to reduce an unnecessary drag to be granted this option of access. A hunter may not drive on an unapproved road to drop off another hunter or hunting gear. At no time are hunters permitted to drive around closed gates. Violators are subject to prosecution. If hunters observe others driving on roads not approved for recreational travel and they are not retrieving a deer, they should immediately report the matter to 804-633-8888 and provide a detailed description of the violation.

b. **Authorized Travel.** Hunters are authorized to travel to the VCC, Game Check Station, Outdoor Recreation, MWR Lodging and to their assigned hunting area and back by the most direct route only. No other vehicle travel is permitted.

c. **Fortune and Campbell Roads.** Thru traffic is strictly prohibited on Fortune and Campbell roads (refer to Fort A.P. Hill Recreational Use Map). Shackleford Road must be used as the alternative to access Wilcox Drive.

d. **Vehicle Towing.** Owners operate vehicles at their own risk and are solely responsible for any towage or fees they may incur. Owners are also responsible for contacting and scheduling private towing companies to have the vehicle moved immediately. If a vehicle becomes stuck or breaks down, the hunter must notify the Fish and Wildlife Branch or Game Wardens at once. Government vehicles will not assist in any towing.

e. **Prohibited Vehicles.** The use of motorcycles (off road), mopeds, motorized bikes, and all types of ATV - UTV's is strictly prohibited on FAPH.

f. **Parking.** Vehicles must be parked on the road shoulder adjacent to the approved drivable road **no further than 20 yards from the road shoulder** in such a manner that it does not prohibit through traffic, block gates or any trails. Vehicles must not be hidden from view from the road. The parking permit must be displayed in such a manner it can be clearly read from outside of the vehicle. Improperly parked vehicles may be removed at the hunter's expense. Hunters must park their vehicle adjacent to their assigned open hunting area. All hunting access to FAPH must be from interior roads. No vehicles may be parked on exterior state roads to gain access to CAs or TAs.

g. **TA 1 Parking.** All archery hunters wishing to deer hunt in TA 1, adjacent to the Headquarter area must park in the authorized (hard surface-asphalt) parking areas **ONLY!** Any person violating this parking advisement may be warned (first time), cited and fined, have their vehicles towed (at their own expense), or a combination of the penalties listed above.

h. **Encountering Military Personnel.** If military personnel are encountered in the road or on the road shoulders, the speed limit to pass is 10 mph. The soldiers have the right of way.

**12. Scouting and Trail or Game Cameras.** Scouting is permissible only during daylight hours, where it does not interfere with military training or recreation, from 1 September to 28 September; 7 January until 28 February; 2 March to 5 April; and from 8 April to 12 April. **The use of trail cameras on FAPH is prohibited.** Possession of a current FAPH Hunting Permit is required and weapon possession is prohibited. Scouting must be check in and out through the FAPH iSportsman system. During other hunting seasons scouting is only allowed while that individual is checked in to hunt and carrying the appropriate weapon for that season.

**13. Tree stands.** Only portable tree stands may be used on FAPH. Occupying a permanent tree stand is prohibited. Nails, spikes and screw in type tree steps are prohibited. Portable tree stands may be left overnight, but the stands must be permanently marked with the name and phone number of the owner. Placing a tree stand in an area does not guarantee or reserve that site for the hunter. Tree stands are left overnight at the owner's risk. FAPH is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged stands. If a tree stand is missing, it should be reported to the DES (633-8888). Portable tree stands must be removed after the hunting season. Any stands left between 1 February and 31 August will be considered permanent and removed.

**14. Dogs.**

a. **Collar and Tags.** In accordance with APH Reg 200-1 the owners or custodians of all dogs brought onto FAPH that are to be used for hunting purposes must have in their possession proof that the dogs have current vaccinations administered by a licensed veterinarian, and must be able to produce this documentation on demand. Dogs must have collars or tags bearing their owner's name, address, and phone number. The owner shall comply with all Caroline County dog licensing laws while hunting with a dog. FAPH is not responsible for the loss, death or injury of any dogs that are hunting.

b. **Dogs Running at Large.** Dogs running at large is a significant problem on FAPH. If hunters witness dogs running at large on FAPH property, or individuals that appear to be trying to retrieve or drive deer dogs, they are to immediately report the situation in as much detail as possible to the Police Desk at 804-633-8888 or the Fish and Wildlife Office at 804-633-8984.

In accordance with Caroline County Code, Chapter 21, Article IA. 21-8:

- i. It shall be unlawful for any owner or custodian of a dog to permit the same to run at large at any time within this County, except when engaged in lawful hunting in the open season and accompanied by the owner or custodian. For the purpose of this section, a dog shall be deemed running at large while roaming, running or

self-hunting off the property of its owner or custodian and not under its owner's or custodian's immediate control.

- ii. Any person who allows a dog or canine crossbreed to run at large in violation of this chapter shall be fined \$75 for the first violation, and an additional \$50 shall be added to this amount for every subsequent violation within a twelve-month period of time, up to the maximum allowed by law. Each occurrence of a dog or canine crossbreed belonging to a particular owner running at large in violation of this chapter shall be considered a separate violation, and an additional penalty shall apply as set out in this section regardless of whether or not it is the same dog or canine crossbreed that was found to be running at large. (Code of Virginia § 3.2-6538)

Dogs caught running at large on FAPH property will be taken to the Caroline County Animal Shelter by the FAPH Pest Controller.

If a hunter picks up a “lost” dog, the hunter accepts responsibility of the dog and getting the dog to the owner. There are no facilities available to drop off dogs on FAPH. Dog owners retrieving dogs that have run onto FAPH and have been caught here are not permitted on the Garrison unless they have been vetted through the VCC and escorted by a Government employee. Owners searching for dogs released on private property that are believed to have strayed onto FAPH is not permitted. Virginia’s “Right to Retrieve” law is not applicable on FAPH property.

c. **Shooting Dogs**. It is illegal to shoot or harm dogs on FAPH.

d. **Hunting with Dogs**. Dogs may be used only for hunting squirrel, rabbit, waterfowl, quail or fall turkey. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Deer cannot be killed while hunting other game with a dog. Any member of a hunting party who kills a deer while checked in to hunt with a dog may have his or her hunting privileges revoked. Deer may not be killed while being pursued by a dog.

e. **Retrievers in CA Areas**. Waterfowl hunting with retrievers is allowed on the ponds in the CA areas during the appropriate waterfowl seasons. All other types of hunting with dogs in the CA areas are strictly prohibited.

f. **Training Hunting Dogs**. The training of hunting dogs is prohibited on FAPH with the following exceptions. Retrievers may be trained in TAs ponds outside of all deer seasons. **Turkey, rabbit, quail and squirrel dogs may be trained from 1-25 September and 1-28 February.** A FAPH hunting permit is required and the trainer must check out through the iSportsman system to the pond or Training Area. **No organized associations, groups, field trails, competitions, or training is permitted at FAPH.**

## 15. Miscellaneous.

a. **Waterfowl.** A boat or retrieving dog is required when hunting over lakes and ponds too deep to wade, and recommended for jump shooting along streams or creeks. Construction of permanent blinds is prohibited. Temporary blinds (camouflage netting, sticks, etc.) may be created if removed the same day as construction. NOTE: Waterfowl hunters may hunt Maxey Gregg Pond in TA 1 **and Raymond Fork Pond in TA 24B** with a shotgun. **Raymond Fork Pond must be accessed from Campbell Road only and the open water and wetlands at the north end of the TA may be hunted.** All other hunting in TA 1 **and 24B** is archery only.

b. **Refrigeration Unit Use.** Family, Moral, Welfare, and Recreation (FMWR), maintains two refrigeration units located beside the Outdoor Recreation Center (Bldg 390). Hunters that want to temporarily store deer in these refrigerators may rent space, if room is available, from FMWR. Deer must have the official Virginia Game Check Card attached to its ear in a manner in which it will not become detached. FMWR will provide all terms and fee information (804-633-8244).

c. **Spring Gobbler Season Callers.** During the spring gobbler season, hunters who have reached their season bag limit are authorized to call turkeys for other hunters as long as they do not have a weapon in their possession. These individuals will be checked out under the daily permit of the hunter they are assisting and will not be issued a separate permit.

d. **Late Season Antlerless Deer.** It is not uncommon for some bucks to begin shedding their antlers in mid-December in years when the oak acorn crop is poor. During the late either-sex deer seasons it is asked that hunters take the time to use binoculars or scope to scan the head for signs of scabbing to help ensure that the deer you believe to be a doe is so and not a mature buck that has already shed its antlers.

e. **Information Point of Contact.** The Fish and Wildlife Branch is always eager to receive feedback and constructive suggestions from our hunters. If you have questions or input that you would like to share please feel free to contact Ben Fulton – Senior Wildlife Biologist 804-633-8984 or email to [c.b.fulton.civ@mail.mil](mailto:c.b.fulton.civ@mail.mil).

## **TRAPPING**

**1. General Information and Policy.** Recreational activities at Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH) are authorized and controlled by the Garrison Commander in accordance with the applicable Federal, State, and County laws and Department of the Army Regulations. Minimum restrictions on all recreational activities are established to ensure safety, security, protection of property, and efficient accomplishment of FAPH missions. Federal and State Governments have concurrent legislative jurisdiction on most parts of FAPH. This regulation sets the policies, laws, restrictions and procedures for all trapping activities on FAPH.

a. **Penalties.** Each trapper is responsible for knowing and adhering to Federal, State, County and FAPH Hunting and Trapping Laws and/or Circulars/ Regulations. Anyone failing to comply with any hunting or trapping laws and/or circulars/regulations and/or any conduct hazardous to life and safety may be excluded from the Installation, have their recreational privileges revoked, be fined, be confined, be issued applicable citations and/or any combination of the penalties listed as allowed by law. If a trapper violates a FAPH or State regulation, they will forfeit their privilege to trap.

b. **Weapons.** In accordance with the current FAPH Hunting and Trapping Circular/Regulations, all weapons must remain unloaded during transport. Exception to the FAPH Hunting and Trapping Circular/Regulations: after registration with the Directorate of Emergency Services/Provost Marshall Office (DES/PMO), 14115 Montague Road, Fort A.P. Hill, VA 22427-3114 trappers are authorized to carry a pistol while checking traps, and use a light to check traps during hours of darkness. NOTE: When worn, pistols cannot be concealed. **Note: see FAPH Regulation 190-5 regarding storage of weapons on FAPH.**

c. **Procedures.** Trapping is open to the general public via lottery style drawing for each season. Potential trappers are not required to be present, but must submit their name and preferred trapping zones to the Fish and Wildlife Branch prior to the drawing. The post is divided into 9 trapping zones. Trappers choose their zone when chosen in the lottery. Extra zones will be cycled through until all zones have a trapper assigned to it. There will be no trapping zones in the CA areas. **Trapping on FAPH is a privilege, not a right.**

d. **Companion Animals.** In the case that a companion animal (Dogs/Cats) is caught in a trap the animal is not to be dispatched. Companion animals will either be released alive or the trappers may contact the Game Warden(s) for guidance. No companion animal will be dispatched by trappers on FAPH.

## **2. What is needed to Trap on Fort A.P. Hill.**

a. **Licenses.** Both a Virginia trapping license and FAPH trapping permit are required to trap any animal. Each trapper will be provided a recreation map when they purchase their FAPH trapping permit and a map of their assigned trapping zone at the lottery drawing. New trappers on FAPH must view the FAPH Safety Orientation slide presentation located on the FAPH iSportsman website. "New trapper" is defined as all trappers that have not trapped FAPH in the past two years.

b. **Force Protection Requirement.** In accordance with Army Regulation 190-13, "The Army Physical Security Program" regarding un-escorted access to military installations, a Criminal History Check must be completed before being granted access to FAPH. This Criminal History Check can be done at the VCC during normal business hours, or pre-filing your data by email at <https://faph.isportsman.net/>.



c. **Guests.** FAPH does not allow guests to accompany trappers while they are conducting trapping operations. Each trapper may designate an alternate. Each trapper and alternate will be given a “Vehicle Identification Card” to be displayed in the dashboard of the trapper’s vehicle at all times. The alternate trapper must have all the appropriate background checks, licenses and permits.

**3. Steps to Trapping on Fort A.P. Hill.** Trappers must adhere to the following to be eligible to participate in trapping on FAPH. Trappers are chosen by lottery drawing held annually in the middle of December. Call (804) 633-8984 for information on drawing date.

a. **Step 1** – Create a user profile in the iSportsman system and digitally sign the General Release Statement.

b. **Step 2** – Trappers must possess required Virginia state trapping license in addition to the Installation trapping permit.

c. **Step 3** – To gain access to FAPH, a criminal history check is required. This can be completed upon entrance to the Garrison at the Visitor Control Center (VCC) during normal business hours, by visiting <https://faph.isportsman.net/> and completing the background information and emailing the form through your private email account to the VCC, or as directed by the Provost Marshal Office (PMO), Police Desk free of charge.

d. **Step 4** – Trap specifications must adhere to those outlined in the current Virginia Hunting and Trapping Regulations with the exception that snares will not be legal for use on FAPH except for water sets targeting beaver and otter. The name of the trapper must be attached to every trap or trappers may use the VA permanent identification number on their traps instead of their name. All assigned numbers for use to mark traps must be provided to the Fish and Wildlife Branch, Bldg. 308, Anderson Camp.

e. **Step 5** – All Traps (including water sets) must be visited daily and all captured animals must be removed daily. Trappers are required to wear Blaze orange **or blaze pink** (hat and vest) at all times. **All animals must be dispatched in a quick and humane manner.** Disposal of animal carcasses from the trapping season is prohibited on FAPH lands.

f. **Step 6** – New trappers on FAPH must view the FAPH Safety Orientation slide presentation located on the FAPH iSportsman website.

g. **Step 7** – Once the VCC has approved and activated the trappers account, they can log back into their iSportsman account and purchase the trapping permit if they are eligible after the lottery.

h. **Step 8** – Each trapper will note general trap locations on the provided map of their assigned trapping zone. The trapper must keep track of the number of traps deployed and ensure that all traps are accounted for when the traps are pulled.

i. Step 9 – Each trapper will be given a harvest sheet to be used to track all game harvested. All animals trapped – both target and by catch – must be reported on the harvest sheet and turned into the Fish and Wildlife Branch by **8 Mar 19**. Failure to turn in the harvest data will make the trapper ineligible for entry into the lottery for the following season. **If a trapper is drawn for a trapping zone and does not participate, they will likely not be eligible for trapping on FAPH the following season.**

**4. Check-In/Check-Out Procedures.** All trappers and alternates must check in and out through the iSportsman System. In certain situations a trapper may also have to check in and out with Range Operations.

**5. CA Access.** CA areas will not be open to recreational trapping. Beaver problem areas will be dealt with on a case by case basis by the Fish and Wildlife Branch. Anyone interested in addressing problems in the CA areas, please contact the Fish and Wildlife Branch at (804) 633-8984.

**6. Permit Fees.** FAPH trapping permit fee is \$10.00/season.

**7. Trapping Seasons.** Trapping season on FAPH will tentatively begin on **7 Jan 19** and will run until **28 Feb 19** (see Appendix B for species and restrictions). **Reptile and amphibian trapping is not permitted on FAPH.**

**8. Motor Vehicle Operation.** Off-road vehicle travel is prohibited. Vehicles may only be operated on paved and gravel roads open to normal vehicle travel as shown on the FAPH Recreation Area Map. Vehicle travel on any roads, trails, and fields other than what is marked in bold on the hunting map, is strictly prohibited. At no time are trappers to drive around closed gates. Violators are subject to prosecution. Vehicles must be parked on the road shoulder adjacent to the approved drivable road in such a manner that it does not prohibit through traffic, block gates or any trails. Vehicles must not be hidden from view from the road. The parking permit must be displayed so it can be clearly read from outside the vehicle. Improperly parked vehicles may be removed at the trapper's expense.

**9. Questions.** Any questions concerning trapping should be directed to the Fish and Wildlife Branch at (804) 633-8750.

## **FISHING**

### **1. General Information and Policy.**

a. All fishing activities on Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH) are managed through the iSportsman system (see Appendix C). FAPH operates a fishing program in the areas used for military training on the Installation. This program is intended to offer public recreational fishing opportunities and to assist in fisheries management. Fishing on FAPH is a privilege, not a right.

b. There are NO guarantees of access to fish on FAPH. Recreational activities are opened or closed based upon military training/security, weather conditions and/or biological management objectives. Anglers are reminded that other recreation activities, such as hunting, may be taking place in the area. During hunting seasons it is advised to wear blaze orange or other highly visible clothing to alert hunters to your presence.

c. By entering the Installation, every individual consents to the inspection of their person and/or vehicles by law enforcement personnel and the confiscation of all contraband or evidence of unauthorized activities.

d. Violations of rules, regulations, and/or laws may result in loss of fishing and hunting privileges, criminal prosecution, and/or permanent exclusion from FAPH. All observed violations of Federal, State, Caroline County, or FAPH regulations or laws must be reported to the FAPH Police Desk (804) 633-8888, or for non-urgent calls (804) 633-8434.

e. In case of emergency call (804)633-8911. Accidents and lost persons must be immediately reported to FAPH Police Desk (804) 633-8888, Range Operations (804) 633-8224 and the Fish and Wildlife Branch (804) 633-8984.

f. The dangers inherent as a result of military training exist in all areas. It is possible to find unexploded ordnance (UXO) anywhere. If a UXO is found, mark the area, not the UXO, and report it to Range Operations (804) 633-8224. Digitally signing of the General Release Statement relieves the Government of responsibility, i.e., "Fishing at your own risk."

g. Wading or swimming in FAPH waters is prohibited. All military/civilian personnel requesting waterborne type training must have prior written approval from the Garrison Commander.

h. Open fires are not permitted at any time. Anyone locating a fire should report it to the FAPH Police Desk: Emergency (804) 633-8911 or Non-emergency (804) 633-8888.

i. Unless otherwise addressed in this regulation, Fishing on FAPH will be in accordance with Virginia State laws, applicable federal laws and supplemental orders issued by the Garrison Commander. Any supplemental order will be posted on the iSportsman website, Visitor Control Center (VCC) kiosk, & the Fish & Wildlife Branch Office (Bldg. 308).

## **2. What is needed to Fish at Fort A.P. Hill?**

a. To be eligible to fish on FAPH an angler must possess, or have accomplished, the following:

(1) Step 1 – Must possess a valid Virginia or Caroline county fishing license (unless exempt).

(2) Step 2 – Create a user profile in the iSportsman system and digitally sign the General Release Statement.

(3) Step 3 – A criminal history check is required to gain access to FAPH. See 2.b. below. These can be completed upon entrance to the Garrison at the Visitor Control Center (VCC) during normal business hours, or by visiting <https://faph.isportsman.net/> and completing the background information and emailing the form through your private email account to the VCC.

(4) Step 4 – Once the VCC has approved and activated the anglers account, they can log back into their iSportsman account and purchase the desired FAPH permits.

(5) Step 5 – Read, understand, and follow by the current FAPH fishing regulations and recreation map.

b. Force Protection Requirement. In accordance with Army Regulation 190-13, "The Army Physical Security Program" regarding un-escorted access to military installations, a Criminal History Check must be completed annually before being granted access to FAPH. This Criminal History Check can be done at the VCC during normal business hours, or by submitting your information by email using the form available at <https://faph.isportsman.net/>.

c. Fort A.P. Hill Fishing Permit. Prior to purchasing a FAPH Fishing Permit, an angler must pass a current Criminal History Check, possess a current Virginia State or Caroline County Fishing License (resident or nonresident as applicable), and complete the FAPH fishing application and General Release Statement. A qualified guardian is required to sign a General Release Statement for children 17 years of age or under.

d. Combination Permit. If an angler chooses to purchase a Combination Hunting and Fishing Permit, the permit is valid from 1 September 2018 – 31 August 2019.

e. Permit Fees. FAPH honors Virginia's Free Fishing Days. A free FAPH Free Fishing Days permit will be required on these days. All Criminal History Check requirements must be satisfied. Reference the current Virginia Fishing Regulations for applicable dates.

PERMIT TYPES	PERMIT COST/EXPIRATION
<b>General Fishing</b> - 16 – 64 years old	<b>\$20.00/season</b> (expires 1 year from date of purchase)
<b>Active Duty Fishing</b> – (E1 – E4)	<b>FREE</b> (expires 1 year from date of activation)

<b>Active Duty Fishing – (E5 – E6)</b>	<b>\$8.00</b> (expires 1 year from date of purchase)
<b>General Fishing &amp; Hunting Combo – 16 – 64 years old</b>	<b>\$75.00/season</b> (expires on 31 August 2018)
<b>Senior Fishing - Turned 65 years old from 1Sep2015 to date of purchase</b>	<b>\$16.00</b> (expires 1 year from date of purchase)
<b>Senior Fishing - 65+ years old prior to 1 September 2015</b>	<b>FREE</b> (expires 1 year from activation)
<b>Disabled Fishing</b> Must possess a Virginia Resident Disabled fishing license or a Virginia Nonresident Disabled License	<b>FREE</b> (expires 1 year from activation)
<b>Five Day Fishing – 16+ yrs. old</b>	<b>\$5.00</b> (valid for 5 consecutive days)
<b>Youth Fishing - under 16 years old</b>	<b>FREE</b> (sign in as guest of permitted angler)
<b>Virginia Free Fishing Days</b>	<b>FREE</b> (Valid for 3 VA free fishing days)
<b>Fishing Observer – 16+ yrs. old</b>	<b>FREE</b> (expires 1 year from activation)

### 3. Telephone Numbers

<b>BUILDING</b>	<b>SERVICES AND PHONE NUMBERS</b>
Fish and Wildlife Branch Building 308 Anderson Camp	<b>iSportsman</b> (844) 326-3113 <b>Fish and Wildlife Branch:</b> (804) 633-8750 (804) 633-8984
Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) Provost Marshal Office Building #156	<b>FAPH Police Desk:</b> (804) 633-8888 Emergency – (804) 633-8911 <b>For suspected game violations:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> (804) 633-8888 Police Desk 2 <sup>nd</sup> (804) 633-8434 Game Warden (Office) 3 <sup>rd</sup> (804) 363-9269 Game Warden (Cell)
Visitor Control Center	<b>Annual Criminal Background Check:</b> (804)-633-8585.

### 4. General Fishing Regulations.

a. Every permitted angler is now required to check in to the fishing areas they wish to fish through the iSportsman system. If the angler would like to switch areas and fish another location they must Check out of their current fishing area through iSportsman, and then Check in to another open fishing area.

b. Legal hours for fishing on FAPH are ½ hour before sunrise until ½ hour after sunset. No waterborne activities will occur outside of the legal fishing hours. Anglers are not permitted to enter the installation or check in to fish prior to 1.5 hrs before sunrise and must check out of iSportsman and be off the installation no later than 1.5 hrs after sunset. Anglers are not permitted on FAPH outside of the check in/out time unless they are staying in recreational lodging.

c. The use of trot lines is **not** permitted on FAPH.

d. Bowies Pond, Lower Smoots Pond, & Whites Lake are the only fishing areas that anglers may access from state maintained roads. All other fishing areas must be accessed from the interior of the installation. Anglers are reminded that fishing in these waters requires all applicable State licenses, FAPH permits, and check in through iSportsman.

e. Fishing any waters in the Controlled Access Areas is strictly prohibited except for Lower Smoots Pond and Whites Lake which must be accessed off of state maintained roads.

f. Fishing contests/tournaments, with the exception of MWR sponsored events, are prohibited without the prior written approval of the Garrison Commander. To request permission, send a written request to: Garrison Commander, Headquarters, U.S. Army Garrison, 18436 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort A.P. Hill, VA 22427-3114.

**5. Game/Sport Fish Regulations.**

a. All fish exceeding the daily creel limits must be released back into FAPH waters unharmed.

b. All waters that lie within the boundary of FAPH have the following creel and length limits. The daily creel limit represents daily totals from all waters combined. All harvested fish counting towards the daily creel limit must be recorded in iSportsman when the angler checks out from fishing:

**Creel and Length Limits**

TYPE OF FISH	DAILY CREEL LIMIT	LENGTH LIMIT
Largemouth Bass	5	No Bass 14 inches or longer may be harvested
Crappie	25	NONE

<b>Bluegill</b> (bream) and other sunfish excluding crappie	<b>50</b>	NONE
<b>Channel Catfish</b>	<b>5</b>	NONE
<b>Chain Pickerel</b>	<b>5</b>	NONE
<b>Grass Carp</b>	ALL MUST BE RELEASED	N/A
Please reference the current Virginia Fishing Regulations for species not specifically mentioned in this table. Daily Creel Limits represent the maximum number of fish from all FAPH waters combined.		

**6. Nongame Fish, Reptile, Amphibian, and Aquatic Invertebrate Regulations.**

- a. No turtles may be harvested from FAPH.
- b. Anglers should reference the current Virginia Fishing Regulations for details on the harvest of all other nongame species.

**7. Boating Regulations.**

a. Boats powered manually or by electric motors are permitted on all FAPH waters. Gasoline powered boat engines up to 9.9 horsepower are permitted on the Smoots, Whites, Bowies, and Reynolds Run Ponds only. Engines larger than 9.9 hp are only permitted to be operated on these waters at idle and to trailer a boat. All oil or gasoline spills must be immediately reported to Department of Emergency Services (DES) at 804-633-8911/8888/8239 and call the Environmental and Natural Resources Division 804-633-8255 and Range Operations 804-633-8224.

b. Anglers should be reminded that all children under 13 years of age are required by federal law to wear an appropriate coast guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) at all times while onboard any boat on FAPH waters.

c. All applicable local, state, and federal boating laws and regulations will be strictly observed and enforced while fishing on FAPH waters. Anglers should reference the “Virginia Watercraft Owner’s Guide” which can be found at [www.HuntFishVA.com](http://www.HuntFishVA.com) for current boating regulations and boating safety education requirements.

**8. Check-In/Check-Out Procedures.**

<b>Checking IN to Fish</b>	<b>Checking OUT from Fishing</b>
No waterborne activities will occur outside of the legal fishing hours. Legal hours for fishing on FAPH are ½ hour before sunrise until ½ hour after sunset. Anglers may check in no earlier than 1.5 hrs before sunrise and must proceed, by	The end of legal fishing time is ½ hour after sunset. All anglers must check out of the iSportsman system by 1.5 hrs. after sunset. Failure to do so will result in their account being placed on administrative hold. Anglers must proceed in the most

the most direct route, to their fishing destination that they have checked in to through the FAPH iSportsman system.	direct route to exit FAPH or to their FAPH lodging facility.
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a. **Procedures:** To check in to a fishing area, anglers must check in using the FAPH iSportsman system either by phone, smartphone, or at the iSportsman kiosk located at the VCC. Anglers may not check in until they arrive at Fort A.P. Hill, and they must check out before exiting the installation. The fishing permit must be printed and carried on the anglers’ person, and the vehicle pass must be displayed face up on the left side of the dashboard of the anglers’ vehicle so it is clearly visible. The vehicle pass for each permitted angler traveling in a vehicle must be clearly displayed. Vehicles not displaying an iSportsman vehicle pass will be towed at the owner’s expense and their fishing privileges will be suspended. When finished fishing, every angler must check out of their fishing area using the iSportsman system. All fish harvested must be reported in the system upon Check Out in iSportsman. Do NOT report fish caught that were released. Failure to leave and check out of the fishing area by the designated closing time will result in an automatic hold placed on all fishing privileges, and a search for the angler based on the presumption that the angler is either lost or injured. Anglers must be out of their assigned areas, checked out through the iSportsman system, and headed off of FAPH property prior to the Check Out from Fishing Time for that date.

b. **Fishing Areas:** Ponds and Training Areas open to fishing are designated daily according to military needs. Anglers are restricted to fishing only in their assigned area, but will be permitted to change areas when space is available by checking out of their current area and into another area using the iSportsman system by phone, internet or kiosk. Anglers may only check in to one area at a time, no exceptions.

c. **Observers:** A non-fishing observer may accompany a licensed angler as long as they do not participate in fishing. In order to do this each individual wishing to accompany an angler must create a free account in the iSportsman system, complete the background check, and check in as a non-fishing observer through iSportsman.

d. **Youth: Anglers 15yrs and younger are not required to have an iSportsman account, however it is strongly recommended. If a youth does have an iSportsman account set up, they may be checked in as a guest along with a permitted adult angler. iSportsman requires the name and birthdate to be entered for each youth guest during the check-in. A maximum of 5 youth may be checked in as a guest of an adult angler.**

e. **Evacuate Fishing Areas:** Anglers must immediately leave their assigned fishing area and return to their vehicle if:

(1) There is contact with military personnel engaged in military training within the assigned fishing area. This means that either military personnel or the anglers are in the wrong area. Contact Fish and Wildlife Branch personnel (804-633-8984) or Range



Operations (804-633-8224) to correct the problem. The angler will either be allowed back into the area once it is clear, or they will be assigned to another area.

(2) There is a notice broadcast from loud speakers situated all over the Installation. This system may signal an emergency or unsafe condition and may instruct all personnel to leave the areas and return to their vehicle or safe area.

(3) Directed by Range Operations.

(4) Notified by the FAPH iSportsman system by auto-call, text message, or email to evacuate the area.

**9. Prohibited Activities and Restrictions.** The following actions are prohibited on FAPH and may differ from state and county laws or ordinances. The list also includes violations that are state laws but are included for emphasis.

a. **Trespassing:** Anyone found in a Permanent Restricted Area or in any other area (Training Area, Controlled Access area) without approval will have their FAPH recreation privileges revoked. Signing in to one area and fishing or entering a different area is prohibited and will result in loss of recreation privileges. Additionally, personnel found poaching/trespassing will be subject to prosecution and/or administrative action. Personnel reporting violations should contact the A.P. Hill Police Desk at (804) 633-8888 or the Game Wardens at (804) 633-8434.

b. **Driving Roads:** Anglers are to proceed directly to and from their assigned fishing area by the most direct route of approved recreation roads. Driving FAPH roads and trails to observe wildlife or for any other purpose other than to reach or leave the assigned fishing area is prohibited.

c. **Accessing Ponds, Legal Fishing Hours:** Anglers may not check in until they arrive at FAPH, and may not proceed to their assigned fishing areas prior to 1.5 hrs. before sunrise. Fishing will not commence prior to one-half hour before sunrise and will end no later than one-half hour after sunset. All anglers must be checked out before leaving FAPH, and must be checked out by 1.5 hours after sunset.

d. **Government Property:** Picking up, touching or taking Government equipment, ordinance, munitions or parts of the same is prohibited. Defacing, climbing on, or disturbing any part of a building, range structure, sign, equipment or property found on FAPH is also prohibited.

e. **Interfering with Anglers:** Intentionally interfering with the lawful pursuit of taking of wildlife or disturbing any wildlife for the purpose of disrupting an angler is prohibited.

f. **Artifacts:** Unauthorized excavation or digging is prohibited. The collection of any artifact (such as Civil War artifacts, old bottles, coins, etc.), disturbance of any feature related to past human activity, and the collection of paleontological specimens on FAPH

is prohibited. The use of metal detectors on FAPH is strictly prohibited. Violators will be both prosecuted under and criminal provisions of the Archeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA), 16 USC Sec. 470ee and assessed civil (monetary) penalties under ARPA Sec. 470ff.

g. **Littering:** Littering or disposing of refuse except in receptacles provided for that purpose is prohibited.

h. **Photography:** Do not photograph installation facilities, training equipment, or troops while on FAPH.

i. **FAPH Access Under False Pretenses:** If a person falsely uses a fishing permit to gain access to FAPH and is not on the Garrison to fish, that person may be subject to the loss of all FAPH privileges.

j. **Transporting Aquatic Vegetation.** All anglers must remove aquatic vegetation from gear, boats, and boat trailers before moving to a different body of water to prevent the transportation of undesirable aquatic vegetation while on FAPH.

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**APPENDIX A**  
**2018-19 FORT A.P. HILL (FAPH) HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS**

**DEER**

**Deer Management Policies**

1. The daily deer bag limit is one.
2. The 2018-19 total of all seasons combined limit is **four** deer per hunter only **two** of which may be antlerless.
3. **Antlered Point Restrictions** - The total of all season's limit of antlered bucks is two per hunter.
  - a) Training Areas (TAs) – If two antlered bucks taken in the TAs: One antlered buck must have at least three legal points one inch or longer on one antler.
  - b) Controlled Access Areas (CAs) – If two antlered bucks taken in the CAs: One antlered buck must have at least three legal points one inch or longer on one antler. The other antlered buck must have at least four legal points one inch or longer on one antler.
  - c) Combination of one TA antlered buck and one CA antlered buck – The TA antlered buck has no antler point restriction and the CA buck must have at least three legal points one inch or longer on one antler.
4. Bonus deer tags, sold by the VDGIF, will be accepted for antlerless deer as long as the hunter does not surpass the FAPH daily and season limits.
5. The proper deer tag located on the Virginia State Big Game License must be notched at the place of kill before moving the animal. It is a violation of state law and this regulation to transport a deer without having notched the appropriate tag. Deer are to be taken, by the most direct authorized route, to the Game Check Station.
6. Antlered deer have visible polished bone above the hairline.
7. Buckshot may not be used to hunt deer and may not be in the hunter's possession or vehicle.
8. It is not uncommon for some bucks to begin shedding their antlers in mid-December in years when the oak acorn crop is poor. During the late either-sex deer seasons it is asked that hunters take the time to use binoculars or scopes to scan the head for signs of scabbing to help ensure that the deer you believe to be a doe is so and not a mature buck that has already shed its antlers.

9. During the Firearms Deer Season the either sex hunting days for the Training Areas and the Controlled Access areas differ.

### **YOUTH AND APPRENTICE DEER HUNTING DAY**

**29 September**

#### **Bag Limit:**

- One deer limit. Either-sex. These deer count against season limit of **four**.
- Deer hunters, 15 years of age and under and apprentice license holders, when in compliance with all applicable laws and license requirements, may hunt deer when directly supervised by an adult who has a valid Virginia hunting license on his person or is exempt from purchasing a hunting license.
- Antlerless deer taken on youth deer hunting day are in addition to an antlerless deer taken under the special youth antlerless deer regulation. For example if a youth hunter kills an antlerless deer on the youth deer hunting day, he or she may still take an antlerless deer under the special youth antlerless deer regulation.
- Adult hunters accompanying youth and apprentice hunters may not carry or discharge firearms.
- Youth and apprentice hunters and adult hunters accompanying the youth must wear the same amount of blaze orange or blaze pink as required during the general deer gun season. See Section 7a. Blaze Orange and Blaze Pink in the FAPH Hunting Regulations.

### **SPECIAL YOUTH ANTLERLESS DEER REGULATION**

- Deer hunters 15 years of age and under, resident or non-resident, may take one antlerless deer per license year on days that are designated as antlered deer only. This antlerless deer counts against the season limit of four deer.

### **EARLY ARCHERY DEER SEASON**

**6 October – 16 November**

#### **Bag Limits:**

- Either-sex all areas until **16** November. Antler point restrictions apply (See 3-a, b, c).

- One deer per day. Total of **four** per year all seasons combined. Limit of two antlered bucks and **two** antlerless deer per year total.
- TA's 1, 24, 31 are archery only. No antlerless deer may be taken after 16 November in these areas **except on the designated TA either-sex hunting days**.
- Archery hunters may hunt in other areas that are not listed above during firearms seasons, but must follow firearm season limits and regulations.

### **MUZZLELOADER DEER SEASON**

**3 November – 16 November**

#### **Bag Limits:**

- **Training Area (TA) and Controlled Access Area (CA) either-sex hunting day 10 November.**
- One deer per day. Total of two antlered bucks per year all seasons combined. Antler point restrictions apply (See 3-a, b, c).

### **FIREARMS DEER SEASON**

**17 November – 5 January**

- **TA and CA either-sex hunting days 1 December, 8 December, 2 - 5 January**

#### **Bag Limits:**

- One deer per day. Total of **four** per year all seasons combined. Limit of two antlered bucks and **two** antlerless deer per year total. Antler point restrictions apply (See 3-a, b, c).

### **TURKEY**

#### **FALL TURKEY**

#### **ARCHERY TURKEY SEASON**

**6 October – 10 November**

#### **FALL FIREARMS TURKEY SEASON**

**27 October – 9 November; 22 November; 3 December – 29 December, and 12 January – 26 January**

**Season Limit:**

- 1 per day. Maximum of 2 turkeys in the fall/ 3 per year. Either-sex.

**YOUTH AND APPRENTICE FALL TURKEY DAY**

**13 October**

**Bag Limit:**

- 1 Turkey, Either-sex.
- Youth must be 15 years old or younger and have appropriate hunting license, resident youth under the age of 12 are not required to have a state license.
- All youth and apprentice hunters must be accompanied and directly supervised and within sight of an adult. Adult hunters accompanying youth must possess a valid Virginia hunting license (or be exempt from purchasing a hunting license); may assist with calling and shall not carry or discharge a firearm.

**SPRING TURKEY**

**SHOTGUN, ARCHERY, AND MUZZLELOADER SEASON**

**13 April – 18 May**

- One-half hour before sunrise until 12 noon each day
- **One per day, bearded turkeys only.** Hunters may take one, two, or three bearded turkeys depending on how many turkeys were taken in the fall season.

**YOUTH AND APPRENTICE SPRING TURKEY DAY**

**6 April**

- One-half hour before sunrise until 12 noon.
- Youth must be 15 years old or younger and have appropriate hunting license, resident youth under the age of 12 are not required to have a state license.
- Bag limit is one per day, bearded birds only.
- All youth and apprentice hunters must be accompanied and directly supervised and within sight of an adult. Adult hunters accompanying youth must possess a valid Virginia hunting license (or be exempt from purchasing a hunting license); may assist with calling and shall not carry or discharge a firearm.

**BEAR**

**ARCHERY BEAR SEASON**

**6 October – 16 November**

**MUZZLELOADER BEAR SEASON**

**10 – 16 November**

**FIREARMS BEAR SEASON**

**26 November – 05 January**

**Bag Limit:** One per license year.

- Bear must be at least 100LBS live weight or 75LBS dressed. No females with cubs may be harvested. Must be checked at the FAPH Game Check Station.

**SMALL GAME HUNTING**

**QUAIL**

**10 November – 31 January**

**Bag Limit:**

- Three per day.
- Twelve per season.
- Must report harvest in iSportsman.

**RABBIT**

**10 November – 28 February**

**Bag Limit:**

- Six per day.
- Must report harvest in iSportsman.

**SQUIRREL**

**1 September – 28 February**

**Bag Limit:**

- Six per day.
- Must report harvest in iSportsman.

### **CROW**

**01 September – 28 February on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturdays only.**

**RUFFED GROUSE** - Closed.

**GROUNDHOG** – Hunters may take at any time while checked out to hunt.

**COYOTE and FERAL HOGS**– Hunters may take at any time while checked out to hunt.

**Coyotes and feral hogs may only be hunted when there is an open season recognized by FAPH and only during normal hunting hours.** Report harvest to Game Check Station. Biologists would like to weigh all harvested hogs and coyotes.

**Electronic Calls** – Electronic calls are permitted for crow, bobcat, coyote, and fox.

### **FOX**

**1 November – 28 February**

Dogs may not be used.

### **BOBCAT**

**ARCHERY BOBCAT SEASON**

**6 October – 16 November**

Dogs may not be used.

**FIREARMS BOBCAT SEASON**

**3 November - 28 February**

Dogs may not be used.

**Bag Limit:** One per season.

### **RACCOON**

**FIREARMS RACCOON SEASON**



**03 November – 28 February**

Dogs may not be used.

**DOVE** - Doves may be hunted in accordance with Virginia season and bag limits.

**WOODCOCK** - Woodcock may be hunted in accordance with Virginia season and bag limits.

**WATERFOWL** - Waterfowl seasons established by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will be in effect at FAPH for the 2018 – 2019 season. This includes any Virginia special waterfowl hunting days for youth.

## APPENDIX B

### Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH) TRAPPING SEASON 08 January – 28 February Species and Special Restrictions

**Furbearer species that may be trapped by regulated season in Virginia Include:**

**Beaver**

**Bobcat**

**Bobcat Bag limit:** The season bag limit shall be 12 bobcats in the aggregate, taken by hunting and trapping combined. **All trapped bobcats must be reported within 24 hours through the Department's electronic harvest reporting system.** A CITES tag may also be required for some bobcats. Please see VA Hunting and Trapping Guide page 46 for details regarding bobcat checking and tagging procedures.

**Coyote**

**Fox**

**Mink**

**Muskrat**

**Nutria**

**Opossum**

**Otter**

**Otter Bag Limit:** There is no season bag limit in counties east of the Blue Ridge only. **CITES Tagging Requirement For Otter:** Otter pelts that are sold, traded, transported out of state, or shipped out of state must also have a CITES tag affixed to each animal. No CITES tag is needed to have an otter mounted by a Virginia taxidermist or ship an otter pelt out-of-state for tanning purposes. To obtain a CITES tag, contact your local Conservation Police Officer or the nearest Department regional office (listed on page 6 of the VA Hunting and Trapping Guide). All otter pelts required to have a CITES tag must have them affixed by April 1.

**Rabbit**

**Raccoon**

**Skunk**

Open season for striped skunk only. Continuous closed season for taking spotted skunk and the pelts of spotted skunk may not be sold.

**Weasel**

## **APPENDIX C**

### **iSportsman Instruction**

Please remember, it is your responsibility to read and understand these regulations in their entirety. To receive clarification or interpretation of these regulations, users should contact the Fish and Wildlife Branch (804) 633-8984, the Game Warden Office (804) 633-8434, or Range Operations (804) 633-8224.

a. FAPH iSportsman System:

(1) iSportsman is a web and phone based system. User transactions will be run through this system.

(2) Checking into and out of areas can be performed by phone, on the FAPH iSportsman website, or at the kiosk located at the Visitor Control Center (VCC).

(3) Permits are no longer sold at the Outdoor Recreation Building.

(4) The Game Check Station is now located across from the Fish and Wildlife Branch in Anderson Camp.

(5) No daily cards to pick up and drop off.

(6) May change areas by phone or web page.

b. How iSportsman works:

(1) All people wishing to hunt, be a hunt observer, fish, trap, cut firewood, scout, or any other type of dispersed recreation such as biking, hiking or bird watching will be required to create a user profile, obtain appropriate permits and check in and out of areas using the iSportsman system.

(2) The iSportsman website contains all the information you need to enjoy the outdoor opportunities at FAPH. [www.faph.isportsman.net](http://www.faph.isportsman.net).

(3) Regulations, Maps, Permit Sales, Open and Closed Areas, Reservations for Tomorrow's Hunting, Checking In and Out of Areas, Harvest Totals, and Pictures are just some of the features that are offered in this iSportsman website.

(4) All permit sales will be purchased by credit card/debit card through the iSportsman website.

(5) Checking into and out of areas can be done by calling into iSportsman by phone, by website, or using the kiosk at the VCC.

(6) When a permit is purchased, the user will also print off their FAPH iSportsman parking pass to be displayed in the window of your parked vehicle. You will not receive a daily parking pass. Game wardens, police, Range Operations, and wildlife biologist staff will be able to tell what area everyone is checked in to real time thus removing the need for parking area identification cards.

(7) There will be an iSportsman kiosk located at the Visitor Control Center (VCC) that can be used for those without home computer or Smartphone.

(8) On the FAPH iSportsman website there is a file that can be downloaded and filled out and emailed to the VCC to begin the annual background check process.

(9) You may also go by the VCC to complete the background check in person. Please call the Visitor Control Center at 804-633-8585 for hours of operation.

(10) Once the VCC has approved the background investigation they will then activate your user profile on iSportsman.

(11) Once your profile has been activated you are free to use this site using a home computer, tablet, Smartphone, or kiosk to purchase the appropriate permits (ex. FAPH Hunting Permit).

(12) If an iSportsman user fails to check out of their assigned area by the published return time as stated in the regulation, the iSportsman system will automatically place that user on administrative hold. The user will be unable to access the iSportsman system until the matter is resolved.

(13) There will no longer be a need to pick up or drop off cards at the Outdoor Recreation Building. Users are to check out to their areas by phone, smart phone, tablet, laptop, or kiosk and proceed directly to that area. Then users are to check out of the system when done and depart FAPH.

c. Locations:

(1) iSportsman Kiosk – Visitor Control Center (Bldg 13)

(2) Game Checking Station – Gazebo (Bldg 314) Anderson Camp

(3) Fish and Wildlife Branch – Anderson Camp (Bldg 308)

(4) FAPH iSportsman Website - <https://faph.isportsman.net/>  
FAPH Fish and Wildlife Twitter account - @Fish\_n\_Wildlife

**APPENDIX D**  
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