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Hunting and Fishing Bag Limits and Seasons

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SUMMARY of CHANGE

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This administrative revision dated: 26 August 2015

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

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

Summary. This Circular(CIR) sets hunting and fishing bag limits and seasons at Fort Hood.

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

Supplementation. Local supplementation of this regulation is prohibited without prior approval of Directorate of Public Works (DPW).

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

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Chapter 1
Overview

1-1. Purpose
This circular establishes hunting controls, fishing limitations, special lake restrictions, and bag limits and seasons at Fort Hood.

1-2. References
Appendix A lists required and related publications and prescribed and referenced forms.

1-3. Abbreviations and terms
The glossary explains abbreviations and terms used in this regulation.

Chapter 2
Hunting and Fishing

2-1. Hunting controls
Table 2-1 outlines controls on weapons, seasons, hours of shooting, and possession limits at Fort Hood. Allowances do not exceed those established by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Table 2-1. Game limitations

Game species	Season	Bag limit	Possession limit	Weapons
Mourning dove; white wing dove; white-tipped dove	1 September (Sep) – 25 October (Oct) 15 and 18 December (Dec) 15 – 1 January (Jan) 16. One-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Subject to change per federal mandates.	15 per day, **not** more than 2 white-tipped dove in the aggregate.	45	Shotgun plugged with a one piece filler to a three shell capacity, including one in the chamber with shot smaller than Number (No). 2; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader.
Early teal	12-27 Sep 15	6 per day	18	Same as duck or goose.
Duck or goose	Per state and federal regulations. Note: Use only non-toxic steel shot for waterfowl hunting.	Per state and federal regulations.	Per state and federal regulations.	Shotgun not larger than 10- gauge with BB-size shot or smaller, plugged with a one-piece filler to a three-shell capacity, including one in the chamber; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloaders with BB-size shot or smaller; legal archery equipment.

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Table 2-1. Game limitations (continued)

Game species	Season	Bag limit	Possession limit	Weapons
Bobwhite quail	31 Oct 15–28 February (Feb) 16	5 per day	15	Shotgun with shot smaller than No. 2; smooth bore (shot) muzzleloaders.
Turkey	Spring gobbler season: 2 April (Apr)-15 May 16. Special youth season: 26-27 March (Mar) and 21-22 May 16. One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Per state regulations.	3 tom (male) Turkey. Limit 1 per hunt. Limit 3 turkeys per license year.	Same as bag limit. Note: Texas State Turkey Stamp required.	Shotgun of 20-gauge or larger, or smooth bore (shot) muzzleloader with BB-size shot or smaller only; legal archery equipment.
White-tailed deer and turkey	Special archery season: 3 Oct-6 November (Nov) 15. Special antlerless and spike deer season: 4-17 Jan 16. Special youth turkey season: 31 Oct-1 Nov 15 & 4-17 Jan 16 Special youth deer season: 31 Oct-1 Nov 15 & 4-17 Jan 16. Regular fall season: 7 Nov 15 – 3 Jan 16.	3 white-tailed deer - **not** more than: 1 antlerless, 1 buck with unbranched antler, and 1 branch antlered buck with inside spread 13 inches [1] or greater. 3 *bearded* turkey. See turkey above.	Same as bag limit.	Archery season: Texas state archery stamp required, legal archery equipment only IAW state regulations. Must possess a Fort Hood Archery Proficiency Stamp. Crossbows In Accordance With (IAW) state regulations.
White-tailed deer and turkey (continued)	One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Deer hunting may close without advance notice dependent upon the Fort Hood white-tailed deer harvest quota and security.	Note: Upland Game Bird Stamp required (except youth). Harvests during the regular fall season are cumulative with the special archery season.	N/A	Regular fall season (guided hunt): Shotgun 20 gauge or larger using slug load; muzzleloader .45 caliber or larger; legal archery equipment; rifle other than rimfire. Crossbows IAW state regulations. Regular fall season (unguided hunt): Shotgun 20-gauge or larger using slug load; muzzleloader .45 caliber or larger; legal archery equipment; no rifles. Crossbows IAW state regulations.

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Table 2-1. Game limitation (continued)

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

Legend:

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

Notes:
[1] 13 inches = 330 millimeters

2-2. Fishing limitations

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

a. Allowances do **not** exceed those established by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD).

b. Other species conform to Texas state law.

Table 2-2. Fishing limitations

Game species	Lake	Season	Size limit	Daily bag limit	Possession limit	Other
Channel & Blue catfish	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	**No** closed season	Minimum: 12 inches[1]	15	30	Archery equipment is prohibited. Hand fishing ("noodling") is prohibited.
Flathead Catfish	All lakes, ponds, and creeks.	**No** closed season.	Minimum 18 inches [2]	5	10	Archery equipment is prohibited. Hand fishing ("noodling") is prohibited.
All black bass	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	**No** closed season	Minimum: 14 inches[3]	5 in the aggregate	10 in the aggregate	Note: Includes all black bass; largemouth, smallmouth, and spotted bass.
Crappie (white perch)	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	**No** closed season	Minimum: 10 inches[4]	25	50	
White bass	All lakes, ponds, and creeks	**No** closed season	Minimum: 10 inches[4]	25	50	

Notes:
[1] 12 inches = 305 millimeters
[2] 18 inches= 457 millimeters
[3] 14 inches = 356 millimeters
[4] 10 inches = 254 millimeters

2-3. Special lake restrictions

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

Table 2-3. Limitations

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

Appendix A
References

Section I
Required Publications

Fort Hood Regulation 210-25
Hunting, Fishing, and Natural Resources Conservation Regulations

Texas Park and Wildlife Code

Section II
Related Publications

This section **not** used.

Section III
Prescribed Forms

This section **not** used.

Section IV
Referenced Forms

FH Form 1853
Distribution Scheme

Glossary

Section I
Abbreviations

APR
April

ATTN
Attention

CIR
Circular

DEC
December

DPW
Directorate of Public Works

FEB
February

FH
Fort Hood

IAW
In Accordance With

JAN
January

MAR
March

No.
Number

NOV
November

OCT
October

SEP
September

TPWD
Texas Park and Wildlife Department

Section II
Terms

This section **not** used