

Fort Eisenhower 2023-2024 Big Game Hunting Seasons

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT ZONE	SEASON	WEAPON	BAG LIMIT & RESTRICTIONS
Deer	Archery Only	Sept 9 – Jan 14 Extended Archery Jan 15 – 31 (TAs 1-17 Only)	Archery	--Either sex all season --State bag limits apply --Antlerless quota does not apply
Deer	Training Areas 18-49	Sept 9 – Jan 14	Archery	--Either sex all season --Each hunter limited to 2 antlerless deer in Ta 18-49 --State bag limits apply for antlered deer
		Oct 14 – Jan 14	Primitive ¹ Weapons	
		Oct 21 – Jan 14	Firearms	
Deer	Small Arms Impact Area (SAIA)	Sept 9 – Jan 14	Archery	--Either sex all season --State bag limits apply --Antlerless quota does not apply --Trophy antler restrictions no longer apply in the Small Arms Impact Area
		Oct 14 – Jan 14	Primitive Weapons	
		Oct 21 – Jan 14	Firearms	

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Turkey	Mar 23 – Mar 24 Special Opportunity	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17; Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) & Muzzleloader in Training Areas 18-49 and SAIA	--2 Gobblers --1 daily --Restricted to youth and mobility impaired (see state regs)
Turkey	April 6 – May 15	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17; Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) & Muzzleloader in Training Areas 18-49 and SAIA	--2 Gobblers --1 daily
Coyote & Feral Hog	Any Open Hunting Season	Archery equipment, crossbows, and legal firearms for that particular season and area	No Limit
Special Coyote & Feral Hog	Jan 15 – Mar 22	Any legal Fort Eisenhower weapon for the area hunted: <u>Hunter orange required</u>	No Limit

*Recent regulation changes appear in **underlined, bold text**.

1. During statewide primitive deer hunting season youth under 16 years of age may hunt deer with any legal deer firearm legal for that particular area.

- Only crossbows and archery equipment are allowed for hunting in Training Areas 1-17, *excluding 14B*.
- Shotguns, muzzleloaders, crossbows and archery equipment may be used for hunting in Training Areas 18-49 and the Small Arms Impact Area. See chart above for species specific weapon restrictions.
- Rifles, shotguns, muzzleloaders, crossbows and archery equipment may be used for hunting in Training Areas 48 and 49. Rifles are restricted to no more than 5 rounds in the chamber and magazine combined. See Chapter 11, Figure 3 in the USACCoE&FG Regulation 420-5 for information on authorized rifle calibers. See chart above for species specific weapon restrictions.
- For hunting deer, shotguns must be limited to a capacity of not more than five (5) shells in the magazine and chamber combined. Ammunition is limited to slugs only. Scopes are allowed on muzzleloaders and shotguns.
- Air bows and air rifles are not permitted for hunting on Fort Eisenhower.
- Small Arms Impact Area: Trophy antler restrictions no longer apply in the Small Arms Impact Area (SAIA). State antler and bag limits applies.
- 2024 Fort Eisenhower Wild Turkey bag limit is set at 2 Gobblers. Daily bag of 1 gobbler.
- State bag limits for big game species apply unless otherwise noted.
- Each hunter may harvest no more than 2 antlerless deer in training areas 18 -49. State bag limits apply for antlered deer.
- **It is mandatory for all hunters to submit a lower jawbone from each harvested deer.** Jawbones from antlerless deer must be submitted at the time of check out. Jawbones from antlered deer must be submitted within 7 days. Instructions for pulling and submitting jawbones can be found at each Outdoor Recreation Information Station and on the Fort Eisenhower iSportsman website.
- **Deer harvested during normal duty hours (M-F, 0700-1600 excluding federal holidays) are no longer required to be checked by a Fort Eisenhower biologist, however Fort Eisenhower biologists would still like to measure any buck with 4 points or greater on one side at the hunter’s convenience** by calling (706)832-7661, (706)726-0098, or (706)791-9932.
- All hunters who harvest a deer or turkey must complete the electronic harvest information form during the checkout process in iSportsman prior to leaving the installation. Those unable to access the form may use FG Form 9168 (kill card) to record this data and must submit the form at one of the Outdoor Recreation Information Stations.
- All deer and turkeys harvested must be checked in according to the GA DNR regulations in addition to the Fort Eisenhower check in procedures. See GA DNR Hunting Seasons and Regulations publication for more information.
- Coyotes and feral hogs may be hunted at night. Any light used to hunt these species shall be carried on the body of the hunter, affixed to a helmet or hat worn by the hunter, or be part of a belt system worn by the hunter. See state regulation for more information.
- All hunters, regardless of age, must possess proof of completing a state approved hunter safety course.