

Fort Gordon 2026-2027 Big Game Hunting Seasons

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT ZONE	SEASON	WEAPON	BAG LIMIT & RESTRICTIONS
Deer	Archery Only	Sept 12 – Jan 10 Extended Archery Jan 11 – 31 (TAs 1-17 Only)	Archery	--Either sex all season --State bag limits apply
Deer	Training Areas 18-49	Sept 12 – Jan 10	Archery	--<u>Early firearms antlerless days (Oct 3-4)</u> --Either sex all regular season --State bag limits apply (no anterless quota)
		Oct 10 – Jan 10	Primitive ¹ Weapons	
		<u>Oct 3-4</u> Oct 17 – Jan 10	Firearms	

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Turkey	Mar 20 – Mar 21 Special Opportunity	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17; Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) & Muzzleloader in Training Areas 18-49	--2 Gobblers --1 daily --Restricted to youth and mobility impaired (see state regs)
Turkey	April 3 – May 15	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17; Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) & Muzzleloader in Training Areas 18-49	--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 11 – Mar 19 <u>May 16 – Aug 14</u>	Any legal Fort Gordon weapon for the area hunted: Hunter orange or pink required	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, **rifles (with straight-walled cartridge ONLY)**, crossbows and archery equipment may be used for hunting in Training Areas 18-49. See chart above for species specific weapon restrictions. **See Chapter 11, Figure 3 in the USACCoE&FG Regulation 420-5 for information on authorized straight-walled cartridges.**
- 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 rifles, muzzleloaders and shotguns.
- **Straight-walled cartridges are permitted for use during firearms deer season. Straight-walled cartridges are for use in rifles only (no handguns) with a 16-inch minimum barrel length.**
- Air bows and air rifles are not permitted for hunting on Fort Gordon.
- Small Arms Impact Area: Closed until further notice.
- 2027 Fort Gordon 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.
- State bag limits apply for all deer. There will not be an antlerless quota in TA 18-49.
- **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 Gordon 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 Gordon biologist, however Fort Gordon 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)791-9983.
- 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 in iSportsman 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 Gordon check in procedures. GA DNR regulations require hunters to complete your Harvest Record **before moving your harvest from the site of the kill**. See GA DNR Hunting Seasons and Regulations publication (pg. 8) 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.
- All individuals entering training areas during firearms deer or special coyote/feral hog seasons must wear at least 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange or fluorescent blaze pink at all times while in a training area.