

**Annual Hunting Season Update  
USACCoE&FG Regulation 420-5  
17 August 2021**

## Fort Gordon 2021-2022 Big Game Hunting Seasons

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT ZONE	SEASON	WEAPON	BAG LIMIT & RESTRICTIONS
Deer	Archery Only	Sept 11 – Jan 31	Archery	--Either sex all season --State bag limits apply --Antlerless quota does not apply
Deer	Training Areas 18-49	Sept 11 – Jan 09	Archery	--Antlerless quota applies ( <b>75</b> ) --Either sex until quota is met --Each hunter limited to 2 antlerless deer until quota is met --State bag limits apply for antlered deer
		Oct 09 – Jan 09	Primitive <sup>1</sup> Weapons	
		Oct 16 – Jan 09	Firearms	
Deer	Small Arms Impact Area (SAIA)	Sept 11 – Jan 09	Archery	-- Trophy antler restrictions no longer apply in the Small Arms Impact Area as of 2020 season. --Antlerless quota does not apply --Either sex all season --State bag limits apply
		Oct 09 – Jan 09	Primitive Weapons	
		Oct 16 – Jan 09	Firearms	

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Turkey	Mar 26 – Mar 27 2022 Special Opportunity	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17 Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) in Training Areas 18-49 and SAIA <b><u>.410 &amp; larger gauge shotguns now authorized</u></b>	--2 Gobblers/ <b><u>1 Gobbler/Day</u></b> --Restricted to youth and mobility impaired (see state regs)
Turkey	Apr 02 – May 15 2022	Archery only in Training Areas 1-17 Shotgun (No. 2 Shot Or Smaller) & Muzzleloader in Training Areas 18-49 and SAIA <b><u>.410 &amp; larger gauge shotguns now authorized</u></b>	--2 Gobblers -- <b><u>1 Gobbler/Day Limit</u></b>
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 10 – Mar 25 2022	Any legal Fort Gordon weapon for the area hunted	No Limit <b><u>At least 500 square inches of fluorescent orange required to be worn.</u></b>

\*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.

- Only crossbows and archery equipment are allowed for hunting in Training Areas 1-17, *excluding 14B*.
- **In Training Areas 1-17 an Extended Archery Season has been added.**
- 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 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.
- **The use of .410 and larger gauge shotguns are authorized to hunt turkey.**
- Air bows and air rifles are not permitted for hunting on Fort Gordon.
- Small Arms Impact Area: Trophy antler restrictions no longer apply in the Small Arms Impact Area (SAIA). State antler and bag limits applies.
- **Statewide, the antler restrictions on one of the bucks is: One of the two antlered bucks must have a minimum of 4 point, 1-inch or longer, on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread to be legal.**
- 2022 Fort Gordon Wild Turkey bag limit is set at 2 Gobblers.
- **Statewide turkey season is shifted to open one week later on April 2, 2022. 1 Gobbler per day limit. The season still closes on May 15.**
- State bag limits for big game species apply unless otherwise noted.
- An antlerless quota and bag limit is in effect for deer hunting in Training Areas 18-49. Each hunter may harvest no more than 2 antlerless deer in these training areas. Also, antlerless deer may be hunted until **75** have been harvested. After that, only antlered deer may be harvested. Notices will be posted on iSportsman website and at all Training Area Recreation Information Stations when the quota is reached.
- 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 Training Area Recreation Information Station and on the Fort Gordon iSportsman website.

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- All deer harvested during normal duty hours (M-F, 0700-1600 excluding federal holidays) must contact a Fort Gordon biologist before being transported off post to have biological data collection. Hunters may call to have a biologist meet them at a check station by calling (706) 832-7661, (706) 726-0098, (706) 791-2397, or (706) 791-9932.
- All hunters who harvest a deer or turkey must complete the electronic harvest information form during the checkout process on iSportsman website 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 Training Area 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. 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.
- **Hunters with a nighttime permit hunting at night can check in no earlier than two (2) hours before sunset and must check out no later than 11:30 p.m.**
- All hunters, regardless of age, must possess proof of completing a state approved hunter safety course.