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SUBJ: HUNTING SEASON

Ref: (a) North Carolina Hunting and Trapping Regulations
(NOTAL)
(b) North Carolina General Statutes (NOTAL)
(c) BO 1710.20P
(d) Camp Lejeune Hunting and Fishing Map

1. Purpose. To publish dates for taking deer and bear during the 2002-2003 hunting season and to announce changes in waterfowl hunting and dove management areas.

2. Information

a. Operational Force training/firing requirements have priority over all recreational activities. The opportunity to hunt aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune is based on the availability of training areas that are not required or scheduled by operating forces. These areas will be released to the Base Game Warden by Range Control. These areas are subject to recall if an operational training requirement develops after their release.

b. Bear Season. The individual bear hunting season is 11 November 2002 - 1 January 2003. Bear hunting is permitted only in Greater Sandy Run Areas SA - SW. Hunters are reminded that strict State and Federal regulations exist governing the use of bear and bear parts for commercial purposes.

c. Bow and Arrow Season. The individual bow and arrow hunting season for either-sex deer in all areas open to hunting is 7 September 2002 - 4 October 2002. Either-sex deer may also be taken with bow and arrow from 12 October 2002 - 1 January 2003 in "bow hunting only" areas inclusive of AA, AB, AC, AD,

Knox, BC (North of Douglas Road), CA, CB, CC, CHB (Courthouse Bay), DA, DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, E, GG (Onslow Beach side of Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway), WTB (Rifle Range), and Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), New River Areas 1 and 2, and all Deer Management Unit (DMU) areas in accordance with reference (c).

d. Muzzle Loading Firearms Season. The individual muzzle loading firearms season for either-sex deer is 5 October 2002 - 11 October 2002. Hunting with muzzle loading firearms is prohibited in areas JA, JB, JC, JD, RA, and bow hunting areas identified in paragraph 2.c. above. Muzzle loading firearms will be permitted in areas BC (South of Douglas Road), BD, and MCAS, New River Area 3 and JP-1 during the muzzle loading firearms season. Muzzle loading firearms are the only weapons authorized to take deer during this season, except bow hunting will be permitted in "bow hunting only" areas in paragraph 2.c above.

e. Gun Season. The individual gun hunting season for deer is 12 October 2002 - 1 January 2003. Antlerless deer may be taken in all areas for the duration of this season. Male deer with visible antlers may also be taken during this season, except as identified in paragraph 2.h below. Muzzle loading firearms are permitted in all gun hunting areas during the gun season, but are prohibited in areas JA, JB, JC, JD, and "bow hunting only" areas identified in paragraph 2.c. Bow and arrow is permitted in gun hunting areas in accordance with reference (c).

f. Bag Limits. No more than four antlered deer per hunter may be taken during the entire hunting season. The season bag limit is six; two of which must be antlerless. Paragraph 2.g below provides for the take of more than six deer by individual hunters within specified areas that are enrolled in a Deer Management Assistance Program.

g. Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP). The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission sponsored DMAP program will be used to augment the take of antlerless deer aboard Camp Lejeune and MCAS, New River. The DMAP program will apply only to those areas listed in paragraph 2.c above, MCAS, New River Area 3, and all DMUs listed in paragraph h. Procedures for obtaining DMAP tags and tagging requirements will be available from the Base Game Warden, Building PT-4, Parachute Tower Road, and the MCAS, New River Game Warden, Building CG-1, Robert Wilson Boulevard, prior to the beginning of the regular bow season.

h. Quality Deer Management (QDM). A QDM program will continue during the 2002-2003 deer season for various areas aboard Camp Lejeune in an effort to improve the overall health and productivity of the resident deer herd. Hunters are encouraged to harvest antlerless deer to the extent provided by state regulation and as provided by paragraph 2.g above. The following areas will be under a QDM program: "Bow hunting only" areas AA, AB, AC, AD, Knox, BC, BD, CA, CB, CC, CHB (Courthouse Bay), DA, DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, E, GG (Onslow Beach side of Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway); DMUs 1, 2, 2a, 3, 4, 5; and Hunting areas HA, HB, HC, HD, HE, HF, HG, HH, IA, IB, IC, ID, IE, IF, IG, JA, JB, JC, and JD. QDM restrictions apply to areas listed above in this paragraph and are as follows:

(1) Male deer must be branched antlered (both beams) and possess a minimum of five total antler points.

(2) Antler points are considered legal for counting when they are 1" in length measured from the line of the main beam.

Additional areas may be brought into the QDM program as appropriate management necessitates.

i. Deer Management Units (DMU). DMUs have been established as a means to increase deer harvests within areas prone to deer-human conflicts. Hunting within DMUs is contingent upon successful completion of a shooting proficiency test. Shooting test dates will be posted at Building PT-4 and MCAS, New River Building CG-1 a week in advance of the test date. The DMUs, as reflected on reference (d), will be managed as follows: DMUs 1, 2, 2a, 3, 4, 4b, and 5 will be open to individual bow hunting as posted at the hunter check station, Building PT-4; DMUs 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 will be open to individual bow hunting as posted at the MCAS hunter check station, Building CG-1; DMU 4a will be reserved for coordinated bow hunting events as scheduled by the Base Game Manager.

j. The SV training area (Camp Davis) will be open to individual hunting during all seasons as provided in paragraphs 2.a-d. above. Parking on and hunting from the taxiways and primary airstrip surface of the north and south runway is prohibited. Hunters are to avoid construction sites/crews, which are in the area.

k. During the 2002-2003 hunting season, and beginning with the muzzle loading firearms season, which starts on 5 October,

2002, MCAS, New River Hunting Area 3 and JP-1, BC training area south of Douglas Road and the BD training area will be managed as a gun hunting area. Hunting with bow and arrow will be permitted during the bow and arrow season and as provided by reference (c). Contact the MCAS Game Warden for a breakdown of MCAS, New River Hunting areas.

l. In non-residential "bow hunting only" areas, bow hunters must maintain a minimum distance of 100 yards from built-up or occupied areas to include barracks, primary roads, supply or storage areas, storerooms, golf courses, marinas, or in areas where troops are training. This applies to the following "bow hunting only" areas: BC (north of Douglas Road), DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, E, CHB (Courthouse Bay), WTB (Rifle Range), and all MCAS, New River hunting areas. Minimum distance requirements in all other areas are per reference (c).

m. Waterfowl Hunting Changes. All waterfowl hunting aboard Camp Lejeune will be prohibited on Wednesdays. The Onslow Beach Waterfowl Impoundment has been divided into an A, B and C area to better separate and protect recreational hunters. Only one party consisting of no more than three hunters each will be permitted in each area of the impoundment. No hunting in the impoundment is permitted after 1200. Operational guidelines for the Onslow Beach Impoundment and general guidelines for hunting green-tree reservoirs will be provided at the Base Game Warden's Office, Building PT-4.

n. Dove Hunting. All dove and other migratory bird hunting will be prohibited on Wednesdays. Dove hunters are required to police their own spent shells within managed dove fields or when legally hunting from adjacent secondary roads.

o. Baiting. Baiting of deer will be allowed per reference (a) on a trial basis in those "bow hunting only" areas described in paragraph 2.b. above. Baiting is prohibited in all other areas. The practice of baiting will be permanently stopped after the current deer season if antlerless harvest does not exceed antlered harvest in ALL "bow hunting only" areas. Any bait site that is established for the purpose of attracting game shall be considered community property and shall not have exclusive use rights. The provisions of enclosure (1), paragraph 2.p(2) of reference (c) apply to the practice of hunting over bait.

p. Trapping. Trappers authorized to trap fur bearing animals on Camp Lejeune may use a .22 caliber pistol loaded with .22 cal short, .22 caliber Flobert style BB cap rounds, or .22 caliber Flobert style CB cap ammunition only.

3. Action

a. The Base Game Warden will maintain a hunter check station at Building PT-4, Parachute Tower Road and at the northern entrance to Verona Loop just off US Hwy-17, Building VL-1. All hunting check in/out activities for MCAS, New River will be conducted at the MCAS, Game Warden's Office, and Building CG-1, on Robert Wilson Boulevard. Hunters checking out for the BC area north of Southwest Creek and MCAS, New River areas, will check out with the MCAS, New River Game Warden. Hunters checking out for the BC area south of Southwest Creek, the BD area, Verona, and Greater Sandy Run Areas will check out with the Base Game Warden at the northern entrance to Verona Loop, Building VL-1.

b. Upon killing a deer or bear, and before moving the animal from the site of kill, the hunter taking the animal must validate the Big Game Harvest Report Card furnished with the purchase of a big game license by cutting or punching out the validation box that correctly identifies the big game animal harvested. DMAP tags will be provided at respective check stations upon check-in. All harvested game shall be taken to the Base Game Warden, MCAS Game Warden, or Assistant Huntmaster-if on organized hunts, who will provide a North Carolina Wildlife Cooperator Agent authorization number. The record entered on the Big Game Harvest Report Card shall thereafter constitute authorization for continued possession of the harvested animal. Possession of a harvested deer or bear without a validated Big Game Harvest Report Card including the Wildlife Cooperator Agent authorization number will be unlawful, except antlerless deer tagged under DMAP.

c. All participants are required to comply with the references.

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4. Reserve Applicability. This Bulletin is applicable to the Marine Corps Reserve.

5. Concurrence. The Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, New River, concurs in this Bulletin.



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