

FORT RILEY DEER HUNTING FACT SHEET 2017

The military mission has precedence over the announced hunting season. The Fort Riley Military Reservation or portions of it may be closed at any time, without prior notice, due to military activities. Additional security measures may be implemented at any time without notice, resulting in access restrictions in addition to those explained in this publication.

1. PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

a. Fort Riley 2017-18 iSportsman Permit. Each deer hunter regardless of age must complete the 2017-18 iSportsman Briefing online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>. Your Fort Riley iSportsman Permit must be printed from your iSportsman account upon completion of the briefing and must be in your possession while hunting.

b. Required Kansas Permits and Licenses. Each deer hunter must obtain all permits and licenses required by the state of Kansas **INCLUDING** a Fort Riley Hunting Access Permit (if required as described in the iSportsman Briefing). Kansas Permits and Licenses are available at County Clerk Offices, any Kansas Hunting and Fishing License Vendor, or over the Internet at <http://www.kdwpt.state.ks.us/news/license-permits>. Fort Riley Hunting Access Permits are available online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>. State of Kansas resident deer permits are scheduled to become available beginning August 1, 2017.

c. Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit.

c.1. Each deer hunter regardless of age must complete the Fort Riley Deer Hunting Briefing online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>. Your Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit must be printed from your iSportsman account upon completion of the briefing and must be in possession while hunting.

c.2. Fort Riley **Firearm** Deer Hunting Permits will be unlimited and online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net> beginning 21 August 2017.

c.2.1. Fort Riley **Archery** Deer Hunting Permits will be unlimited for all Active Duty Military hunters stationed at Fort Riley. Those permits will be available online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net> beginning 21 August 2017. Dependents of all Active Duty Military hunters stationed at Fort Riley who PCS to Fort Riley after 19 August 2017 will also have an unlimited number of permits available in person at the Fort Riley Environmental Division Office.

c.2.2. Fort Riley **Archery** Deer Hunting Permits will be issued first come, first served to a maximum of 200 hunters who are not included in para c.2.1 above and will be available **only** at the Fort Riley Environmental Division Office **beginning at 7:00 a.m., Saturday, 19 August 2017 until 3:00 p.m.** *Note: A parent or guardian of a minor hunter (i.e. hunter under the age of 18) may acquire a first come; first served Fort Riley Archery Deer Hunting Permit for the minor hunter provided the minor hunter will hunt at all times with the parent or guardian.* **Individuals desiring a first come; first served Fort Riley Archery Deer Hunting Permit after 19 August must call the Environmental Division Office for an appointment.**

c.2.3. All individuals who obtain a Fort Riley **Archery** Deer Hunting Permit will automatically receive a Fort Riley Firearm Deer Hunting Permit for the seasons they qualify to hunt, as defined below.

2. SEASON OPTIONS: The following seasons are available to hunters as defined below. All persons recreating on Fort Riley, to include hunting, scouting and mentoring must check-in and check-out each day they hunt using the Fort Riley automated (Fort Riley iSportsman) system:

a. Special Archery-Only Season: September 1-10, 2017 & Jan. 2-31, 2018.

Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open for archery deer hunting on the particular day they wish to hunt. Eligible individuals (see below) will be authorized to take an antlered deer during this season. The Special Archery-Only Season is valid only on the Fort Riley Military Reservation. Eligibility to hunt this season is limited to the following individuals with a valid Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit and necessary state of Kansas permits and licenses who have obtained special written authorization specifically to hunt during this special season from the Fort Riley Environmental Division Office. Please call 785-239-6211 and leave a message to schedule a time to receive the Special Permit:

1. Military and Civilian Personnel stationed in Kansas with an impending deployment date between 1 September and 1 November 2017. Deployment papers or Commander Confirmation must be provided.

2. Military or Civilian Personnel on leave from deployment who would not be redeployed to Fort Riley by 1 December 2017. Redeployment papers or Commander Confirmation must be provided.

b. Early Youth/Disabled Season: September 2-10 & October 6-9, 2017.

Any Kansas Youth Deer Permit holder or disabled hunter with a valid Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit and required State of Kansas permits-licenses may hunt during these seasons using any legal firearm or archery equipment allowed by the State of Kansas. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open on the particular day they wish to hunt for the method of deer hunting they choose.

c. Traditional Muzzleloader Season: September 11-24, 2017.

Any hunter with any valid Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit and necessary State of Kansas permits and licenses may hunt during this season using only **traditional caplock or flintlock muzzleloaders**. **Inline muzzleloaders** are **NOT** legal equipment on Fort Riley during this season. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open for muzzleloader deer hunting on the particular day they wish to hunt.

d. Regular Archery Season: September 11 - December 31, 2017.

Any hunter with a valid Fort Riley Archery Deer Hunting Permit and necessary state of Kansas permits and licenses may hunt during this season using any legal archery equipment allowed by the state of Kansas. Hunters may only hunt in areas listed as open for archery deer hunting on the particular day they wish to hunt. Archery hunters must follow blaze orange requirements (Para. 6.d.) during any firearm deer season on Fort Riley.

e. DOD ID Card Holders Only Firearms Season : Nov. 24-26, 2017

Any hunter who possesses a valid DoD ID Card (and their immediate family members when directly accompanied) and has a Fort Riley Firearm Deer Hunting Permit may hunt during this season using any legal firearm allowed by the state of Kansas. To provide a safe and high quality deer hunt the maximum number of hunters who will be allowed to check in each day is 350 split into three management areas. The area West of old Hwy 77 (A, D, G, H, J, K, N, O & Q) will allow 135 hunters per day. The area East of old Hwy 77 (B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) will allow 135 hunters per day. The training areas South of Vinton School Road will allow 80 hunters per day. You may check-out of a management area and check-in to a different management area during the same day through the automated system, but may only be checked-in to a single area at any time. If any of the management areas are full you will not be allowed to check in to the area until someone checks out. **Firearms hunters hunting east of Old Hwy 77 (Maneuver Areas B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) and South of Vinton School Road may only use any legal bow, muzzleloading rifle (Inlines are legal during this season), muzzleloading handgun or any legal shotgun.**

f. Regular Firearms Season: December 16-24, 2017.

Any hunter who possesses a Fort Riley Firearm Deer Hunting Permit may hunt using any legal equipment allowed by the State of Kansas. To provide a safe and high quality deer hunt the maximum number of hunters that will be allowed to check in each day is 350 split into three management areas. The area West of old Hwy 77 (A, D, G, H, J, K, N, O & Q) will allow 135 hunters per day. The area East of old Hwy 77 (B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) will allow 135 hunters per day. The training areas South of Vinton School Road will allow 80 hunters per day. You may check-out of a management area and check-in to a different management area during the same day through the automated system, but may only be checked-in to a single area at any time. If any of the management areas are full you will not be allowed to check in to the area until someone checks out. **Firearms hunters hunting east of Old Hwy 77 (Maneuver Areas B, C, E, F, I, L, M & P) and South of Vinton School Road may only use any legal bow, muzzleloading rifle (Inlines are legal during this season), muzzleloading handgun or any legal shotgun.**

g. Extended Antlerless Only Season: January 1, 2018

All Fort Riley Extended Antlerless Only Season deer hunters must have obtained any Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit **prior to this antlerless season**. Any legal 2017 Kansas deer permit valid in Kansas's Deer Management Unit 8 may be used during the Fort Riley extended antlerless deer season. Current (2018) Kansas state hunting licenses, including a 2018 Fort Riley Hunting Access Permit (if required), must be obtained and in possession as required by the State of Kansas. 2018 Fort Riley Hunting Access Permits will be available only online at <http://fortriley.isportsman.net>. Extended antlerless deer hunting will only be allowed in areas listed in a special column on that system as "Open Extended Firearms Antlerless Season Areas". **Center fire rifles are not authorized during this season.** Follow the Open Hunting Areas guidelines below:

1. Only legal archery equipment as defined by the State of Kansas may be used for deer hunting in the open deer hunting areas located south of Vinton School Road.

2. Only legal archery equipment, legal muzzleloaders, or shotguns using slugs as defined by the State of Kansas may be used for deer hunting in the open deer hunting areas north of Vinton School Road, which will be listed as such on the open areas webpage.

3. BAG LIMIT and TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS

The bag limit for deer on Fort Riley is consistent with the State of Kansas. Fort Riley falls into Deer Management Unit 8 for Kansas. Each deer harvested must be immediately affixed with a valid Kansas deer tag per Kansas Regulations.

4. FIREARM SPECIFICS

Fort Riley Regulation 190-1 requires registration of **ALL** firearms brought on-post with Fort Riley. Firearms must be registered regardless of military or civilian status. For more information about the registration procedures, review the Privately Owned Firearm Guide under the Regulations tab at <http://fortriley.isportsman.net>.

Firearms may be registered at the Visitor Control Center, building 885, right off exit 301, I-70, Marshall Army Airfield.

NOTE: A National Crime Information Center (NCIC) level III check will be conducted on **all visitors** wanting access to any part of the installation. For additional questions contact the Visitor Control Center at (785) 239-2982.

In addition, FR Reg.190-1 prohibited practices include:

- a. Carrying concealed on one's person any weapon. Kansas concealed carry handgun permits and those issued by other states are **not** recognized on Fort Riley.
- b. Possessing any device or attachment of any kind that is designed, used or intended for use in silencing the report of any firearm.

5. OFF LIMIT AREAS

The IMPACT AREA and Multipurpose Range Complex (MPRC) are OFF-LIMITS at all times. Other areas will be off-limits during all or part of the deer seasons. Listings and/or maps of off-limits areas will be posted online at: <http://fortriley.isportsman.net>.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

a. A completed Fort Riley Recreational Vehicle Marker must be displayed in the front window of all vehicles being used while deer hunting or otherwise recreating on Fort Riley.

b. Motorized vehicles are restricted to roads that are specifically marked on the Fort Riley Outdoor Recreation Map. The only exception to this restriction is to retrieve a downed deer or elk.

c. All deer harvested on Fort Riley should normally be field-dressed in the field where taken with the deposition of carcass and entrails being at least 100 feet from any road. Carcasses must not be disposed of in any live waterway that contains water or normally contains water to include ponds, lakes, creeks, rivers and dry creek beds. All deer must be covered or otherwise completely concealed from view of those outside the vehicle while they are being transported on Fort Riley. Deer carcasses that are not taken directly to a processor off post must be completely covered from view at all times until completely consumed or otherwise properly disposed. Any parts of a deer that are not properly deposited in an Open Recreational Area must be double bagged, tied shut and disposed of in general refuse. Deer and other Big Game harvested off of Fort Riley shall not have carcasses disposed of on Fort Riley.

d. During any Fort Riley firearms deer season, all individuals in areas of Fort Riley open to firearms deer hunting shall wear the following safety clothing at all times, which must be colored a blaze (international (i.e. hunter)) orange: a cap or hat, and an outer cover of a coat, vest, sweater, coveralls, or shirt. The outer cover must have at least 100 square inches of blaze orange colored surface visible on the front and 100 square inches of blaze orange colored surface on the back at all times when they are not in a vehicle or building **during any Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season, including the traditional muzzleloader season September 11-24 and the Youth/Disabled Seasons September 2-10 and October 6-9**. In addition, during the time period September 1 – May 31, all recreationist in a training or maneuver area who are not in a stationary position must wear at least one of the following articles of visible, external apparel with at least 50 percent of its surface area solid blaze orange in color: hat, cap, vest, coat, jacket, sweatshirt, shirt or coveralls.

e. State of Kansas and Fort Riley regulations must be followed in regards to Legal firearms and bows, as well as equipment. In addition all firearms must be unloaded and cased or locked while being transported in a vehicle on Fort Riley. Ammunition must be stored separately from the firearm.

f. Any individual who is actively assisting any big game hunter (as defined by the state of Kansas) must have a Fort Riley Access Permit, unless exempt. **2017 & 2018 Fort Riley Hunting Access Permits will be available only online, <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>.**

g. **Deer drives** are prohibited on Fort Riley. A deer drive is defined as a deliberate action by one or more persons (whether armed or unarmed) whose intent is to cause deer to move within firearm range of one or more hunters. Individuals who are within eye sight and hearing of one another, as Mentor-Mentee or Adult-Child hunts are not defined as a deer drive.

h. All **deer stands and ground blinds** must be marked with permanent marker/engraving in an externally visible manner with the hunter's KDWPT#. Ground Blinds and stands used to conceal the person(s) within them must have no less than 100 square inches of Blaze Orange showing on each side of the stand or blind while it is occupied during a Fort Riley Firearm deer season. Deer stands and ground blinds may not be placed on Fort Riley before August 1, 2017 and all deer stands and ground blinds must be removed no later than February 15, 2018.

i. Baiting is prohibited on Fort Riley.

- (1) No person shall place, deposit, expose, or scatter bait while on Fort Riley.
- (2) Nothing in this regulation shall prohibit the hunting or taking of wildlife over standing crops, or where grain is found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations, or scattered solely as the result of normal weather conditions or scattered by official personnel for wildlife management purposes.
- (3) For the purposes of this regulation, “bait” shall mean any grain, fruit, vegetable, nut, hay, salt, sorghum, feed, other food, or mineral that is capable of attracting wildlife. Liquid scents and sprays shall not be considered bait, however they may only be used as a drag or cover scent. They may not be directly poured on the ground.
- (4) Bait that is found in the field on Fort Riley should be reported to the Environmental Division Office or Game Warden section.

7. QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT

Quality Deer Management (QDM) initiatives have been implemented in an effort to improve the overall health of our deer herd at Fort Riley. One of the most important aspects of QDM is to let 1 ½ and 2 ½ year old bucks grow for another year. Success or failure of this effort will be due in large part to hunter restraint and knowledge. Please consider this when harvesting your deer.

8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Access Control Procedures:

All individuals 16 and older must possess a Federal ID Card or a Fort Riley Access Pass or badge to recreate on Fort Riley. Individuals who do not already have the required ID or Access Passes can apply for one at the installation’s Visitor Control Center (Bldg. 885), located just south of the Henry Gate Access Control Point (Exit 301, U.S. Interstate 70) Monday through Friday from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends and federal holidays. Access Passes are based on the requirement of the visit.

If you know the exact date of your visit, it is highly recommended to get a temporary pass or badge early by stopping by the Visitor Control Center. Any questions can be answered by calling (785) 239-2982 or emailing usarmy.riley.imcom-central.mbx.des-vcc@mail.mil. You will be required to provide a government issued photo identification. For further information concerning access to Fort Riley visit <http://www.riley.army.mil/Units/Garrison-Command/Emergency-Services/Access-Information/>.

INFORMATION: Fort Riley does not currently provide a customer service representative full-time at our office and no longer sells Kansas Hunting & Fishing licenses and permits. For further information concerning the 2017 Fort Riley Deer season, contact the Environmental Division Office at (785) 239-6211 or visit its website at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>.

9. FORT RILEY DEER SEASON CALENDAR of EVENTS

<u>Saturday, 19 August</u>	First day to receive mandatory pre-hunt briefing and acquire Fort Riley Deer Hunting Permit
<u>1-10 September</u>	Special Archery-Only Season (Must Meet Qualifications)
<u>2-10 Sept. & 6-9 October</u>	Youth/Disabled Hunter Season
<u>11-24 September</u>	Traditional Muzzleloader Season
<u>11 Sept. – 31 December</u>	Regular Fort Riley Archery Season (200 Permits)
<u>24 – 26 November</u>	DoD ID Card Holder Firearms Deer Season
<u>16-24 December</u>	Regular Fort Riley Firearms Deer Season
<u>1 January</u>	Antlerless Only Season (Archery & Firearms)
<u>2 – 31 January</u>	Special Archery-Only Season (Must Meet Qualifications)

Firearm *Dates that map applies to: November 24-26 & December 16-24, 2017
 (*Open Areas are required to be checked daily to ensure areas are available to recreate in)

Fort Riley Firearms Deer Management

