

FORT RILEY GREATER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN SEASON 2021-22

1. ELIGIBILITY.

All individuals who possess the required permits and licenses are eligible to hunt the Prairie-Chicken Season on Fort Riley.

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 9 p.m. and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends and federal holidays. Access Passes are based on the requirement of the visit.

2. PERMITS REQUIRED.

a. Kansas Hunting License – (**as required** – Exempted individuals are those persons < 16 or ≥ 75 years of age and Kansas Disabled Veterans [30% or greater disability & possessing a KDWPT exempt license]) available at any state license vendor or over the internet at <http://kansasoutdoors.com/License-Permits>

b. Kansas Prairie-Chicken Permit – (**All hunters**) available at any state license vendor or over the internet at <http://kansasoutdoors.com/License-Permits>

c. Fort Riley Hunting Access Permit – (**as required** – Exempted individuals are persons < 16 or ≥ 65 years of age; Kansas Disabled Veterans [30% or greater disability or an KDWPT Exempt license] available only online at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>).

3. SEASONS: September 15, 2021 – January 31, 2022

a. There is no extended season for falconry on Fort Riley.

4. OPEN HUNTING AREAS.

Prairie-Chicken Hunting on Fort Riley **is only authorized where listed as so on the Open Areas Sheet**. There will be a section designated as “Prairie-Chicken Areas” on the Open Areas Sheet, which can be found at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net> at the Open Areas tab.

5. BAG LIMIT & HARVESTED PRAIRIE-CHICKEN.

The legal daily bag limit is two Prairie-Chickens with the possession limit being eight.

6. HUNTING PROCEDURES.

Fort Riley has an automated web check-in-out system found at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>. If you need assistance in registering or using the system please contact the Environmental Office. Upon registration, you will be able to check-in/check-out on a daily basis using any personal device with internet access OR by visiting the Kiosk (located at the Visitor's Control Center, Building 885, exit 301, I-70), or by visiting the Environmental Office in building 407 during normal business hours. Fort Riley iSportsman registration and daily check-in-out is required to recreate in Fort Riley's Training Areas.

7. OFF-LIMITS AREAS.

The **IMPACT AREA** and the **Douthit Range Complex** are **off-limits at all times!** As a reminder, all recreational areas not listed in the "Prairie-Chicken Areas" section of the Open Areas Sheet are **NOT** open for Prairie-Chicken hunting.

8. FIREARM REGISTRATION.

Fort Riley Regulation 190-1 requires that **ALL** firearms brought on-post be registered 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 from <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>. Firearms may be registered at the Visitor Control Center, building 885, right off exit 301, I-70, Marshall Army Airfield.

9. HUNTER ORANGE REQUIREMENT.

During September 1 – May 31, all recreationists 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.

During any Fort Riley firearm 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.

10. PRAIRIE-CHICKEN MANAGEMENT & INFORMATION.

Our management objective is to expand the overall territory of the Greater Prairie-Chicken and increase their overall population on Fort Riley. The species has several unique life cycle requirements that have prompted proactive measures that we believe will provide for their long term sustainability on Fort Riley.

Fort Riley currently has a research project currently ongoing on the installation. Any Prairie-Chicken harvested on Fort Riley that has a leg band or GPS/Satellite collar should be reported directly to the Environmental Office or through the "Comment" section of the iSportsmen system during your daily check-out. For further information concerning the Fort Riley Prairie-Chicken Season, contact the Environmental Office at (785) 239-6211 or visit its website at <https://fortriley.isportsman.net>.