

Hunting on Sunday is now permitted.

No Hunting and GCS Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Youth/Apprentice Hunt 27-28 Sep Either-sex. Firearms or Archery. Blaze orange

or pink required.

Archery 4 Oct – 14 Nov Either-sex. Base-wide.

Firearms* 15 Nov - 3 Jan Buck-only except on designated either-sex

days, (6 Dec and 3 Jan) and either-sex within

Archery only Areas.

*Shotgun, muzzleloader, or archery tackle may be used during the firearms season outside of the designated Archery Only Areas, but hunters must abide by firearms either-sex dates and bag limits.

MCINCR-MCBQ Deer Hunting Policies and Bag Limits

<u>Antlerless Deer</u>: Females (does) and male fawns (button bucks) having no polished antler protruding above the hairline.

<u>Antlered Deer</u>: Antlered deer must have antlers visible above the hairline. DMAP and antlerless tags may NOT be used on antlered deer.

<u>Daily Bag Limit</u>. 1 per day. Exception: Guests selected for a Wounded, III, and Injured (WII) Warrior Hunts may harvest 2 deer per day, one which must be antlered and one which must be antlerless. Deer harvested by these hunters count against their season bag limit. Antlerless deer taken on DMAP tags do not count against the daily bag limit.

Season Bag Limit: 3 per license year. Only 1 antlerless deer can be taken and no more than 2 antlered bucks (see definition above) can be taken at MCINCR-MCBQ during the 2025-2026 deer season. Any of the tabs on the Virginia deer license can be used at MCBQ so long as no more than 2 antlered bucks are harvested and the total number of tabs notched at MCBQ does not exceed 3. Antlerless deer taken on DMAP tags do not count against the season limit. With prior approval, hunters qualifying for assisted hunting may utilize a firearm in archery only areas.

<u>Special Youth Antlerless Deer Regulation</u>: The Virginia apprentice and youth antlerless deer regulation applies at MCINCR-MCBQ.

<u>Special Muzzleloader Gun Season</u>. There will be no muzzleloading gun season aboard MCINCR-MCBQ, with the following exceptions: from 1 Nov -14 Nov, persons requiring wheelchair for mobility may be assigned to Huntmaster stands and may harvest 1 deer per day, either-sex. Guests selected for WII Warrior Hunts may use a muzzleloading firearm and hunt either-sex. Volunteers assisting with these special hunts are not authorized to use muzzleloading firearms.

<u>Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) Tags</u>. MCINCR-MCBQ participates in Virginia's Deer Management Assistance Program. On MCINCR-MCBQ only the following Archery areas are open for DMAP: Mainside, TDSA, OCS (2A, 2B, 3, 4), 5B, 5C, 6A, 6C, 7C, 8A, 8B, 17C, and Camp Upshur. **Only 1 DMAP tag may be used per day per hunter.** DMAP tags can only

BLACK BEAR

Archery 18 Oct—14 Nov

Firearms 28—30 Nov; 22 Dec — 3 Jan

Virginia bear license is required. One (1) per season. Females with cubs may not be harvested. Minimum weight 100 lbs. live or 75 lbs. dressed. Bear can be taken in any open hunting area but hunters must abide by weapons restrictions, i.e., must use archery tackle only in archery hunting areas.

MCINCR-MCBQ will NOT participate in the Early Firearms Bear Season, youth/apprentice bear hunting weekend, nor muzzleloader season. New this year, season dates on MCINCR-MCBQ are more restrictive than off the installation in Prince William and Stafford Counties.

TURKEY

Fall Seasons – Either-sex

Youth/Apprentice Hunt 11–12 Oct Firearms or Archery.

Archery 4 Oct – 14 Nov

Firearms 18 - 31 Oct, 1 - 27 Dec, 10-24 Jan

Spring Gobbler – Bearded Birds Only

Youth/Apprentice Day 4 - 5 Apr (hunt ends at 1200 noon)

Gobbler Season 11 Apr – 16 May (hunt ends at 1200 noon all season)

Daily Limit: (All Seasons): 1

Annual Limit: 3*

QUAIL & RUFFED GROUSE - Season closed

SQUIRREL

6 Sep – 31 Jan

RABBIT

1 Nov - 31 Jan

Furbearer Hunting

Opossum	16 Oct - 31 Jan	No Limit
Raccoon	16 Oct - 31 Jan	Daily Limit: 2*
Bobcat (Archery)	4 Oct - 31 Oct	Daily Limit: 2*
Bobcat (Firearms)	1 Nov - 31 Jan	Daily Limit: 2*
Red Fox	1 Nov – 31 Jan	No Limit
Gray Fox	2 - 31 Jan	Daily Limit: 1*
Coyote & Skunk	During any open MCBQ hunting season, with the allowable weapon for that season.	

Note: Night hunting prohibited on MCINCR-MCBQ; Furbearers can only be taken $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset.

*Raccoon, bobcat, and gray fox daily limit is per hunting party from 1200 one day to 1200 the following day.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

DOVE

4 Sep - 19 Oct; 22 - 30 Nov; 19 Dec - 19 Jan

Daily Limit: 15 per day*. The legal shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until sunset for the entire season.

YOUTH & VETERAN WATERFOWL DAYS

25 Oct and 7 Feb

Open to youth 15 years of age and under, military veterans, and active duty service members. Participants may harvest the allowed daily limit of ducks and other waterfowl.

SEPTEMBER CANADA GOOSE

East of I-95 West of I-95

4 – 19 Sep; Hunting ceases at ½ hour after sun-

4 – 22 Sep; Hunting ceases at ½ hour after

sunset.

20 - 22, and 25 Sep; Hunting ceases at sunset.

4 Sep – 25 Sep

Daily Limit: 10 per day*

CANADA GOOSE

26 - 29 Dec; 10 - 31 Jan

Daily Limit: 1 per day (New Limit)*

SEPTEMBER TEAL

20 - 28 Sep (East of I-95)

25 – 28 Sep (West of I-95)

Daily Limit: 6 per day*

DUCKS

10 – 13 Oct (Black duck closed); 20 – 30 Nov, 19 Dec – 31 Jan

Daily Limit: 6 ducks of any species except noted DWR species limits (See DWR Migratory Gamebird Digest)*

MERGANSERS

10 – 13 Oct; 20 – 30 Nov; 19 Dec – 31 Jan

Daily Limit: 5 birds total, and can include any combination of hooded, red-breasted, and common mergansers*

WOODCOCK

11 - 30 Nov, 26 Dec - 19 Jan Daily Limit: 3 per day*

All other migratory game bird species not listed will follow the VA DWR seasons and bag limits. See DWR Migratory Gamebird Digest for more additional regulations and seasons.