

## **Fort Lee Hunting Program Hunting Guidelines**

### **Required Documents:**

- Virginia Hunting License (sold at Wal-Mart, DMV, or any sporting goods store)
- Hunter Safety Card/Certificate accepted from any state (regardless of Hunter's age)
- Any permits, stamps, or numbers needed for special or migratory game.
- Valid Fort Lee Weapons Registration is required for ALL Firearms (at Lee Gate).
- All hunters must attend mandatory Hunter Safety brief before hunting held every Wednesday @ 5:30pm starting October 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Weapon Qualifications:**

- Hunters MUST qualify with their weapon(s) of choice each year first before being able to hunt or purchase their Fort Lee Hunting Permit.
- Qualifications are \$5.00 per attempt. (pass or fail)
- Archery Qualifications include Crossbow, Compound, or Traditional and are held at the MWR Archery Range located down the road from ODR.
- Muzzleloader and Shotgun (Buck-shot loads and slugs, gauges 20 through 10) are held at the Privately Owned Weapons (P.O.W) Range located at the Range Complex only on select Sundays (Holidays & Training Permitting) – No Rifles.

### **Hunting Books:**

- Hunters must write legibly or face suspension.
- Opening Day (Bow-Season Only) - Books go out on that Friday (1 day before) at noon.
- Regular Season Sign-up Books for Thur., Fri., and Sat. come out on Wednesday's at 12 noon
- Sign-up Books for Mon, Tues, and Wed, come out on Saturday's at 12 noon
- Waterfowl hunters may sign out blinds at 1230 or after all big game sign-ups are complete.
- Hunts are broken down into Morning (AM) and Evening (PM) hunts.
- All Hunters MUST sign back in by 12 noon from the AM Hunt.
- All Hunters MUST sign back in no later than 1 hour after legal shooting time from the PM Hunt, if you are tracking game, you MUST call the Game Warden FIRST before going past sign-in time.
- One Parking Permit (Yellow/Green Cards) MUST be filled out for each hunt (AM & PM) and placed on the dashboard of your vehicle on the driver's side while in the woods hunting.
- After signing back in from hunting, place your filled-out Parking Permit in the brown box beside the sign-in area at ODR. Do NOT fold Parking permits.
- Hunters who harvest a coyote will be rewarded with priority sign-up privileges the next time hunting books are released for sign-ups.

### **D-MAP (Deer Management Assistance Program):**

- D-MAP Tags may be signed for at ODR, used to tag Does ONLY. Tags cannot be traded and unused tags must be turned in at end of season.

- Either Sex deer can be harvested on the Cantonment/Main Post and Range Complex sides all season long with state license deer tags.

### **Game Dressing Facility:**

- Your Ft. Lee Hunting Permit entitles the use of ODR's Game Dressing Facility and walk-in cooler.
- All game harvested on Ft. Lee must be dressed in this facility or in the Black Water Swamp area.
- Any Game harvested off post may be processed at this facility.
- Game can be hung in the cooler for a MAX of 3 days to be processed at your convenience.
- Hunters must call 1-866-GOT-GAME (468-4263) to check in game
- Deer must have "Phone-In" tag number attached to the carcass in the cooler, along with your name, phone-number, and date it was harvested.
- Deer harvested MUST have the entire RIGHT Jaw-Bone removed and tagged for accountability.
- Hunters taking their deer to be mounted have 5 days to have the Jaw-Bone returned to Outdoor Rec.'s Game Dressing facility.
- Any Does or un-mounted deer MUST have the Jaw-Bone removed BEFORE it leaves the facility.
- Penalty for not turning in Jaw-Bones is permanent removal from the Fort Lee Hunting Program.
- Hunters are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. Failure to do so may result in loss of game dressing facility privileges.
- Cleaning of fish in this facility is prohibited.

### **Hunting Regulations (summarized):**

- Vehicles must park at the designated Hunting Parking signs (marked on the hunting maps - green squares)
- There is NO Scouting of Hunting areas before or during the Hunting Seasons.
- Fort Lee follows Prince George Co. Regulations, unless otherwise stated.
- No Sunday hunting on Fort Lee.
- Keys may be required to access some hunting areas (ask ODR staff). Return keys in parking pass box.
- Locks on gates must be daisy chained together and dummy locked while area is occupied.
- All deer hunting must be from a tree stand or tower at least 10 feet off the ground.
- Hunters are required to provide Safety System for ALL open tree stands.
- Furnished tree stands are circled in red on hunting maps (Multi-person stands are written in yellow text).
- Handicap stand- Must be mobility restricted or 75 years of age or older. No slugs or Muzzleloaders.
- No hunting with dogs, with the exception of bird retrieval dogs, but not during deer season.
- There is no trapping allowed on Fort Lee.
- Blaze orange or pink is required during General Firearm's seasons, except in Bow Only areas and is consistent with state regulations.
- Muzzleloaders must be at least 45 cal. or greater.
- Tree stands may be deployed and left in a tree only for the duration of the hunter's request for that hunting area. Stands must be removed when sign-out hunting period expires.
- Game Warden is allowed to levy suspensions of up to 14 days.
- Shot sizes for small game limited to no larger than #6 shot.
- It is illegal for any person to place or distribute game cameras, corn, salt, minerals, or similar substances.
- If UXO is found/identified, hunters must Recognize, Retreat, & Report. (Contact Game Warden)