

# Fort Eustis' Hunting and Fishing Regulation

Fort Eustis' Hunting and Fishing Regulation is governed under Federal Law (5 USC, 10 USC, 16 USC, and 18 USC), with requirements under agreement with State Law (18 VSC, 29 VSC, and 4 VAC 15 et al), along with applicable local ordinances as outlined in the regulation.

Fort Eustis provides an opportunity for its community to engage in a sport that is extremely regulated and restricted outside its perimeter. Due to its unique situation, close population density, no rifles are allowed for hunting on Fort Eustis.

The Hunting and Fishing program are managed as a Morale, Welfare and Recreation resource under the supervision of Outdoor Recreation, under the 733rd Force Support Division. The 733rd Security Forces Squadron is charged with the enforcement of the Hunting and Fishing Regulation – JBLE-I 32-102.

Personnel interested in fishing on Fort Eustis **must** have a valid Virginia fishing license, a saltwater license for fishing the James River or Warwick River and a freshwater license for fishing on the Eustis Lake. They must also have a Fort Eustis fishing permit purchased from Outdoor Recreation. Personnel will be required to show they have a valid fishing license to the Outdoor Recreation agent, prior to the sale of the JBLE Permit. Personnel wishing to fish after the hours of darkness may sign out in the fishing log, located at the Police Station. All Conservation laws are observed and enforced per regulatory guidance and current regulations; posted annually by the Virginia Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries and the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, Federal Statutes 16 and 18 USC.

Personnel interested in hunting on Fort Eustis **must** have a valid Virginia hunting license with appropriate endorsements for the type or types of firearms and archery tackle used. Personnel **must** also possess a Fort Eustis hunting permit.

To obtain a Fort Eustis hunting permit, all hunters **must** complete and show proof of a valid state Hunters Safety Course from any U.S. state or territory. All firearms and archery tackle **must** be registered with the 733rd Security Forces Squadron.

**NOTE: DO NOT bring firearms or archery tackle to the Police Station to register those items.** You may obtain the registration form at the Police Station, fill it out at home, and return the form. Once registered, present Outdoor Recreation with a valid Virginia hunting license, hunter's safety card or certificate and a weapons registration form. A brochure will be provided covering the basic rules and regulations regarding hunting on Fort Eustis and instructions on where to report to sign in for the various hunting Areas, according to Regulation JBLE-I 32-102.

Although not required in all cases, it is strongly encouraged that hunter orange is worn to and from stands, blinds and hunting areas.

While on Stand, deer hunters have no excuse for not wearing approved safety harnesses.

All hunters are reminded – it is the individual's responsibility to be aware of the rules and regulations.

All Conservation laws on Fort Eustis are observed and enforced per Federal law (5, 10, 16 and 18 USC), Virginia State Code (18, 29 and 4VAC 15 et al), and local regulatory guidance/current regulation.