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**U.S. ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND**  
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**DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**Fact Sheet for 2010 Spring Gobbler Season on Fort Belvoir**

1. All hunting activities on Fort Belvoir are authorized and controlled by the Garrison Commander in compliance with applicable Federal, Commonwealth of Virginia, Fairfax County, and Fort Belvoir regulations. Failure to strictly adhere to the rules set forth in the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Fact Sheet and Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR) Letter of Instruction (LOI) may result in loss of hunting privileges on Fort Belvoir and/or criminal prosecution.
2. Archery tackle is the only legal means for hunting on Fort Belvoir. Arrowhead widths must be at least 7/8-inch wide or expand upon impact to 7/8 inch width. Bows must be capable of propelling a broadhead arrow at least 125 yards. It is unlawful to use arrows to which any drug, chemical or toxic substance has been added or explosive head arrows.
3. The Fort Belvoir 2010 Spring Gobbler Season will begin April 3 (Youth Day), and will run from April 10 through May 1, one half hour before sunrise until 12 noon each day and from May 3 through May 15 one half hour before sunrise until sunset.
4. Hunting areas have been grouped into four zones for Spring Gobbler Season. The maximum number of hunter slots for each zone is shown in the chart below. Hunters assigned to a zone may move to other areas within that same zone but will not be allowed to move between zones unless re-assigned by the Archery Center.

| <b>ZONE</b> | <b>HUNTING AREAS WITHIN ZONE</b>                                      | <b>SLOTS</b> |
|-------------|---|--------------|
| ZONE I      | F-1, F-2, W-1, W-5, W-6, W-7, T-6B, T-6C, T-7, T-8, T9A, T-9 and T-10 | 6            |
| ZONE II     | T-4, W-3, T-1, and T-17   | 4            |
| ZONE III    | F-3, F-4, H-13, and H-15  | 4            |
| ZONE IV*    | R-2A, R-2B, T-16, and W-4   | 4            |

\*Hunters are not permitted to cross Mulligan Rd project via foot or personal vehicle, but may use the 2 designated wildlife culverts or access via Humphreys Engineering Center.

5. Special Area Restrictions: The previous bald eagle management area has changed and is no longer in W-7 and T-10. The new bald eagle management area consists of the eastern section of W-5 running from W-6 west to the inlet directly south of the T-7 and T-10 boundary, and bordered by Poe Road to the north. The eagle management area boundary is marked with red flagging. The restriction on entering the bald eagle management area will be strictly enforced. No hunting is allowed in the area within the

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eastern boundary of T-8, north to Poe Road, south to T-7 and T-6C, and to the west marked by signs which read "Danger- Unexploded Ordnance-Do Not Enter". The restriction on entering the closed area will be strictly enforced. No hunting is permitted within 750 feet of the fenced compound between areas T-6B and T-6C. This boundary is marked with red flagging. Orange flagging marks the western boundaries of areas T-16 and R-2. Hunters are prohibited from entering a flagged area until Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) is notified (703) 806-3104 and a game warden is present.

6. The bag limit is one per day, bearded turkeys only. Hunters may take one, two or three bearded turkeys depending on how many turkeys were taken in the fall season. Open areas, number of hunters per area, and bag limits are subject to change at any time during the season. Changes will be posted on the hunter bulletin board at the Archery Center.

7. Any person harvesting a turkey shall notch the appropriate tag from your big game license prior to moving the animal. Take the animal without unnecessary delay to the check station located at the Archery Center building 778. If the check station is closed, take the animal to Building 2124, Military Police Station. All turkey must be checked in before 2100. All turkeys harvested on Fort Belvoir must also be checked in using the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) telephone checking system: 1-800-GOT-GAME (468-4263) or online at [www.dgif.virginia.gov](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov). No turkey may be taken off Fort Belvoir without first being properly checked in, in accordance with the above procedures.

8. In accordance with the DPW Fact Sheet, DFMWR LOI, and Virginia State regulations governing species, season and bag limits, other wildlife (coyotes, groundhogs, skunks) may also be taken on Fort Belvoir by archers during spring hunts.

9. Hunters are responsible for demonstrating good sportsmanship by taking every precaution to avoid upsetting the sensibilities of the non-hunting public. While hunting, tracking wounded game, field dressing, or transporting game, hunters will avoid disruptive public contact whenever possible.

10. There will be no hunting within 100 yards of any inhabited residence, work place, or primary road. The primary roads on Fort Belvoir include all paved roads. Secondary roads are defined as unpaved roads designed for vehicular travel. No hunting is allowed within 50 yards of any hiking trail in areas W-1 or W-3.

11. No firearms are allowed in the hunting areas at any time under any circumstance. No bows and arrows are allowed in the hunting areas except when in possession of a currently permitted hunter. Currently permitted means that the hunter is assigned to the area and is going to or from the assigned hunting area and is hunting within the legal time limits and other constraints set by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) and Fort Belvoir. This restriction includes possession of bows and arrows in a vehicle.

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12. Training areas are off limits to unauthorized personnel.

13. Access to hunting areas is not allowed for the purpose of scouting and roosting of birds outside of the legal hunting hours. Hunters are to vacate hunting areas immediately following the closure of legal hunting hours.

14. All hunters are required to comply with the collection of biological data at the check station. Data to be collected include turkey weight, age, beard length, spur length, and exact location of kill (e.g. T-9A) at check-in. The above data will be submitted to DPW at the completion of the spring season by DFMWR and is in addition to data required by the VDGIF.

15. To report wildlife violations or a vehicle collision with wildlife call (703) 806-3104. For information concerning hunting programs contact the Archery Center at (703) 805-3688.

16. All hunters are required to read the Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Hazard Awareness Briefing and sign acknowledgement of receipt at check-in. All hunters are required to have in their possession a copy of the UXO Safety and Reporting Procedures.

17. Point of contact is Mr. Kevin Walter at (703) 805-3969.



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