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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Kingsville

Subj: GUIDELINES FOR CY 2025-2026 HUNTING SEASON ON NAS KINGSVILLE AND  
DIXIE ANNEX

Ref: (a) NASKINGSINST 1710.31B

1. Purpose. Reference (a) governs hunting on NAS Kingsville and Dixie Annex. The purpose of this notice is to publish additional guidance outlining season dates, permit fees, and the annual deer management tag drawing for Dixie Annex.

2. Discussion. To supplement reference (a) additional guidelines for the 2025-2026 NAS Kingsville, and Dixie Annex hunting season are published in this notice. Season dates, hunt weekends, and Dixie Annex deer tag drawing procedures are set forth below.

3. General Guidelines

a. The 2025-2026 NAS Kingsville, and Dixie Annex hunting season will be held September 14, 2025 to April 5, 2026. Specific hunt dates are outlined below according to property and game type.

b. Methods of taking game shall be in accordance with regulations set forth in reference (a) and in accordance with Federal, State and local regulations. Eligibility, minimum age restrictions, hunter education requirements, and hunting permit requirements shall be in accordance with references (a).

c. Hunters are required to complete their background check and weapons registration through Pass and Tag at the Navy Security Forces prior to issuance of permits. For more information on background checks or weapons registration contact pass and tag at (361) 516-6555, e-mail [KNGV-PASS\\_TAG@us.navy.mil](mailto:KNGV-PASS_TAG@us.navy.mil) or [kingsvillehuntmasters@gmail.com](mailto:kingsvillehuntmasters@gmail.com). Weapons that were registered in previous years are not required to be re-registered. Hunters will not bring their weapons onboard NAS Kingsville to register them. Hunters who have misplaced, or need new copies of their weapons registration form can contact pass and tag for procedures on how to receive replacement copies. Hunters are required to have their weapons registration in their possession upon arrival at their assigned hunt.

4. Hunting Permit Fees:

a. NAS Kingsville:

(1) Big Game Hunting Permit: \$250.00

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(2) Unescorted Dove Hunting Permit: \$50.00

b. Dixie Annex (Drawn):

(1) Antlerless Permit: \$200.00

(2) Either Sex Permit: \$400.00

(3) Bird/Hog/Turkey Permit: \$150.00

(4) Patron pass: \$25 (required for all guests of registered hunters. Does not allow hunting or the handling of firearms).

c. Super Combo: \$400 (Super Combo includes permission to participate in ALL hunting onboard NASK and Dixie Annex, but does not include deer tags for Dixie Annex). No refund will be issued for patrons purchasing an Unescorted Dove Hunting Permit prior to a Super Combo Permit. Any patron who is drawn for a Dixie Annex deer tag may add a Super Combo (as outlined above) for an additional \$200 at the time they purchase their deer tag.

d. Qualified Active Duty Huntmasters will pay 25% of the applicable permit fee. All other qualified Huntmasters will pay 50% of the applicable permit fee. This discount does not apply to more than one Dixie Annex Deer tag purchased. Huntmasters will not be reimbursed for travel expenses associated with their duties.

e. Patron payments for all hunting permits must be processed at the NAS Kingsville Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Community Recreation office. The permit may be purchased in person or over the phone. Patrons wishing to make payment following the drawing for Dixie Annex must do so by **COB on October 3, 2025**. If no payment is made, remaining tags will be available for purchase on October 13, 2025.

f. Permits are valid for the season purchased only and are **non-transferrable**.

5. Deer Hunting Guidelines:

a. Deer harvested on NAS Kingsville property shall be tagged with tags provided on the Texas State Hunting License. All bag limits, antler restrictions, and other restrictions are according to state and local regulation. In order to ensure equal access to hunting opportunities, **only one deer may be harvested per hunter, per hunt weekend** on NAS Kingsville regardless of tag status, or other circumstances.

(1) In addition to one deer per weekend, patrons will be permitted to harvest javelina, non-game, or exotic species (IAW Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Regulations).

(2) Patrons are encouraged to harvest mature deer and allow younger deer to pass. All deer harvested must weigh a minimum of 60 pounds.

b. Dixie Annex is operated under the Managed Lands Deer Program (MLDP). Under this program, TPWD issues deer management tags to the installation to legally tag all deer harvested aboard Dixie Annex, which are used in lieu of the tags provided on the Texas State Hunting License. **No outside deer tags will be allowed to be used on Dixie Annex.** Tags are issued for both Buck

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and Antlerless Deer. Annual harvest quotas are recommended by TPWD personnel. The NAS Kingsville Commanding Officer may modify these quota limits based upon input from the Core Working Group as outlined in reference (a), but cannot exceed state and federal regulations.

c. Upon determination of the number of tags for Dixie Annex, names will be drawn, according to the procedures outlined below:

(1) Eligible entries for the drawing are based on the following:

(a) Active Duty personnel assigned onboard NASK – Three tickets per person entered into the drawing.

(b) Active Duty personnel (NON-NASK), DOD Employees assigned onboard NASK, and Disabled Veterans – Two tickets per person entered into the drawing.

(c) Retired military/DOD employees (NON-NASK)/Reserve Personnel/National Guard and military dependents (minimum age determined by TPWD) – One ticket per person entered into the drawing.

(d) Huntmasters will receive one (1) additional ticket for every year they have performed duties as a Huntmaster.

(2) Draw procedures:

(a) The drawing will be held on September 12, 2025 at the base Bowling Alley and tags will be reserved for the patrons whose names are drawn pending purchase of applicable hunting permit.

(b) The Commanding Officer or designee will conduct all drawings.

(c) Drawings are open to all eligible hunters.

(d) Drawing results will be posted on the NAS Kingsville MWR Facebook page, which serves as the official source of notification. While every effort will be made to contact selected patrons by phone, the Facebook page will serve as the primary means of communication.

(e) Tickets may be requested only through the NAS Kingsville MWR Outdoor Recreation office. Tickets may be requested in person or over the phone at (363) 516-6449.

(f) Ticket requests will be required to be completed by COB on September 9, 2025.

(g) Having a ticket drawn entitles that person, and that person only, to purchase the appropriate deer tag; **tags are not transferable based on drawing results.**

(3) Notifications

(a) Patrons whose tickets are drawn, will be notified via the MWR Facebook page and telephone within three working days after the drawing.

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(b) Once notified, patrons will be required to purchase the applicable Dixie Annex hunting permit by October 3, 2025.

(c) Patrons who fail to purchase the applicable Dixie Annex permit by October 3, 2025 will be considered to have forfeited their tags.

(d) MWR Outdoor Recreation staff members are not responsible for incorrect or illegible contact information.

(e) Beginning on October 13, 2025, any tag/permit that has not been purchased will be available for purchase on a “first-come, first-served” basis. Only one tag per patron may be purchased. Beginning on October 20, 2025 patrons may purchase additional deer tag, if there are any remaining.

(4) The following restrictions apply to deer harvested on Dixie Annex:

(a) Hunters whose tickets are drawn for an Antlerless ONLY tag will be allowed to harvest an Antlerless deer as defined by TPWD.

(b) Hunters whose tickets are drawn for an either sex tag will be allowed to harvest any buck that has one unbranched antler (Spike) and one branched antler\* – OR – an inside spread measurement between the main beams of 13 inches or greater -OR- an Antlerless deer. The tag DOES NOT permit a hunter to harvest one buck AND one antlerless deer.

(c) To determine if a buck has an inside spread measurement of at least 13 inches, look at the distance from ear-tip to ear-tip on a buck with ears in the “alert” position. If the inside spread of the main beams is outside the ear-tips, the deer is eligible to be harvested.

*\* The purpose of the single spike antler addition is to allow the taking of a mature deer with genetics inhibiting the ability to achieve a 13 in or greater spread.*

(d) Two patrons occupying the same blind may harvest deer on each other’s permit. For example if patron A has an either sex permit and patron B has an antlerless permit, patron B may harvest a legal either sex deer and use patron A’s permit. In no other situations are tags transferable.

6. Hunt Schedule: The following dates/times are scheduled hunts for each property.

a. NAS Kingsville hunt weekends are outlined below. Big Game hunt weekends on NAS Kingsville will consist of a Saturday morning, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning hunt only. No reservation required.

(1) Dove Hunting:

Sep 14 – Oct 26 2025

Dec 12 – Jan 22 2026

\*Dove hunting on NAS Kingsville for the 2025–2026 season will be unescorted. All patrons must either attend the required safety briefing or hunt with a patron who has attended the safety brief. Patrons may attend the safety briefing before or after purchasing their dove hunting permit. Safety briefings will be held at 1730 local on September 13 and 14, with an additional briefing on December

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13 at 1100 local. The safety brief will occur at the Sportsman Center on base. Patrons who have not attended a safety briefing, or are not accompanied by someone who has, will not be permitted to dove hunt on NAS Kingsville. For more information consult Reference (a) or email [kingsvillehuntmasters@gmail.com](mailto:kingsvillehuntmasters@gmail.com).

(2) Deer Hunting:

Nov 1-2, 2025

Nov 8-9, 2025

Nov 15-16, 2025

Nov 22-23, 2025

Dec 6-7, 2025

Dec 13-14, 2025

Dec 20-21, 2025-Standby hunt: MWR will post on Facebook status of this hunt NLT Dec 17 2025.

\*Morning blind draw times will occur at 0530 CDT (prior to fall time change) or 0500 CST (after fall time change).

\*Evening blind draw times will occur at 1530 CDT or 1500 CST.

\*Any patron arriving after the above times will be assigned a remaining blind (if available).

b. Dixie Annex Hunt Weekends are outlined below. Dixie Annex hunt weekends will consist of a Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning hunt. The Duty Huntmaster will contact patrons signed up for the weekend NLT close of business Thursday with additional hunt information. Small game/bird hunt times will be scheduled on scene by the duty Huntmaster, but will only take place on the weekends outlined below.

(1) Deer hunting

Oct 31, 2025-Nov 2, 2025

Nov 7-9, 2025

Nov 14-16, 2025

Nov 21-23, 2025

Dec 5-7, 2025

Dec 12-14, 2025

Dec 19-21, 2025

(2) Hog/Small Game/Turkey (season dependent)

Jan 9-11, 2026

Feb 20-22, 2026

Mar 20-22, 2026

Apr 3-5, 2026

(3) Dixie annex hunts are subject to rescheduling or cancellation depending on weather conditions.

c. Patrons will be allowed to schedule hunting weekends for Dixie Annex at time of payment by contacting MWR Outdoor Recreation. Hunt weekends must be scheduled no later than close of business Tuesday of the same week the patron desires to hunt.

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d. Selection of hunting weekends will be on a first-come, first-serve basis following payment of the required fees.

e. If a patron needs to reschedule a hunt weekend, they must contact MWR Outdoor Recreation for any changes. Patrons will choose one (1) primary scheduled weekend per tag purchased.

f. Standbys – Patrons are allowed to attend non-scheduled hunt weekends on a standby basis. After an unsuccessful primary hunt weekend patrons may contact MWR Outdoor Recreation office to sign up as an alternate. Patrons must receive confirmation from the Duty Huntmaster prior to arrival at the hunt. If blinds are available, and there is appropriate Huntmaster coverage, the patron will be accommodated.

g. Patrons signing up for the last weekend as a primary weekend may sign up for one alternate weekend.

7. Hunting Violations: In an effort to ensure the overall quality of game, and health of the ecosystem, strict adherence to the deer harvest restrictions outlined above, contained in reference (a), and in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations is required. Hunters are expected to positively identify their target, and practice ethical hunting practices. Violators may:

- a. Be temporarily or permanently banned from all NASK sponsored hunt programs.
- b. Be forwarded to Navy Security Forces for prosecution of regulations or laws broken.
- c. Have their names forwarded to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Game Warden if it has been determined that state game laws have been violated.

  
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