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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Kingsville

Subj: GUIDELINES FOR CY 2024-2025 HUNTING SEASON ON NAS KINGSVILLE AND DIXIE ANNEX

Ref: (a) NASKINGSINST 1710.31A

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 2024-2025 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 2024-2025 NAS Kingsville, and Dixie Annex hunting season will be held September 14 2024 to April 6 2025. 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 reference (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 the Visitor Control Center (VCC) at (361) 516-6555 or e-mail [KNGV-PASS\\_TAG@us.navy.mil](mailto:KNGV-PASS_TAG@us.navy.mil). Weapons that were registered in previous years are not required to be brought to security for re-registration. 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

(2) Bird Hunting Permit: \$35.00

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b. Dixie Annex:

(1) Antlerless: \$225.00

(2) Buck: \$350.00

(3) Bird/Hog/Turkey: \$175.00

(4) Patron pass: \$35 (required for all guests of registered hunters. Does not allow hunting or the handling of firearms).

c. Super Combo: Super Combo includes permission to participate in ALL hunting onboard NASK and Dixie Annex, but does not include deer tags for Dixie Annex.

(1) Active duty and their dependents (nine years and older), disabled veterans (verified by DV on TX Hunting License): \$400

(2) Retired military, current DOD employees, Reserve personnel/National guard (not on active duty order): \$500

(3) Any patron who is drawn for a Dixie Annex deer tag (antlerless or buck) may add a super combo (as outlined above) for an additional \$175 at the time they purchase their deer tag.

d. Qualified Huntmasters will pay 25% of the applicable permit fee. (Huntmasters will not be reimbursed for travel expenses associated with their duties).

e. 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 **within 14 calendar days following the drawing**. If no payment is made, the tag will be issued to an alternate selected at the time of the drawing. Alternates **will have 48 hours** to make payment from time of notification.

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, patrons will be permitted to harvest one javelina, non-game, or exotic species (in accordance with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Regulations) per hunt weekend. This is to ensure equal opportunity for all patrons and to ensure the health of the heard.

(2) Patrons are encouraged to harvest mature deer, and allow younger deer to pass, thus allowing them to contribute to the herd, and provide future opportunities.

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b. Dixie Annex is operated under the Managed Lands Deer Program (MLDP) by the TPWD. 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 Bucks 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 available for Dixie Annex, names will be drawn, according to the procedures outlined below until all tags have been issued or no further entries remain. All tags not filled at the end of the season will be returned to TPWD.

(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 (Nine years of age and older) – 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 27 September 2024 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 recorded and posted via the NAS Kingsville Facebook page.

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

(f) Ticket request will be required to be completed by 1600 on 24 September 2024.

(g) Having a ticket drawn entitles that person, and that person only, to a deer tag; **tags are not transferable.**

(3) Notifications

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(a) Patrons whose tickets are drawn, will be notified by e-mail and/or telephone within three working days after the drawing. Additionally, a list of individuals drawn will be posted on the NAS Kingsville Facebook page.

(b) Once notified, patrons will be required to purchase the applicable Dixie Annex hunting permit within 14 calendar days (if not already purchased).

(c) Patrons who fail to purchase the applicable Dixie Annex permit or who fail to respond to notification within 14 calendar days will be considered to have forfeited their tags.

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

(e) If primary patrons decline to purchase their tags, MWR Outdoor Recreation will notify an alternate as listed in the alternate selection list and alternates will be selected.

(f) Beginning on 21 October 2024, any tag/permit that has not been purchased by primary or alternate patrons will be available for purchase on a “first-come, first-serve” basis. Only one tag per patron may be purchased. Beginning on 4 November 2024 patrons may purchase an 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 any Antlerless deer as defined by TPWD.

(b) Hunters whose tickets are drawn for a Buck ONLY 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. 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.*

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.

(1) Dove Hunting:

14 September – 27 October 2024

\*Dove hunting on NAS Kingsville must be reserved 7 calendar days in advance

(2) Deer Hunting:

2-3 November 2024

9-10 November 2024

16-17 November 2024

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30 November - 1 December 2024

7-8 December 2024

14-15 December 2024

\*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. Big game hunt weekends will consist of a Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning hunt. 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

1-3 November 2024

8-10 November 2024

15-17 November 2024

29-1 December 2024

6-8 December 2024

13-15 December 2024

10-12 January 2025

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

31 January - 2 February 2025

21-23 February 2025

21-23 March 2025

4-6 April 2025

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

c. Patrons will be allowed to schedule hunting weekends 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.

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

e. If, after the fact, a patron needs to change the weekend they were scheduled for, the patron will need to contact the MWR Outdoor Recreation office for any changes. Patrons will choose one (1) scheduled weekend.

f. Standbys – Patrons are allowed to attend non-scheduled hunt weekends on a standby basis. Patrons SHALL contact MWR Outdoor Recreation office, and 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.

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),

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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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