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NAS PATUXENT RIVER NOTICE 11015

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station, Patuxent River

Subj: HUNTING AND TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR 2020-2021

Ref: (a) NASPAXRIVINST 11015.6N
(b) Maryland Guide to Hunting and Trapping 2020-2021

Encl: (1) Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits

1. Purpose. To announce dates and bag limits for the 2020-2021 hunting and trapping seasons. References (a) and (b) govern hunting and trapping onboard Naval Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River; Webster Field Annex (WFA), St. Inigoes, Maryland; and Bloodsworth Island Range (BIR), Dorchester County, Maryland. For the purpose of this notice, "NAS complex" refers collectively to NAS Patuxent River, WFA, and BIR. Safety is paramount.

2. Shooting Hours. Shooting hours comply with reference (b) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regulations for hunting of migratory birds. Doves may be hunted from noon until sunset during the first split season. The discharge of firearms at WFA between the hours of 1130 and 1300, Monday through Friday, is prohibited, exclusive of all federal holidays.

3. Approved Hunting Dates. Hunting is permitted on all federal holidays, subject to hunting day restrictions per reference (a). Sunday hunting for deer and spring turkey is allowed only for the following seasons and dates:

a. Federal holidays: 2020 into 2021; October 12, November 11 and 26, December 25, January 1 and 18.

b. Archery deer hunting: September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18, 25; November 1, 8, 15 and 22; December 13; January 3, 17, and 24.

c. Firearms deer hunting: October 4, 11, and 18 and 25 (Area 2-13 only); November 15 (youth hunt at Webster Field only); November 29; December 6; and January 10.

d. Muzzleloader deer hunting: October 25 and December 20 and 27.

e. Spring turkey hunting: April 18 (youth hunt day), and 25; May 2, 19, 16 and 23.

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4. Permit Prices

- a. Regular hunting: \$20.00.
- b. Hunters over the age of 65: Free of Charge. Contact the Conservation Branch.
- c. Junior hunting permit: \$10.00
- d. Guest hunting: \$ 10.00/day; \$30.00/week (6 days)
- e. Trapping (all ages): \$30.00

5. Significant Changes

a. The start of the archery deer hunting season is Friday, September 11. This is consistent with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

b. Opening of the deer firearms hunting season in hunting areas 2-13 only on October 3, the first Saturday of October and continues through Saturday, October 24. Archery and muzzleloader hunting will run concurrently during their respective seasons while early firearm hunting season is open. Review specific season dates below.

c. Hunting permits and hunter sign-in/out will be done through the <https://naspaxriver.recaccess.com> website. Persons must establish and account prior to purchasing a permit.



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HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS

The seasons and bag limits listed here may be different from those published in reference (b). Review this notice thoroughly before hunting a particular species to ensure compliance with NAS regulations. All dates are inclusive.

1. Deer Hunting

<u>Species</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Bag Limits</u>
Deer*	All Seasons	No limit

NOTE: Two antlerless deer must be harvested between the harvests of each additional antlered deer. A bonus deer tag is NOT required to take a second antlered deer.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Archery	11 SEP – 27 NOV 13 DEC – 18 DEC 03 JAN – 07 JAN 11 JAN – 31 JAN	
Firearm**	03 OCT – 24 OCT 14 NOV - 15 NOV 28 NOV – 12 DEC 08 JAN – 10 JAN	(Areas 2-13 only) (Youth Hunt at Webster Field)
Muzzleloader**	22 OCT – 31 OCT 19 DEC – 02 JAN	

*Deer harvested onboard the NAS complex do not count against a hunter's state Region B bag limit. Hunters are required to check in all deer at the hunter check station in addition to checking in deer with the State. During the October muzzleloader season (22-31 Oct), a hunter may harvest all of his/her season bag limit. For further information, contact Conservation Branch at (301) 342-3670.

**Deer is the only game that may be hunted during the opening day of the firearms deer season, except waterfowl (see paragraph 2). During the rest of the firearm deer seasons, waterfowl may be hunted from any of the NAS complex's Bay and River shoreline. During the second week, the first Monday after the second Saturday, of the firearm and muzzleloader deer season, rabbit may be hunted between 1000 and 1400. During the late muzzleloader deer season, waterfowl hunters may hunt from any of the NAS complex's Bay and River shoreline, or from any of the numbered stakes or points. Hunting areas 10 and 11 are currently closed, but when these areas are open and when waterfowl seasons overlap with the firearms or muzzleloader deer hunting seasons, waterfowl hunters may request a one-half day restriction for areas 10 or 11 to allow waterfowl hunters to hunt these areas. See reference (a) for specific details.

a. Deer Tagging

During the October deer hunting season, there are specific tagging requirements when the archery, muzzleloader, and firearm seasons overlap.

1) Shotgun deer hunters, October 03-24:

- must sign out to hunt only in areas 2-13
- must tag any deer harvested under your shotgun tag
- can hunt on Sunday, October 04, 11, and 18

2) Muzzleloader deer hunters, October 22-31:

- must sign out to hunt in any firearm hunting area, 2-17, and the firearm portion of area 18
- can tag any deer harvested under either your muzzleloader tag or your shotgun tag
- can hunt on Sunday, October 25

3) Archery deer hunters, October 03-24:

- must sign out to hunt in any available hunting area, 1-32
- can tag any deer harvested under either your archery, muzzleloader, or shotgun tag
- can hunt on Sunday October 04, 11, and 18
- the archery season WILL remain open on October 22, 23, and 24.

b. Turkey Tagging

- (1) All turkey harvested on station must be checked in at the hunter check station.

2. Webless Migratory Game Bird Hunting

<u>Species</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Bag Limits</u>
Clapper and King Rail	01 SEP – 02 OCT 26 OCT – 20 NOV	10 per day (no more than 1 King)
Mourning Dove	01 SEP – 02 OCT 26 OCT – 27 NOV 04 JAN – 07 JAN	15 per day
Common Snipe	29 SEP – 02 OCT 26 OCT – 27 NOV 14 DEC – 18 DEC 04 JAN – 07 JAN 11 JAN – 30 JAN	8 per day
Virginia Rail and Sora	01 SEP – 02 OCT 26 OCT – 20 NOV	25 per day (in aggregate or individually)
Woodcock	26 OCT – 27 NOV 11 JAN – 23 JAN	3 per day

Canada Goose (resident)	02 SEP – 15 SEP	8 per day
Teal	16 SEP – 30 SEP	6 Blue-winged or Green-winged, singly or in aggregate
Waterfowl	10 OCT – 17 OCT 07 NOV	Same as State of Maryland (Youth Day)
Canada Goose* (Atlantic Population)	18 DEC – 02 JAN 13 JAN – 30 JAN	1 per day

*During the opening day of the firearm deer season, waterfowl may be hunted from any of the NAS complex's shoreline (Bay and River proper), except that which occurs inside Area 2 and 5. During the rest of the firearm deer seasons, waterfowl may be hunted from any of the NAS complex's Bay and River shoreline. During the second week (the first Monday after the second Saturday) of the firearm or muzzleloader deer season, rabbit may be hunted between 1000 and 1400. During the late muzzleloader deer season, waterfowl hunters may hunt from any of the NAS complex's Bay and River shoreline, or from any of the numbered stakes or points. Hunting areas 10 and 11 are currently closed, but when these areas are open and when waterfowl seasons overlap with the firearms or muzzleloader deer hunting seasons, waterfowl hunters may request a one-half day restriction for areas 10 or 11 to allow waterfowl hunters to hunt these areas.

3. Small Game Hunting

<u>Species</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Bag Limits</u>
Turkey	31 OCT – 08 NOV 21 JAN – 23 JAN 17 APR – 18 APR 19 APR – 24 MAY	1 bird; either sex; fall and winter seasons combined (youth hunt) 1 bearded bird
Crow	02 SEP – 02 OCT 28 OCT – 27 NOV 16 DEC – 18 DEC 04 JAN – 7 JAN 20 JAN – 15 MAR	No Limit (WED – SAT Only)
Rabbit	07 NOV – 27 NOV 05 DEC – 12 DEC** 14 DEC – 18 DEC 26 DEC – 02 JAN** 04 JAN – 07 JAN 11 JAN – 27 FEB	4 per day
Quail	CLOSED onboard the NAS complex	

Gray Squirrel	05 SEP – 02 OCT	6 per day
	26 OCT – 27 NOV	
	14 DEC – 18 DEC	
	04 JAN – 07 JAN	
	17 JAN – 28 FEB	
Woodchuck	02 SEP – 04 OCT	No Limit
	26 OCT – 27 NOV	
	14 DEC – 18 DEC	
	04 JAN – 07 JAN	
	17 JAN – 15 MAR	

**During these firearms and muzzleloader deer seasons, hunting hours for rabbits are from 1000-1400 only.

4. Furbearer Hunting/Trapping

Checking traps is prohibited during legal hunting hours in these firearm deer seasons.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Bag Limits</u>
Beaver (trapping only)	15 DEC – 15 MAR	No Limit
Long-tail Weasel	31 OCT – 01 FEB	No Limit (trapping)
Coyote	31 OCT – 01 FEB	No Limit (trapping; areas 14-29 only)
Coyote (day or night)	01 SEP – 27 NOV	No Limit (hunting; areas 14 – 29 Only)
	14 DEC – 18 DEC	
	04 JAN – 07 JAN	
	17 JAN – 15 MAR	
Fox (Red & Gray)	31 OCT – 01 FEB	No Limit (trapping)
	31 OCT – 27 NOV	No Limit (hunting)
	14 DEC – 18 DEC	
	04 JAN – 07 JAN	
	11 JAN – 01 FEB	
Mink and Muskrat	16 NOV – 15 FEB	No Limit (trapping only)
Nutria	01 AUG – 31 JUL	No Limit (trapping)
Otter	15 DEC – 15 MAR	2 per season (trapping only)
Raccoon, Skunk, Opossum	31 OCT – 15 MAR	No Limit (trapping)

Raccoon, Opossum

15 OCT – 27 NOV
14 DEC – 18 DEC
04 JAN – 07 JAN
11 JAN – 15 MAR

No Limit (hunting)

