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Subj: CAMP PENDLETON 2005 HUNTING SEASONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Ref: (a) BO P5000.2JI Chapter 13, Section 1
Encl: (1) Hunting Seasons
(2) Deer Hunting Requirements
(3) Waterfowl Hunting Requirements
(4) Small Game Hunting Requirements

1. Purpose. To publish information regarding the 2005 hunting seasons and specific requirements while hunting aboard Camp Pendleton as required by the reference.

2. Information

- a. General. All hunting on Camp Pendleton will be regulated by Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security per Federal, State, and Base regulations. All persons hunting on Camp Pendleton will familiarize themselves with current 2005- 2006 California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) hunting regulations, and Base hunting regulations available from the Resource Enforcement and Compliance Branch, and enclosures (I) (2), (3), and (4).
- b. Qualified Personnel. Hunting opportunities will be made available to active duty and retired military personnel and their immediate dependents; DOD employees and their immediate dependents are also authorized to hunt on Camp Pendleton.
- c. Specific Instructions. Specific instructions are contained within enclosures (I), (2), (3), and (4) to this document.
- d. Cancellation Requirements. Whenever military training requirements, high fire danger ratings, protection of fish and wildlife resources, force protection, anti-terrorism, or manpower considerations prevails, all hunting dates and areas are subject to change, cancellation, or closure by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security, or his representative.
- e. Summary of Changes. This Bulletin contains changes to the hunting program that are effective for the CY105/06 hunting season. These changes will be memorialized and incorporated by change to the reference. A brief description of the most significant changes follows:

- 1) Hunting Season: Waterfowl hunting will be permitted in the Santa Margarita River basin during deer rifle season. See enclosure (1).
- 2) Hunting Hours: Hunting hours will be extended to % hours after sunset, dependent upon Sportsman's Club volunteer support during daylight savings time.
- 3) Check-In and Out: Hunters 'check-in' to hunt and 'check-out' when complete. Current positive check-in/out procedures will remain in place, but will be adjusted to provide for check-in at the North end of Base during the deer rifle season. Check-out will remain at the Wardens Office Building. The ability to provide this service will be dependent upon augmentation of current staffing by Sportsman's Club volunteers.
- 4) Varmint Hunting: Rifle hunters will be authorized to take coyote.
- 5) Handgun Hunting: Hunters will be authorized to carry and hunt with handguns.

f. Additional Information. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Resource Enforcement and Compliance (REC) Branch at 760-725-3360, or by visiting the REC Branch located in building 25155. \

3. Applicability. This Bulletin is applicable to all commands, organizations, units, and active duty and dependents at Camp Pendleton.

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CAMP PENDLETON

Hunting Year (HR) 2005

July 2005 through June 2006

26 August 2005

December 3, 2005 to June 25, 2005

December 3, 2005 to January 29, 2006

July 2, 2005 to June 25, 2006 (Deer rifle hunters can take coyotes during the deer rifle season)

December 3, to December 24, 2005

December 3, 2005 to January 29, 2006

October 22, 2005 to January 29, 2006 (Duck hunting will be allowed in the Santa Margarita river basin during deer season)

October 15, 2005 to November 27, 2005

Enclosure (1)

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2005 DEER HUNTING REQUIREMENTS

Resource Enforcement and Compliance Branch

1. Seasons, Weapons, Dates, Times and Areas.

SEASON WEAPON DATES TIMES AREAS

PRE-RIFLE

Archery Bow 17 September Weekends and Specific Areas
Only through holidays
10 October 0400

GENERAL

Rifle
Rifle 15 October Weekends and Specific Areas
Shotgun through holidays
w/Slug 27 November 0400

NOTES:

Maps. See individual area maps provided by the Game Wardens. Game Wardens or Range Control officers may move hunters or stop hunters from hunting dependent upon each unique situation due to safety or other unforeseen problems.

Changes. Whenever military training requirements, high fire danger ratings, protection of fish and wildlife resources, force protection, anti-terrorism, or manpower considerations prevail, all hunting dates and areas are subject to change, cancellation and/or closure by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security.

Shotgun w/Slug in Special Permission Areas. If no bow hunters are being checked into Special Permission Areas during the rifle season, shotgun w/slug hunters may be allowed to hunt these areas. Buckshot for shotguns and handguns are not authorized.

Archers. Archers are not required to wear hunter orange unless archers hunt with rifle or shotgun slug hunters. Archers will then be required to wear hunter orange.

Duck Hunters. Duck hunters will be allowed within the SMR basin during the deer rifle season. Duck hunter numbers in the field will not count toward the total number of hunters allowed within training areas.

Coyotes. Hunters can take coyotes while hunting for other game. Care should be taken as to not spoil the hunting experience and opportunities for other hunters. Report all coyotes taken to the wardens upon check-in.

2. Quota and Deer Tag Type. The legal number of deer that can be taken aboard Camp Pendleton is two. A Hunter must use one approved 2005 A0 tag and one G-10 tag, or two G-10 tags for a total of not more than two deer tags. Under CDFG regulations, the area within Camp Pendleton is designated as zone G-10. The 2005 G-10 deer tag may be used for either sex. A0 hunters may take one deer (either sex) per A0 tag with archery equipment. Rifle hunters: Not more than one deer can be taken with a rifle, crossbow or shotgun (slug) and one deer taken with archery equipment. Hunters who obtain their G-10 tag on Base and take a deer with either rifle or archery equipment may be able to obtain a second G-10 tag on Base if tags are available.

3. Obtaining a Camp Pendleton Deer Tag. General deer tag application procedures for California are outlined in the CDFG 2005 Hunting Regulations, Part 1 (Mammals and Furbearers). Applications are available at CDFG license vendors. There are no restrictions for active duty, retired military personnel and their immediate dependents (12 years of age or older), Department of Defense civilian Marine employees and their immediate dependents (12 years of age or older). These approved hunters can obtain their G-10 tag at the Wardens Office Building (WOB). A G-10 deer tag may be obtained by bringing either; 1) a completed deer tag application or, 2) an unused deer tag from an A, B, D1 XI zone or a Special Hunt tag; or, 3) a deer tag drawing notice you received from CDFG to the Chief Game Warden (or other designee) at the WOB (building number 25155). Tag issuance will start August 12, 2005 and continue through the last day of the general deer season.

4. Tag Issuance. Special arrangements can be made upon request, to issue tags on one day to military personnel at each of the following camps: Camp San Mateo, Camp San Onofre, Camp Horno, Camp Las Pulgas and Camp Las Flores. Tags will also be available for issue at the Pre-Hunt Safety Briefs, and on scheduled rifle deer hunting days after morning hunters are sent out to the field.

5. Authorized Personnel. Hunting privileges will be extended to active duty and retired military personnel and their immediate dependents and to DOD civilian employees and their immediate dependents. Immediate dependents must be sponsored by, and hunt with qualified DOD members. Non-DOD affiliated civilians are not authorized to hunt at this time, due to Camp Pendleton's increased training tempo, reduced manpower and anti-terrorism, force protection measures.

6. Mandatory Pre-Hunt / Safety Brief. A mandatory orientation and safety brief for all persons who are planning to hunt deer with rifles or rifle equipment aboard Camp Pendleton will be held below and adjacent to Building 25155 before the first rifle-hunting weekend. Registration will take place after the briefs to ensure attendance. One brief will be held on Saturday, 1 October 2005 starting at 0900 (9:00 am). During this brief, detailed lottery procedures will be explained along with information on safety, access and hunting regulations.

A make-up safety brief will be on Wednesday evening, 05 October 2005 starting at 1800 (6pm). Area Preference Sheets (APS) can be obtained and will be handed out during the safety briefs. All hunters are required to follow all hunting rules and regulations.

7. Selection Procedures / Area Preference Sheets. All rifle deer hunters can fill out an Area Preference Sheet (APS) if they wish to hunt in a lottery system. APS's may be obtained from the Duty Game Wardens during the mandatory

pre-hunt safety brief. Hunters can fill out and turn in only -ONE APS. That one APS will be used for the entire season. Print clearly on all APSs. Do not duplicate names on separate APS sheets (this can eliminate you from the lottery). APS's must be delivered and turned into the Duty Game Warden, building 25155 by 1800 (close of business) on Tuesday, 11 October 2005. Only one APS is needed and required for the entire rifle season for each hunting individual or party. If you need to change (add or drop a name, choose different areas, etcetera) your APS, please let the REC Branch management staff know so your original sheet can be pulled and corrections can be made or a new sheet added.

To ensure participation in the lottery, hunters should hand carry their APS to Building 25155. Hunting parties' names will be entered into a computer and will be randomly selected for area assignment based on their APS. The lottery will be conducted at Building 25155 prior to the rifle-hunting season starting. A lottery list of Party Leader names will be created. A list of selectees will be posted at building 25155 by 12:00 noon each Friday prior to each rifle-hunting weekend. The list will be followed from top to bottom. Once everyone on the list has been selected, the rotation on the same list will start over from the top and rotate through the list again.

Certain exceptions can be made to the rotation of the lottery list. Some hunters cannot hunt specific dates due to work, leave, other hunting date conflicts, death in family, or other reasons. Changes to the lottery list will be decided on a case-by-case basis by REC Branch management staff only. All attempts will be made to provide the hunter with an enjoyable hunting experience while maintaining the integrity of the lottery system.

8. Potluck. Hunters, who are not selected to hunt through the lottery on a specific rifle-hunting day, can hunt potluck. A hunter cannot hunt through the lottery and potluck hunt on the same day. Drawings for available spaces for potluck are decided each morning after lottery hunters have been placed in the field. A potluck lottery drawing will be conducted by the REC Branch each hunting day no earlier than 0500 (5am) and after lottery hunters check into their area's. Potluck hunters can also be placed in areas as space becomes available when regular hunters return. If a hunter arrives after the potluck drawing has started, that hunter will not be allowed to enter the potluck drawing, but will be allowed to go to the rear of the line after all potluck hunters have been drawn.

9. Check-in and Check-out Procedures. All hunters must physically check in prior to going to the field and physically check out at the WOB, located in building 25155, after hunting. A morning check-in station will be provided for deer hunters assigned to hunt in the northern training areas (staff and volunteer support permitting). Lottery hunters must physically check-in between 0400 and 0500 or call the Duty Warden (only call during working hours) at 760-725-3360 and state that they will begin hunting late. Hunters who fail to check in by 0500 will lose their space for the day and that space will go to potluck. Failure to comply with check-in and check-out procedures can result in automatic suspension of all Camp Pendleton hunting privileges. All hunters will check out at the WOB no later than 1800 (6pm), unless otherwise specifically permitted. Volunteer staff augmentation may allow expansion of hunting hours during daylight savings time.

10. Hunter and Area Availability. No more than 10 training areas can be used at the same time. No more than 70 deer hunters can be checked into those 10 training areas at the same time. Duck hunting is authorized within the Santa

Margarita river basin during deer season. Duck hunter numbers will not count toward the 70-hunter total that is authorized for deer hunters in training areas.

11. Displaying Vehicle Passes in Vehicles. Hunters who leave a vehicle when hunting must display their vehicle hunting pass correctly (printed side out) in the front windshield of the vehicle used for hunting. Do not let the card slip down into your dash. Failure to display this card may result in suspension of hunting privileges.

12. Bird Dogs. Bird dogs (and individuals who assist hunters in the field but are not hunting) have to stay with their sponsor. A person who is bird-dogging will NOT carry any weapon. If a bird dog is caught with a weapon, 'both the bird dog and all members of the party they are bird-dogging for will be suspended for the duration of the deer season. A bird dog must also physically check in and check out. Bird dogs are also required to wear a hunter orange vest except when assisting archers in archery areas. Due to the limitations with the number of people that can be placed in the field, bird dogs will only be allowed under special circumstances (a child or someone to assist a handicapped hunter). Each bird dog will be considered on a case-by case basis to assist in keeping the total number of people in the field to a minimum.

13. Deer Stands. Stands (tree and freestanding) are authorized for use to hunt deer. The stand cannot be attached to, or leaned against, buildings, vehicles, utility poles or other man-made objects. No holes can be dug to help support a deer stand. Stands, and use of stands, must not damage trees. Use of lumber or hardware (nails, screws, etc. to temporarily or permanently enhance deer stands is prohibited. Hunters are strongly encouraged to use an appropriate safety harness when hunting from a deer stand. Firearms shall be unloaded when transported to and from the deer stand and the ground. Hunters must state their intent to use a deer stand during the check-in process and deer stands will be made available to Environmental Security personnel for inspection upon request. Stands are authorized for daily use only and must be removed when hunters leave the field.

14. Area Boundaries. Hunters are responsible to know the boundaries of the training area they are checking into and to stay within that training area only. Individuals found scouting, parked or hunting in a training area (or within closed impact areas) other than the one they are checked into, will be suspended from all hunting on Camp Pendleton. Some training areas are only partially open to hunting. The Duty Warden has copies of maps and access information for each hunting area. A Camp Pendleton Special map is posted at the WOB for information purposes. Hunters who are unsure of area boundaries should ask the Duty Warden for assistance. Game Wardens or Range Control officers may move hunters or stop hunters from hunting dependent upon each unique situation due to safety, unforeseen problems, or situations.

15. Parking Vehicles in Training Areas. Hunters must park their vehicles within or immediately adjacent to the area they are assigned for hunting. Those hunters planning to park in one area and walk into another area must obtain permission from the Duty Warden BEFORE going out to hunt. Failure to do so will result in suspension. Hunters must proceed in the most direct route using main roads to their assigned hunting area and back to Building 25155 by the most direct route to check-in upon completion of hunting.

16. Special Permission Areas. Bravo-3, Juliett, Mike, November, Santa Margarita River from Stuart Mesa Road upstream to Rifle Range road (SMR-I), Santa Margarita River from East of Basilone Road (grid 86) upstream to the India area boundary (SMR-21, and Cristianitos Creek (CC) south of grid line 01 and north of grid line 99 (east to west bank of river basin only) are Special Permission Areas. During the rifle deer season, only archers and shotgun slug hunters may be allowed in these areas.

17. Area Changes. Hunters who are checked into an area MUST hunt that area only. Switching areas during the day may be accomplished by returning to Building 25155 and surrendering the area you were in. That area will then be available for potluck hunters or walk-ins. If spaces are available and no potluck hunters are on site, a hunter may be able to be placed in another area immediately.

18. Vehicles/Roads/Travel. Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are prohibited for the purpose of hunting. Only regular registered vehicles are permitted on designated dirt and hard surface roads only. Vehicles are NOT permitted on firebreaks or jeep trails where no roads exist.

It is the responsibility of the hunter to be able to distinguish between a dirt access road and a firebreak or trail. If unsure, hunters should consult with the Duty Warden prior to entering their hunting area or not drive down that specific area. Hunters should have proper safety equipment in their vehicles and be aware of current road conditions.

Hunters whose vehicles have broken down must use other POV's or call an off-base wrecker to remove their vehicles from the hunting area. Game Wardens will not tow vehicles, but can provide assistance. Horses may be used for hunting purposes in specific areas or during the final hunting days at the discretion of the Chief Game Warden.

19. Weapon Types. During the deer season, only rifles, shotguns, crossbows and archery equipment conforming to CDFG regulations may be used. Handguns may be carried and used upon publication of this Bulletin. Only archery and shotgun slug equipment may be used in special permission areas during appropriate seasons. All rifle rounds must be .223 caliber or greater and have soft nose or expanding bullets. Hunters can only use shotgun ammunition that are slug rounds only for deer hunting. Camp Pendleton also restricts the use of musket, black powder, and percussion type weapons due to fire management considerations.

20. Small/Upland/Waterfowl Game Hunting. Hunting other game at the same time while deer hunting is prohibited, except for duck hunters within the SMR basin and deer rifle hunters shooting coyotes. Deer hunters who wish to hunt other game MUST wait until that specific season starts on Camp Pendleton.

21. Alcoholic Beverages. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the pre-hunt/safety briefings and during any hunting times and dates. No person under the influence of alcohol (or smelling of alcohol) will be allowed to hunt. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in the field is strictly prohibited. If persons smell of, or are observed consuming alcoholic beverages, or if open containers are found in or near vehicles, it will result in the suspension of all hunters in the party for a period of one year and loss of Camp Pendleton hunting permits.

22. Dogs. Dogs are not allowed with hunters, in the field or in vehicles while hunting deer on Camp Pendleton.

23. Downed Deer. After a hunter downs a deer, both sides of the deer tag must be filled out and punched IMMEDIATELY. The smaller side of the tag MUST be affixed to the deer. Deer should be gutted in the field. Deer gut piles should be left at the least conspicuous place as possible. All deer must be taken directly to Building 25155 for data collection and validation of the tag. For the wardens to have consistency with their data, do not skin deer or remove legs in the field. The Chief Game Warden or his designee will validate deer tags prior to deer being removed from Camp Pendleton.

24. Refrigerator Storage. Hunters may temporarily store gutted and skinned carcass of their deer in the walk-in refrigerator adjacent to Building 25155 (at their own risk). Contact the wardens to sign a log prior to accessing the refrigerator and prior to deer removal. Do not access refrigerator without a warden present. All carcasses will be removed from the refrigerator by 1800 on the Wednesday following the weekend the deer was taken. Deer will be disposed of if not picked up in a timely manner. All deer must be tagged while in the refrigerator.

25. Violations/Suspensions. Procedures for disposition of hunting and fishing violations are outlined in Base regulations. Individuals not if ied of suspension of hunting privileges will relinquish their hunting permits to the Chief Game Warden at Building 25155. Failure to relinquish the permit will result in automatic suspension or revocation of all Camp Pendleton hunting privileges for a period of one year.

26. Safety. All rifle, shotgun (slug), crossbow (except archers), and handgun hunters and bird dogs, whether assisting, or hunting deer will be required to wear a hunter orange safety vest while hunting during the deer season. Hunting vests shall be worn as the outer most clothing and will be orange in color. The vest will cover the front and back upper torso (Chest and back) of each rifle hunter and their bird dog. Orange shirts are authorized in place of vests, if no other outer clothing is worn over the orange shirt.

Daytime temperatures can reach above 90 degrees. Hunters should carry plenty of water in the field and be aware of the symptoms and proper first aid treatment for heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Hunters should carry binoculars to look for deer. Hunters shall not use their mounted riflescopes as a substitute for binoculars. Hunters observed glassing areas with their mounted rifle scope can be suspended from deer hunting. Be sure of your target at all times and also what is behind it prior to shooting.

Smoking is only allowed inside hunters personal vehicles while in the training/hunting areas. Cigarette butts will not be discarded outside of personal vehicles and will be carried out with all other trash. If caught smoking in the field or while hunting, your hunting privileges will be suspended.

You must be familiar and compliant with all Fire Danger Rating (FDR) system provisions stipulated for the set condition.

27. Unauthorized Weapons. Muzzle loading rifles and black powder rifles are not permitted for hunting purposes due to the potential fire hazard.

28. Weapon Safety. REMEMBER, it is illegal to place on, carry, or possess a loaded firearm in a vehicle, its conveyance, or its attachments on all areas of the Base. If you are not ready to shoot, your weapon should be unloaded and your safety should be engaged. No hunter shall nock or fit the notch end of an arrow to a bowstring or crossbow string in a ready to fire position while in or on any vehicle.

29. Impact Areas. All hunters shall not enter Red impact areas designated on the Camp Pendleton Special map (Zulu, Whiskey, Quebec, Range 109 and 307) and shall not enter the Edson Range Impact and areas. These are off limits at all times. If you are found in one of these areas, you will be suspended from hunting. Ordnance shells and material found in any area will not be handled or disturbed for any reason. If ordnance is found, please report it immediately to a Game Warden or Long Rifle.

30. Weapons Registration. All weapons (shotgun, rifle, handgun, archery, crossbow equipment, hunting knives, etc.) kept on base for hunting, must be registered with the Police Records Office, Support Services Division, AC/S SES. The Police Records Office is located off of 11th Street, building 1523, just south of the Mainside complex. Police Records will register weapons from 0730 to 1530, Monday through Friday (except holidays).

2005 WATERFOWL HUNTING REQUIRMENTS

Resource Conservation & Enforcement Branch

1. Season, Weapon, Date, Time and Area

SEASON WEAPON DATES TIMES AREAS

Duck Shotgun 22 October Weekends and Specific Areas through most holidays

29 January 0400

NOTES:

Maps. See individual area maps provided by the Game Wardens. Game Wardens or Range Control officers may move hunters or stop hunters from hunting dependent upon each unique situation due to safety or other unforeseen problems.

Changes. Whenever military training requirements, high fire danger ratings, protection of fish and wildlife resources, force protection, anti-terrorism, or manpower considerations prevails, all hunting dates and areas are subject to change, cancellation or closure by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security or his representative.

Deer Hunters. Deer hunters have priority in training areas during the deer rifle season.

Violations. A single violation of Base regulations can result in a minimum suspension of hunting privileges for no less than one month, or for up to one year.

2. Authorized Personnel. Waterfowl hunting opportunities will be extended to active duty and retired military personnel and their immediate dependents and to DOD civilian employees and their immediate dependents. Immediate

dependents must be sponsored by and hunt with qualified DOD members. Non-DOD affiliated civilians are not authorized to hunt at this time, due to Camp Pendleton's increased training tempo, reduced manpower and anti-terrorism, force protection measures.

3. Lottery for Hunting Areas and Blinds. Areas and blinds will be assigned by a lottery drawing. The Resource Enforcement and Compliance (REC) Branch will conduct the weekly lottery. Hunters who wish to participate in the drawing must fill out an Area Preference Sheet (APS) and deliver it to the Duty Warden, Building 25155 no later than the close of business (1800) Wednesday evenings prior to the weekend or holiday they wish to hunt. The same APS can be used each week. Notify a REC Branch representative by Wednesday evening. Up to three people can be in a hunting party and on an APS. There will be only one application for each hunter for each week's lottery. Applications with duplicate names will be removed from the drawing.

Lottery Drawing. The drawing will be conducted by the REC Branch Thursday afternoons prior to each hunting weekend. A list of successful applicants will be available at the Wardens Office Building (WOB) (building number 25155). Applicants can confirm their area or blind assignment by calling the REC Branch Thursday afternoons at 725-3360. Hunters selected via the lottery must check in at the WOB no later than 0500 each hunting day. Hunters who fail to check in prior to 0500 will lose their area or blind for the day and will have to participate in potluck.

4. Potluck for Hunting Areas and Blinds. All hunters will be permitted to participate in potluck for the assignment of blinds and areas on an equal basis. Potluck is the assignment of blinds and areas on a first come first serve basis. Blinds and areas that are not requested during the lottery or blinds and areas that were requested but remain unclaimed at 0500 on scheduled hunting days will be available for potluck. Hunters wishing to participate in potluck must appear in person at Building 25155 no later than 0500. Any blind or area that is still available after potluck will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

5. Check-in and Check-out Procedures. All persons must physically Check-in with the Duty Warden located at Building 25155 immediately before entering any area of the Base to hunt. A hunter relinquishes his/her California State hunting license to the Duty Warden for the period of time that he/she spends in the field hunting. Waterfowl hunters may begin checking in at 0400 for lottery winners and 0500 for potluck hunters. Hunters must also physically check out with the Duty Warden upon the completion of hunting. Hunters enter assigned areas by the most direct route possible and return by the most direct route possible. Hunters found in areas that they were not assigned to will be in violation of these regulations and will be removed from the field. Hunters are required to check out no later than 1800, unless otherwise specifically permitted. All hunters are required to present any hunting equipment or game taken to REC Branch personnel upon demand. Data collection from game taken will be done either in the field or upon check-out of the hunter. If you arrive late and depending on which blind is assigned, the REC Branch may keep the hunter from accessing that area until daylight for safety and hunter ethic reasons.

7. Weapon Types. During the waterfowl season, only specific shotguns conforming to California Fish and Game hunting standards may be used. Camp Pendleton restricts the use of musket, black powder, percussion type weapons, and pistols.

8. Shot Shells. All waterfowl hunters are required to use steel shot shells, or other approved shot shells. Shot shells loaded with lead shot are illegal by federal law and are not authorized.

Litter. Hunters shall be held responsible for the general cleanliness of their assigned blind and surrounding area and shall police the area for litter. Hunters are responsible for blind/area cleanliness regardless of the condition at the beginning of the hunting day. Hunters that leave their blinds without policing the area for litter may be suspended from waterfowl hunting. Hunters are required to retrieve their expended shells, if at all possible. Effort should be used in policing your expended shells. Shells are considered litter and violators may be cited.

9. Sky Blasting. Clean kills with a shotgun are seldom made at ranges in excess of 35-45 yards. "Sky blasting" at 50-80 yards or more spoils the hunting for everyone and results in an increase in crippled birds. Hunters that sky blast will be suspended from waterfowl hunting for a period of up to one year from date of violation.

10. Hunting Days. Waterfowl hunting is available on weekends and specific holidays. Mid-week hunting may be available between Christmas and New Years. Ask the REC Branch for details the week prior to the end of the year.

11. Safety Briefs. A short brief may be given each morning to hunters prior to hunters going to the field depending on information that may pertain to the specific requirements of that specific day. All hunters are required to follow all hunting rules and regulations.

12. Displaying Vehicle Passes in Vehicles. Hunters leaving their vehicles to hunt will leave their Camp Pendleton vehicle pass displayed on their dashboard (printed side out). Do not let the card slip down into your dashboard or air vents.

13. Parking Vehicles in Training Areas. Hunters must park their vehicles within or immediately adjacent to the area they are assigned for hunting. Those hunters planning to park in one area and walk into another area must obtain permission from the Duty Warden BEFORE going out to hunt. Failure to do so will result in suspension. Hunters must proceed in the most direct route using main roads to their assigned hunting area and back to Building 25155 by the most direct route to check-in upon completion of hunting.

14. Changing Areas. Hunters who are checked into an area MUST hunt that area only. Hunters may switch areas during the day by calling the WOB and surrendering the area you are in. That area will then be available for other hunters. Hunters may be able to be placed in another area, over the telephone, on a space-available basis. Hunters are still required to physically check back in at building 25155 when they are finished hunting for the day.

16. Vehicles/Roads/Travel. Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are prohibited for the purpose of hunting. Only regular registered vehicles are permitted on designated dirt and hard surface roads only. Vehicles are NOT permitted on firebreaks or jeep trails where no roads exist.

It is the responsibility of the hunter to be able to distinguish between a dirt access road and a firebreak or trail. If unsure, hunters should consult

with the Duty Warden prior to entering their hunting area or not drive down that specific area. Hunters should have proper safety equipment in their vehicles and be aware of current road conditions.

Hunters whose vehicles have broken down must use other POVs or call an off-base wrecker to remove their vehicles from the hunting area. Game Wardens cannot tow vehicles, but can provide assistance if needed.

17. Alcoholic Beverages. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at any time while using REC Branch programs. No person under the influence of alcohol (or smelling of alcohol) will be allowed to hunt. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in the field is strictly prohibited. If persons smell of, or are observed consuming alcoholic beverages, or if open containers are found in or near vehicles, it will result in the suspension of all hunters in the party for a period of one year and loss of Camp Pendleton hunting permits.

18. Safety. If any duck hunter is allowed in any training areas where other hunting activity is taking place, hunter orange is required. Orange hunting vests shall be worn as the outer most clothing when moving to/from a "blind". Orange hunting vests are not required to be worn when a hunter is in a "blind". The vest will cover the front and back upper torso (Chest and back) of each rifle hunter and their bird dog. Orange shirts are authorized in place of vests, if no other outer clothing is worn over the orange shirt.

Daytime temperatures can reach above 90 degrees. Hunters should carry plenty of water in the field and be aware of the symptoms and proper first aid treatment for heat stroke and heat exhaustion.

It is extremely cold during the winter when hunting in the river basin during early morning hours. The water is also very cold during that time of year. Specific precautions should be taken. Do not be deceived just because you are in southern California.

Smoking is only allowed inside hunters personal vehicles while in the training/hunting areas. Cigarette butts will not be discarded outside of personal vehicles and will be carried out with all other trash. If caught smoking in the field or while hunting, your hunting privileges will be suspended.

You must be familiar and compliant with all Fire Danger Rating (FDR) system provisions stipulated for the set condition.

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21. Violations/Suspensions. This bulletin, specific hunting regulations and Base Order P5000.2j outline specific guidance, procedures and disposition of hunting violations. Those individuals notified of suspension of hunting privileges have a maximum of 48 hours to relinquish their hunting permits to

the Chief Game Warden. Failure to relinquish the permit within 48 hours of verbal notification can result in automatic suspension of all Camp Pendleton hunting privileges for a period of one year from the date of the violation. Unless otherwise noted, failure to comply with Base regulations will result in an automatic suspension of hunting privileges for a minimum of 30 days to a maximum of one year. Multiple violations can apply either consecutively or concurrently depending on the severity of the violations.

22. Use of Dogs. Those hunters who use a dog should have their dog in voice control at all times. Care should be taken that dogs do not infringe on the hunting of others. The use of dogs to help find and return downed birds is encouraged. When not in the field hunting, dog owners will follow Base regulations and keep their dog contained in their vehicle or on a leash.

23. Weapons Registration. All weapons (shotgun, rifle, handgun, archery, crossbow equipment, hunting knives, etc.) kept on base for hunting, must be registered with the Police Records Office, Support Services Division, AC/S SES. The Police Records Office is located off of 11th Street, building 1523, just south of the Mainside complex. Police Records will register weapons from 0730 to 1530, Monday through Friday (except holidays).

24. Available Areas. All hunting is conducted within the boundaries of military training areas and the Santa Margarita Estuary and river. The following areas may be available for waterfowl hunting:

- a. Deluz Creek on the Golf and Hotel training area border
- b. French Creek Lagoon located within the Victor training area
- c. Kilo 1 ponds
- d. Kilo 2 ponds
- e. Hotel in the SMR drainage to the eastern boundary of the Base
- f. India ponds and the area within the India SMR drainage
- g. Mike pond
- h. November ponds (excluding the EOD pond in November)
- i. Oscar 1 (Stuart Mesa) ponds (6 fixed blinds)
- j. Santa Margarita Estuary (Iboat blinds)
- k. Santa Margarita River (SMR 1) above Stuart Mesa Road upstream to below the 22 Area sewage treatment plant
- l. Santa Margarita River (SMR 2) gridline 86 to India Training area
- m. SMR holding basin ponds west of Lake O'Neill (5 blinds)

25. General Restrictions and Information.

- a. Deer hunters have priority in training areas during the deer rifle season.
- b. Waterfowl hunting is not permitted at any sewage treatment pond on the Santa Margarita River, over roads, areas designated as safety areas (out buildings, equipment, housing and cantonment areas).
- c. Areas not listed above are not available for waterfowl hunting.
- d. Hunters are required to enter and leave the blinds by the most direct road route, making sure not to enter the safety zones established by the other blinds.
- e. Hunters may enter the water from their assigned blind only to place decoys and retrieve decoys and downed birds.
- f. Weapons will not be taken with hunters when retrieving downed birds.
- g. Hunters are expected to cooperate among themselves to safely and properly use their assigned areas and not overlap the borders between hunting areas.
- h. Hunting must be conducted from the blind, but hunting is allowed within fifteen feet (15') of either side of established blinds. This

space allows enough room for personnel equipment that may be brought and removed from the blind daily.

i. Hunters will not be permitted to leave their blinds to "jump shoot" waterfowl in the water or beyond the 15 foot permanent blind distance on shore.

j. Hunters cannot establish a hunting blind/position in the water.

k. Hunters using blinds shall only shoot at waterfowl flying over water and shall not shoot over roads or behind blinds.

l. Hunters cannot construct other permanent blinds along Shorelines.

m. Hunters can bring chairs, camouflage netting and other hunting necessities and accessories provided everything the hunter takes with him to the blind, will be removed when the hunter leaves the blind for the day. Portable type blinds may be allowed at the same location as the permanent blind structure as long as the hunter, gear and equipment stay within the 15-foot distance on the shoreline of the permanent blind.

n. Vegetation may not be cut and used as camouflaging for any reason and hunters are prohibited from digging holes to construct temporary portable daily blinds.

Please note the following information for specific areas:

26. Santa Margarita Estuary.

a. Those who hunt in the Santa Margarita Estuary should be aware that this is a sensitive wetland ecosystem. Several endangered species use this area at various times of the year. These are the tidewater goby, the Brown Pelican, the California Least Tern, the Light-footed Clapper Rail and the Belding Savannah Sparrow.

b. Hunting will be conducted from non-motorized boats only.

c. All boats will be launched from a point on the dirt access road running along the north side of the SMR that is directly beneath the north bound lanes of Interstate 5.

d. Foot traffic is prohibited anywhere within the Santa Margarita Estuary except for retrieving downed birds, putting out decoys, launching or trailering vessels.

e. No more than four boats will be permitted access into the Santa Margarita Estuary area.

f. A maximum of three people will be allowed in each boat.

g. Hunters will be assigned an area to hunt within the non-restricted portion of the Santa Margarita Estuary. The non-restricted portion of the Santa Margarita Estuary is divided into 4 zones. Each zone is depicted on maps provided by the REC Branch.

h. Hunters are permitted to position their boats anywhere within one of the four zones. Hunters are expected to cooperate among themselves to safely and properly use their assigned areas and not hunt on borders between boat zones.

i. Hunting is prohibited within 150 meters of Interstate 5 or Del Mar Recreation Beach. These areas shall be considered safety buffer zones.

j. Safety mandates that each hunting party checking out to hunt within the Santa Margarita Estuary have in their possession and available for inspection: a small boat, a working flash light, and life vests for each member of the hunting party. A dog capable of retrieving waterfowl is recommended.

27. Stuart Mesa Ponds (Oscar 1) and SWZ 2 Ponds.

- a. Hunters will be assigned specific blinds on the Stuart Mesa and SMR 2 ponds. Hunting will only occur from the established six blinds on the two ponds at Stuart Mesa and only from the established five blinds at SMR 2 ponds. Hunters will call the WOB if they want to move to, or join another hunter at another blind.
- b. Blinds are depicted on maps provided by the REC Branch. There will be one party of no more than three hunters assigned per blind assignment.
- c. No driving will be allowed on the divider road between the two ponds at Stuart Mesa when hunters are discharging firearms. Hunters should limit driving by blinds at SMR 2 ponds once hunters are set up in the morning and once shooting times has started.
- d. If you arrive late, take care not to disturb other hunters in their blinds.
- e. No new blinds may be constructed but existing blinds may be repaired, if needed.
- f. Discharging of weapons will be over the water within the ponds only. Hunters will not shoot over roads or behind blinds.

28. Kilo 1, Kilo 2, India, Mike and November Ponds.

- a. There will be only one party allowed with not more than two hunters per pond.
- b. The EOD pond in November is closed to hunting.
- c. No waterfowl hunters or hunting will be permitted within 400 meters of Whelan Lake at the southern border of November. This includes approaching the area, either on foot or by vehicle.
- d. One temporary portable daily blind may be brought to the field for use in November, but must be approved by the game wardens in advance. A maximum of three people will be permitted at the portable blind location. No permanent blind will be constructed. Portable blinds will be removed when hunters leave the area for the day.
- e. There is no hunting on Windmill Lake or Whelan Lake. It is the responsibility of the hunter to know the locations of these lakes and to distinguish between these lakes and the ponds in Mike and November areas.

29. French Creek Lagoon.

- a. There will be one party of no more than 2 hunters assigned to hunt this lagoon.
- b. All hunting will be from an area established anywhere along the southern or eastern shores of the lagoon. One temporary portable blind may be carried to the site and removed when finished hunting. For safety reasons, if no physical blind is used, the hunting party must remain in the same general location while hunting to prevent a cross-fire situation.
- c. Hunting is not permitted within 150 meters of Interstate 5. If hunters are on the east side of the lagoon, shooting will only occur in a westerly direction over the lagoon. This is considered a safety buffer.

30. Additional Information. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Duty Warden at 725-3360.

Resource Enforcement and Compliance Branch

1. Seasons, Weapons, Dates, Times and Areas.

SEASON WEAPON DATES TIMES AREAS

Squirrel Bow 2 July thru Weekends and Specific
Rifle 10 Oct & most holidays Areas
Shotgun 3 Dec thru 0500 Sept/Jan
25 June 2006 0700 Feb/Aug
Coyote Same Year round
hand-guns
Jack Bow 2 July thru
Rabbit Rifle 10 Oct & Shotgun 3 Dec thru 25 June 2006'
Cottontail Bow 2 ~ July thru
Rifle 10 Oct & Shotgun 3 Dec thru 29 Jan 2006
Dove Shotgun 3 Sept thru 11Sept & 3 Dec thru 24 December
Quail Shotgun 3 December thru 29 Jan 2006
Pigeon Shotgun 17 December thru 24 December

NOTES:

Deer Hunters. Deer hunters have priority in training areas during the deer rifle season. No small game hunters will be put to the field during the deer rifle season (15October through 27 November). Deer hunters can take coyotes during deer season.

Maps. See individual area maps provided by the Resource Enforcement and Compliance (REC) Branch located at the Wardens Office Building (WOB) located in building 25155. REC Branch personnel or Range Control officers may move hunters or stop hunters from hunting dependent upon each unique situation due to safety or other unforeseen problems.

Changes. Whenever military training requirements, high fire danger rating, protection of fish and wildlife resources, force protection, anti-terrorism, or manpower considerations prevails, hunting dates and areas are subject to change, cancellation or closure by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security or his representative.

Archers. Archers are not required to wear hunter orange unless archers hunt with rifle or shotgun hunters. Archers will then be required to wear hunter orange.

Violations. A single violation of Base regulations can result in minimum suspension of hunting privileges for no less than one month, or for up to one year.

2. Daily Bag and Possession Limits. The legal number of small game as specified above that can be taken or possessed aboard Camp Pendleton each day is outlined in the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) regulations and at the Wardens Office Building (WOB). Any one hunter can possess only one daily bag limit each day. Specific restrictions may also be in place that further restricts daily bag and possession limits. A combination of environmental, natural resource, game management, and other factors play a role in establishing daily take and possession limits.

3. Authorized Personnel. Hunting privileges will be extended to active duty and retired military personnel and their immediate dependents and to DOD civilian employees and their immediate dependents. Immediate dependents must be sponsored by and hunt with qualified DOD members. Non-DOD affiliated civilians are not authorized to hunt at this time, due to Camp Pendleton's increased training tempo, reduced manpower and anti-terrorism, force protection measures.

4. Safety Briefs. A short safety brief may be given each morning to hunters prior to going to the field depending of information relative to the specific requirements or conditions for that day. All hunters are required to follow all hunting rules and regulations.

5. Area Availability. Due to manning constraints for this year, 70 hunters will be authorized to hunt at any one time, divided into 10 training areas. All small game hunting areas are pre-established each week prior to the weekends hunt. Areas will be selected and hunters can call in Friday afternoon prior to the weekend hunt to find out what tentative areas may be available for hunting. Areas are reconfirmed each hunting day prior to checking hunters out to the field. Last minute changes sometimes occur due to having to meet specific training requirements, high fire danger rating, or other reasons outside of the REC Branches control.

6. Check-in and Check-out Procedures. All hunters must physically check in prior to going to the field and physically check out at the WOB, located in building 25155, after hunting. Small game check in starts at 0500 on established hunting days between September through January and 0700 on established hunting days between February through August. Failure to comply with check-in and check-out procedures can result in automatic suspension of all Camp Pendleton hunting privileges. Hunters enter assigned areas by the most direct route possible and return by the most direct route possible. Hunters found in areas that they were not assigned to will be in violation of these regulations and will be removed from the field. Hunters are required to check out no later than 1800. All hunters are required to present any hunting equipment or game taken to REC Branch personnel upon demand. Data collection from game taken will be done either in the field or at the time the hunter checks out.

7. Litter. Hunters are responsible for the "pack it in, pack it out" general rule of keeping the Base clean. No hunter shall litter at any time. When able, hunters shall also retrieve empty brass and shell casings after discharging weapons.

8. Sky Blasting. Clean kills with a shotgun are seldom made at ranges in excess of 35-45 yards. "Sky blasting" at 50-80 yards or more spoils the hunting for everyone and results in an increase in crippled birds and game. Hunters that sky blast will be suspended from hunting.

9. Displaying Vehicle Passes in Vehicles. Hunters who leave their vehicle to hunt must display their Camp Pendleton vehicle pass correctly displayed on their dashboard (printed side out). Do not let the card slip down into your dash or air vents.

10. Bird Dogs. Bird dogs (individuals who assist hunters in the field but are not hunting) have to stay with their sponsor. A person who is bird-dogging will NOT carry any weapon. If a bird dog is caught with a weapon, both the

bird dog and all members of the party they are bird-dogging for will be suspended for the duration of the small game season. A bird dog must also physically check out and check in. Bird dogs are also required to wear a hunter orange vest except when assisting archers in archery areas. Due to the limitations with the number of people that can be placed in the field, bird dogs will only be allowed under special circumstances (a child or someone to assist a handicapped hunter). Each bird dog will be considered on case-by-case basis to assist in keeping the total number of people in the field to a minimum.

11. Area Boundaries. Hunters are responsible to know the boundaries of the training area they are checking into and to stay within that training area only. Individuals found scouting, parked or hunting in a training area (or within closed impact areas) other than the one they are checked into, will be suspended from all hunting on Camp Pendleton. Some training areas are only partially open to hunting. The Duty Warden has copies of maps and access information for each hunting area. A Camp Pendleton Special map is posted at the WOB for information purposes. Hunters who are unsure of area boundaries should ask the Duty Warden for assistance. Game Wardens or Range Control officers may move hunters or stop hunters from hunting dependent upon each unique situation due to safety, unforeseen problems, or situations.

12. Parking Vehicles in Training Areas. Hunters must park their vehicles within or immediately adjacent to the area they are assigned for hunting. Those hunters planning to park in one area and walk into another area must obtain permission from the Duty Warden BEFORE going out to hunt. Failure to do so will result in suspension. Hunters must proceed in the most direct route using main roads to their assigned hunting area and back to Building 25155 by the most direct route to check-in upon completion of hunting.

13. Special Permission Areas. Bravo-3, Juliett, Mike, November, Santa Margarita River from Stuart Mesa Road upstream to Rifle Range road (SMR-I), Santa Margarita River from East of Basilone Road (grid 86) upstream to the India area boundary (SMR-21, and Cristianitos Creek (CC) south of grid line 01 and north of grid line 99 (east to west bank of river basin only) are Special Permission Areas. Small and upland game hunters with shotguns may be allowed in special permission areas dependant upon final decisions made prior to each hunting day.

14. Changing Areas. Hunters who are checked into an area MUST hunt that area only. Hunters may switch areas during the day by calling the WOB and surrendering the area you are in. That area will then be available for other hunters. If space is available you may be able to be placed in another area over the telephone. Hunters are still required to physically check back in at building 25155 when they are finished hunting for the day.

15. Vehicles/Roads/Travel. Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (ATV's) are prohibited for the purpose of hunting. Only regular registered vehicles are permitted on designated dirt and hard surface roads only. Vehicles are NOT permitted on firebreaks or jeep trails where no roads exist.

It is the responsibility of the hunter to be able to distinguish between a dirt access road and a firebreak or trail. If unsure, hunters should consult with the Duty Warden prior to entering their hunting area or not drive down that specific area. Hunters should have proper safety equipment in their vehicles and be aware of current road conditions.

Hunters whose vehicles have broken down must use other POV's or call an off-base wrecker to remove their vehicles from the hunting area. Game Wardens will not tow vehicles, but can provide assistance. Horses may be used for hunting purposes in specific areas or during the final hunting days at the discretion of the Chief Game Warden.

16. Weapon Types. During the small game seasons, only specific rifles, shotguns, crossbows and archery equipment conforming to CDFG regulations may be used. Only archery and shotgun slug equipment may be used in special use areas during appropriate seasons. All rifle rounds must be .223 caliber or greater and have soft nose or expanding bullets. Camp Pendleton restricts the use of musket, black powder, percussion type weapons.

17. Small Game Hunting. Hunting of small game as listed within this bulletin is not authorized during the deer rifle season (15 October through 27 November). Small game hunters who wish to hunt can hunt prior to and after the deer season. Coyote can be taken by rifle. However, hunters shall ensure that their weapon caliber has a high probability of kill for the target animal.

18. Alcoholic Beverages. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the pre-hunt/safety briefings and during any hunting times and dates. No person under the influence of alcohol (or smelling of alcohol) will be allowed to hunt. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in the field is strictly prohibited. If persons smell of, or are observed consuming alcoholic beverages, or if open containers are found in or near vehicles, it will result in the suspension of all hunters in the party for a period of one year and loss of Camp Pendleton hunting permits.

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20. Violations/Suspensions. This bulletin, specific hunting regulations and Base Order B5000.2j outline specific guidance, procedures and disposition of hunting violations. Those individuals notified of suspension of hunting privileges have a maximum of 48 hours to relinquish their hunting permits to the Chief Game Warden. Failure to relinquish the permit within 48 hours of verbal notification can result in automatic suspension of all Camp Pendleton hunting privileges for a period of one year from the date of the violation. Unless otherwise noted, failure to comply with Base regulations will result in an automatic suspension of hunting privileges for minimum of 30 days to a maximum of one year. Multiple violations can apply either consecutively or concurrently depending on the severity of the violations.

21. Safety. All small game hunters (as defined above and excepting archers) and bird dogs (helpers) will be required to wear a hunter orange safety vest while in the hunting/training area. Orange hunting vests shall be worn as the outer most layer of clothing. The vest will cover the front and back upper torso (Chest and back) of each rifle hunter and their bird dog. Orange shirts are authorized in place of vests, if no other outer clothing is worn over the orange shirt.

Daytime temperatures can reach above 90 degrees. Hunters should carry plenty of water in the field and be aware of the symptoms and proper first aid treatment for heat stroke and heat exhaustion.

Smoking is only allowed inside hunters personal vehicles while in the training/hunting areas. Cigarette butts will not be discarded outside of personal vehicles and will be carried out with all other trash. If caught smoking in the field or while hunting, your hunting privileges will be suspended.

You must be familiar and compliant with all Fire Danger Rating (FDR) system provisions stipulated for the set condition.

22. Weapon Safety. REMEMBER, it is illegal to place on, carry, or possess a loaded rifle, shotgun, or handgun in a vehicle, its conveyance, or its attachments on all areas of the Base. If you are not ready to shoot, your weapon should be unloaded and your safety should be engaged. No hunter shall nock or fit the notch end of an arrow to a bowstring or crossbow string in a ready to fire position while in or on any vehicle.

23. Cancellation Requirements. Whenever military training requirements, high fire danger ratings, protection of fish and wildlife resources, force protection, anti-terrorism, or manpower considerations prevails, all hunting dates and areas are subject to change, cancellation and/or closure by the Assistant Chief of Staff, Environmental Security, or his representative.

24. Impact Areas. All hunters shall not enter Red impact areas designated on the Camp Pendleton Special map (Zulu, Whiskey, Quebec, Range 109 and 307) and shall not enter the Edson Range Impact and areas. These are off limits at all times. If you are found in one of these areas, you will be suspended from hunting. Ordnance shells and material found in any area will not be handled or disturbed for any reason. If ordnance is found, please report it immediately to a Game Warden or Long Rifle.

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