

Hunting Pre-Registration Form – 2025

Camp Edwards Controlled Hunting Programs

*Permission to hunt at Camp Edwards is at the discretion of the Camp Commander!
Changes in base security status may result in cancellation of the hunt.*

Hunters must pre-register annually!

Pre-registration deadline for participation in Turkey Hunting at Camp Edwards: April 10

Pre-registration deadline for participation in Deer Hunting at Camp Edwards: October 1

Hunters only need to submit one pre-registration form if they intend to participate in both turkey and deer hunting.

You will only hear back if you are denied access to the hunting program.

2025 Camp Edwards Hunting Dates (Please check off hunts you wish to pre-register for)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Turkey Hunt: | Saturday April 26, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Turkey Hunt: | Monday May 5 through Saturday May 10, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Deer Scouting: | Friday Sept. 26, 2025
*Scouting Hours 8am-12pm, Check in/out at Range Control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Deer Hunt: | Saturday Sept. 27, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paralegic Deer Hunt: | Thursday Oct. 30 through Saturday Nov. 1, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archery Deer Scouting: | Wednesday Nov. 5 through Thursday Nov. 6, 2025
*Scouting Hours 8am-12pm, Check in/out at Range Control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archery Deer Hunt: | Thursday Nov. 13 through Saturday Nov. 15, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Military/First Responders Deer Hunt: | Friday Dec. 5, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shotgun Deer Hunt: | Monday Dec. 8 through Saturday Dec. 13, 2025 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzleloader Deer Hunt: | Thursday Dec. 18 through Friday Dec. 19, 2025 |

Access to Camp Edwards on Joint Base Cape Cod (JBCC) is restricted and necessitates a pre-registration of hunters. Hunting has been available on Camp Edwards since 1956 through a permit system and controlled hunt managed by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Camp Edwards Natural Resources Department and cooperating organizations. Hunters should be aware that some areas of Camp Edwards may be closed to hunting due to military training, groundwater remediation activities or other safety or security reasons. Maps depicting these areas will be provided during check-in. Any/all hunting and trespassing violations may result in suspension of privileges to hunt on Camp Edwards, in addition to fines, etc. issued under applicable State or Federal laws. A controlled public hunt is necessary for managing the local deer population density to protect the installation's natural resources and to reduce deer/vehicle collisions and the incidence of Lyme disease.

MassFishHunt Customer ID Number _____

Name _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

CELL PHONE # _____ -- _____ -- _____

HOME PHONE # _____ -- _____ -- _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

FID/LTC Number _____ **Expiration Date** ____ / ____ / ____

(A valid FID or LTC is required to hunt Camp Edwards during Firearms seasons)

Drivers License Number _____ **State** MA or _____

Vehicle Plate Number _____ **State** MA or _____

Please let us know any serious medical conditions _____

I certify all information is true and correct.

Signature

Date

**Hunters must check in daily before being allowed on the base. Hunters will be subject to a background check, must take a map of the legal hunting areas, must fill out a liability release form and must return the daily hunting permits no later than one half hour after the end of legal hunting time. Information on the hunt may be obtained from MassWildlife at 508-759-3406.*

Camp Edwards Controlled Hunting Program

General Information for Hunters

Changes in installation security or training status may result in cancellation or modification of the hunt.

Camp Edwards on Joint Base Cape Cod (JBCC) is located in the towns of Bourne and Sandwich. A controlled hunt is the only hunting allowed on the base. Camp Edwards is an active military training area and access is strictly controlled. About 11,000 acres will be open to hunting. The hunting area is dominated by pitch pine - scrub oak habitat and is separated into sections by marked dirt roads. The topography has many hills and hollows typical of the terminal moraine.

Pre-Registration

Pre-Registration is open to all licensed hunters.

To be eligible to hunt Camp Edwards, hunters must complete the pre-registration form and submit it to the Southeast Wildlife District by April 1 (Turkey) or October 1 (Deer). Hunters will be subject to a background check and permission to hunt is at the discretion of the Base Commander.

Mail or Deliver Completed Forms to:

**MassWildlife – Southeast District
Camp Edwards Controlled Hunt
195 Bournedale Road
Buzzards Bay, MA 02532**

Daily Check-In Procedures

Hunters must enter the base from the Route 28 (General MacArthur Blvd) Rotary and follow the signs on Connery Avenue to proceed immediately to the check in station. The check in station will open daily at 430am for turkey seasons and 5am during deer seasons.

At the check in station, staff will determine if potential hunters:

- ***pre-registered by the appropriate dates and passed security screens***
- ***reviewed and understand the un-exploded ordinance (UXO) informational materials***
- ***received a copy of the hunting map and regulations***
- ***are dressed in 500 square inches of hunter orange (during firearms deer seasons)***
- ***possess a valid hunting/sporting license and any applicable/required permits or stamps and a valid F.I.D. or L.T.C. card if hunting with a firearm/muzzleloader (not required for archery hunting only)***
- ***filled out a liability release and indemnification form***

Hunters found in compliance of the items above will be issued a daily hunting permit and vehicle access permit.

Hunters must comply with all pertinent laws and regulations including statewide hunting regulations, Camp Edwards hunting regulations and posted signs. Successful hunters must check their game at the check in station. Passes must be returned to the check in station at the end of the hunting day. **Passes must be returned in person no later than ½ hour after the end of legal hunting time!** Failure to comply with all rules and regulations will be just cause for denial of future deer hunting privileges at Camp Edwards.

Directions to the Hunt Check-in Building on JBCC:

From the north: Cross the Cape Cod Canal at the Bourne Bridge and follow Route 28 (General MacArthur Blvd) south to the Joint Base Cape Cod Rotary. Take the third exit off the Rotary onto Connery Avenue and take an almost immediate left across the paved cut through in the median and proceed straight across the other side of Connery Avenue and through the open gate onto a gravel access road that proceeds to the north underneath the powerlines. Follow the gravel road approximately 0.38 miles to the check in station.