

2021 Fort Leonard Wood Archery Cantonment Hunt

The Fort Leonard Wood archery cantonment hunt will be continued for the 2021 hunting season. The season will open September 15th, 2021 and run consecutively through January 15th, 2022. Six areas will be opened to archery hunters within or adjacent to the Cantonment. The purpose of this hunt is to increase recreational opportunities on FLW and to manage the deer population at levels which reduce vehicle collisions and other human/wildlife conflicts.

Hunters who wish to use these areas will be allowed to hunt on a first come/first serve basis after sign-in through the iSportsman system <https://ftleonardwood.iSportsman.net>. All hunters will be required to purchase a Cantonment hunting permit, attend a face-to-face safety briefing, and will be required to follow specific rules in addition to existing installation and state regulations governing hunting. All hunters must have a valid State hunting license (Archery Permit) and tags (either sex or antlerless) and the appropriate FLW Permits (Sportsman Permit \$15, Archery permit \$5, Cantonment Hunt Permit \$5). All Missouri Dept. of Conservation seasons, bag limits, and regulations will apply.

Because this hunt is occurring in close proximity to urban areas, safety will be a priority. Special safety rules will apply. Hunters will be required to attend a Cantonment Hunt safety briefing at the Outdoor Adventure Center and sign a certification document attesting to their understanding of applicable safety rules and procedures.

The following special regulations will apply to the 2021 Archery Cantonment Hunt:

- Hunters will check in and out of open units on a first come/first serve basis. Caps have been set for each individual hunting unit and areas will be closed to additional hunters if this quota is met. Units may be open or closed as needed for any reason including training exercises, safety issues, etc.
- Hunters participating in the Cantonment Hunt will be required to attend a safety briefing at the Outdoor Recreation Center and sign an agreement agreeing to abide by all safety requirements.
- Carrying a nocked bow or loaded crossbow within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or all weather road edge is prohibited.
- Shooting a bow or crossbow such that the arrow comes within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or all weather road edge is prohibited.
- No stand locations are permitted within 100 feet of a building, residence, trail, or all weather road.
- Hunters are required to hunt in elevated, portable stands at least 10 feet off the ground. Permanent stands, stalking, and ground hunting are prohibited.

- Parking within 300 feet of occupied residences or active training areas without permission is prohibited.
- An iSportsman Permit Number and Cantonment Hunting Permit must be visibly displayed through the front windshield of the vehicle.
- Hunters must avoid confrontations and be courteous to non-hunters.
- Hunters must be discrete and are required to vacate the area if other recreational or training activities are on-going.
- Efforts must be made to recover a wounded animal; however, a wounded animal should not be pursued outside of open hunt area boundaries. You must contact the Military Police Desk at 573-596-6141 for assistance if a wounded animal leaves an open hunting area.
- Specific exceptions/accommodations may be made to this policy for handicapped individuals when doing so will not compromise safety or otherwise violate FLW or state regulations. Requests for exceptions/accommodations must be submitted and approved in writing.

For more information contact the DPW Natural Resources Branch (573) 596-7605.