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History. This circular supersedes Fort Sill Circular 200-21-01, Hunting and Fishing Seasons and Bag Limits, 11 August 2021.

Summary. This publication establishes the Fort Sill hunting and fishing season and bag limits on Fort Sill game and fish. This regulation is distributed solely through the Department of Human Resources, Administrative Services Division Homepage at: <http://sill-www.army.mil/USAG/publications.html>.

Applicability. This publication is applicable to all personnel authorized to participate in Fort Sill hunting and fishing activities.

Supplementation. Local supplementation of this circular is prohibited without prior approval of the Directorate of Public Works (DPW). All requests for exceptions or waivers to this publication will be staffed through DPW, Environmental Quality Division (EQD), Natural Resources Branch (NRB), Fort Sill, OK 73503.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the DPW, EQD, NRB. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) directly to DPW, EQD, NRB, 1950 Barbour Rd, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 73503.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGE

Routine changes in seasonal dates.

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1. **Purpose.** This circular provides specific information regarding season and daily fish and game limits that may be taken on Fort Sill (see Appendix A).

2. **Reference.** Required and related publications; and, prescribed and referenced forms are listed in Appendix B.

3. **Explanation of Abbreviations and Terms.** Abbreviations and terms used in this regulation are explained in the Glossary.

4. **Records Management.** Records created as a result of processes prescribed by this regulation must be identified, maintained, and disposed of in accordance with (IAW) Army Regulation 25-400-2, The Army Records Information Management System (ARIMS) and Department of the Army Pamphlet 25-403, Guide to Recordkeeping in the Army. Record titles and descriptions are available on the ARIMS website. (<https://www.arims.army.mil>).

5. **General.**

a. Seasons for waterfowl are set by proclamation from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation and mirrored on Fort Sill. Deer and elk seasons and bag limits are printed in this circular. Other updates to regulations are posted on memos posted on Fort Sill's iSportsman and/or Building 1458.

b. Methods of hunting and fishing are IAW State laws and Fort Sill publications. Information and publications are available at <http://sillwww.army.mil/USAG/publications.html>.

c. All recreational users of the range training areas, except guests and youth (see Fort Sill Regulation (FS Reg) 200-1.) accompanied by a Sponsor permit holder, will successfully complete the Fort Sill Sportsman Safety Course prior to any recreational range activities, including obtaining a post permit or recreational range pass. Post permits can be purchased at <https://ftsill.isportsman.net>

d. See FS Reg 200-1 for specific eligibility and additional regulations. All recreational users will possess a post fishing, hunting, recreational or combination permit and display a valid vehicle pass for each person as required while on the range.

e. Special hunting and fishing restrictions, signed by the Natural Resources Administrator and posted in iSportsman are official.

f. No person may possess, in the field, more than one daily bag limit of any fish or game species on Fort Sill.

g. Fishermen shall immediately release protected fish regardless of their condition.

h. At Lake Elmer Thomas Recreational Area (LETRA), an Oklahoma fishing license is all that is required to fish. There is no length limit on largemouth, spotted, or smallmouth bass. The daily limit of bass is 6 combined. For channel and/or blue catfish, the daily limit is 6 combined per day with only 1 blue catfish per day over 30 inches. With all other fish, follow state regulations. Fishing limited to rod and reel only. No other method of fishing allowed. Lake Elmer Thomas has a no wake (idle speed) limit for boats.

**APPENDIX A
2023-2024
SEASON AND BAG LIMITS FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA**

Species	Season	Bag Limits
*Largemouth/Spotted Bass	No Closed Season	5 Daily (Bass between 13" and 16" protected) only 2 of which may be over 16." See 5h for LETRA limits.
*Smallmouth Bass	No Closed Season	Catch and release only in Medicine Creek. See 5h for LETRA limits.
*Channel Catfish	No Closed Season	6 Daily (10" Minimum length) See 5h for LETRA limits.
*Crappie	No Closed Season	Same as State in all waters open to fishing.
*Other Fish	Same as State	Same as State
Deer (Archery)	7 Oct – 15 Jan; 1-15 Jan (antlerless only)	**See below
Deer (Muzzleloader	7 - 13 Oct	**See below
Deer (Muzzleloader In-line)	14-20 Oct	**See below
Youth Deer (Gun)	21-22 Oct	**See below
Deer (Gun)	25-26 Nov, 2-3 Dec, 9-10 Dec, and 16-17 Dec	**See below
Elk (Archery)	30 Sep – 6 Oct; 1-31 Jan (Anterless only)	**See below
Elk (Gun)	25-26 Nov, 2-3 Dec, 9-10 Dec, and 16-17 Dec	**See below
Feral Hog	No Closed Season	Unlimited ++++
*Quail	Same as State	5 Daily
Wild Turkey (Spring)	See iSportsman	1 Tom ++
Wild Turkey (Fall)	Closed Fall 2023	Closed Fall 2023
Youth Spring Turkey	Same as State	1 Tom ++
Bullfrog	25-31 July	15 daily
All Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Bear, Mountain Lion, Spotted Skunk, Ringtail, Weasel, and Pheasant	No Season	Completely protected.
*Striped Skunk, Coyote, and Beaver	Same as State	Unlimited+++ No trapping permitted
*Opossum, Bobcat, River Otter, and Badger	Same as State	No trapping permitted++ Same as State Regulation

Species	Season	Bag Limit
*Raccoon	Same as State	No trapping permitted++
*Pigeon	1 Sept- 15 Feb	Unlimited+++
*Dove	Same as State	Same as State
*Crow	Same as State	Same as State
*Teal	Same as State	Same as State
*Waterfowl	Same as State	Same as State
*Rabbit (Cottontail, Swamp, Jack Rabbit)	Same as State	Same as State
*Squirrel	Same as State	Same as State
*Rail and Gallinule	Same as State	Same as State
*Common Snipe	Same as State	Same as State
*Woodcock	Same as State	Same as State

*Part or all of Fort Sill may be closed during gun deer season.

**The January elk cow archery season is tentative and dependent upon elk population status prior to the season and any remaining harvest quota after gun season. Seasons close when quotas are met. This is typically before the end of the maximum potential season shown. Annual bag limits for deer and elk hunting on Fort Sill are posted in a Fort Sill circular issued during September of each year. Fort Sill will post this circular to the following web site: <http://sill-www.army.mil/USAG/publications.html>

++ More restrictions to season dates and bag limits may occur depending on population status.

+++ No trapping permitted. Shotgun only (using legal shot). No rifles or pistols. No night hunting.

++++ Feral Hogs: No trapping permitted. No night hunting with firearms or archery equipment. Legal weapons during daylight hours are restricted to shotgun, using legal shot (no buckshot) and archery equipment or weapons as allowed by concurrent hunting seasons. No transportation of live feral hogs allowed. No hunting is allowed within 50 yards of Natural Resources traps or baited areas.

+++++ Bullfrog: Hunters must check in and out through iSportsman for bullfrog hunting and report harvest. Harvest may be by hand, hook, and line, legal gig, or spear.

Appendix B References

Section I Required Publications

Fort Sill Regulation 200-1

Recreational Use, Management, Harvest, and Protection of Natural Resources

Section II Related Publications

This section contains no entries.

Section III Prescribed Forms

This section contains no entries.

Section IV Referenced Forms

DA Form 2028

Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms

Glossary

Section I Abbreviations

ASD

Administrative Support Division

AR

Army Regulations

ARIMS

Army Records Information Management System

DA

Department of the Army

DHR

Directorate of Human Resources

DPW

Directorate of Public Works

EQD

Environmental Quality Division

LETRA

Lake Elmer Thomas Recreational Area

NRB

Natural Resources Branch

Pam

Pamphlet

Section II Terms

This section contains no entries.

Section III Special Abbreviations and Terms

This section contains no entries.