**Deer Hunting Program Guidance for 2020-2021 Season**

**GMO Website: https://al.ng.mil/ALABAMA/Resources/Pages/FortMGMO.aspx**

**Harvest Restrictions**

1. Doe harvesting will be allowed during “either sex deer hunts” at Pelham Range.
2. Does may be harvested in “Special Hunts” and **shall have udders** intact when brought to the GMO for check-in, deer may be field dressed. Lactation data must be collected and data sheet completed.
3. All deer will be capable of identification by sex organs. Deer may be field dressed.
4. All hunters shall report any dead deer found on Pelham Range.
5. Only bucks having **at least 4 points** on one side may be harvested.
	1. Points must be at least 1” inch in length.
6. All hunters will be limited to two (2) bucks and two (2) does for the season
7. **All hunters must harvest one (1) doe before harvesting their second buck unless doe quota has been met.**
8. Deer Limits: two (2) deer per day may be harvested in either sex hunts, one antlered and one antlerless.
9. Antlerless deer harvesting may be added or suspended at the discretion of the GMO.
10. Guests that harvest deer will be counted against sponsor’s quota.
11. During regular gun hunts, youth **must** observe harvest restrictions.

**Special Hunts**

**Youth Hunt**- 14th and 15th November, 2020, (Unrestricted, Either sex hunt)

**Hunt for Hunters with Physical Disabilities**- January 13, 2021, (Unrestricted and Either sex hunt)

**http://www.outdooralabama.com/physically-disabled-hunting-and-fishing-trail**

**2020-2021 Bow Hunting Dates**

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| **October 2020** | **November 2020** | **December 2020** | **January 2021** | **February 2021** |
|  \*16-20 Oct  \*24-27 Oct  \*31 Oct \* Indicates either sex  |  \*1-3 Nov  \*21-24 Nov  \*28-30 Nov  \*Indicates either sex  |  \*1 Dec  \*12-16 Dec \*19-23 Dec  \*26-30 Dec \* Indicates either sex  |  \*\*\*2-5 Jan  \*\*\*9-10 Jan  \*\*\*16-19 Jan  \*\*\* 22-26 Jan  \*\*\*30-31 Jan \*\*\* Indicates buck only |  \*\*\*1-2 Feb  \*\*\*5-10 Feb \*\*\* Indicates buck only |

 Notes:

1. 60 bow hunting days.
2. Bow hunters will be allowed to bow hunt in areas designated as gun hunting areas. Bow hunters must turn in passes at the end of each day if hunting in a *“Gun Area.”*
3. Doe harvesting will be allowed only during posted “either sex hunts” or “doe only hunts” at Pelham Range. See above.
4. Antlerless deer harvesting may be added or suspended at the discretion of the GMO.

**Hunting Program Guidance for 2020-2021**

**Season (Continued)**

**2020-2021 Gun Season Hunting Dates**

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| **November 2020** | **December 2020** | **January 2021** | **February 2021** |
| \*21-22 Nov Shotgun or Muzzle Loader\* Indicates either sex  | \*12-13 Dec \*19-20 Dec \*26-27 Dec Shotgun or Muzzle Loader\* Indicates either sex  | \*2-3 Jan \*9-10 Jan \*16-17 Jan \*22-24 Jan \*30-31 Jan Shotgun or Muzzle Loader\*Indicates either sex unless quota is met  | \*\*\*5-7 Feb Shotgun or Muzzle Loader\*\*\* Indicates buck only |

Notes:

1. 22 Total Gun Hunting days.
2. Doe harvesting will be allowed only during posted “either sex hunts” or “doe only hunts” at Pelham Range. See above.
3. Antlerless deer harvesting may be added or suspended at the discretion of the GMO.

**2020-2021 Upland Game Season Hunting Dates**

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| **November 2020** | **December 2020** | **February 2021** | **March 2021** | **April 2021** | **May 2021** |
| 7-10 Nov16-18 Nov | 5-8 Dec | 12-17 Feb18-24 Feb25-28 Feb |  1-3 Mar 4-7 Mar\*20-24 Apr\*25-31 Apr\*Turkey Hunting | \*1-7 Apr\*8-14 Apr \*15-21 Apr \*22-28 Apr\*29-30 Apr\*Turkey Hunting | \* 1-2 May\*Turkey Hunting |

 Notes:

1. 35 Upland Hunting Days.
	1. Upland Game applies to: rabbit, squirrel, and quail.
	2. Upland licenses are required to hunt rabbit, squirrel, and quail.
2. 44 Turkey Hunting Days.
	1. Turkey licenses are required for turkey hunting on Pelham Range.
3. All upland game harvested must be reported to the GMO. Hunters shall complete an Upland Game Harvest Card and deposit it in the drop box at the GMO. These cards can be found outside the GMO beside the drop box.
4. Quail hunters should indicate the number of “banded” quail harvested on the harvest card.
5. Hunters must follow the State of Alabama posted seasons for Upland Game:

-Bobwhite Quail Season (7 Nov 2020 thru 28 Feb 2021).

-Rabbit and Squirrel Season (12 Sept 2020 thru 7 March 2021).
 -Wild Turkey (20 Mar 2020 thru 2 May 2021).