



2018 – 2019 Fort Drum Cantonment Area Hunting Qualifications

Hunting in the Cantonment Area (deer, turkey, and bear only) is restricted to CAC, Mil. ID, Ret. Civ.-DoD, DoD-Cont. (green stripe and magnetic strip) cardholders only using archery or crossbows from an elevated stand and must demonstrate their shooting ability by attending and passing a qualification session. Qualification is required to hunt in the Cantonment Area ONLY – not the Training Area.

To qualify, hunters must shoot three out of five arrows/bolts into the vital area of life-size 3-D deer targets placed at distances between 10-30 yards. Hunters will shoot from an elevated structure 10 feet high. Disabled hunters will be accommodated. Only one qualifying shot will be allowed at each target. Hunters must qualify twice if they intend to use a bow AND crossbow and may do so at the same session.

Before qualifying, hunters must show their CAC/military I.D. card AND Fort Drum Recreational Access Pass. Hunters fulfilling qualification requirements will no longer receive a separate Fort Drum Archery and/or Crossbow Qualification Card, but will obtain a separate permit through the iSportsman system after the qualification is successfully completed.

Hunters failing to qualify on their first attempt may try again, but only at a later qualifying session. No practicing will be allowed at the qualification site.

Archery qualification cards expire Sept 1. Hunters must re-qualify every year.

QUALIFICATION SESSION SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Time	Location
September 4	Tuesday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 6	Thursday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 11	Tuesday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 13	Thursday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 18	Tuesday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 20	Thursday	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 22	Saturday	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 25	Tuesday	4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509
September 27	Thursday	4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Bldg. 2509

All qualification sessions take place in the field adjacent to the Natural Resources Outreach Facility (Bldg. S-2507/2509) located on NYS Rte. 26 between Great Bend and Wheeler-Sack Army Airfield.

Additional sessions will be held as needed for returning or recently arrived Soldiers and Families. For more information or to schedule a special session call Fort Natural Resources Branch at 315-772-9303 or e-mail: Fred.J.Ossman.civ@mail.mil.