

After Hurricane Michael, there were many concerns about our hunter's safety in decimated forests of Tyndall AFB. Changes to how the hunting season operates were necessary to ensure safety and to avoid interference with ongoing timber clearing operations and controlled burning operations.

Changes to this year's deer hunting program:

1. The Hunter Check Station (Building 5008) was destroyed. The **NEW Hunter Check Station is Building 4027** (next to Sabre Gate, across from the Visitor's Center).
2. Natural Resources is in the process of placing 57 tree stands in hunting zones across the base. These stands will be used by hunters on open hunting days. The stands will be available on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED basis. **NO PRIVATE STANDS WILL BE ALLOWED.** The stands will be numbered 1-57. When you come to the check station, you request one of the stands according to the number. There will be a map and description of the stand locations provided. Natural Resources is not accepting requests as to where to place tree stands.
3. Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has changed their rules about the number of deer a hunter is allowed to harvest per season. Please make yourself familiar with these new regulations.
4. Please, **NO WHINING!** Natural Resources struggled in order to just get a hunting season approved for Tyndall. Your understanding of the new changes is greatly appreciated.