



NBVC Environmental Operational Procedure WATERFOWL HUNTING ANNUAL INFORMATION

DATES AND TIMES

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- 1 **PURPOSE:** To summarize requirements for personnel hunting waterfowl at NBVC and establish the hunting periods for the 2025-2026 waterfowl season.
- 2 **APPLICATION:** This procedure is applicable to hunting waterfowl at the Point Mugu location of NBVC.
- 3 **PROCEDURES:** Submit hunting requirements to the Environmental Division, in Building 632 on the corner of Laguna Road and Ronald Reagan Blvd at Point Mugu. The office is open from 0700-1700 M-F or use the left drop box outside in back. The phone numbers are (805) 890-7245 (duty Waterfowl Committee member from Mid Oct-Feb) or (secondary) (805) 989-3808. The email address is NBVChunting@verizon.net. For the website, go to: <http://nbvchunting.my-personal.org/Home.htm>
- 4 **ATTACHMENTS:** The following Attachments form a part of these regulations:
 - (1) Waterfowl Hunting Schedule for 2025-26
 - (2) Waterfowl Committee Members (Not for Web Publication)
- 5 **SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR HUNTING:**
 - a. All persons hunting waterfowl aboard Point Mugu must pass an annual written test to ensure they are familiar with NBVC hunting regulations and the State of California waterfowl hunting regulations. The test also includes a section on species identification. Test dates are scheduled for Thursday, 02 Oct 2025 and Wednesday, 08 Oct 2025 at 1200 in the building 632 east end conference room. The test may also be downloaded from the NBVC Waterfowl Hunting Program website, taken at home, and the completed answer sheet returned to the Environmental Division or placed in the drop box on the back of Building 632.
 - b. A California hunting license with a free Harvest Information Survey completed and both state and federal duck stamps / endorsements are required to hunt waterfowl at Pt. Mugu. These must be presented to a waterfowl committee member, or a copy must be submitted to the Environmental Division.
 - c. All personnel hunting waterfowl aboard Pt. Mugu, guests included, shall fill out a DD Form 2760 and a Hunter and Shotgun Registration Form. They shall submit them to the Environmental Division. Failure to complete any of the three forms will result in no blind assignment.
 - d. The yearly waterfowl hunting fee has been suspended this hunting season.
 - e. A Waterfowl Hunter's Access Card will be issued to each hunter after they have taken the test, completed a DD Form 2760, a shotgun registration form, and shown (or submitted a copy of) their state hunting license. A military affiliated identification must be presented in person the first time registering to establish eligibility for hunting. A base hunting area tour must also be conducted prior to hunting for the first time (Guests excluded). If requirements are finished after the season begins, expect up to a two-week delay to process the paperwork through security. The access card will not be stapled to your blind request since the access card must be presented to the gate guard upon entry.
 - f. All documentation/fees should be stapled or clipped together and submitted. Multiple packets can be submitted in one envelope, as long as each hunter's information is clipped together.
 - g. Approval to hunt on base has been approved for Veterans with SERVICE-CONNECTED disabilities. They are a priority 5 along with contractors who also only have a DBIS ID card registered on base. They will not be able to sponsor guest hunters.
- 6 **SHOOTING PERIODS AND TIMES:** Waterfowl hunting is permitted only on the days and times listed in

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Attachment 1. Note that the late youth hunting weekend has flip-flopped with the active/veteran weekend.

7 HUNTING AREAS: The following is a summary of important notes about the hunting areas.

- a. Blind 24 has been closed again this season due to the proximity to Salt Marsh Birds Beak plants.
- b. ESA location “F” is back open again. It will close if the Las Posas gate becomes the 24/7 gate again
- c. A new fence will be installed in the hunting area during this hunting season making access to some blinds limited and possibly cutting off some completely. In particular blinds 15, 15A, and 16 could be most affected.
- d. Blind 16 has bird spikes installed. These are hinged and may be folded down away from the inside the blind so they are out of the way during shooting. If they are folded down they **MUST** be pivoted back up prior to departure. Pictures are on the website.

8 BLIND ASSIGNMENTS:

- a. Blind assignment dates, which are out of the ordinary (not the Monday prior), due to holidays include:
 - (1) Wednesday, Oct 15, 2025 will be assignment day for opening weekend – October 18 & 19, 2025
 - (2) Tuesday, Jan 20, 2026 will be assignment day, due to Monday MLK Holiday.

9 2025-26 CALIFORNIA WATERFOWL REGULATIONS SUMMARY:

- a. The regular season for most ducks and geese in the Southern California zone is from Saturday October 18, 2025 through Wednesday, January 28, 2026 (except Scaup and Brant – see below). There will also be an active duty/veteran hunt the weekend of Sat Jan 31 & Sun Feb 1, 2026 (not for dependents unless also veterans). Guests OK if eligible but must have provided proof of previous military service. Additionally, there will be a youth hunt (age 17 or younger) Sat/Sun Feb 7/8, 2026 – the youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult who has completed all hunting requirements.
- b. Limits for ducks/geese in the Southern California zone – possession limit is three times the daily bag limit:

Ducks - Seven per day with the following limitations:

 - (1) Not more than seven mallards of which not more than two can be mallard hens.
 - (2) Not more than two redheads.
 - (3) Not more than three pintail.
 - (4) Not more than two canvasback.
 - (5) Not more than two scaup (From Nov 4, 2025 through Jan 28, 2026)

Brant – Two per day from Nov 30th – Dec 15th (Balance of State Brant)

Geese – Twenty-three per day including up to 20 white and only three may be dark geese.

10 ACTION: Persons hunting waterfowl aboard Point Mugu will comply with the provisions of the main Environmental Operational Procedure Document. Members of the Environmental Division and Waterfowl Committee, Attachment 2, will be posted in the waterfowl notebook. You may contact any of the listed personnel for additional information about hunting or to provide comments.

2025-2026 WATERFOWL HUNTING SCHEDULE

Shooting time begins 1/2 hour before sunrise and ends at sunset except Wednesdays, when it ends at 0700. **NO SHOOTING PAST 0700 WEDNESDAYS**. Start picking up promptly at 0700 Wednesdays to leave the blind area no later than 0730. The requirement for use of decoys in any blinds is waived (optional) on Wednesdays to expedite departure. No hunting in location 40 or 41 on Wednesdays.

Blinds 18, 39, 41, and 70-75 are closed after 10 AM on Saturday and Sunday unless you have checked out a radio from Air Ops and are in continual contact with the Pt Mugu control tower. In order to be assigned blind 18, 39, 41 and 70-75 the hunters must have a current email listed on your registration form and you must check it after Friday at 6PM for special weekend closure notices. In the event flight operations on the main runway 03/21 take place on the weekends before 10 AM, hunters will be notified by email and expected to vacate these blinds and take down any temporary blind materials. See main SOP/regulations for further details.

The adjacent duck clubs sound a siren on Wednesdays and Saturdays only to signal commencement of hunting. There is no siren at sunset to stop shooting.

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>START</u> | <u>STOP</u> |
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| 18 Oct (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0634 | 1818 |
| 19 Oct (SUN) | All Blinds | 0635 | 1816 |
| 22 Oct (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0637 | 0700 |
| 25 Oct (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0640 | 1810 |
| 26 Oct (SUN) | All Blinds | 0641 | 1809 |
| 29 Oct (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0643 | 0700 |

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| 01 Nov (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0646 | 1803 |
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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 2AM SUNDAY, 02 NOVEMBER 2025

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| 02 Nov (SUN) | All Blinds | 0547 | 1702 |
| 05 Nov (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0550 | 0700 |
| 08 Nov (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0553 | 1657 |
| 09 Nov (SUN) | All Blinds | 0553 | 1656 |
| 12 Nov (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0556 | 0700 |
| 15 Nov (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0559 | 1651 |
| 16 Nov (SUN) | All Blinds | 0600 | 1651 |
| 19 Nov (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0603 | 0700 |
| 22 Nov (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0606 | 1649 |
| 23 Nov (SUN) | All Blinds | 0607 | 1648 |
| 26 Nov (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0609 | 0700 |
| 29 Nov (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0612 | 1647 |
| 30 Nov (SUN) | All Blinds | 0613 | 1646 |

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| 03 Dec (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0616 | 0700 |
| 06 Dec (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0618 Likely Closed | 1646 |
| 07 Dec (SUN) | All Blinds | 0619 Likely Closed | 1646 |
| 10 Dec (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0621 | 0700 |

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| 13 Dec (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0623 | 1648 |
| 14 Dec (SUN) | All Blinds | 0624 | 1648 |
| 17 Dec (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0626 | 0700 |
| 20 Dec (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0627 | 1650 |
| 21 Dec (SUN) | All Blinds | 0628 | 1651 |
| 24 Dec (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0629 | 0700 |
| 27 Dec (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0630 | 1654 |
| 28 Dec (SUN) | All Blinds | 0631 | 1655 |
| 31 Dec (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0632 | 0700 |

JAN 2026

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| 03 Jan (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0632 | 1659 |
| 04 Jan (SUN) | All Blinds | 0632 | 1700 |
| 07 Jan (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0632 | 0700 |
| 10 Jan (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0632 | 1705 |
| 11 Jan (SUN) | All Blinds | 0632 | 1706 |
| 14 Jan (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0632 | 0700 |
| 17 Jan (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0631 | 1712 |
| 18 Jan (SUN) | All Blinds | 0631 | 1713 |
| 21 Jan (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0629 | 0700 |
| 24 Jan (SAT) | All Blinds/ESA | 0628 | 1719 |
| 25 Jan (SUN) | All Blinds | 0627 | 1720 |
| 28 Jan (WED) | All Blinds (no 40's) | 0626 | 0700 |

JAN/FEB 2026 - ACTIVE & VETERAN ONLY HUNT WEEKEND – (Note reversal w/Youth) **Guests must demonstrate proof of veteran status**

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| 31 Jan (SAT) | All Blinds + ESA | 0624 | 1726 |
| 01 Feb (SUN) | All Blinds | 0623 | 1727 |

FEB 2026 - YOUTH ONLY HUNT WEEKEND – Must be accompanied by non-hunting adult

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| 07 Feb (SAT) | All Blinds + ESA | 0618 | 1732 |
| 08 Feb (SUN) | All Blinds | 0617 | 1733 |