Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission

Proclamation 23-06

Wildlife Management Areas, Public Hunting Areas, and Refuges Hunting Seasons, Limits and Miscellaneous Regulations

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated 70–4–107 and 70–5–108, the Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission hereby proclaims the wildlife management areas, public hunting areas, and refuges hunting seasons, limits and miscellaneous regulations.

NOTE: Migratory Bird Season Dates and Limits are pending in lieu of Federal Frameworks.

SECTION 1. GENERAL

A. Hunting Season

- 1. On WMAs open with statewide seasons, the season dates, bag limits, weapon types, and ammunition types that pertain to the county where the WMA is located apply to that WMA. Special regulations listed specifically for those WMAs still apply.
- 2. Small Game: All species identified in the current Small Game; Furbearer; Duck, Goose, and Crane; and Dove, Woodcock, Snipe, Crow, and September Waterfowl hunting seasons proclamations.
- 3. Big Game: All species identified in the current Big Game Proclamation.
- 4. Small game hunting and dog training closed at sunset on the day before and during scheduled big game hunts on the following wildlife management areas, unless special exception indicated: AEDC, Catoosa, Cheatham, Chuck Swan State Forest, Happy Hollow, Hiwassee Refuge, Laurel Hill, Prentice Cooper State Forest, Williamsport, and Yuchi Refuge.
- 5. Crow may be taken on scheduled small game hunt days that coincide with statewide crow season unless an exception is noted.
- 6. Red fox may be taken during the statewide trapping season except when regulated by legislative act or unless otherwise specified.
- 7. Falconry open with statewide falconry seasons unless an exception is noted.
- 8. Small game (except raccoon) and retriever field trials permitted year-round with 30-day advanced approval of the area manager unless otherwise specified.
- 9. Raccoon hound field trials permitted Sep. 1–Apr. 30 unless prohibited.
- 10. Dog training is year-round unless otherwise indicated.
- 11. On all WMAs open to the late duck season, the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season is open, unless exception is noted. On all WMAs, the legal hunting hours during the Youth Waterfowl Season comply with federal regulations for migratory birds (30) minutes before official sunrise to sunset), unless exception is noted.
- 12. All game killed or crippled shall be retrieved if possible and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field. No game may be discarded on the premises of the management area.

- 13. Persons participating in a sanctioned field trial on a WMA, as authorized by the TWRA, may shoot to retrieve mallards. Mallards used in these trials must be held and released in accordance with all state laws, rules and regulations governing captive wildlife.
- 14. All refuges are closed Nov. 15–last day of Feb. to all forms of use and trespass unless otherwise indicated. Designated observation areas will be open year-round, unless otherwise noted.
- 15. On WMAs open with the statewide season, quail season runs from the 1st Saturday in November until January 15th unless otherwise noted.
- 16. The late duck season includes those hunting days that occur during the months of Nov., Dec., Jan., and Feb., and includes the Youth waterfowl hunting season and the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Days.

B. Bag and Possession Limits

- 1. Statewide bag and possession limits shall apply unless special exception is indicated.
- 2. One deer may be taken on each managed hunt where a permit is required except as otherwise indicated. Deer taken on antiered—only hunts must have antiers a minimum of three inches (3") in length.
- 3. For the spring turkey season, one bearded turkey per day, not to exceed the statewide bag limit, except as otherwise indicated.

C. Miscellaneous Regulations

- 1. Small game WMA permit is required to trap on all areas that require a small game hunt permit.
- 2. Possession of shotgun ammunition loaded with more than one solid ball is specifically prohibited while hunting deer, elk, or bear.
- 3. Dogs permitted for small game hunting unless otherwise indicated. Special regulations apply where indicated.
- 4. On all "Young-Sportsman Hunts," youths, ages 6–16, may participate but must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device. Adults cannot hunt except as indicated otherwise. Adults must comply with fluorescent orange regulations, as specified for legal hunters when accompanying Young Sportsmen on "Young-Sportsman Big Game Hunts," except as indicated.
- 5. Youths, ages 6–16, may participate on other big game WMA hunts, but must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device except as otherwise noted.
- 6. During the Youth Waterfowl Hunting Season, only youth hunters from 6-16 years of age may harvest coots, gallinules, moorhens, ducks, mergansers, and geese. Non-hunting adults at least 18 years of age shall accompany the youth hunter(s) into the field during the youth waterfowl season and must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device. Multiple youths may be accompanied by a single qualifying adult however adults and other persons accompanying youths shall not hunt during these youth waterfowl hunts.
- 7. The placement or depositing of any type of food to feed or attract wildlife on WMAs, PHAs, and Refuges is prohibited.

- 8. Where persons are required to wear fluorescent orange, they must wear on their upper body and head a minimum of 500-square inches of daylight fluorescent orange visible front and back.
- 9. Wheelchair-bound hunts, zones, or blinds are open to hunters who are totally and permanently confined to a wheelchair as certified by a physician.
- 10. On wheelchair—bound big game hunts, each wheelchair—bound hunter must be accompanied by a non-hunting assistant (age 16 years or older) except on Cordell Hull WMA where the assistant may also participate in hunting. On wheelchair—bound waterfowl hunts, each wheelchair—bound hunter must be accompanied by at least one, but not more than three assistants (at least one of whom must be age 16 years of age or older), who may also participate in hunting.
- 11. Persons already holding a blind permit may not participate in wheelchair—blind permit drawings. If a wheelchair—bound blind is not occupied by legal shooting hours, it may be occupied by another wheelchair—bound hunter for that day. Applications for wheelchair—bound waterfowl blind permits must be received by the appropriate regional office by noon on the 4th Friday in October.
- 12. Release or possession of pen-raised quail is prohibited except on approved field trial areas on Percy Priest and Tellico Lake WMAs (Manager approval required).
- 13. Waterfowl hunting from temporary blinds: no blinds, blind materials, boats, or decoys left overnight unless otherwise specified by rule or proclamation. A temporary blind is either a structure assembled or placed for a hunt or boat that is used for hunting: or a site consisting of the use of natural vegetation or conditions for concealment for a specified hunt.

SECTION II. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND REFUGES - SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS

AEDC and Woods Reservoir Refuge

Units1-6

Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting closed during deer shotgun-muzzleloader hunts and youth deer shotgun-muzzleloader hunts. During deer gun hunts walk-in waterfowl hunters can access Unit 4 registered waterfowl blind sites on Woods Reservoir, see special regulations below.

Unit 1 – Closed to small game hunting and trapping.

Deer/Turkey (Archery)

Same as statewide seasons except closed one day prior to and during scheduled quota deer hunts. No hunter quota. Bag limits same as statewide season.

Deer (Young-Sportsman) (Shotgun-Muzzleloader)

Same as statewide season. No hunter quota, two deer, antlered or antlerless, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader)

Two hunts. One 3-day hunt, beginning the second Friday in November and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning the Friday after Thanksgiving and running for 3 consecutive days. 900 quota, two deer, antlered or antlerless, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).

Turkey (Fall)

Same as statewide season and bag limits.

Turkey (Spring)

Same as statewide season and bag limits.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except open on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday of the late duck season and the first and last day of each segment. Hunting from registered blind sites only on Woods Reservoir. During the early duck and goose season hunting is allowed outside of registered blind sites, except 150 yards from the bank starting at the pumping station going west to the Rowland's Creek causeway. Waterfowl hunting is allowed from drawn blind sites during deer gun hunts.

Dog Training

Sep. 1– Feb. 28.

Woods Reservoir Waterfowl Refuge

Dec.1– Jan 31. All forms of trespass are prohibited.

Special Regulations

All hunting is subject to coordination with military training operations and is subject to closure.

All access will be strictly controlled. Big Game and Small Game hunters are required to sign in at one of the three hunter sign-in stations.

Certain areas may be closed due to military training. The barricades at the designated entry points will be closed and appropriate signs will be displayed. If the barricades are locked, the area is closed to all public activity, including hunting.

Deer-Turkey-Archery Zones may be hunted on any scheduled deer or turkey hunt with archery equipment only. These areas are closed to Small Game hunting.

Rifles, center fire and rim fire, are prohibited. All handguns, including muzzleloading pistols are prohibited. Air rifles are allowed for small game hunting, except for migratory birds.

Alpine Mountain

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Arnold Hollow

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Anderson Pond PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons except deer season is archery only.

Bark Camp Barrens

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Quail season is closed.

Rabbit First Saturday of November to Jan. 15 of the following year.

Dog Training (Rabbit & Quail Only)

Sept. 1 – Jan.15. Dog training for the remainder of the year is open to

all species.

Barkley Unit I

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

During the late duck season, all activities are prohibited when waterfowl

hunting is closed.

Hunting of waterfowl during the late duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last

day of each segment of the late duck and goose seasons.

Duck seasons under 45 days: Hunting of waterfowl during the late duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and the first and last day of each segment

of the late duck and goose seasons.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before

each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season.

Deer and Small Game hunting is only allowed on days waterfowl hunting is closed during the late duck seasons.

Barkley Unit II

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons

Battle Creek PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons

Bean Switch Refuge

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove and

waterfowl hunting.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Closed to fall turkey hunting.

Same as statewide season.

Bear Hollow Mountain

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons and bag limits, except as noted. Only one

antlerless deer per day.

Special Regulations WMA access roads will be opened for scouting on the 4th Saturday in

Aug.

During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out

of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and

muzzleloader seasons.

Beason Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Beaver Dam Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Beech River

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

> turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Waterfowl Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the

> duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, ceases at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day except the last day of the season when hunting closes at sunset. No blinds, decoys, materials may be left overnight. No access before 4 a.m. or after 5

p.m.

Big Springs PHA

Dove, Grouse, Opossum, Quail, Rabbit, Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Raccoon, Snipe, Squirrel, Trapping, Deer,

Turkey

Small game hunters (except raccoon and opossum hunters between sunset and sunrise) must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent

orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for

that hunt.

Groundhog, fox, and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with

weapon legal for that hunt.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapons legal for

the scheduled hunt. No dogs allowed.

Big Sandy and Gin Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late

> duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and the first and last day of each segment

of the late duck and goose seasons.

Special Dove (Youth) The youth dove hunt will occur on opening day of the statewide season

> if the youth are out of school. If opening day is not a weekend or a holiday, then the youth dove hunt will be on the first Saturday following the opening date, from noon until sunset. Each youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Hunting allowed in designated

fields only.

Dove On the day following the youth hunt, open to statewide seasons.

Designated fields only.

Dog Training Sep. 1-Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before Special Regulations

each opening day of the statewide duck season.

During the late duck season, all activities are prohibited in the subimpoundments when waterfowl hunting is closed. All activities are prohibited on the WMA five (5) days prior to each opening day of the statewide duck and goose season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season.

Black Bayou Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Nontoxic shot approved

by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service only.

Closed to waterfowl hunting.

Archery equipment only during the deer muzzleloader season.

Closed to Young Sportsman deer hunts.

Closed to turkey hunting except for young sportsman turkey hunt.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Nov. 14.

Blackburn Fork WMA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons

Dog Training Sept.1 – Mar. 15.

Special Regulations Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts.

Bogota

Deer, Small Game
Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Areas within 150 yards

of draw waterfowl pools are closed during small game, trapping and

statewide deer gun season(s).

Special Dove (Youth)

The youth dove hunt will occur on opening day of the statewide season

if the youth are out of school. If opening day is not a weekend or a holiday, then the youth dove hunt will be on the first Saturday following opening date, from noon until sunset. Each youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Hunting allowed in designated

fields only.

Dove On the day following the youth hunt, open to statewide seasons.

Designated fields only.

Waterfowl (Designated Pools Only)

Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and

February, permitted only on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, and the youth waterfowl season. Goose seasons to coincide with statewide season

after the youth waterfowl season, no pool restrictions or drawings.

All hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of each season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset.

Special Regulations

Designated pools (except Pool 1) will be allocated by computer draw (draw pools). Hunters are restricted to pools or number stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually. All hunters in a party are required to hunt in the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn. Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out in draw pools over the specified hunt but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day.

Pool 1 (non-draw pool): No waterfowl hunters permitted in Pool 1 and no access allowed from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the late duck season. No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blinds, blind materials, and boats must be removed daily from Pool 1.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit of one bearded turkey that counts toward statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide season.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Oct. 31.

Bridgestone-Firestone Centennial Wilderness

Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting. Rabbit hunting and American Woodcock open Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday only. Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4th Friday in Aug., except during turkey and spring squirrel

seasons.

Big Game Same as statewide seasons, except deer season is closed for eight (8)

days beginning the second Friday before Thanksgiving and is closed

beginning the second Saturday in December.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15. Dog training open Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday

only.

Special Regulations Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts, except

closed to non-hunting activities during spring turkey season until 12

p.m. CDT.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-

inch minimum main beam outside antler spread on all hunts.

Big Bottom Unit

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting. Rabbit hunting open Wednesday, Saturday,

and Sunday only.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15. Dog training open Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday

only.

Special Regulations Unauthorized entry is prohibited between sunset and sunrise.

Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Browntown

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Buffalo Ridge Refuge-Unit 1

Dove (Hunts for Warriors, Women BOW,

Youth)

Four hunts. Sept. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25, 2022. (Sept. 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, 2023). Bag and possession limits same as statewide

season.

Squirrel (Youth) One hunt. Dec,10, 17, 2022. (Dec.9, 16, 2023.) Each youth must be

accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Bag and possession limits same

as statewide season.

Deer (Gun)(Special Youth)

One hunt. Oct. 29, 30, 2022. (Oct. 28-29, 2023). Hunter quota 30.

Bag and possession limits same as statewide season. Open to youth ages 10-16 who are hunter education certified. Youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device and must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations, as

specified for legal hunters. No more than 1 youth per adult.

Deer (Gun/Muzzleloader)(Ladies BOW) One hunt. Nov. 12-13, 2022. (Nov. 11-12, 2023). Hunter quota 40.

Bag and possession limits same as statewide season.

Deer (Gun)(Hunts for Warriors)

One hunt. Dec. 3-4, 2022. (Dec. 2-3, 2023). Hunter quota 40. Bag and

possession limits same as statewide season.

Turkey (Gun) (Youth, Hunts for Warriors,

Women BOW)

One hunt. April 8-9, 2023. Eight hunts. (April 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, May 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26, 2024). Bag and possession limits same

as statewide season.

Buffalo Ridge Refuge Unit 2

Deer (Archery)

One hunt. Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2023. Hunter quota 7. Two deer, only one

antlered. Deer count towards statewide bag limit.

Deer (Muzzleloader) One hunt. Nov. 11-12, 2023. Hunter quota 7. Two deer, only one

antlered. Deer count towards statewide bag limit.

Deer Gun One hunt. Dec. 2-4, 2023. Hunter quota 7. Two deer, only one

antlered. Deer count towards statewide bag limit.

Special Regulations

Scouting allowed the Saturday and Sunday prior to scheduled hunts. Hunts may be rescheduled due to weather at the TWRA Executive Director's allowance.

Buffalo Springs

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove

Sept. 1, 3, 5 2022 (Sept. 1, 2, 4 2023) Open September 1 at noon then the following Saturday, then Labor Day and the remainder of the statewide season.

Special Regulations

Nighttime use of all additional WMA access points is prohibited except for raccoon and opossum hunters and scheduled events.

Quail hunting closed. Quail dog training only during statewide quail season.

C. M. Gooch

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except the area inside the TWRA maintained levee of Unit A and all of Unit E are closed to all activities except waterfowl hunting during the late waterfowl season. Units A and E are closed to all activities five days before each opening of the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Closed to fall turkey season

Same as statewide season

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except Gooch waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. on Units A and E.

Waterfowl hunting on the last day of each segment of the duck and remaining goose seasons closes at sunset.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl is prohibited inside of the TWRA maintained levee of Units A and all of E during the late duck seasons. On Gooch Unit E, no waterfowl hunters permitted on the unit or access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s).

No permanent blinds. All temporary blinds, blind materials, and boats must be removed from Unit E daily.

Gooch Unit E will be allocated by computer draw. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary blind sites. Hunters are restricted to numbered stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually. Decoys may be left out but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day. Draw hunts will be Opening weekend (s), Monday-Thursday, and Friday-Sunday.

Camden Unit I

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting shall close at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the

regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of each segment of the late duck season and remaining goose seasons when

hunting shall close at sunset.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before

each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl

prohibited during the late duck season(s).

Camden Unit II

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer hunting will be with archery equipment only during waterfowl

seasons. Archers must comply with the legal blaze orange

requirements during the deer gun season.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during late duck season.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair Bound only Blind

Sites)

Application must be received by the TWRA Region I Office by noon on the 4th Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible to compete in the wheelchair-bound blind drawing. If blind is not occupied by shooting time, another wheelchair-bound hunter and 1 to 3 assistants (at least one assistant must be age 16 or older) may occupy the blind for that day. Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair-hunting zone at

designated blinds.

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting shall close at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the

regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except for (a) Tuesdays and Thursdays, (b) the last day of each segment of the late duck season, (c) the remaining goose seasons, and (d) wheelchair-bound blind sites

when hunting shall close at sunset.

Special Regulations All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before

each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Catoosa

Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Raccoon and opossum

season is Nov. 1 to sunrise Dec. 31. Dogs are not permitted during the spring squirrel season. Trapping and small game hunting closed during

wild hog control season. Closed to quail hunting.

Deer (Archery)

One 9-day hunt beginning the Saturday following the 4th Saturday in September. Archery equipment only. Area checking stations operated. Entire area open. Two deer, no more than one antlered deer, count toward statewide bag limit.

Bears may be taken with any weapon legal for the hunt. One bear, counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One 3-day hunt beginning the Thursday before the last Saturday in October and one 3-day hunt beginning the first Thursday before Thanksgiving. Station quota per hunt: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, antlered only. Deer counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Gun)

One 3-day hunt beginning the second Thursday before Thanksgiving. Station quota: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, antlered only. Deer counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Gun)

One 3-day hunt beginning the Thursday after Thanksgiving. Entire area open. One deer, antlered only. Deer counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One 2-day hunt beginning the Saturday before the last Saturday in October. Two deer, no more than one antlered. Deer counts toward statewide bag limit.

Wild Hog (Control Season) (Dogs Permitted)

One 5-day hunt beginning the Wednesday following the last deer gun hunt and one 5-day hunt beginning the second Wednesday following the last deer gun hunt, Entire area open. No limit, either sex.

All participants in the hog control season must wear on the upper portion of their body and head a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange, visible front and back.

Participants may use any legal weapon and ammunition that is legal for taking Deer, Bear or Elk.

Legal hours—One-half hour before sunrise and to one- half hour after sunset.

Checking stations open on Catoosa—all hogs must be transported whole to the checking stations for data collection.

Bullfrog

Apr. 1–Sep. 1. No hunting during turkey hunts.

Turkey

Six hunts. April 21-24, 25-27, May 2-4, 5-7, 9-11, 12-14, 2023. (Apr. 29-30, 28-29, April 30-May 2, May 3-5, 7-9, 10-12, 2024) One bearded turkey per hunt, counts towards statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman)

One hunt. Apr. 29-30, 2023 (Apr. 27-28, 2024). One bearded turkey.

Trapping

Dec. 15- last day of February.

Dog Training

Dog training is closed.

Special Regulations

Hunters required to check out big game and wild hogs at WMA check stations when stations are in operation.

Walk-in hunting and trapping only from Feb. 1–last day of Feb.

Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4th Friday in Aug., except during turkey and spring squirrel seasons.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum main beam outside antler spread on all hunts.

Catoosa WMA will be closed to all users Feb. 1–last Friday in Mar., except for Cumberland Trail corridor users and walk-in hunters and trappers will be permitted Feb. 1–last day of Feb.

All users within the Cumberland Trail corridor must wear fluorescent clothing during deer gun and muzzleloader seasons. During all deer hunts and spring turkey hunts, pedestrian access is limited to within 100 feet on either side of the Cumberland Trail corridor.

Guides prohibited on all hunts.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Rifles and handguns using center-fire ammunition are legal for hunting beaver, bobcat, foxes, coyotes, groundhogs, and crows only during big game seasons and the hunter must be a licensed legal big game hunter.

During big game hunts coyotes may be taken with any weapon legal for that hunt.

Chasing fox, coyote, or bobcat with dogs is not permitted.

Firing Range (Genesis Checking Station)

Open daily except during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only.

Firing Ranges (Peavine Campground)

Open Apr. 1 – Jan. 31, except closed during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only.

Crooked Fork Unit

Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting. Closed to all hunting March 1 through the fourth Friday in August, except during turkey and spring squirrel seasons. Rifles and handguns using centerfire ammunition prohibited.

Big Game

Same as statewide seasons, except deer season is closed beginning the 2nd Saturday in December. Archery equipment, shotguns and muzzleloaders only for deer hunting.

Dog Training

Dog training is closed.

Special Regulations

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

During big game hunts coyotes may be taken with any weapon legal

for that hunt.

Chasing fox, coyote, or bobcat with dogs is not permitted.

Cedar Hill Swamp

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Archery equipment only for deer.

Chambers Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide season

Charlotte Ann Finnell Neal

Deer, Turkey, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season closes beginning the $2^{\rm nd}$ Saturday in December. Archery equipment only for deer.

Small Game

Opens 2nd Saturday in December and closes last day of Feb., except as noted. Squirrel season open from fourth Saturday in Aug. to the Friday before the 4th Saturday in September and during spring squirrel season. Dogs are not permitted during spring squirrel season.

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Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15.

Cheatham

Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer (Archery)

One hunt. Beginning on the last Saturday in September through the 3rd Sunday in October. Bag limit 2 deer, 1 antlered and 1 antlerless. Antler restrictions apply.

Deer (Young Sportsman)

One hunt. One 2-day hunt, beginning second to last Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days. . Bag limit 2 deer, 1 antlered and 1 antlerless. No antler restrictions.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

Two hunts. One 3-day hunt, beginning last Friday in October and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning first Friday in November and running for 3 consecutive days. 450 quota, Bag limit 2 deer, 1 antlered and 1 antlerless. Antler restrictions apply.

Deer (Gun)

Two quota hunts. One 8-day hunt, beginning on the 2nd Friday in November, and running for 8 consecutive days. One 8-day hunt, beginning the Saturday before Thanksgiving and running for 8 consecutive days. 450 quota. 2 deer, one antlered and one antlerless. Antler restrictions apply.

One non- quota hunt. Beginning the day after the last quota deer hunt and running to the end of the statewide season. One antlerless deer.

Turkey (Spring)

Same as statewide spring season. Only one (1) bearded turkey allowed during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, All harvested turkeys count towards the statewide bag limit.

Dog Training Daylight hours only.

Firing Range Open 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. local time seven days a week. Automatic

weapons prohibited.

Special Regulations Except for the young sportsman hunt, antlered deer must have at least

four antler points on one side or a 15-inch minimum main beam outside

spread. All harvested deer count toward the statewide bag limit.

Cheatham Lake

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons on Sycamore Creek upstream from railroad trestle, Harpeth River upstream from Highway 49, and on

Johnson Creek upstream from Johnson Creek Bridge.

Hunting on remainder of Cheatham Lake WMA same as statewide season, except during the late duck season when hunting is open only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and the last

day of each segment of the late statewide duck season.

Waterfowl hunting is permitted only from registered blind sites and from $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

staked temporary blind sites during the late duck season.

Hunting on Harpeth Island, Marks Creek, and Bluff Creek wade-in areas is not restricted to registered or staked temporary sites.

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Night hunting, trapping, and fishing prohibited in waterfowl impoundments during the waterfowl season.

The sub-impoundment units as posted are closed to all types of activity five days before the opening of the first segment of the late duck

season.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind

site)

Applications must be received by the TWRA Region II Office by noon on the 4th Friday in October. Persons holding a permit for another blind

are not eligible.

Dove Same as statewide. Hunting permitted in designated fields only.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during duck seasons.

Cheatham Lake – Pardue Pond Refuge and Dyson Ditch Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only

for deer.

Turkey (Fall)

One hunt. First weekend in October. Hunter quota 50. Two bearded

turkeys.

Special Regulations Access by boat only

Cherokee

Special Regulations Bobcat hunting with dogs prohibited. Dog training prohibited, except for

Bear Dog Training Season in Carter, Cocke, Greene, Johnson, Monroe, Polk, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington counties, or as

otherwise specified.

The use of and/or possession of any tracking device for dogs from Mar.

1-Aug. 15 is illegal. Hunting of coyotes with dogs prohibited.

Mountains National Park.

South Cherokee That portion of the Cherokee WMA lying south of the Great Smoky

Mountains National Park.

North Cherokee

Special Regulations Only pointing breed hunting dogs are permitted in the bear reserve one

day before and during bear hunts that allow the use of dogs. During bear hunts that do not allow the use of hounds, small game hunters in

the bear reserves are limited to 2 dogs per vehicle.

Wild hogs may be taken on any big game hunt with the weapon legal for that hunt, except wild hogs may not be taken in the bear reserves

during bear season.

Dove, Grouse, Quail, Rabbit, Snipe,

Squirrel, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Small game hunters (except raccoon and opossum hunters between sunset and sunrise) must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent

orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for

that hunt.

Groundhog, fox, and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with

weapon legal for that hunt. Fox closed in Washington County.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapons legal for

the scheduled hunt. No dogs allowed.

Spring squirrel season is closed.

Deer Dates are same as statewide seasons. Bag limit of two antlered deer.

(Count toward statewide limit)

Deer (Archery)

Bag limit of 4 antlerless (count toward statewide limit)

Deer (Muzzleloader)

Bag limit of 1 antlerless (count toward statewide limit)

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

Bag limit of 2 antlerless (count toward statewide limit)

Deer (Gun) Closed to antlerless hunting

Turkey Same as statewide season

Opossum, Raccoon

First Friday night in October until the last night in Feb. Season closed the day before and during all scheduled bear hunts in all bear reserves.

Bear Dog Training Season

Tuesday following Labor Day to run 26 consecutive days. No bears may be harvested. No weapons may be possessed. No training in bear reserves.

Bear

Same as statewide season, except closed Sep. 24-Sep. 30 and Oct. 4-7, 2022 (Sep. 23-29, Oct. 3-6, 2023).

South Cherokee

Dove, Grouse, Quail, Rabbit, Snipe, Squirrel, Waterfowl, Woodcock

Same as statewide, except as noted.

Small game hunters, except raccoon and opossum hunters, must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Spring squirrel season is closed.

Closed to all hunting Mar. $1-4^{\text{th}}$ Friday in Aug., except during turkey season.

Small game hunting in bear reserves and party hunt area during scheduled party hunts prohibited one day before and during bear (dogs permitted) hunts.

Dogs permitted for squirrel hunting outside of Bear Reserves during bear dog hunts and Jan.1 – last day of Feb. Squirrel hunters utilizing dogs during bear dog hunts are limited to a maximum of 2 dogs per vehicle.

It is illegal to possess firearms with any breed of dog other than pointing breeds during daylight hours, excluding bear season, except as provided.

Season open on groundhog, fox and skunk during any small game hunt with weapons legal for that small game hunt. Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for that scheduled hunt. Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.

Deer/Bear (Archery)

One 13-day hunt beginning the 3rd Saturday in September. One deer, antlered or antlerless. Counts toward statewide bag limit. One bear, either sex, outside of bear reserves.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One 7-day hunt beginning the Monday before the last Saturday in October. One deer, antlered only, counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One 2-day hunt beginning the 2^{nd} to last Saturday in October. One deer, antlered or antlerless, counts toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Gun)

One 9-day hunt beginning the Saturday before Thanksgiving (except when November has 5 weekends when the hunt will be a 16 day hunt beginning the 2nd Saturday before Thanksgiving) and one 15-day hunt beginning the day after the close of the 3rd segment of the BHZ3 gun season (except for those years when November has 5 weekends when the hunt will be the 8 days prior to the start of the 4th segment of the BHZ3 gun season). Two deer, antlered only, counts toward statewide bag limit.

Bear (Gun)(Dogs Permitted)

Same as statewide Gun/Muzzleloader/Archery (Dogs Allowed) Bear Hunt Zone 3 season. One bear, either sex. Hunting confined to that area outside the Ocoee and Tellico Bear Reserves.

Bear Party-Dog Hunts (Gun)(Dogs Permitted)

Four 2-day hunts beginning the first two days of Hunt Segment 1 (Hunt 1 and Hunt 2) and Hunt Segment 2 and 3 of the statewide Gun/Muzzleloader/Archery (Dogs allowed) Bear Hunt Zone 3 season. Quota party dog hunts, 75 permits per party. One party permitted in each of the following areas: Upper Tellico, Lower Tellico, Upper Bald River, and Lower Bald River. One bear, either sex.

Party-Dog Area closed during scheduled quota party-dog hunts.

Non-hunting juveniles under the age of 13 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid party-hunt permit. Juveniles must also comply with all regulations specified for permitted hunters.

Opossum, Raccoon

Outside of Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Nov. 5-17, 2022 (Nov. 4-16, 2023), Jan. 2-last day of Feb. 2023 (Jan. 1-last day of Feb. 2024). Inside Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Jan. 2-31, 2023 (Jan. 1-31, 2024) hunters are limited to a maximum of two dogs per vehicle.

Bear Dog Training Season

One 10-day training season beginning the Wednesday following Labor Day. No bears may be harvested. No weapons may be possessed. No training in bear reserves.

Turkey

Same as statewide spring turkey season.

Trapping

Jan. 1-last day of February.

Special Regulations

Bear reserves are closed to all big game hunting when the bear (dogs permitted) season is open on the South Cherokee.

22 caliber short and long rifle are the only legal weapons on a raccoon hunt.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer or bear hunt with no limit.

Chickamauga

(Shelton Bottoms, Mud Creek, New Bethal, Moon Island, Cottonport, Washington Ferry, Goodfield Creek, Gillespie Bend, Agency Creek, Ledford Island, Sugar Creek, South Mouse Creek Units).

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide hunting and trapping seasons. No waterfowl hunters permitted on Units from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the duck season(s). Closed to quail hunting.

(Candies Creek, Rogers Creek, Yellow Creek, Johnson Bottoms Units)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except units closed to all forms of trespass including fishing, trapping and hunting for all species except waterfowl from the first opening day of the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February until the last day of the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, and on the day before and during the Youth Waterfowl hunts. Closed to quail hunting.

Candies Creek Upland Unit

WMA property east of Candies Creek and west of Lower River Rd. Big game and small game same as statewide hunting and trapping seasons.

Waterfowl

Designated blind sites will be allocated by computer draw. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary blind sites.

Hunters are restricted to blind sites or numbered stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually.

All hunters in a party are required to hunt in the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn.

Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out over the specified hunt, but decoys must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day.

Only waterfowl hunting permitted on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and the opening and closing day of the duck season.

Waterfowl hunting ends at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

No waterfowl hunters or other activities permitted on Units from two hours after the end of the waterfowl hunting hours until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the duck season(s).

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15, except closed during duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February.

Soddy and Sale Creek Units

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.

Special regulations

Deer hunting with archery equipment only. Archery hunters must comply with hunter orange requirements during the statewide deer gun

or muzzleloader seasons.

Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only (except waterfowl). Waterfowl hunting restricted to use of shotguns loaded with No. 2 shot

or smaller.

Chickasaw State Forest

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Turkey

Two hunts (Tue-Wed and Fri-Sun) each week of spring turkey season.

All hunts will be quota hunts and will be drawn prior to turkey season.

Hunter quota 26 per hunt. One bearded turkey per hunt, counts toward

statewide bag limit

Chuck Swan

Dove, Rabbit, Squirrel, Waterfowl Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl hunting is

closed as posted.

Raccoon Seven (7) consecutive nights beginning the Sunday after the last deer

hunt concludes. Hunters must check out by 1:00 a.m. Bag limit one

raccoon per person per day.

Coyote First Sunday in June to second Saturday in August. Centerfire

allowed. Free permit required from area manager.

Deer (Archery)

One hunt. The Friday and Saturday after the statewide opening of deer

archery season. Hunter quota 400. One deer, antlered only. Deer

counts toward statewide bag.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One hunt. The Saturday and Sunday prior to the statewide Young

Sportsman hunt. Hunter quota 200. One deer, antlered or antlerless

(bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)

Two hunts. Hunt 1: 2 days beginning the first Friday in December. Hunt

2: 2 days beginning the second Friday in December. Hunter quota 650.

One deer, antlered only. Deer counts toward statewide bag.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One hunt. 2 days beginning the Friday after statewide Muzzleloader

season opens. Hunter quota 650. One deer, antlered only. Deer

counts toward statewide bag.

Turkey Five 3-day hunts (Thurs-Sat) that run through a five-week period. The

first hunt begins on the Thursday prior to the statewide young sportsman hunt. Hunter quota 150. One bearded turkey per hunt. Hunting ends at noon each day. Hunter must sign in and out at check

station and be out by 1:00 p.m.

Trapping First Saturday in January thru the last day in February. No raccoons.

Quota is one party per compartment. Trappers must apply at WMA office. No snares or conibear traps. Trappers must report catch

annually.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

Special Regulations Guides, deer driving, loud noises, and harassment on all deer hunts, and entering the wildlife management area from Norris Lake during the

deer and turkey hunts prohibited.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for

that hunt.

Groundhog, fox, and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with

weapon legal for that hunt.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for

the scheduled hunt.

Range open Thur/Fri from noon-sunset and Sat/Sun from sunrise to sunset. Closed during all big game quota hunts. No buckshot allowed

on range.

Col. Forrest V. Durand

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Cordell Hull

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons. Wheelchair-bound hunter zone open to

wheelchair-bound hunters only. Closed to quail hunting.

(Defeated Creek Unit) Same as statewide seasons except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.

Archery equipment only for deer hunting. Shotguns only for small game hunting. Defeated Creek Unit is that area of Defeated Creek that extends from the main river channel to the corps of Engineers boundary along Defeated Creek excluding Defeated Creek

Recreational Area.

Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only Zone That area in the old "Corps of Engineers Roaring River Campground"

area of Cordell Hull WMA (north of Hwy. 135, north of Roaring River,

south and east of Hwy. 85, and west of Old Roaring River Iron Bridge

Road).

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Cordell Hull Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season is closed

after Nov. 14. Closed to quail hunting.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

Special Regulations Fishing by boat allowed during refuge closure in marked river channel

only.

Cove Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to fall turkey

hunting.

Deer All deer count toward statewide bag limits.

Deer (Archery)

Dates same as statewide. Bag limit 1 antlered and 1 antlerless deer.

muzzleloader season. Bag limit 1 antlered deer. Hunt 2: Opens on the 8^{th} day of statewide muzzleloader through the until end of statewide

muzzleloader. Bag limit 1 deer, antlered or antlerless.

Deer (Gun)

Two hunts. Hunt 1: opens Saturday before Thanksgiving and runs 7

days. Bag limit 1 deer, antlered or antlerless. Hunt 2: opens Saturday after Thanksgiving through the end of statewide gun season. Bag limit

1 antlered deer.

Deer (Young Sportsman)

Dates and bag limit same as statewide.

Cowan Swamp PHA Same as statewide seasons

Cypress Pond Refuge

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to waterfowl

hunting. Small Game seasons opens on the Monday after the last youth waterfowl/veterans hunt through the remainder of the statewide

season.

Dove Sept 1, noon-sunset. continuing with statewide season.

Dog Training Closed

Eagle Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Eagle Lake Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons and bag limits, except as noted. Hunting

allowed Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday only. Waterfowl season is

closed.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Hunt days are Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. Bag limit

one bearded turkey, counts toward statewide bag limit

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training Closed

Special Regulations Except for the Bomprezzi Unit, Eagle Lake Refuge is closed to all

hunting Nov. 15-last day of Feb.

Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required

for small game hunting.

Access to the south end of Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park and Natural Area WMA through Eagle Lake Refuge will be permitted during

hunting seasons.

(Bomprezzi Unit of Eagle Lake Refuge)

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons.

Special Regulations Center-fire rifles and handguns prohibited.

Edgar Evins State Park

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to spring squirrel

hunting on north side of Center Hill Lake.

Deer (Safety Zone) (Archery)

One hunt. Two consecutive days beginning on the Tuesday after the

first Statewide young sportsman hunt on odd numbered years.

Hunter quota 100. Bag limit two deer, first deer harvested must be antlerless (bonus deer). Sign up for handheld drawing will be 8 a.m.-10 a.m. on the Wednesday after Labor Day on odd numbered years at

the Park Office.

Dog Training Same as statewide seasons, except closed on north side of Center Hill

Lake.

Ernest Rice, Sr.

Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide season, except small game hunting is closed during

the big game gun hunts except as noted.

Waterfowl, Raccoon, Opossum Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl, raccoon, and

opossum seasons are not closed during the big game hunts.

Deer Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery season is

closed during the Young Sportsman Gun Hunts. Archery equipment only. Antlered deer must have at least nine antler points or a 20-inch minimum main beam outside spread. Archers must comply with legal blaze orange requirements during Muzzleloader and Gun seasons.

Deer (Gun) One hunt. Beginning the third Saturday of December to run 7

consecutive days. One deer, antlered only. Antlered deer must have at least nine antler points or a 20 inch minimum main beam outside

spread.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman) Open with statewide seasons. No antler requirement on this hunt.

Special hunt. On the third Saturday and Sunday in October. No antler

requirement on this hunt either sex.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide turkey

season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season.
Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training Closed.

Fall Creek Falls State Park

Squirrel Dec. 1–last day of Feb. Spring squirrel season is closed.

Deer (Archery)

Three 3-day hunts beginning the third Saturday before Thanksgiving.

One 3-day hunt beginning the second Friday in December. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). One bearded turkey counts

toward statewide bag limit.

Deer (Hunts for Warriors)

(Shotgun/Muzzleloader) (Golf Course

Zone)

One two-day hunt beginning the first Tuesday in December. Hunter

quota 15. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Turkey (Archery) Open the first 9 days of the statewide spring season. One bearded

turkey per day, not to exceed two turkeys. Counts toward statewide

bag limit.

Dog Training Closed.

Special Regulations Harvested big game must be checked in at Park Headquarters.

Coyotes may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt.

Flintville Hatchery

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only

for deer. Guns may be used on Young-Sportsman hunts and during fall

turkey season.

Dog Training Daylight hours only.

Foothills

Bear, Turkey, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to hunting Mar. 1st through 4th Friday in Aug., except for spring

turkey.

Deer Dates are same as statewide season. Bag limit of two antlered deer

(counts toward statewide limit). Closed to antlerless hunting on all deer

hunts except the young sportsman hunt.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman) Same as statewide

Quail Closed

Opossum, Raccoon Jan. 1-last day of February.

Dog training Closed.

Special Regulations The use of and/or possession of any tracking device for hunting dogs

from Mar. 1 to Aug. 31 is not permitted.

Blaze orange required for small game hunters during big game

muzzleloader and gun hunts (excluding spring turkey).

Wild hogs may be taken during any hunt.

Forks of the River

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. All hunting is closed

from Mar. 1 through 4th Friday in Aug., except for spring squirrel and

spring turkey season.

Pigeon is open with dove season.

Sep. waterfowl seasons closed.

Dove Sep. 1 beginning at 12 noon, the following Saturday, then Labor Day.

and the remainder of the statewide season.

Dove (Youth/Adult) Youth/Adult field open Sep.1, 3, and 4, 2022 (Sep. 1, 2, 3, 2023) to

youths who must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt. Returns to same as statewide and open to all hunters beginning

Sept.5, 2022 (Sep. 4, 2023).

Falconry and Crow Opens 2nd Sat. in Sept. and runs concurrent with statewide season

Special Regulations Shotguns, Muzzleloader, and Archery equipment only.

Area closed one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, except

for raccoon and opossum hunters and scheduled events.

Perimeter trail open year-round. Perimeter trail is defined as the Will Skelton Greenway, Whaley Trail, and Western Perimeter Trail. All

other trails open only to hunters from Sep. 1-May 31.

Fort Loudoun

Waterfowl Same as statewide seasons, except open only on Monday,

Wednesday, and Friday, one-half hour before sunrise until noon. Size

BBB or smaller required.

Dog Training Closed.

Fort Ridge

Big game, small game, and trapping Same as statewide seasons except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman) Same as statewide season.

Fourth Fractional Township

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only

for big game.

Small game hunting with shotguns only, using No. 6 shot or smaller.

Beagles and pointing breeds only. Dogs are not permitted during spring

squirrel season.

Dog Training Beagles and pointing breeds only. No dog training allowed during

spring turkey season

Grays Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons

Haley-Jaqueth

Deer, Turkey Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only

for deer. Bag limit one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, All harvested turkey count towards the

statewide bag limit.

Dove Sept. 3, 2022 (Sept. 2, 2023) Youth only (6-16) accompanied by a non-

hunting adult and shooting is from staked positions only. Sept. 5, 2022 (Sept. 4, 2023) and every Saturday thereafter of the 1st segment open

to all ages. All hunting is on designated field only for dove.

Dog Training Daylight hours only.

Hampton Crossroads PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons. Archery equipment only for deer.

Happy Hollow

Small Game Same as statewide season. No hunting the night before or during big

game hunts.

Deer (Archery, Muzzleloader, Young

Sportsman)

Same as statewide season

Deer (Gun) Three hunts. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd Saturday in

November and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 1st Saturday in December and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd Saturday in December and running for 3 consecutive days. Hunter quota 80. Two

deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Turkey Two hunts. Apr. 15-18 and May 6-9, 2023 (Apr. 13-16, May 4-7, 2024).

Hunter guota 50. One bearded bird. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Harmon Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Harp

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons

Dog Training Sep. 1 – Mar. 15.

Hart's Mill

Big game, small game, trapping Same as statewide seasons and bag limits except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman) Same as statewide season.

Haynes Bottom

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer Same as statewide season, except archery equipment only

During the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, waterfowl and small game hunting is open only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of

each segment of the late statewide duck season.

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting permitted only from registered blind sites beginning

with the first day of the duck season occurring in November, December,

January, and February,

Special Regulations Night hunting, trapping, dog training, and fishing prohibited in the

waterfowl impoundment from Oct. 15-May 31.

Participating waterfowl hunters only in the bottoms during waterfowl

seasons.

Dog Training Open year round. Daylight hours only

Headwaters

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.

Blaze orange required by all users during deer muzzleloader and gun

hunts

Night hunting prohibited

Dog training daylight hours only

Henderson Island Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide, except as noted. All small game hunting and dog

training, excluding raccoon and opossum, closes at 4pm.

Rabbit Nov. 1–14.

Quail Closed

Dog training Rabbit and quail: Oct.1-Nov.14.

All other: Mar. 1-Oct. 31.

Special Regulations Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required

for small game hunting as posted.

All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.

Public entry and fishing permitted while on the main river channel passing through the refuge.

Blaze orange required by small game hunters during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts (excluding spring turkey).

Horses prohibited.

Henderson Swamp PHA

Dove, Grouse, Opossum, Quail, Rabbit, Raccoon, Snipe, Squirrel, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Small game hunters (except raccoon and opossum hunters between sunset and sunrise) must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.

Groundhog and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with weapon legal for that hunt. Fox hunting closed.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapons legal for the scheduled hunt. No dogs allowed.

Deer, Turkey Same as statewide seasons.

Hick Hill

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Hickory Flats

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Hiwassee Refuge

Dove Sep. 1, 15, 2022 (Sept 1,14, 2023). Noon to sunset only. No access

permitted by boat.

Dove (Youth) Sep. 10, 2022 (Sep. 9, 2023). Noon to sunset only. No access

permitted by boat.

Squirrel Same as statewide seasons except as noted.

Rabbit Oct. 31-Nov. 14, 2022 (Oct. 30-Nov. 14, 2023). Bag limit of three per

day.

Opossum, Raccoon 65-day season beginning the first Tuesday in September. Hunting will

be limited to Tuesday and Wednesday nights only.

Canada Goose Sep. 1–15. No goose hunters permitted on refuge from two hours after

shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day.

Wood Duck/Teal Same as Sep. Wood Duck/Teal season. No duck hunters permitted on

the refuge from two hours after shooting hours have ended until 4:00

a.m. the following day.

Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader) (Young-

Sportsman)

One two-day hunt beginning the third Saturday in September. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Archery)

One three-day hunt beginning the Friday before the fourth Saturday in

September. Hunter quota 200. Two deer no more than one antlered,

one bearded turkey. (bonus deer).

Deer (Archery)

One three-day hunt beginning the second Friday after the fourth

Saturday in September. Two deer, no more than one antlered, one

bearded turkey. (bonus deer).

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One three-day hunt beginning the fourth Friday after the fourth

Saturday in September. Hunter quota 150. Two deer, no more than one

antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One three-day hunt beginning the fifth Friday after the fourth Saturday

in September. Hunter quota 150. Two deer, no more than one antlered.

(bonus deer).

Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader) (Hunt for

Warriors)

One hunt. Oct. 10-11, 2023. Hunter quota 25. Two deer, no more than

one antlered. Bonus deer.

Turkey Same as statewide spring turkey season.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

Retriever Dog Field Trials Pre-approved by Area Manager at least 30 days in advance of trial

dates.

Special Regulations During refuge closure, public entry and fishing is permitted while on the

main river channel passing through the refuge.

Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required

for small game hunting.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season. Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt. Season open on groundhog, fox and skunk during any scheduled small game

hunt

Holly Fork Closed to hunting, trapping, and dog training.

Hop-In Refuge

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove and

waterfowl hunting.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Closed to Fall Turkey Season

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Special Regulations Closed Nov. 1–last day in Feb. to all forms of use and trespass unless

otherwise indicated.

Horns Bluff Refuge

Big Game, Small Game Refuge Closed November 15 to Feb 15. Observation areas closed

sunset to sunrise.

Turkey Same as statewide seasons except for closure dates, except as noted.

Closed to Quail hunting or taking.

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide-spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season and bag limit

Waterfowl North unit (portion of refuge north of Middle Fork Forked Deer River

Canal) open to waterfowl hunting on Saturday and Sunday during duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, Goose seasons to coincide with statewide seasons after the youth waterfowl season on that portion of Horn's Bluff that is north of the main river channel. Walk-in only. No blinds, decoys, materials may be left overnight. All hunting shall cease at 3pm except the last day of the season when hunting closes at sunset. No access before 4am or after 5pm. No access during refuge closure dates except for waterfowl

hunters on open hunt days.

Jackson Swamp

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.

Dove One hunt. Sep.1 by drawing.

Sep.2-remainder of statewide season, open with statewide season.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Jarrell Switch Refuge

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to waterfowl

hunting.

John Tully

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide seasons.

Special Dove (Youth)

The youth dove hunt will occur on opening day of the statewide season if the youth are out of school. If opening day is not a weekend or a holiday, then the youth dove hunt will be on the first Saturday following opening date, from noon until sunset. Each youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Hunting allowed in designated fields only.

Dove

Open to statewide seasons except designated youth fields. Youth fields open statewide the day following youth hunt.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons. Hunting ends at 3:00 p.m. except the last day of the late waterfowl season(s) and youth/Military season(s) when hunting ends at sunset.

Waterfowl (Fig Field Unit/Fullen North and South Tracts)

Fig Field Unit is that land North of Grammer Road. Open with statewide seasons. Waterfowl Hunting will be allocated by computer draw; 3-day hunts Friday through Sunday and opening weekends. Fullen North and South Tracts; Waterfowl hunting will be allocated by drawing. Drawings will be announced prior to the hunt. Hunts will be Friday through Sunday and opening weekend(s).

Hunting will only be allowed from designated locations. Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 pm except the last day of the late waterfowl season(s) and youth/military seasons(s) when hunting ends at sunset.

Keyes-Harrison

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Dogs are not permitted during the spring squirrel season. Closed to quail hunting.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Kingston Refuge

Closed to hunting, trapping and dog training.

Kyker Bottoms Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer hunting is open during archery and youth only.

Turkey is Youth/Adult only. Open Friday-Sunday only. Youth must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.

Rabbit, Quail Nov. 1–14. Quail bag limit 2/day, rabbit and quail hunting closes at

4pm.

Raccoon Sept. 2-3, 9-10, 2022 (Sept. 1-2, 8-9, 2023). First Friday and Saturday

of September and Second Friday and Saturday of September

Dog training Rabbit and quail: Oct. 1–Nov. 14. Closes at 4pm.

Special Regulations Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required

for small game hunting as posted.

All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be

accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.

Blaze orange required by small game hunters during big game

muzzleloader and gun hunts (excluding spring turkey).

Wild hogs may be taken on any deer and turkey hunt with hunting

devices legal for those hunts.

Kyles Ford

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. All small game hunting

and dog training excluding raccoon/opossum closes at 4pm.

Quail Open to dog training only. Quail dog training open only during quail

season.

Rabbit Dog Training Oct.1 – Oct. 31

Special Regulation Blaze orange required by small game hunters during big game

muzzleloader and gun hunts (excluding spring turkey).

Laurel Hill

Small Game Same as statewide season except as noted.

Coyote may be taken during daylight hours only during any open

season with weapons specified for that season.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for that

hunt.

Raccoon/Opossum First Friday night in September until the last day of February the

following year. Bag limit 2 raccoon per person per night. Opossum: no limit. Hunting closed at sunset the day before and during big game

hunts

Dove Same as statewide dove season. All fields open.

Fox Chasing No fox chasing permitted.

Deer (Archery)

One hunt. One 15-day hunt beginning 3rd Saturday in September

running through first Sunday in October. Three deer, antlered or

antlerless, only one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One 2-day hunt beginning 3rd from last Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days. One deer, antlered or antlerless (bonus deer), no antler restrictions.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One hunt. One 4-day hunt beginning 2nd to last Thursday in October and running for 4 consecutive days. Hunter quota 500. One deer, Antlered only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)

Two hunts. One 3-day hunt beginning 2nd Friday before Thanksgiving and running for 3 consecutive days; One 3-day hunt beginning 1st Friday after Thanksgiving and running for 3 consecutive days. Hunter quota 500. One deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

One hunt. One 3-day hunt beginning 2nd Friday after Thanksgiving and running for 3 consecutive days. Hunter quota 500. One deer, antlered or antlerless (bonus deer).

Waterfowl

Same as statewide spring turkey season. except as noted. On the WMA only goose hunting (not waterfowl hunting) is permitted and only in the fields. Second Saturday in Jan. to the last Sunday in Jan. Same as statewide bag limits. On Laurel Hill Lake, waterfowl hunting (duck and goose) is allowed by boat only.

Trapping

Dec. 6, 2022- Feb. 12, 2023 (Dec. 5, 2023- Feb. 11, 2024)

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only. No training during big game hunts.

Special Regulations

Special buck regulations apply on all deer hunts. Antlered deer must have at least four antler points on one side or a 15-inch minimum main beam outside spread.

Shields Farm Unit

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Centerfire rifles and handguns prohibited.

Lick Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

Lick Creek Bottoms

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. All small game hunting and dog training excluding raccoon/opossum closes at 4pm.

Quail

Open to training only. Training open only during the statewide quail season.

Rabbit Dog Training

Oct.1-Oct.31

Dove

Sept. 1, 2022 (Sept. 1, 2023) at noon, open to all hunters.

Sept. 3,2022 (Sept. 2, 2023) open to youth/adult only until noon, then open to all hunters for the remainder of statewide season

Waterfowl (Early seasons)

Wood Duck/Teal, Teal only, Canada Goose. Same as statewide seasons.

Waterfowl (Late seasons)

South Mohawk, Skinner, and Foxgate units open on Tues., Sat. and closing day of the season only. Hunting closes at noon except for the last day that ends at sunset. Waterfowl hunting will be allocated by handheld bi-weekly drawings. Hunting allowed from staked positions or designated pools only. Hunters may be accompanied by up to three guests.

During the late waterfowl seasons access to the South Mohawk, Skinner, and Foxgate Units is restricted to hunters actively pursuing game and waterfowl hunters possessing a valid permit for an upcoming waterfowl hunt. Permits are valid from the issue date until the end of the waterfowl hunt listed on the permit. Drawn waterfowl hunters must have their permit in their possession when scouting/hunting. During big game muzzleloader/gun hunts, scouting hunters must wear 500 square inches of blaze orange on the body and head.

Waterfowl/Goose (Youth)

Goose season is closed on the area at the end of late waterfowl season. Goose season is open to youths only during the youth waterfowl seasons. Goose season is open to adults after the youth waterfowl season.

Remainder of the area is open with statewide seasons with no stake/pool restrictions. No access prior to 4am.

After the closing of youth waterfowl season, goose season is open with statewide season with no stake/pool restrictions or drawings.

South Mohawk, Skinner, and Foxgate Units are open with the statewide season on a first come, first serve basis at designated stakes and pools as posted.

Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game (including dove) hunting in the Mohawk Field.

Special Regulations

Blaze orange required by small game hunters during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts (excluding spring turkey).

No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blinds, blind materials and boats must be removed at the end of legal hunting.

Joachim Bible Waterfowl Refuge Unit (that portion of Lick Creek WMA between Murray Bridge Road, Bibles Chapel Road, and South Mohawk Road)

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide, except as noted. All small game hunting and dog training, excluding raccoon/opossum, closes at 4pm.

Dove

Sep. 3, 2022 (Sep. 2, 2023) and everyday thereafter during the first and second segments. Youth/adult only all season.

Quail

Closed.

Rabbit

Nov. 1–14. Bag limit 2 rabbits/day.

Dog training Rabbit and quail: Oct.1-Oct. 31.

All other: Mar. 1-Oct. 31.

Special Regulations Waterfowl Closed

Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required

for small game (including dove) hunting.

All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be

accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.

Long Branch PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons. Archery equipment only for deer.

Luper Mountain

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to antierless

deer hunting during gun season. Dogs are not permitted during the

spring squirrel season.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Maness Swamp Refuge

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Closed to fall turkey season

Same as statewide season

Special Regulations Closed Nov. 1 through the last day of Feb. to all forms of use and

trespass unless otherwise indicated.

Maple Springs

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

McGlothin-Largen

Deer, Turkey, Waterfowl Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season closes

beginning the second Saturday in December. Archery equipment only for deer. Waterfowl season closed for Sep. wood duck, teal, and

Canada goose seasons.

Rabbit Opens second Saturday in December and closes last day of Feb. on

Sat. and Sun. only. Bag limit of three per day.

Squirrel Fourth Saturday in Aug. to the Friday before the 4th Saturday in

September; second Saturday in December–last day of Feb, and during spring squirrel season except as noted. Shotguns with Number 6 shot

or smaller only.

Dove Sep 1, 3, 2022 and Sep 1, 2, 2023. Noon to sunset only on Sep. 1.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15. Beagles and pointing breeds only.

Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park and Natural Area

Special Squirrel Hunt (Youth) 3rd Saturday in Aug.

Big Game, Small Game Open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday within statewide seasons,

except as noted.

Wild hogs may be taken during deer season by licensed deer hunters.

Spring Squirrel season is closed.

Waterfowl Waterfowl Hunting Draw Zone. Late season Waterfowl hunting will be

allocated by computer draw and is restricted to temporary blind sites. Hunters are restricted to numbered stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually. Decoys may be left out over the specified hunt but must be removed upon completion of the hunt

on the last day.

Hunts will be drawn for opening days of the late waterfowl season, for each Thursday-Saturday of the late waterfowl season including the Saturday youth hunts, and for the two Sunday Veteran and Active

Military hunts. Hunting will be limited to designated areas.

Waterfowl Hunting Non-Draw Zone. Same as statewide seasons on

Opening day(s) and Thursday-Saturday.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman) April 8, 2023 (April 6, 2024)

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Hunt days are Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. Bag limit

one bearded turkey, counts toward statewide bag limit

Trapping Beaver trapping by special permit only. Trapping of all other species

prohibited.

Dog Training Open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Field Trials Sep. 1–Apr. 30.

Special Regulations Shotgun, muzzleloader, rim-fire rifles, and archery equipment only.

Centerfire rifles and handguns prohibited.

Small game hunters must meet hunter orange requirements.

Milan Arsenal

Deer (Shotgun, Muzzleloader, Archery)

Eleven hunts. Sept. 25-26, 28-30, Oct. 3-5, 10-12, Nov. 18-20, 22-24, 28-30, Dec. 18-20, 26-28, 2023, and Jan. 2-4, 2024. Hunter quota 65 each hunt.

Three deer, no more than one (1) antlered, Deer count towards statewide bag limit.

Deer (Juvenile)

One hunt. October 7-8, 2023. Hunter quota 37. Three deer, no more than one (1) antlered. Deer count towards statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Shotgun, Archery)

Four hunts. April 7-9, 12-14, May 8-10, 12-14, 2024. Hunter quota 20 each hunt. No more than one (1) bearded turkey. Turkeys count towards statewide bag limit.

Special Regulations

Hunters are required to check out big game at WMA check station if in operation.

On big game quota hunts and on approved scouting days for all zones, except behind all security checkpoints, a non-hunting juvenile under the age of 16 may accompany an adult hunter (21 years old or older) who has a valid Milan quota permit.

During deer hunts, non-hunting juveniles must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations specified for legal hunters.

Scouting dates: 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 18-22, 2023 for the September and October 2023 hunt permit holders, Nov. 14-16, 2023 for the November 2023 hunt permit holders, and Dec. 12-14, 2023 for the December 2023 and January 2024 hunt permit holders.

Hunting Zones as designated on the current Deer Hunt Map during the hunt date for which they have a permit.

Turkey scouting date: 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 3-5, 2024 for the April 2024 hunt permit holders and May 1-3, 2024 for the May 2024 hunt permit holders

During deer hunts and on scout days, all hunters must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange including archery hunters.

Hunters must carry at all times hunting license and permit, valid picture identification (youth excluded), and signed current hunt map.

Mingo Swamp

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove (Youth Only)

Sep. 3, 2022 (Sep.2,2023). Youth only (6-16) must be accompanied by a licensed non-hunting adult. Maple Bend Road field only. Rest of WMA closed.

Dove

Sep. 4, 2022 (Sep. 3, 2023). Entire WMA open to all ages for the remainder of the statewide dove season.

Moss Island

Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except small game hunting is closed

during the big game gun hunts except as noted.

Waterfowl, Raccoon, Opossum Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl, raccoon, and

opossum seasons are not closed during the big game hunts.

Deer Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery season is

closed during the Young Sportsman Gun Hunts.

Archery equipment only. Antlered deer must have at least nine antler

points or a 20-inch minimum main beam outside

spread. Archers must comply with legal blaze orange requirements

during Muzzleloader and Gun seasons.

Deer (Gun)

One hunt. Beginning the third Saturday of December to run 7

consecutive days. One deer antlered only. Antlered deer must have at least nine antler points or a 20-inch minimum main beam outside

spread.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman) Open with statewide seasons. No antler requirement on this hunt.

Special hunt: On the third Saturday and Sunday in October, either sex,

no antler requirements on this hunt.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training Closed

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Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Mt. Roosevelt

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide season except as noted. Closed to September

Archery Bear Season.

Dogs are not permitted during spring squirrel season.

Deer same as statewide Unit A deer season. Closed to antlerless deer

hunting during gun season.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Special Regulations Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts.

Mullins Island PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Special Regulations Small game hunters (except waterfowl) must wear fluorescent hunter

orange during Big Game hunts.

No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blind materials, and boats

must be removed at end of legal hunting hours.

Natchez Trace State Forest

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons except as noted.

Turkey Two weekly hunts (Tues-Wed and Fri-Sun) each week of spring turkey

season. All hunts will be quota hunts and will be drawn prior to turkey season. North and South Zones. Hunter quota 48 per hunt per zone.

One bearded turkey per hunt and counts toward statewide bag limit.

New Hope

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

Nolichucky

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons except as noted.

Waterfowl Blinds, blind materials, and decoys must be removed daily at the end

of legal shooting hours. During all waterfowl seasons, boats may not be anchored, moored, or aground more than 1 hour after legal waterfowl hunting hours or earlier than 1 hour before legal shooting

hours.

Normandy

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons.

North Chickamauga Creek

Big Game, Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer (Archery) (Wheelchair-bound Hunter Hunting only allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Only)

(Varner Unit Wheelchair Accessible Blind

Site Only)

season is archery only.

Waterfowl hunting also open on the first and last day of the statewide

Closed to quail hunting. Bag limit for rabbits is three per day. Fall turkey

season. Hunting ends at noon each day.

Hixson, Rogers, Vandergriff, and Varner Units closed to all forms of trespass except hunting and trapping during the late waterfowl

seasons.

Deer hunting with archery equipment only. Archery hunters must comply with hunter orange requirements during the statewide deer gun or muzzleloader seasons.

Deer (Archery) (Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only). (Varner Unit Wheelchair Accessible Blind Site Only)

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting only allowed on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

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Turkey (Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only). (Varner Unit Wheelchair Accessible Blind Site Only)

Same as statewide season, except as noted. Hunting only allowed on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Turkey hunting ends at noon each day. Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only) (Varner Unit Wheelchair Accessible Blind Site Only)

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting only allowed on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Hunting ends at noon each day. Waterfowl hunting restricted to use of shotguns loaded with #2 shot or smaller.

Dove

Sep. 1 and every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of the statewide dove season. Dove hunting from noon to sunset only on Sept. 1.

No dove hunters or dove hunting equipment on dove fields prior to 7:00 a.m. on opening day of the first segment on the dove season.

Trapping

Friday before Thanksgiving-Jan. 31. Traps must be checked each day.

Dog Training (all breeds)

Sep. 1–Jan. 31. Hixson, Rogers, Varner and Vandergriff Units closed to dog training from the first opening day of the late duck season until the end of duck season.

Special Regulations

No motorized vehicles outside parking areas.

Units closed after sunset, except to opossum and raccoon hunters.

All hunting ends on Jan. 31, except spring squirrel season and spring

turkey season.

Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only (except waterfowl).

Patton Unit

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide season, except as noted.

North Cumberland

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to hunting Mar. 1 through 4th Friday in Aug., except for spring turkey. Coyote hunting with centerfire weapons only allowed during deer gun seasons by licensed deer hunters.

Ed Carter Unit, on all hunts, antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside antler spread.

Spring squirrel season is closed.

Beaver Trapping

Restricted to designated compartments. Contact WMA manager for information. Annual harvest log must be maintained and submitted to WMA Manager by Jan. 15.

WINA Manager by Jan. 13.

Deer All deer count toward statewide bag limits.

Deer (Archery)

Dates same as statewide. One antlered and one antlerless.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

Two hunts. Hunt 1: opens with statewide muzzleloader and runs 7 days. Bag limit 1 antlered deer. Hunt 2: opens on 8th day of statewide

muzzleloader and runs till end of statewide muzzleloader. Bag limit 1

deer, antlered or antlerless

Deer (Gun) Two hunts. Hunt 1: opens Saturday before Thanksgiving and runs 7

days. Bag limit 1 deer antlered or antlerless. Hunt 2: opens Saturday after Thanksgiving and runs till end of statewide gun season. Bag limit

1 antlered deer.

Deer (Young-Sportsman Dates and bag limits same as statewide. Antler restrictions do not

apply.

Turkey Closed to fall turkey hunting

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Ginseng Same as statewide season.

Special Regulations During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out

of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and

muzzleloader seasons.

Night-time use by the general public and raccoon hunters is permitted

area wide.

Wild hogs may be taken on any hunt. Chasing fox, coyote. bobcat, or

wild hogs with dogs not permitted.

Otey Mills Refuge

Deer/Bear-Archery One two day hunt (2nd Friday and Saturday of October). Hunter Quota-

4. Bag Limit- one deer antlered only and one bear. Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside

antler spread. Deer and bear count toward statewide bag limit.

Deer- Archery One two day hunt (1st Friday and Saturday of December). Hunter

Quota-4. Bag Limit- one deer antlered deer only. Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside

antler spread. Deer count toward statewide bag limit.

Deer- Archery (Young Sportsman)

One two-day hunt (1st Saturday and Sunday of November). Hunter

Quota-4. Bag Limit-one deer either sex- Antlered deer count toward

statewide bag limit.

Small Game January 1 through last day of February.

Quail and Spring Squirrel Season- Closed

Spring Turkey (Youth/Adult only)

Same as statewide. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult,

age 21 years or older, who may also hunt.

Fall Turkey Closed

Trapping Closed

Dog Training Closed

Special Regulations Scouting days for Deer Hunts Mondays prior to hunt dates.

Checking Station- Quota hunters are required to check out harvested big game at the Otey Mills Refuge checking station when in operation.

Refuge closed to all forms of use and trespass except as noted big

game and small game seasons.

Prohibited Activities OHV riding

Horseback riding

Hiking

Mountain bike riding

Possession and use of alcohol

Ginseng hunting

Camping

Oak Ridge

Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader-Archery)

(Zone 1)

Three hunts. Nov 5-6, Nov 12-13 and Dec 10-11, 2022 (Nov 4-5, Nov 11-12 and Dec 9-10, 2023).. Hunter quota 225.

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Three deer, antlerless only (bonus deer).

Deer (Archery) (Zone 2)

Three hunts. Nov 5-6, Nov 12-13 and Dec 10-11, 2022 (Nov 4-5, Nov 11-12 and Dec 9-10, 2023). Hunter quota 300. Three deer, no more

than one antlered (bonus deer). One bearded turkey.

Canada Goose

Season opens on Labor Day and on every Saturday and Sunday during the statewide September and October goose seasons, except season is closed during Oak Ridge big game hunts. One-half hour before sunrise to noon. Hunting on Solway and Freels Bend only from the shoreline to Solway Bend Farm Road and from shoreline to Freels Bend Farm Road. Boat access only. Hunting from temporary blinds

only.

Wood Duck/Teal

Open only on the Saturday and Sunday of the statewide early wood duck season. One-half hour before sunrise to noon. Hunting on Solway and Freels Bend only from the shoreline to Solway Bend Farm Road and from shoreline to Freels Bend Farm Road. Boat access only.

Hunting from temporary blinds only.

Turkey

Two hunts. Apr. 15-16, Apr. 22-23, 2023 (Apr. 13-14, Apr. 20-21, 2024). Hunter quota 225. One bearded turkey. Hunting ends at noon daily. Successful hunters must be at the check station by 1:00 p.m.

Dog Training

Closed.

Special Regulations:

Hunters are required to check out big game and coyotes at WMA check station, and animals must be scanned for contamination prior to release. All listed times are Eastern Daylight Savings Time or Eastern Standard Time.

On big game quota hunts and on approved scouting days for all zones, except behind all security checkpoints, a non-hunting juvenile under

the age of 16 may accompany an adult hunter (21 years old or older) who has a valid Oak Ridge WMA quota permit. However, these non-hunting juveniles may not accompany hunters into any area requiring entry through a Security Portal or Security Police Officer Check Point (e.g. Tower Shielding Facility, Chestnut Ridge/Park City Road or any badged-only hunting areas).

During deer hunts, non-hunting juveniles must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations specified for legal hunters.

Scouting dates: 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29, 2022 for the Nov. 5-6 and Nov 12-13, 2022 permit holders. (Oct. 28, 2023 for the Nov.4-5and Nov. 11-12, 2023 permit holders). Dec. 3, 2022 for the Dec. 10-11, 2022 holders (Dec. 2, 2023 for the Dec. 9-10, 2023 holders). For deer hunts those hunters who have a DOE security badge for Oak Ridge and possess an Oak Ridge archery hunt permit may hunt in the Badged Only Archery-Only Hunting Zones as designated on the current Deer Hunt Map during the hunt date for which they have a permit.

Turkey scouting date: 7:00 a.m. to noon Apr. 8, 2023 for the Apr. 15-16 and Apr. 22-23, 2023 permit holders and approved youths only (Apr. 6, 2024 for the Apr. 13-14 and Apr.20-21, 2024 permit holders and approved youths). For turkey hunts, those hunters who have a DOE Security Badge for Oak Ridge and possess an Oak Ridge WMA quota turkey permit may hunt in the Badged-Only Security Hunting Zones as designated on the current Turkey Hunt map during the hunt dates for which they have a permit.

No boat access during deer hunts, except for Haw Ridge Park. Boat access only for waterfowl hunters accessing Solway and Freels Bend on during the designated Sep. and Oct. hunting dates.

During October, November and December big game hunts, all hunters must wear fluorescent orange including archery hunters in the Archery-Only zones.

Hunters must carry at all times hunting license and permit, valid picture identification (youth excluded), and signed current hunt map.

Coyotes may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt.

Obion River

All Units (special regulations apply to Maness Swamp Hunting Unit and Big Cypress Tree State Park/Natural Area)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Closed to fall turkey season

Same as statewide season

Special Regulations

Hunters (except raccoon, opossum, and turkey hunters) may not enter WMA prior to (2) hours before sunrise and be off WMA by (1) hour after sunset or legal closing (or shooting) time. Adjacent Big Cypress Tree State Natural Area is open to hunting same as Obion River WMA, except as noted. Hunting is prohibited within 100 yards of the River Trail Boardwalk and River Trail. Hunting with Shotgun, Muzzleloader, Rimfire, and Archery only. Recovery of big game on River Trail Boardwalk is prohibited.

Maness Swamp Hunting Unit (North of State Hwy. 445 bordered by the South Fork and Middle Fork of the Obion Rivers as marked)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Turkey

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit.

Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide season

Waterfowl

Waterfowl Hunting will be allocated by drawing. Hunts will be on Friday-Sunday and Opening weekend(s). Drawing will be held as announced prior to the hunt. Hunting will only be allowed from designated locations. Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 pm except the last day of the late waterfowl season(s) and youth/military seasons(s) when hunting ends at sunset.

Special Regulations

Closed to all activities five days before each opening of the late duck season(s). All hunting other than waterfowl is prohibited during the late duck season.

No waterfowl hunters permitted on Unit or Access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s).

Old Hickory

Unit I (Hwy. 109 upstream to River Mile 267)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey bag limit is one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards the statewide bag limit.

Dove (Youth)

Sept 3, 2022 (Sept. 2, 2023) on Barton's Creek. Youth only (6-16) must be accompanied by a licensed non-hunting adult. Hunting begins at 6 am

Dove

Same as statewide season, except for Barton's Creek. Barton's Creek opens Sept. 5, 2022 (Sept. 4, 2023) and every Wednesday and Friday-Sunday thereafter during the first segment of the statewide season.

Waterfowl

Hunting is permitted only from registered blind sites and staked temporary blind sites during the late duck season. Same as statewide season, except waterfowl hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season, except hours same as statewide on the last day of each segment of the late duck season.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind site)

Applications must be received by the TWRA Region II Office by noon on the 4th Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15, except closed during duck seasons.

Special Regulations

Small game hunting is closed after 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season.

The sub-impoundment units as posted are closed to all types of activity five days prior to the opening of the first segment of the late duck season.

Raccoon and opossum hunting, trapping, and fishing are prohibited in sub-impoundments during the late waterfowl season.

Unit II – (Hwy. 109 downstream to Old Hickory Dam)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Turkey bag limit is one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards statewide bag limit.

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting from registered blind sites only, except during the early duck season. All goose hunting is from registered blinds only.

Unit III – (River Mile 267 upstream to River Mile 281)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Turkey bag limit is one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards statewide bag limit.

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting from temporary blinds only. Decoys must be picked up each day

Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge

Special Regulations

Public entry and fishing permitted while on the main river channel passing through the refuge.

Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge (North of the Cumberland River)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Turkey bag limit is one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards statewide bag limit.

Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge (South of the Cumberland River)

Deer, Turkey (Young Sportsman Only)

One 2-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd Saturday in September and running for 2 consecutive days. One 2-day hunt, beginning on the 4th Saturday in September and running for 2 consecutive days. One 2day hunt, beginning on the 1st Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days. One 2-day hunt, beginning on the 2nd Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days. .

Archery equipment only.

Deer, (Young Sportsman Only)

One 2-day hunt, beginning the 3rd Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days; One 2-day hunt, beginning on the 4th Saturday in October and running for 2 consecutive days. One 2-day hunt, beginning on the 1st Saturday in November and running for 2 consecutive days. Muzzleloader and archery equipment only.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Oct. 15-16 and 22-23, Nov. 5-6, 2022. (Oct. 14-15, 21-22, Nov. 4-5, 2023). Shotgun and archery equipment only.

Turkey (Young Sportsman Only)

Same as statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, not to exceed two (2) for the season.

Special Regulations

Boat access only.

Owl Hollow Mill

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

Paint Rock WMA

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide, except as noted.

Archery equipment only for deer.

Small game hunting restricted to shotguns only.

Dog Training Sep. 1-Mar. 15.

Parker Branch

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons except as noted

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season and bag limit

Dog Training Nov 1 – Mar 15

Quail Closed to hunting

Special Regulations Farm pond closed to fishing sunset to sunrise

Pea Ridge

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons except as noted. Deer is the same as

statewide Unit B seasons, except closed for 7 days beginning the 2nd to last Saturday in October. Closed to quail hunting, except open to Young Sportsman quail hunt for 7 days beginning the 2nd to last Saturday in October. Bag limit 2 quail per day per hunter. Youth quail hunters must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult age 21 years old

or older.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15

Percy Priest

Special Regulations Centerfire rifles prohibited on all units

Unit I

Dove Sep. 1. and each Saturday and Sunday thereafter, and Labor Day

during the 1st and 2nd segments of the statewide season. Shooting from staked positions only. On Sep. 1, staked positions will be assigned by a drawing held on site at 10:00 a.m. and hunters must check out at the conclusion of their hunt. Successful applicants must be at their staked

position at the start of shooting hours.

Squirrel Same as statewide season, except only open on Mondays, Tuesdays,

Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Quail, Rabbit (Youth)

Same as statewide seasons, except only open on Mondays, Tuesdays,

Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Shotguns only. Each Youth must be accompanied by an adult who may not hunt or carry weapons. Each

adult must possess a valid hunting license and an area permit.

Deer/Turkey (Archery Only)

Same as statewide seasons except open only on Mondays, Tuesdays,

Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Deer (Muzzleloader Only)

One 4-day hunt, beginning on the 2nd Monday in November and

running for 4 consecutive days; One 4-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd

Monday in November and running for 4 consecutive days

Turkey Same as statewide spring turkey season, except open only on

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays until the last Sunday in April. Bag limit one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards

the statewide bag limit.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Apr. 30. Small game permit required. Training from horseback prohibited before Oct. 1. Participants of sanctioned field trials may train 72 hours prior to and after scheduled dates without a small game permit. Blank ammunition only. Dog training prohibited from sunset to sunrise.

Field Trials

Year-round in designated areas only. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and field trial applications must be submitted to the TWRA Region 2 Office at least 30 days in advance of trial dates. Participants of sanctioned field trials may train 72 hours before and after scheduled dates without a small game hunt permit. Field trial gallery must be kept out of standing or planted crops by Marshals provided by sponsoring club. Rabbit and bird dog training are restricted to September 1st to April 30th.

Special Regulations

Unit I closed to all activity from sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, except as noted.

All activities, except dove hunts on designated fields and scheduled field trials, prohibited on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from Sep. 1– $\rm Apr.30$

Additional WMA closures may be posted on signage at the entrance of Unit 1 for approved field trial dates.

Unit II

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer is shotgun—muzzleloader—archery only. Fall turkey is archery only. Bag limit one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the statewide spring turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards the statewide bag limit.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Apr. 30. No hunting or training from horseback.

Archery Practice

Open year-round designated range site (Poole Knobs) only. Target arrows only.

Perry Switch

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

limit. Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide season

Pickett State Forest

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15.

Prentice Cooper State Forest

Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting.

Fox, Opossum, Raccoon First Friday in November to last night in February, except hunting will

be limited to Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday nights only. All hunting ends last night of February. Bag limit is one per party per night.

Deer (Archery) One 3-day hunt beginning the third Saturday in September. Hunter

quota 400. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

One four-day hunt beginning the Tuesday after the third Saturday in September. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). No

area checking station operated.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

Two hunts, one three-day hunt beginning the Thursday before the

second Saturday in October and one three-day hunt beginning the Thursday before the Statewide Young Sportsman hunt. Hunter quota

250. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One two-day hunting beginning the Saturday before the last Saturday

in October. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun) One three-day hunt beginning the third Friday before Thanksgiving.

One deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)

One six-day hunt beginning the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Two

deer, antlered only (bonus deer).

Turkey Six hunts. Apr 18-20, 21-23, 26-28, May 4-6, 8-10, 12-14, 2023 (Apr.

16-18, 19-21, 24-26, May 2-4, 7-9, 14-16, 2024. One bearded turkey

per day, not to exceed the statewide bag limit.

Trapping Eleven consecutive days beginning the first Saturday in December.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Special Regulations Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check stations when

stations are in operation.

Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4th Friday in Aug., except during

turkey and spring squirrel seasons.

Firing Range Open Thursday, Friday, and Saturdays only, during daylight hours.

Closed during big game hunts.

Presidents Island

Deer (Archery)

One 3-day hunt, beginning on 3rd Friday in October and running for 3

consecutive days.

Hunter quota 30. One antlered deer which must have at least nine antler points or a 20-inch minimum main beam outside spread. Scout

date Thursday prior to hunt dates.

Deer (Archery)

One 3-day hunt, beginning on 1st Friday in December and running for

3 consecutive days.

Hunter quota 30. One antlered deer which must have at least nine antler points or a 20-inch minimum main beam outside spread.

Scouting date: Thursday prior to hunt dates.

Special Regulations

Hunters must check in at hunter check station before hunting and check out at completion of each day's hunt. Permit will be held while hunter's hunt. Access permitted from Farm Road only. No access permitted from Mississippi River, McKellar Lake, or from the Causeway.

One additional quota permit will be issued to a non-profit wildlife conservation organization. This quota permit holder will be allowed to hunt during either or both of the established hunts.

Rankin

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to hunting March 1 through 4th Friday in August, except for spring turkey and spring squirrel. Coyotes may be taken on big game hunts with devices legal for that hunt. No dogs allowed.

Special Regulations

Small game hunters (except waterfowl) must wear fluorescent hunter orange during Big Game hunts.

No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blinds, blind materials, and boats must be removed at end of legal hunting.

Reelfoot

Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide, except as noted.

Opossum, Raccoon

Sunset, last Friday in Aug. – last day of Feb. No limit.

Deer

Same as statewide season except restricted to archery equipment only during big game deer gun season. Deer counts toward

statewide bag limit.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide seasons.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide waterfowl seasons. Waterfowl hunting closed at 3:00 p.m. (CST), except for last day of each segment of the late duck and the remaining goose seasons when hunting ceases at sunset.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind sites)

Application must be received by the TWRA Region I Office by noon on the 4th Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible to compete in the wheelchair-bound blind drawing. If blind is not occupied by shooting time, another wheelchair-bound hunter and 1 to 3 assistants (at least one assistant must be age 16 or older) may occupy the blind for that day. Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair-hunting zone at designated blinds.

Youth Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind sites)

Application must be received by the TWRA Region I Office by noon on the 4th Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible to compete in the wheelchair-bound blind drawing. Youths, age 6-16, must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in position to take immediate control of the hunting device except as otherwise noted. If blind is not occupied by shooting time, another wheelchair-bound hunter and 1 to 3 assistants (at least one assistant must be age 21 or older) may occupy the blind for that day. Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair-hunting zone at designated blinds.

Sergeant Lee Russell Refuge

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to waterfowl hunting. Small Game seasons opens on the Monday after the last youth waterfowl/veterans hunt through the remainder of the statewide season.

Dog Training

Closed.

Shady Park PHA

Same as statewide seasons

Shelton Ferry

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer hunting is archery equipment only, except during Young-Sportsman hunts.

Skinner Mountain

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons. Trapping and small game hunting closes at sunset the day before hog control season. Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15.

Wild Hog (Control Season) (Dogs Permitted)

One three-day hunt beginning the Friday following the first Saturday in January. No limit, either sex.

All participants in the hog control season must wear on the upper portion of their body and head a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange, visible front and back.

Participants may use any legal weapon and ammunition that is legal for taking Deer, Bear or Elk.

Legal hours—One-half hour before sunrise and to one- half hour after sunset.

South Fork Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except closed to all activities five days before the first opening of the late duck season to Feb 15. All hunting other than waterfowl is prohibited during the late duck season. No access during refuge closure dates except for waterfowl hunters on open hunt days. Fall turkey season closed.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season and bag limit

Waterfowl Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the

duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, permitted on Saturday and Sunday and the first and last day of each segment of the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February, All hunting ceases at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of the season when hunting closes at sunset. Walk-in only. No blinds, decoys, materials may be left

overnight. No access before 4am or after 5pm.

Spring Creek

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Standing Stone State Forest

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Tellico Lake

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide season, except as noted.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters

Special Regulations No blinds or decoys left overnight

Tellico West Unit – (That portion of Tellico Reservoir Development Agency Industrial Park at LTRM 18.0 on the North side of Tellico Reservoir)

Deer (Archery) Four hunts. One two-day hunt beginning the third Saturday in

September.

One two-day hunt beginning the second Saturday in October.

One two-day hunt beginning the second Saturday before Thanksgiving.

One two-day hunt beginning the second Saturday before Christmas.

Hunter quota 30 each hunt. Two deer, not more than one antlered (bonus deer)

Turkey (Young-Sportsman)

Two hunts. April 15-16, 29-30, 2023. (April 6-7, 27-28, 2024). Hunter quota 5. One bearded turkey.

McGhee-Carson Unit – (That peninsula of Ft. Loudoun State Historic Park at LTRM 21.0)

Dove Opens at noon on Sept 1st, all day on 3rd and 5th 2022 and noon on

Sept 1st, all day on 2nd and 4th 2023. Youths must be accompanied

by a licensed adult, age 21 years or older, who also may hunt.

Rabbit, Squirrel Eight 2-day weekend hunts beginning the 3rd weekend in November.

Bag limit 3 rabbits per day. Shotguns only.

Deer (Shotgun only) (Young-Sportsman) One two-day hunt on the 2nd weekend in Nov. Hunter quota 35. One

deer, antlered or antlerless (bonus deer)

Turkey (Young-Sportsman) Two hunts. April 15-16, 29-30, 2023. (April 6-7, 27-28, 2024). Hunter

quota 5. One bearded turkey.

Dog Training Sept 1- March 15. Closed during field trials and big game hunts.

Daylight hours only.

Dog Field Trials Field Trial Permit Required. Sep. 1 – Apr. 30. Trials must be scheduled

with Area Manager and special field trial permit must be obtained from the TWRA Region III Office at least 30 days before trial dates.

Special Regulations All hunting is Youth only. Each youth must be accompanied by a non-

hunting adult 21 years old or older. For small game hunting either the youth or the adult must possess a wma small game permit. For big game hunting youth must possess a wma big game permit. Horses

permitted during dog training and field trials

Chota Refuge Unit – (That portion from LTRM 26.0 upstream to the Hiwassee – Alcoa Power line at LTRM 29.7)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide, except as noted. Wild hogs may be taken during

any deer or bear hunt by legal deer or bear hunters.

Steel shot is required for dove.

Rabbit, Quail One 7-day hunt beginning the last Saturday in October.

Dog Training Mar. 1–Oct. 31

Dog Field Trials

Mar 1–Oct. 31. Field Trial Permit Required. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and special field trial permit must be obtained from the TWRA Region III Office at least 30 days before trial dates.

Special Regulations

Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

The Boils

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except closed to quail hunting.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15.

Thorny Cypress

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Areas within 150 yards of draw waterfowl pools are closed during small game, trapping and statewide deer gun season(s).

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide seasons.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck season permitted only on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck season and the youth waterfowl season. Goose season to coincide with statewide season after the youth waterfowl season, no pool restrictions or day, except the last day of each season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset. All waterfowl hunting shall cease at 3 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of each season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset.

Special Regulations:

Designated pools (except Pools I 0, 11, and 12) will be allocated by computer draw (draw pools). Hunters are restricted to pools or number stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually. All hunters in a party are required to hunt in the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn. Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out in draw pools over the specified hunt but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day.

Pools I0, 11, and 12: No waterfowl hunters permitted in Pools I0, 11, and 12 (non-draw pools) and no access allowed from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the duck season occurring in November, December, January, and February. No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blind, blind material, and boats must be removed daily from Pools I0, 11, and 12.

Dog Training

Sept. 1 - Oct.31

Three Rivers (East and West Units)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Turkey

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit

Closed to fall turkey season

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Sportsman) Same as statewide season

West Unit: Waterfowl

No waterfowl hunters permitted on unit or access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during late duck season(s).

East Unit: Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting will be allocated by drawing. Drawings will be announced prior to the hunt. Hunts will be on Friday-Sunday and Opening weekend(s). Hunting will only be allowed from designated locations. Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 pm except the last day of the late waterfowl season(s) and youth/military seasons(s) when hunting ends at sunset. Closed to all activities five days before each opening of the late duck season(s). All hunting other than waterfowl is prohibited during the late duck season. No waterfowl hunters permitted on Unit or area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s)

Tie Camp

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Tigrett

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

All small game hunting (excluding waterfowl hunting) closed on this area during the Young-Sportsman hunts.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limi

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Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide season.

Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of duck seasons and remaining goose seasons when hunting closes at sunset. No access to WMA by waterfowl hunters before 4am.

Tull Bottom

Big game, small game, trapping

Same as statewide seasons and bag limits except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman) Same as statewide season.

Tumbleweed

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey

season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season.

Watts Bar

Deer, Turkey, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide season, except as noted.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

(Iron Hill Island, Long Island, and Thief Neck Island Units)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Archery equipment only for deer except juveniles may use shotguns or muzzleloaders during statewide Young-Sportsman hunts. Small Game hunting is Shotgun-Archery only. During the deer season. small game hunting is only on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during

the deer season on Thief Neck Island

No Trapping during the duck season on the Long Island Unit.

West Sandy

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons,

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the regular

statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of duck seasons and

remaining goose seasons when hunting closes at sunset.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound blind) Application must be received by the TWRA Region I Office by noon on

the 4th Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible to compete in the wheelchair-bound blind drawing. If blind is not occupied by shooting time, another wheelchair-bound hunter and 1 to 3 assistants (at least one assistant must be age 16 or older) may occupy the blind for that day. Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair-hunting zone at

designated blinds.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season. Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season.

White Lake Refuge

Big Game, Small Game

Turkey

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove, fall turkey, and waterfowl.

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Same as statewide seasons.

Dog Training

Closed

White Oak

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

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Dove

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Sept 1, noon-sunset continuing with statewide season.

Quail Dec. 1 - Dec. 31

Deer

Same as statewide seasons, except that Gun season opens with statewide season and continues for 9 consecutive days. Afterward deer-hunters are restricted to archery equipment only and must meet blaze orange requirements.

Turkey

One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey. Counts toward statewide bag limit. Fall turkey season closed.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season(s) and all types of water traffic prohibited after 5:00 p.m.

No waterfowl hunters permitted on the area or access areas before 4:00 a.m. opening day(s), and from 5:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. the following days during the late duck season.

Waterfowl (Lebanon Pond)

Special Regulations: Lebanon Pond waterfowl hunting area is the land and water north of White Oak Creek Canal, east of Hurricane Creek Canal, west of the agricultural fields on Sulfur Wells Rd., and south of the TWRA boat ramp off of Lebanon Loop Rd. and Pintail Ln. Hunts will be allocated by computer draw as specified in the waterfowl quota hunt computer drawing and allocation procedures. Hunts will be Opening weekend (s), Monday-Thursday, and Friday-Sunday within the late waterfowl seasons. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary staked blind sites designated by GPS coordinates.

Successful applicants and guests will be required to hunt within 25 yards of staked blind sites and are required to hunt at the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn. Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out over the specified hunt period but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day of that period.

Special Regulations

All small game hunting closed during Young-Sportsman deer hunts.

All water traffic prohibited five days before the opening day(s) of the statewide duck season.

Whites Creek PHA

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Whites Mill

Waterfowl/Snipe

Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt. Saturdays only from staked positions.

Bullfrog

Mar. 1–Nov. 14, gigs only.

Special Regulations

Closed to all activity from Nov. 15 to the last day of the youth waterfowl season except legal hunters on Saturdays.

Williamsport

Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove

Same as statewide season, except open only on Sep. 1 and every Saturday during the first segment. Designated fields only. Shooting from staked positions only on Sep. 1. On Sep. 1, staked positions will be assigned by a drawing held on site at 10:00 a.m. Hunters must be present at drawing and must check out at the conclusion of the hunt. Successful applicants must be at the staked position at legal shooting hours.

Deer (Archery)

Three hunts. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd Saturday in September and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 4th Saturday in September and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 1st Saturday in October and running for 3 consecutive days. Two deer, antlered or antlerless but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

Two hunts. One 2-day hunt, beginning 2nd to last Saturday in October and running 2 consecutive days. One 2-day hunt, beginning last Saturday in October and running 2 consecutive days. Two deer, antlered or antlerless but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One hunt. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 1 Saturday in November and running for 3 consecutive days. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, antlered or antlerless but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)

Four hunts. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 3rd Saturday in November and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt,

beginning on the 4th Saturday in November and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 1st Saturday in December and running for 3 consecutive days. One 3-day hunt, beginning on the 2nd Saturday in December and running for 3 consecutive days. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, antlered or antlerless but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide. One bearded bird.

Turkey One hunt. April 15-28, 2023 (April 13-26, 2024). One bearded bird per

hunt. Counts toward statewide bag limit.

Crow Sep. 1-until the last day of February. All crow hunting is limited to

Saturdays during the month of September during the first segment of

dove season, thereafter on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

Special Regulations Open one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset on hunt days.

Wolf River Unit I (that portion south of Hwy 57)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove Sep. 1 at noon and everyday thereafter during the remainder of the

statewide dove seasons.

Quail Closed to quail hunting; dog training permitted.

Rabbit Closes Jan. 31.

Turkey Two weekly hunts (Tues-Wed and Fri-Sun) each week of spring turkey

season. All hunts will be quota hunts and will be drawn prior to turkey

season. Hunter quota 25 per hunt.

One bearded turkey per hunt and counts toward statewide bag limit.

Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day during the late

duck season(s), except the last day of each segment of the season(s)

when hunting closes as sunset. Temporary blinds only.

Dog Training Sep. 1–Jan.31.

Special Regulations Adjacent Ghost River State Natural Area open same as Wolf River

WMA. Hunting or access to hunt from the boardwalk structure is

prohibited.

All small game hunting and dog training closed during Young-

Sportsman deer hunts.

Firing Range Rifle Sight-In Range open in Oct.

Unit II (that portion north of Hwy 57)

Big game, small game, trapping Same as statewide seasons and bag limits except as noted.

Turkey One non-quota hunt from the opening day of the statewide spring

turkey season until the fourth Sunday of the statewide spring turkey season. Bag limit one bearded turkey counts toward statewide bag

limit. Closed to fall turkey season.

Turkey (Young Sportsman) Same as statewide season.

Waterfowl Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day during the late

duck season.

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Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Special Regulations During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out

of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and

muzzleloader seasons.

Turkey Bag limit one (1) bearded turkey during the first 14 days of the

statewide turkey season, all harvested turkey count towards the

statewide bag limit.

Yuchi Refuge

Small Game Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting.

Small game seasons closed in Wetland Zone from Nov. 15-last day of

Feb.

Dove season Sep. 1 until end of first segment

Raccoon, opossum hunting Nov. 17 to last day of February permitted on Tuesday and Wednesday only, sunset to sunrise. All dogs need to be removed from the area before sunrise on Thursday. Bag limit on

raccoons, one per person per night.

Wood Duck/Teal Same as September Wood Duck/Teal season. No duck hunters

permitted on the refuge from 2 hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day. Walk in access only. No boat

access.

Rabbit Nov. 15- last day of Feb. Bag limit on rabbits is three per day.

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One two-day hunt beginning the fourth Saturday in September. and two

two-day hunts beginning the 1st and 3rd Saturday in October. Hunter quota 75 each hunt. Three deer, only one antlered (bonus deer). Antler

point restrictions do not apply on these hunts.

Deer (Gun) One two-day hunt beginning the last Saturday of October and one two-

day hunt beginning the second Saturday in November. Hunter quota 75. Three deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). First deer

must be antlerless.

Deer (Gun)(Upland Zone)

One two-day hunting beginning the second Saturday in December.

Hunter quota 50. Three deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

First deer harvested must be antlerless

Deer and Turkey (Wheelchair-bound

Only)

Three wheelchair bound hunters allowed per quota deer hunt and two hunters per quota turkey hunt. Hunters must contact Region 3 office

to reserve hunt date.

Turkey Four hunts. Mar. 31-April 2, April 21-23, 28-30, May 12-14, 2023. (Mar.

29-31, April 19-21, 26-28, May 10-12, , 2024). Hunter quota 10. One

bearded turkey Hunting ends at Noon. Walk-in only

Turkey (Young Sportsman) One hunt. Mar. 25-26, 2023 (Mar. 23-24, , 2024). Hunter quota 15. One

bearded turkey Hunting ends at noon. Walk-in only,

Retriever Dog Field Trials Pre-approved by Area Manager at least 30 days in advance of trial

dates.

Dog Training Upland zone: Nov.15 – last day of Feb., daylight hours only, no fox or

coyote chasing.

Wetland zone: closed to dog training.

Special Regulations Nontoxic shot only in Wetland Zone.

No boat access.

Wetland Zone closed to all forms of public use, including all forms of

trespass from Nov. 15-last day of Feb.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-

inch minimum main beam outside antler spread on all hunts.

On big game quota hunts one non-hunting juvenile under the age of 16 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid WMA quota permit. During deer gun hunts non-hunting juvenile must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations specified for legal

hunters.

SECTION III. REPEAL OF PRIOR PROCLAMATIONS

This proclamation repeals Proclamation No. 22-03.

Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission

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Chairman
I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission on the 21st day of April 2023.
Secretary Secretary
Subscribed and sworn to before me this the
My commission expires: September 7, 2026
Proclamation No. 23-06 received and recorded this <u>5th</u> day of <u>May</u> , 2023; to be effective the <u>4th</u> day of <u>June</u> , 2023.
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