



Conservation Advisory Board

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The mission of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division is to manage, protect, conserve, and enhance the wildlife and aquatic resources of Alabama for the sustainable benefit of the people of Alabama.

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February 07, 2024

MEMORANDUM

TO: Christopher M. Blankenship, Commissioner
Conservation Advisory Board Members

FROM: Chuck Sykes
Director

SUBJECT: Recommended 2024-2025 Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits

Enclosed are the hunting seasons and bag limits recommendations of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division staff for 2024-2025. These recommendations are compiled from field input, as well as input from the Section Chiefs and submitted as a consensus of the involved group. Changes in the regulations, as they stood last year, have been itemized at the beginning and highlighted in the text. This should give you ready reference on what the staff is recommending different from the past season.

After you have reviewed the enclosed and consulted with persons within your area, members of the Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries Division will be pleased to try to provide any additional information you may desire. If a question relates to a specific season or section, please contact:

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We look forward to seeing you at the Advisory Board meeting.

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Enclosure

2024-2025 Seasons and Bag Limits Proposed Changes

Major Changes:

- ✓ Date changes due to calendar are not listed.
- ✓ Deer Season 5 less days in all zones due to calendar change.
- ✓ Reduced creel limit of Skipjack Herring.
- ✓ Prohibit the selling of Skipjack Herring from the waters of the Tennessee River.
- ✓ Removed slot limit of Largemouth Bass on Little Bear Creek Reservoir.
- ✓ Added Fish, Crustacea, and Mollusk to the prohibited species listed as injurious wildlife under the USFW Lacey Act.
- ✓ Changed the Alligator Season Size and Bag Limits and to clarify, include the new bonus harvest permit, and allow nonresidents to participate.
- ✓ Added Otter to the species eligible for landowner's wildlife damage permits.
- ✓ Changed the Alligator West Central Management Area to include Clark and Choctaw Counties, portions of Marengo County, and exclude the Choctaw National Wildlife Refuge.
- ✓ Expanded Alligator Zones in the Southwest, West Central, and Lake Eufaula Management Areas.
- ✓ Removed daytime hunting of Alligators in Lake Eufaula Management Area.
- ✓ Prohibit operations of airboats or air-cooled motors in portions of Mud Creek WMA during certain Waterfowl hunting season. Restrict the use of air-cooled motors in the dewatering areas of Mud Creek WMA and portions of Raccoon Creek WMA.
- ✓ Changed dates of operating airboats and air-cooled motors in Crow Creek and North Sauty Refuges.
- ✓ Expanded the Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone.
- ✓ Changed permit system for Duck blinds at Swan Creek Management Area.

HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING

2024-2025 SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS

Important Notes:

All deer and turkey hunters are required to report their harvest using Game Check and have a deer / turkey harvest record (either paper or app form) in possession. See www.outdooralabama.com for more information.

All persons hunting on private lands of another must have written permission in possession from the landowner with few exceptions.

Legal hunting hours for deer are 30 minutes before official sunrise time until 30 minutes after official sunset time.

All required hunting and fishing licenses and waterfowl stamps must be in possession when hunting or fishing (either paper or digital form).

See hunter orange requirement and definition of open permit – public land. Consult wildlife management area map permits for special rules and regulations and seasons before hunting State Wildlife Management Areas.

Any party controlling hunting rights may, by choice, be more restrictive on seasons and bag limits than those stipulated below.

Hunting with the aid of bait is prohibited on public lands (including WMA, SOA, USFS, TVA, Corp. of Engineers and public and private land within the CWD CMZ).

Christopher M. Blankenship

220-2-.01 2024-2025 Hunting Seasons.

(1) DEER

(a) ANTLERED BUCKS are defined as those male deer with one or more antlers visible above natural hairline.

(b) UNANTLERED DEER are defined as all deer without one or more antlers visible above the natural hairline.

(c) WHITE-TAILED ANTLERED BUCK LIMIT – Three per hunter during all combined seasons, one per day. One of the three must have at least 4 antler points 1” or longer on one antler (except for Barbour County). A point is defined as an antler projection of at least one inch in length from base to tip. Main beam tip shall be counted as a point regardless of length.

1. EXCEPTIONS:

(i) BARBOUR COUNTY ANTLER RESTRICTION – white-tailed deer antlered bucks must have a minimum of three points on one side, (except on the statewide special youth deer hunting dates during which any antlered buck may be taken).

(ii) WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA) BONUS BUCK – One per hunter during all combined bonus buck hunt dates will be allowed to be harvested from a selected collection of WMAs on specific hunt dates depicted on the AREA Permits that will not count towards the hunter’s State three buck limit. Must be validated at WMA check station by WFF personnel.

(d) WHITE-TAILED UNANTLERED DEER LIMIT - During the Unantlered Deer Gun, Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle, Archery, and Special Youth (under 16) Seasons, one unantlered deer may be taken per day in addition to one antlered buck per day. See Special Exception #3 below for selected areas with one deer per day limit on U.S. Forest Service Lands.

(e) SPECIAL YOUTH (UNDER 16) DEER HUNTING – Statewide, (includes all Privately Owned, Leased Lands, and Open Permit – Public Lands (except Wildlife Management Areas) in Zones A, B, C, & CMZ November 15-18 and in Zones D & E November 1-4. Dog hunting in those counties or parts of counties where and how it is allowed during the regular dog deer hunting season. Same legal arms and ammunition apply as in gun Deer season, in accordance with Rule 220-2-.119. See the 2024-2025 AREA Permits for youth deer hunting dates and other information [about WMA Hunting](#).

(f) DEER ZONE DESCRIPTIONS:

2024-2025 Deer Season Zone Map



If notes 1, 2, or 3 appear by the county listed and for CMZ information, see the special exceptions below. Note 1 relates to dog deer hunting. Note 2 relates to U.S. Corp of Engineers Lands. Note 3 relates to U.S. Forest Service Lands.

(1) **ZONE A (see map):** Those areas with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of the Alabama/Mississippi state line and US Hwy. 80 (Sumter County), east along US Hwy. 80 to the US Hwy. 80 Bypass in Selma (Dallas County); east along US Hwy 80 Bypass to the Alabama River; east along the Alabama River to I-65; south along I-65 to the intersection with I-85; north along I-85 to AL Hwy. 169 (Exit 60 – Lee County); south along AL Hwy. 169 to AL Hwy. 1/US Hwy. 431; south along AL Hwy. 1/US Hwy. 431 to AL Hwy. 26; west along AL Hwy. 26 to Russell County Road 65; south along Russell County Road 65 to Russell County Road 4; west along Russell County Road 4 to Russell County Road 49; south along Russell County Road 49 to US Hwy. 82; east along US Hwy. 82 to the Chattahoochee River; south along the Chattahoochee River to AL Hwy. 10; west along AL Hwy. 10 to Henry County Road 57; south along Henry County Road 57 to Henry County Road 99; south along Henry County Road 99 to US Hwy. 431; south along US Hwy. 431 to Ross Clark Circle (bypass around Dothan); east along Ross Clark Circle to US Hwy. 231; south along US Hwy. 231 to the Alabama/Florida state line; east along the Alabama/Florida state line to the Chattahoochee River; north along the Chattahoochee River to US Hwy. 82; west along US Hwy. 82 to US Hwy. 431; north along US Hwy. 431 to US Hwy. 280; east along US Hwy. 280 to Alabama/Georgia state line; north along Alabama/Georgia state line to I-20; west along I-20 to AL Hwy. 21; north along AL Hwy. 21 to US Hwy. 278; east along US Hwy 278 to the Alabama/Georgia state line; north along the Alabama/Georgia state line to the Alabama/Tennessee state line; west along the Alabama/Tennessee state line to the Lauderdale County/Limestone County line; south along the Lauderdale County/Limestone County line to the Tennessee River; west along the Tennessee River to the Colbert County/Lawrence County line; south along the Colbert County/Lawrence County line to the Colbert County/Franklin County line; west along the Colbert County/Franklin County line to the Alabama/Mississippi state line; south along the Alabama/Mississippi state line ending at US Hwy. 80 (Sumter County). **Excludes Zones C, D, E, and CMZ descriptions below.**

(2) **ZONE B (see map):** Those areas south or west of a line described as: beginning at the intersection of the Mississippi state line and US Hwy. 80 (Sumter County), east along US Hwy. 80 to the US Hwy. 80 Bypass in Selma (Dallas County); east along US Hwy. 80 Bypass to the Alabama River; east along the Alabama River to I-65; south along I-65 to the intersection with I-85; north along I-85 to AL Hwy. 169 (Exit 60 – Lee County); south along AL Hwy. 169 to AL Hwy. 1/US Hwy. 431; south along AL Hwy. 1/US Hwy. 431 to AL Hwy. 26; west along AL Hwy. 26 to Russell County Road 65; south along Russell County Road 65 to Russell County Road 4; west along Russell County Road 4 to Russell County Road 49; south along Russell County Road 49 to US Hwy. 82; east along US Hwy. 82 to US Hwy. 431; south along US Hwy. 431 to US Hwy. 82; east along US Hwy. 82 to the Chattahoochee River; south along the Chattahoochee River to AL Hwy. 10; west along AL Hwy. 10 to Henry County Road 57; south along Henry County Road 57 to Henry County Road 99; south along Henry County Road 99 to US Hwy. 431; south along US Hwy. 431 to Ross Clark Circle (bypass around Dothan); east along Ross Clark Circle to US Hwy. 231; south along US Hwy. 231 to the Alabama/Florida state line; west along the Alabama/Florida state line to the

Alabama/Mississippi state line, north along the Alabama/Mississippi state line ending at US Hwy. 80 (Sumter County). **Excludes Zone E description below.**

(3) ZONE C (see map): Those areas of Blount, Cullman, Etowah, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Marion, Morgan, Marshall, St. Clair, Walker, and Winston Counties with the following boundaries: beginning at the Colbert County/Franklin County line on US Hwy. 43/13, south along US Hwy. 43/13 to Spruce Pine (Franklin County); south along AL Hwy. 13 to AL Hwy. 195 in Haleyville (Winston County); north along AL Hwy. 195 to Winston County Road 93; north along Winston County Road 93 to Franklin County Road 93; north along Franklin County Road 93 to Franklin County Road 81; north along Franklin County Road 81 to Franklin County Road 83; north along Franklin County Road 83 to AL Hwy. 24; east along Alabama Hwy. 24 to intersection with AL Hwy. 157 in Moulton (Lawrence County); south along AL Hwy. 157 to Cullman County Road 1114; south along Cullman County Road 1114 to US Hwy. 278 in Jones Chapel (Cullman County); west along US Hwy. 278 to Helicon Road (Winston County Road 77); south along Helicon Road (Winston County Road 77) to Winston County Road 41 in Arley (Winston County); south along Winston County Road 41 to the Sipsey Fork; south along the Sipsey Fork to US Hwy. 69; north along US Hwy. 69 to I-65; south along I-65 to I-59; north along I-59 to US Hwy. 11; north along US Hwy. 11 to Etowah County/Dekalb County line; west along Etowah County/Dekalb County line to Dekalb County/Marshall County line; north along Dekalb County/Marshall County line to Marshall County/Jackson County line, north along Marshall County/Jackson County line to Tennessee River; west along Tennessee River to the Colbert County/Lawrence County line; south along the Colbert County/Lawrence County line to the Colbert County/Franklin County line; west along the Colbert County/Franklin County line ending at US Hwy. 43/13. **Excludes Zone D description below.**

(4) ZONE D (see map): Those areas of Cullman, Franklin, Lawrence, Morgan and Winston Counties with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of AL Hwy. 157 and AL Hwy. 24 in Moulton (Lawrence County); south along AL Hwy. 157 to Cullman County Road 1114; south along Cullman County Road 1114 to US Hwy. 278 in Jones Chapel (Cullman County); west along US Hwy. 278 to Helicon Road (Winston County Road 77); west along Helicon Road (Winston County Road 77) to Winston County Road 41 in Arley (Winston County); south along Winston County Road 41 to the Sipsey Fork; south along the Sipsey Fork to the Winston County/Walker County line; west along the Winston County/Walker County line to AL Hwy. 5; north along AL Hwy. 5 to AL Hwy. 13 at Natural Bridge (Winston County); north along AL Hwy. 13 to AL Hwy. 195 in Haleyville (Winston County); north along AL Hwy. 195 to Winston County Road 93; north along Winston County Road 93 to Franklin County Road 93; north along Franklin County Road 93 to Franklin County Road 81; north along Franklin County Road 81 to Franklin County Road 83; north along Franklin County Road 83 to AL Hwy. 24; east along AL Hwy. 24 ending at intersection with AL Hwy. 157 in Moulton (Lawrence County).

(5) ZONE E (see map): Those areas of Barbour and Russell Counties with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of US Hwy. 82 and US Hwy. 431 in

Eufaula (Barbour County), north along US Hwy. 431 to US Hwy. 280; east along US Hwy. 280 to the Chattahoochee River; south along the Chattahoochee River to US Hwy. 82; west along US Hwy. 82 ending at intersection with US Hwy. 431 (Barbour County); and those areas of Calhoun, Cherokee, and Cleburne Counties with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of I-20 and AL Hwy. 21 (Calhoun County); north along AL Hwy. 21 to AL Hwy. 9 in Piedmont (Calhoun County); north along AL Hwy. 9 to US Hwy. 278; east along US Hwy. 278 to the Alabama/Georgia state line; south along the Alabama/Georgia state line to I-20; west along I-20 ending at intersection with AL Hwy. 21 (Calhoun County).

(6) Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Management Zone (see map): The CWD Management Zone (CMZ) includes all of Lauderdale and Colbert Counties.

(a) Within the CMZ, the High-Risk Zone (HRZ) includes Lauderdale County and the portion of Colbert County with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of the Tennessee River and the Alabama/Mississippi State line, south along the Alabama/Mississippi State line to US Hwy. 72; east along US Hwy. 72 to US Hwy. 72 ALT; east along US Hwy. 72 ALT to the Colbert County/Lawrence County line; north along the Colbert County/Lawrence County line to the Tennessee River; west along the Tennessee River ending at the Alabama/Mississippi State line.

(b) Within the CMZ, the Buffer Zone (BZ) includes those portions of Colbert County with the following boundaries: beginning at the intersection of the Alabama/Mississippi State line and US Hwy. 72, south along the Alabama/Mississippi State line to the Colbert County/Franklin County line; east along the Colbert County/Franklin County line to the Colbert County/Lawrence County line; north along the Colbert County/Lawrence County line to US Hwy. 72 ALT; west along US Hwy. 72 ALT to US Hwy. 72; west along US Hwy. 72 ending at the Alabama/Mississippi State line.

(g) **DEER SEASON ZONES:**

Zone A			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only

Zone B			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 15-24, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		October 25, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6 – 15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only

Zone C			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024- February 10, 2025	Either Sex
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23 – December 1, 2024	Either Sex
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23 – December 1, 2024	Either Sex
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - 15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - 15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only

Zone D			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 1, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
		January 16 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Special Youth Gun		November 1-4, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 4-8, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 9-22, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		November 23 – December 1, 2024	Either Sex
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 9-22, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		November 23 – December 1, 2024	Either Sex
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 -January 1, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex

Zone E			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 1, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
		January 16 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Special Youth Gun		November 1-4, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 4-8, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 9, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
		January 16 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex
		January 2 - 27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 9, 2024- January 1, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 1, 2025	Either Sex

Chronic Wasting Disease Management Zone (CMZ)			
Archery-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024- February 10, 2025	Either Sex
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle			
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting: Where Allowed			
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only
		December 14, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Either Sex
		January 6 - 15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only

(h) **SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:**

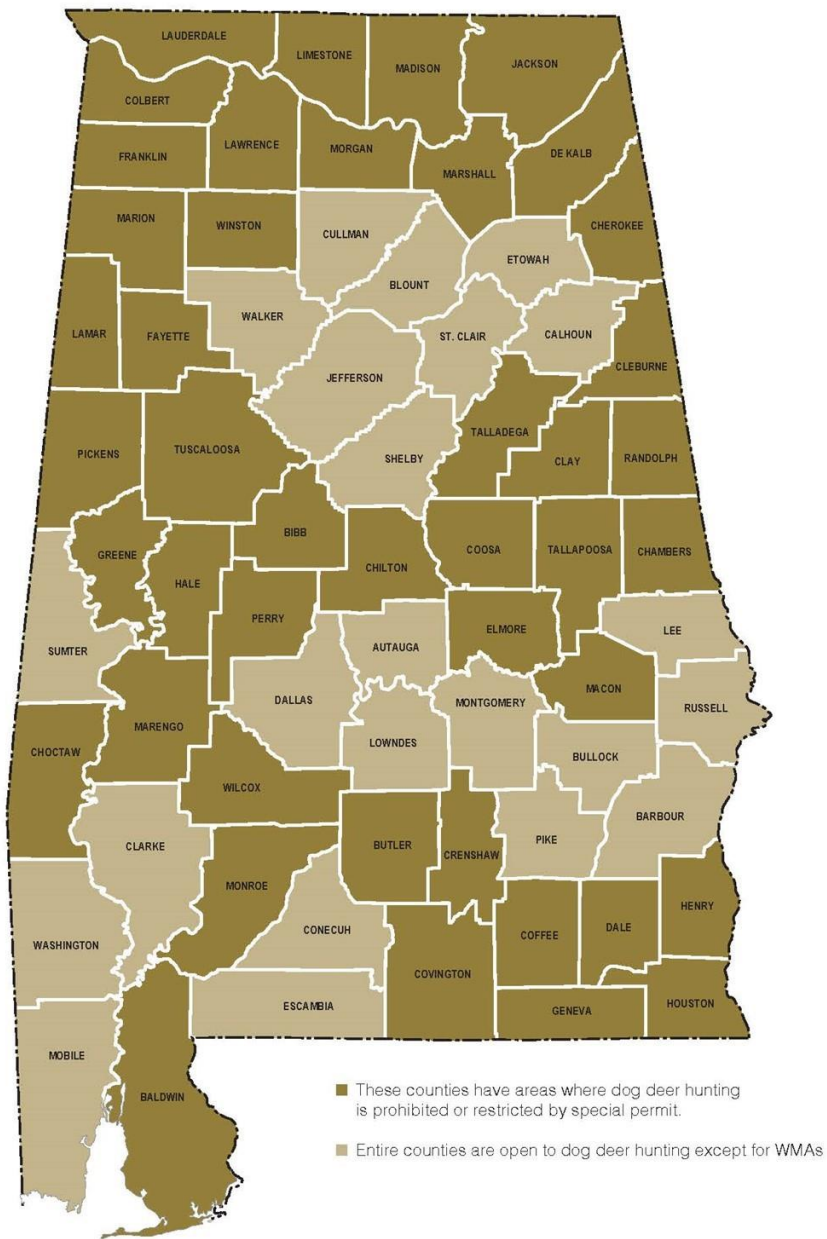
(1) **DOG DEER HUNTING RESTRICTIONS:**

(i) *Dog Deer Hunting Prohibited Except by Special Permit from the Department:* **BALDWIN; CHAMBERS; CHOCTAW** (that area south of AL Hwy. 10 and west of AL Hwy. 17 and north of County Road 18 from AL Hwy. 17 to County Road 14 then north of County Road 14 to the Mississippi state line); **COLBERT** (that area west of US Hwy. 43); **COOSA; COVINGTON** (north of US Hwy. 84); **ELMORE** (that area inside the following boundaries: from the Coosa County/Elmore County line at the east bank of Lake Jordan, to AL Hwy. 9, south along AL Hwy. 9 to the intersection of US Hwy. 231, south along US Hwy. 231 to the intersection of AL Hwy. 14, west along AL Hwy. 14 to the east bank of the Coosa River, north along the east bank of the Coosa River to Lake Jordan, back to the Coosa County/Elmore County line); **GENEVA; HENRY; MACON** (that area inside the following boundaries: from County Road 24 at the Lee County line, west and south to County Road 26, west to County Road 10, southeast to County Road 5, south to County Road 47, south to County Road 2, east to the Russell County line); **MARENGO; MONROE; PICKENS** (north of US Hwy. 82); **TALLAPOOSA;** and **WILCOX** counties. Individual property owners in **CHAMBERS** and **COOSA** counties may hunt with dogs on their own property without special permit. No dog deer hunting allowed on Open Permit-Public Land (see 220-2-.85).

(ii) *By Stalk Hunting Only (No Dogs):* **BIBB; PERRY:** (that area inside the following boundaries: east of AL Hwy. 219, south of US Hwy. 82 and north of AL Hwy. 183); **BUTLER** (that area south of AL Hwy. 106 and east of I-65); **CHEROKEE; CHILTON; CLEBURNE; COFFEE** (that area inside the following boundaries: AL Hwy. 134 from the Covington County Line, east to County Road 460, south to the Geneva County line, east to the Dale County line, north to AL Hwy. 134, west to AL Hwy. 87, north to US Hwy. 84, west to AL Hwy. 189, south to AL Hwy. 141, north to US Hwy. 84, west to the Covington County line); **CRENSHAW** (north of AL Hwy. 10 and that area inside the following boundaries: from the east city limit of Luverne, US Hwy. 29 east to the junction of County Road 57, County Road 57 south to the junction of Davis Road, Davis Road west to County Road 41, County Road 41 south to US Hwy. 331, US Hwy. 331 north to County Road 41, County Road 41 north to County Road 39, County Road 39 north to the Luverne city limit); **DALE** (that area inside the following boundaries: Judy Creek south to Dale County Road 36, east to AL Hwy. 27, north to the Henry County line, north to the Barbour County line, west to Judy Creek); **DEKALB; ELMORE** (that area inside the following boundaries: east of US Hwy. 231, south of AL Hwy. 14, west of Tumkeehatchee Creek and north of the Tallapoosa River); **FAYETTE** (that area inside the following boundaries: west of US Hwy 43 and north of AL Hwy. 18); **FRANKLIN; HALE** and **PERRY:** (that area inside the following boundaries: from Hale County Road 32 at the Hale County Line, west to the intersection of AL Hwy. 25, AL Hwy. 25 north until it intersects with the Talladega National Forest boundary, following the boundary south until it intersects the Perry County line, following the National Forest boundary east to Perry County Road 23, south to the intersection of Perry County Road 29, south to the Spring Hill Church Road, Spring Hill Church Road west to the junction of Perry County Road 23 and AL Hwy. 14, west to the Hale County

line); **GREENE**; **PICKENS** and **TUSCALOOSA**: (that area inside the following boundaries: in Pickens County from the intersection of US Hwy. 82 and County Road 63, south on County Road 63 to Benevola, County Road 2 (commonly known as the Romulus Road) east through Greene County to US Hwy. 82 in Tuscaloosa County); **HOUSTON**; **JACKSON**; **LAMAR**; **LAUDERDALE**; **LAWRENCE**; **LIMESTONE**; **MADISON**; **MARION**; **MARSHALL**; **MORGAN**; **RANDOLPH**; **TUSCALOOSA** (that area north of US Hwy. 82); and **WINSTON** (that area east of AL Hwy. 5 from the Walker County line to Natural Bridge and all that area north of US Hwy. 278).

DOG DEER HUNTING RESTRICTIONS AT A GLANCE



2. U.S. CORP OF ENGINEERS LANDS: On U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) Lands in Alabama, the special muzzleloader, air rifle, and unantlered deer seasons are allowed the same as privately owned or leased lands in those counties, if USACE does not further restrict. Be aware to consult USACE regulations regarding hunting activities and boat ramp use prior to hunting USACE regulated areas. Special Permits from the USACE may be required and some USACE areas are closed to hunting.

For complete information concerning hunting on USACE lands, visit the USACE Mobile District website at the following:

[https://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Recreation/Hunting/.](https://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Recreation/Hunting/)

3. U. S. FOREST SERVICE (USFS):

(i) STALK HUNTING: same season dates as open permit for county except Wildlife Management Areas – one deer per day.

(ii) DOG DEER HUNTING: No Dogs, except for USFS Lands within Calhoun, Clay, and Talladega counties during the Dog Deer Season on open permit-public lands – on Thursdays and Fridays until 2:00 p.m.; on weekends during legal shooting hours. No dog deer hunting on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday of each week unless Christmas Day or New Year’s Day falls on a Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. No other state or federal holidays are included in this exception. One deer per day.

(iii) NO DOG DEER HUNTING ON THE PINEY WOODS/IVORY MOUNTAIN AREA: The borders of which are defined as follows: bounded by the Cleburne County line to the north running east and west, then to the west by Clay County Road 3 running south to State Route 49; The south border is Clay County Road 66 running east and west from State Route 49 to Hwy 9; The eastern border is Hwy 9 running north from Clay County Road 66 to the Cleburne County line.

4. CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE MANAGEMENT ZONE (CMZ):

(i) STALK HUNTING: All deer season dates and bag limits in the CMZ for all Stalk Deer Hunting seasons (Archery, Special Youth, Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle, and Gun) on Privately Owned or Leased and Open Permit Public Land are the same as those listed for Zone A. This does not apply to Wildlife Management Areas and Community Hunting Areas located within the CMZ.

(ii) DOG DEER HUNTING: Dog Deer Hunting season dates in the CMZ are the same as those listed for Zone A. Restrictions specific to Colbert and Lauderdale Counties as stated in Note 1 also apply.

(iii) OTHER REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: See Chronic Wasting Disease Management Zone Rule 220-2-.167 for CWD sampling requirements, restrictions on transport and disposal of deer carcasses and heads, restrictions on feeding

and baiting of wildlife, and other applicable requirements and restrictions for CWD Management.

(2) **TURKEY:**

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TURKEY SEASON ZONES PRIVATE, LEASED AND OPEN PERMIT PUBLIC LANDS (EXCLUDING WMA AND U.S. FOREST SERVICE RANGER DISTRICTS)

ZONE 1
 SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT MARCH 22 – 23 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT MARCH 24 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPRING SEASON MARCH 25 – MAY 8 (DECOYS ALLOWED APRIL 4 - MAY 8)

ZONE 2
 SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT MARCH 29 – 30 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT MARCH 31 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPRING SEASON APRIL 1 – MAY 8 (DECOYS ALLOWED APRIL 11 - MAY 8)

ZONE 3
 FALL SEASON NOVEMBER 16 – 24 (NO DECOYS ALLOWED)
 FALL SEASON DECEMBER 14 – 29 (NO DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT MARCH 22 – 23 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT MARCH 24 (DECOYS ALLOWED)
 SPRING SEASON MARCH 25 – MAY 8 (DECOYS ALLOWED APRIL 4 - MAY 8)

GOBBLERS ONLY
 One gobbler per day, four gobbler bag limit during combined fall and spring season.

WMA AND U.S. FOREST SERVICE RANGER DISTRICTS
 Bankhead Ranger District: WMAs - Lauderdale, Freedom Hills, Black Warrior, Coon Gulf, Riverton CHA and Martin CHA.
 Special Youth Hunt - April 5 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed)
 Special Disabled Hunt - April 7 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed)
 Spring Season - April 8 - May 8 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed April 11 - May 8)
REMAINDER OF NATIONAL FORESTS DISTRICTS (Talladega Ranger District, Shoal Creek Ranger District, Oakmulgee Ranger District, Tuskegee Ranger District and Conecuh Ranger District) and **REMAINDER OF WMAs THAT ALLOW TURKEY HUNTING:**
 Special Youth Hunt - March 29 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed)
 Special Disabled Hunt - March 31 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed)
 Spring Season - April 1 - May 8 (Daylight to 1 p.m.; Decoys allowed April 4 - May 8)

BAG LIMIT
 • One gobbler per day; four gobbler bag limit during combined fall and spring season.
 • No more than two gobblers from any one WMA, CHA, or National Forest Ranger District
 • No more than one gobbler during the first 10 days of each season from each WMA, CHA and National Forest Ranger District

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(a) **GOBBLERS ONLY:** Limit one per day, four gobbler bag limit during combined fall and spring seasons.

(b) ~~SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT: Saturday & Sunday the week prior to opening of the spring season. Decoys allowed.~~

(c) ~~SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT: One day prior to all Regular Season opening days. Participants must meet medical requirements of regulation 220.2-.109(2)(d).~~

~~Decoys allowed only for spring season.~~

(d) **TURKEY SEASON ZONES:**

1. **ZONE 1:** Autauga; Baldwin; Barbour; Bibb; Blount; Bullock; Butler; Calhoun; Chambers; Cherokee; Chilton; Choctaw; Cleburne; Coffee; Conecuh; Coosa; Crenshaw; Cullman (except north of Lewis Smith Lake and north of

Cullman County Road 437 and west of I-65.); **Dale; Dallas; DeKalb; Elmore; Escambia; Etowah; Fayette; Geneva; Greene; Hale; Henry; Houston; Jackson; Jefferson; Lamar; Lee; Lowndes; Macon; Marengo; Marion; Marshall; Mobile; Montgomery; Perry; Pickens; Pike; Russell; Shelby; St. Clair; Sumter; Tallapoosa; Tuscaloosa; Walker; Washington; and Wilcox.**

- (i) SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT** *March 22 – 23*
Decoys allowed.
- (ii) SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT** *March 24*
Decoys allowed.
- (iii) SPRING SEASON** *March 25 – May 8*
~~(no decoys first 10 days)~~ **Decoys allowed** *April 4 – May 8*

2. ZONE 2: Colbert; Cullman (north of Lewis Smith Lake and north of Cullman County Road 437 and west of I-65); **Franklin; Lauderdale; Lawrence; Limestone; Madison; Morgan; and Winston.**

- (i) SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT** *March 29 – 30*
Decoys allowed.
- (ii) SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT** *March 31*
Decoys allowed.
- (iii) SPRING SEASON** *April 1 – May 8*
~~(no decoys first 10 days)~~ **Decoys allowed** *April 11 – May 8*

3. ZONE 3: Clarke; Clay; Covington; Monroe; Randolph; and Talladega.

- (i) FALL SEASON (decoys prohibited):** *November 16 – November 24*
December 14 – December 29
- (ii) SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT** *March 22 – 23*
Decoys allowed.
- (ii) SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT** *March 24*
Decoys allowed.
- (iii) SPRING SEASON** ~~(no decoys first 10 days):~~ *March 25 – May 8*
Decoys allowed *April 4 – May 8*

(3) MOURNING and WHITE-WINGED DOVE:

Shooting on opening day in each Zone starts at 12:00 noon until Sunset.

(a) **NORTH ZONE: All counties except those listed below in South Zone.**

Limit 15 a Day – (90 Days)

Split Season with Shooting Hours:

12 o'clock noon until Sunset (Afternoon Shooting Only) *September 7*
One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *September 8 – October 20*
One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *November 23 – December 1*
One half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *December 14 – January 19*

(b) **SOUTH ZONE: Baldwin; Coffee; Covington; Dale; Escambia; Geneva; Henry; Houston; and Mobile.** Limit 15 a Day – (90 days)

Split Season with Shooting Hours:

12 o'clock noon until Sunset (Afternoon Shooting Only) *September 14*
One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *September 15 – October 27*
One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *November 23 – December 1*
One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *December 14 – January 19*

(4) **BOBWHITE QUAIL:** *November 2 – February 28*

Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession
Closed on the Bankhead National Forest

(5) **RABBIT:** *September 14 – March 2*

Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession

(6) **SQUIRREL:** *September 14 – March 2*

Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession
Fox squirrel closed on the Bankhead National Forest

(7) **RACCOON:**

No Bag Limit – Private Owned and Leased Lands *No Closed Season*

Limit 5 per Party – Open Permit-Public Land *No Closed Season*

May be hunted daytime and nighttime hours.

***No running of dogs on open-permit lands during daytime or after 3:00 am during spring turkey season.**

(8) **OPOSSUM:** No Bag Limit

No Closed Season

May be hunted daytime and nighttime hours.

***No running of dogs on open-permit lands during daytime or after 3:00 am during spring turkey.**

(9) **ALLIGATOR:**

By Special Limited Quota Permit Only

Must apply online at www.outdooralabama.com beginning at 8:00 AM on the first Tuesday in June and ending at 8:00 AM on the second Tuesday of July. ~~Must be an Alabama resident or an Alabama lifetime hunting license holder to apply.~~ Residents and Non-residents who are sixteen (16) years of age or older holding a valid all game or small game Alabama Hunting License may apply for an Alligator Harvest Permit.

- (a) **West Central Management Area:** The private and public waters in **Monroe, Clarke and Choctaw Counties** (north of US Hwy. 84), Marengo County west of State Highway 28 and South of Highway 80, **Wilcox**, and **Dallas** Counties. (excluding Choctaw National Wildlife Refuge). Hunting Hours – Official Sunset to Official Sunrise.

Sunset on 2nd Thursday in August – Sunrise on the Sunday immediately following the 2nd Thursday in August

Sunset on the 3rd Thursday in August – Sunrise on the Sunday immediately following the 3rd Thursday in August

- (b) **Coastal Management Area:** The private and public waters in **Baldwin** and **Mobile** Counties that lie South of I-10. **Hunting Hours – Official Sunset to Official Sunrise.**

- (c) **Lake Eufaula Management Area:** The public Alabama state waters only in the Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its navigable tributaries (excluding main channel of the Chattahoochie River), south of 13th Street Bridge (excluding Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge). ~~Hwy. 208, Omaha Bridge, (excluding Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge).~~ **Hunting Hours – Official Sunset to Official Sunrise.**

- (d) **Southwest Management Area:** The private and public waters in **Baldwin** and **Mobile** Counties that lie North of I-10 and private and public waters in **Washington, Choctaw, Clarke**, and **Monroe** Counties that lie south of US Hwy. 84). **Hunting Hours – Official Sunset to Official Sunrise.**

Sunset on 2nd Thursday in August – Sunrise on the Sunday immediately following the 2nd Thursday in August
Sunset on the 3rd Thursday in August – Sunrise on the Sunday immediately following the 3rd Thursday in August
Sunset on the 2nd Thursday in September – Sunrise on the Sunday immediately following the 2nd Thursday on September

(e) Southeast Management Area: The private and public waters in **Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston,** and **Russell** Counties (excluding public Alabama state waters in Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its navigable tributaries). **Hunting Hours – Official Sunset to Official Sunrise.**

Sunset on the 2nd Saturday in August – Sunrise on the 1st Monday in September

(10) BOBCAT: No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*

See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.

See tagging requirement under regulation 220-2-.30

Trapping is limited to legal furbearer season.

***No running of dogs on open-permit lands during daytime or after 3:00 am during spring turkey season.**

Note: Permit may be obtained through the local district office for the trapping of nuisance furbearers outside the dates of trapping season.

(11) COYOTE: No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*

See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.

Trapping by landowner or his/her agent.

***No running of dogs on open-permit lands during daytime or after 3:00 am during spring turkey season.**

(a) PRIVATELY OWNED AND LEASED LANDS:
Special Nighttime Season

No Bag Limit – May be hunted during nighttime hours only.

***Begins 12:00 am on the day after the last day of Gun Deer Season in that Zone and ends 30 minutes prior to sunrise on the opening day of Archery Deer Season in that Zone.**

Must have a valid annual resident or nonresident nighttime feral swine and coyote hunting license.

Note: Landowner(s) or his/her official agent may obtain a permit through the local district office for nuisance control hunting outside of the dates of deer gun season.

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(12) **FERAL SWINE:** No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*

See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.

Upon capture, it shall be unlawful to release any live feral swine.
See regulation 220-2-.86.

Trapping by landowner or his/her agent.

(a) **PRIVATELY OWNED AND LEASED LANDS – DOGS ONLY:**

*Special Nighttime Season
May 10 – August 31*

No Bag Limit – May be hunted nighttime hours only

Dogs only – no firearms allowed.

(b) **PRIVATELY OWNED AND LEASED LANDS:**

Special Nighttime Season

No Bag Limit – May be hunted during nighttime hours only.

***Begins 12:00 am on the day after the last day of Gun Deer Season in that Zone and ends 30 minutes prior to sunrise on the opening day of Archery Deer Season in that Zone.**

Must have a valid annual resident or nonresident nighttime feral swine and coyote hunting license.

Additional license may be required.

Note: Landowner(s) or his/her official agent may obtain a permit through the local district office for nuisance control hunting outside of the dates of deer gun season.

(13) **FOX:** No Bag Limit

No Closed Season

May be hunted daytime and nighttime hours.

Nighttime hours with dogs only. See Trapping for more information.

***No running of dogs on open-permit lands during daytime or after 3:00 am during spring turkey season.**

Note: Permit may be obtained through the local district office for the trapping of nuisance furbearers outside the dates of trapping season.

(14) BEAVER, NUTRIA, AND GROUNDHOG:

No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only

No Closed Season

(15) STARLINGS, CROWS, AND HOUSE SPARROWS:

No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only

No Closed Season

(16) BEAR, MOUNTAIN LION, AND RUFFED GROUSE:

No Open Season

(17) WOODCOCK: Limit 3 a Day

*December 7 – December 8
December 14 – January 25*

Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset.

Note: Contingent upon federal register

(18) SNIPE: Limit 8 a Day

November 9– February 23

Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset.

Note: Contingent upon federal register

(19) CLAPPER RAIL, KING RAIL, VIRGINIA RAIL, SORA, AND GALLINULE: Limit 15 a Day

*September 14 – September 29
November 29 – January 21*

Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset.

Note: Contingent upon federal register

(20) SANDHILL CRANE:

*November 29 – January 5
January 13 – January 26*

By Limited Quota Permit only. Must apply online at www.outdooralabama.com. Only residents and Lifetime Hunting License holders of the State of Alabama who are sixteen (16) years of age or older and in possession of a valid hunting license (license not required for individuals over the age of 64) may apply for a Sandhill Crane Permit. There is no fee to apply for a permit. There is a \$20 fee to accept the Sandhill Crane Permit in addition to a small processing fee.

Hunting Zone will be that area North of Interstate 20 from the Georgia state line to the interchange with Interstate 65, then East of Interstate 65 to the interchange with Interstate 22, then North of Interstate 22 to the Mississippi state line. Excludes the remainder of the state.

Limit 3 per person per permit. Shooting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset. Legal arms and ammunition are same as waterfowl.

(21) BULLFROG AND PIG FROG:

No Closed Season

Limit 20 frogs in aggregate per person from 12 Noon to 12 Noon the following day.

May be hunted daytime or nighttime hours.

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2024-25 Alabama Deer Season Dates with 2023-24 Hunt Day Comparison

Table 1: 2024-2025 Proposed Deer Season Dates by Zone

Chronic Wasting Disease Management Zone (CMZ)				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	119	120
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	80	85
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	21
		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
		January 6 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	36	41
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 23, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex	54	59
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	21
		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
		January 6-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	10	15

Zone A				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024 – February 10, 2025	Either Sex	119	120
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle					
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	80	85
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	21
		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
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Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting					
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		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
		January 6-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	10	15

Zone B				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 15-24, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	10	11
		October 25, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	109	109
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle					
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	80	85
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	21
		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
		January 6 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	36	41
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 23, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex	54	59
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	21
		December 14, 2024 - January 5, 2025	Either Sex	23	23
		January 6-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	10	15

Zone C				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 15, 2024 - February 10, 2025	Either Sex	119	120
Special Youth Gun		November 15-18, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle					
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 18-22, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 23 - December 1, 2024	Either Sex	9	9
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	12	19
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	40	41
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	28
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2 - February 10, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	40	41
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 23 - December 1, 2024	Either Sex	9	9
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	12	19
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	14	15
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 23 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	21	28
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2-15, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	14	15

Zone D				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 1, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex	107	108
		January 16-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	12	12
Special Youth Gun		November 1-4, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle					
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 4-8, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Leased Land Only	November 9-22, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	14	14
		November 23 - December 1, 2024	Either Sex	9	9
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	12	19
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	26	27
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	35	42
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	26	27
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 9-22, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	14	14
		November 23 - December 1, 2024	Either Sex	9	9
		December 2-13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	12	19
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	17
	On Open Permit Public Lands Where Allowed	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	35	42
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	17

Zone E				Number of Hunt Days	2023-2024 Hunt Days
Bow and Arrow-Stalk Hunting		October 1, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex	107	108
		January 16-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	12	12
Special Youth Gun		November 1-4, 2024	Either Sex	4	4
Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle					
	Privately Owned or Leased Land and Open Permit Public Lands (Stalk Hunting Only)	November 4-8, 2024	Either Sex	5	5
Gun Deer-Stalk Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 9, 2024 - January 15, 2025	Either Sex	68	73
		January 16-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	12	12
	On Open Permit Public Land	November 9 - December 13, 2024	Antlered Bucks Only	35	42
		December 14, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	19	16
		January 2-27, 2025	Antlered Bucks Only	26	27
Gun Deer-Dog Deer Hunting					
	On Privately Owned or Lease Land Only	November 9, 2024 - January 1, 2025	Either Sex	54	59
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220-2-.02 Legal Arms, Ammunition, and Equipment for Hunting

FULLY AUTOMATIC FIREARMS PROHIBITED.

(1) GENERAL PROHIBITIONS:

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to use any method or have in their possession any weapon or ammunition contrary to this regulation while hunting or attempting to hunt game birds and animals or other species provided for herein unless expressly provided for by duly enacted laws of the State of Alabama.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse to submit firearms and ammunition or any device, instrument or accessory used in hunting to Conservation Enforcement Officers for inspection.
- (c) Legally blind hunters may use laser sighting devices to take game, subject to all other regulations, if the following conditions are met:
 - 1. the person is accompanied by a sighted person who is a member of the immediate family or at least 16 years of age.
 - 2. The sighted person possesses proof of a current hunting license, or legal exemption (under no circumstances shall the sighted person be a holder of a “supervision required” license).
 - 3. The sighted person shall not discharge any gun or bow with laser sighting device.
 - 4. The legally blind person possesses the appropriate hunting license and proof of impairment (a physician’s signed statement or equal).

“Legally blind”, as used in this regulation, shall mean central vision that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses or a visual field that subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees.

(2) DEER:

(a) Archery Season

- 1. Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows in conformance with 220-2-.03.

(b) Special Muzzleloader and Air Rifle Season

- 1. Muzzleloaders.
- 2. Pre-charged pneumatic air powered guns, .30 caliber or larger.
- 3. Pre-charged pneumatic arrow shooting rifles using an arrow equipped with a broadhead which has a minimum cutting diameter of 7/8 inch and 2 sharpened edges.

(c) Gun Deer Season

- 1. Rifles using centerfire, mushrooming ammunition.
- 2. Pre-charged pneumatic air powered guns, .30 caliber or larger.
- 3. Pre-charged pneumatic arrow shooting rifles using an arrow equipped with a broadhead which has a minimum cutting diameter of 7/8 inch and 2 sharpened edges.
- 4. Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using buckshot, slugs, or single round ball.
- 5. Muzzle-loaders and Black Powder Handguns-- .40 caliber or larger.
- 6. Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows in conformance with 220-2-.03.
- 7. Handguns or pistols using centerfire, mushrooming ammunition.

(3) TURKEY:

- 1. Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using standard No. 2 shot or smaller.
- 2. Muzzleloader shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using standard No. 2 shot or smaller.
- 3. Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows in conformance with 220-2-.03.
- 4. Pre-charged pneumatic arrow shooting rifles using an arrow equipped with a broadhead which has a minimum cutting diameter of 7/8 inch and 2 sharpened edges.

- (b) Nothing in this section is intended to prohibit the possession of rifles, shotgun/rifle combinations (drilling) or buckshot and slugs when the hunter is stalk hunting both deer and turkey provided no person shoots or attempts to shoot turkey with the rifle or shotgun using buckshot or slugs.

(4) MIGRATORY BIRDS:

- (a) Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller, plugged with a one-piece filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun or otherwise incapable of holding more than 3 shells using standard No. 2 shot or smaller, except waterfowl must be hunted with steel shot or other shot compositions and shot sizes that are approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- (b) Waterfowl hunters shall not possess any other size shot or any size lead shot.
- (c) Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
- (d) Raptors by properly permitted falconers.

(5) RACCOON & OPOSSUM:

- (a) Nighttime hunting--Shotguns using No. 6 shot or smaller; .22 caliber rimfire firearms.
- (b) Daytime hunting - See "(7) OTHER GAME BIRDS OR ANIMALS"

(6) BOBCAT, GROUNDHOG, UNPROTECTED WILDLIFE, FOX, COYOTE & FERAL SWINE:

- (a) Rifles of any caliber.
- (b) Handguns or pistols.
- (c) Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller.
- (d) Pre-charged pneumatic air powered guns, .25 caliber or larger.
- (e) Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
- (f) Muzzleloaders and black powder handguns of any caliber.
- (g) Pre-charged pneumatic arrow shooting rifles using an arrow equipped with a broadhead which has a minimum cutting diameter of 7/8 inch and 2 sharpened edges.
- (h) Spear or sharpened blade.
- (i) Raptors by properly permitted falconers.

(7) OTHER GAME BIRDS OR ANIMALS:

- (a) Rifles using rimfire ammunition or those operated by air.
- (b) Muzzleloaders and black powder handguns of any caliber.
- (c) Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
- (d) Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller, using standard No. 4 shot or smaller.
- (e) Handguns or pistols.
- (f) Blowguns using darts propelled by the hunter's breath only.
- (g) Sling shots.
- (h) Raptors by properly permitted falconers.

(8) BULLFROG AND PIG FROG:

- (a) Air powered rifles .25 caliber or smaller.
- (b) Gig or spear.
- (c) Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
- (d) Hand or dip net.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama, 1975, §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, 9-2-12

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220-2-.35 Seasons, Creel and Size Limits for Fish on Public Waters or Banks Thereof

- (1) The following seasons for taking fish in accordance with the below stated times, places, manners and restrictions are hereby established. Unless noted below, the seasons for all designated game and commercial fish are open continuously.
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to take or have in possession more than the daily limit for any fish as established herein. This shall not apply to fish held live for release by the sponsor or its designated agent after a bonafide fishing tournament provided they are released unharmed to the public waters from which they were taken as soon as reasonably possible on the same day they were taken. This does not obligate the sponsor or its designated agent to release dead or dying fish.
- (3) Except as otherwise noted, it shall be unlawful to possess any fish less than or greater than size restrictions as established herein. Size restrictions on all fish are determined by measuring from the front of the mouth to the tip of the tail with both mouth and tail closed. Except as otherwise provided for certain State and Federally owned and/or managed fishing lakes and ponds, the daily creel, possession limits and size restrictions for fish in all public waters of this State shall be as follows:

DAILY CREEL LIMITS, POSSESSION LIMITS AND SIZE LIMITS

- (a) **Black Bass** **10**
Includes combinations of largemouth, smallmouth, spotted, Alabama, shoal and those species formerly known as "redeye" bass, which are now known separately as Coosa, Warrior, Cahaba, Tallapoosa and Chattahoochee bass, based on their respective drainages. The Alabama bass was formerly known as spotted bass in the Mobile drainage. No more than 5 of the daily creel limit of 10 may be smallmouth bass. See exceptions for shoal bass in specific tributaries of the Chattahoochee River.
- (b) **Walleye** **2**
It shall be illegal to take or attempt to take walleye by any method from Sweetwater Lake located in the Talladega National Forest, Cleburne County, from White Plains Lake (also known as Whitesides Mill Lake), Calhoun County and from Shoal Creek upstream of White Plains Lake, Calhoun and Cleburne Counties. It shall also be illegal to take or attempt to take walleye by any method from Lake Mitchell on the Coosa River between Mitchell Dam and Lay Dam or from its tributary streams, Walnut Creek in Chilton County, Hatchet Creek in Coosa and Clay Counties, Weogufka Creek in Coosa County, the Mulberry Fork River and the Sipsey Fork River or any of their tributary streams in Blount, CulmiaD.t Lawrence, Walker, and Winston Counties, or the Duck River Reservoir in Cullman County. Any walleye taken in these lakes or streams shall immediately be released back into the waters from which they were taken with least possible harm.
- (c) **Sauger** **5**
It is illegal to possess any Sauger less than 15 inches in total length.
- (d) **White Bass** **15**
- (e) **Yellow Bass** **15**
- (f) **Saltwater Striped Bass, and Hybrids or Combinations** **15**
No more than five of the 15 may exceed 22 inches in total length. See exceptions

- for Lewis Smith, Inland, Yates, and Thurlow reservoirs and Lake Martin.
- (g) **Crappie**..... **30**
It is illegal to possess any crappie less than nine inches in total length taken from Alabama public waters, including Aliceville Reservoir and Pickwick Reservoir. Waters exempt from the nine-inch crappie limit include impoundments less than 500 surface acres, and the reciprocal waters of the Chattahoochee River and Impoundments and their tributaries, Bear Creek Reservoir (Big Bear Lake of the B.C.D.A. Lakes), Lake Jackson at Florala and Weiss Reservoir. See exception for Weiss Reservoir.
 - (h) **Yellow Perch** **No Limit**
 - (i) **Catfish (under 34 inches)** **No Limit**
 - (j) **Catfish (over 34 inches)**..... **1**
This size limit shall not apply to catfish harvested from the Perdido, Conecuh, Blackwater, Yellow, Choctawhatchee, Chipola, and Chattahoochee rivers basins. It shall be unlawful to transport live catfish 34 inches in length or greater beyond the boundaries of this state.
 - (k) **Bream** **50**
 - (l) **Rainbow Trout**..... **5**
It shall be unlawful to fish with more than two rods or to cull from the creel any trout caught from the Sipsey Fork from Lewis Smith Dam downstream to the confluence with the Mulberry Fork. (See paragraph 5 for definition of culling).
 - (m) **Alligator Gar** **1**
All alligator gar caught with commercial fishing gear must be immediately returned to the water with the least possible harm.
 - (n) **Sturgeon**..... **Closed Season**
All sturgeon must be immediately returned to the water with the least possible harm.
 - (o) **Paddlefish or Spoonbill**..... **Closed Season**
All paddlefish must be immediately returned to the water with the least possible harm.
 - (p) **Skipjack Herring**..... ~~100~~ **50**
- (4) **SIZE LIMITS** - As provided for above, as posted in State and Federally owned and/or managed public fishing lakes and ponds, and as follows:
- (a) **Chattahoochee River Tributaries** - It is illegal to possess shoal bass in Little Uchee, Uchee, Osanippa, Halawakee and Wacoochee creeks.
 - (b) **Guntersville Reservoir and Its Tributary of Town Creek** - It is illegal to possess any largemouth or smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.
 - (c) **Harris Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass between 13 inches and 16 inches in total length.
 - (d) **Lake Jackson at Florala** - Creel limit of five black bass greater than 12 inches in total length. Only one of the five can be over 22 inches in total length.
 - (e) **Inland Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit and only one of those may exceed 30 inches in total length.
 - (f) **Lewis Smith Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit. It shall be unlawful to intentionally cull from the creel any saltwater striped bass from June 15th to October 15th (See paragraph 5).
 - (g) **Lewis Smith Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any black bass between 13 inches and 15 inches in total length.

- ~~(h) Little Bear Creek Reservoir of the B.C.D.A. Lakes - It is illegal to possess largemouth bass between 13 inches and 16 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(h) Lake Martin - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit It shall be unlawful to intentionally cull from the creel any saltwater striped bass from June 15th to October 15th (See paragraph 5).~~
- ~~(+)(i) Pickwick Reservoir - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth bass or largemouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(j) Thurlow Reservoir - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit and only one of those may exceed 30 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(k) Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its Tributaries - It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(l) Weiss Reservoir - It is illegal to possess crappie less than 10 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(m) West Point Reservoir and its Tributaries - It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(n) Wheeler Reservoir - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(o) Wilson Reservoir and Its Tributaries of Big Nance and Town Creeks - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(p) Yates Reservoir - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit and only one of those may exceed 30 inches in total length.~~
- ~~(+)(q) Chattahoochee River and Impoundments and Tributaries - Special creel limits apply in reciprocal waters as specified under regulation 220-2-.122.~~
- (5) For the purposes of this regulation in paragraphs (3)(1), (4)(f), and (4)(i), "culling" shall be defined as removing and releasing a fish from the creel (live well, stringer, basket, bucket, cooler, or other container) whether it is replaced or not.

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Statutory Authority: §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8 and 9-2-12 Code of Alabama, 1975.

Penalty: As provided by law.

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220-2-.NEW **Selling of Skipjack Herring Prohibited**

It shall be unlawful to sell, offer for sale, or trade anything of value for any Skipjack Herring (*Alosa chrysochloris*) taken from the public waters of the Tennessee River and its Impoundments and Tributaries within the State of Alabama. This regulation shall expire on December 31, 2029, to allow adequate time for additional biological analysis to be performed to determine if the continued harvest and sale of Skipjack Herring is sustainable.

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Statutory Authority:

Penalty: As provided by law.

History:

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220-2-.26 Restrictions on Possession, Sale, Importation and/or Release of Certain Animals and Fish

- (1) No person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association shall possess, sell, offer for sale, import, bring, release, or cause to be brought or imported into the State of Alabama any of the following live fish or animals:

Any Walking Catfish or any other fish of the genus *Clarias*;

Any Piranha or any fish of the genera *Serrasalmus*, *Pristobrycon*, *Pygocentrus*, *Catoptrion*, or *Pygopristus*;

Any Nile Perch, Asian Seabass, Barramundi, or any fish from the genus *Lates* or *Macquaria*;

Any Giant African Snail or Giant African Land Snail (*Lissachatina fulica* or *Achatina fulica*);

Any Black Carp of the genus *Mylopharyngodon*;

Any species of sturgeon not native to Alabama;

Any species of Chinese perch (*Siniperca spp.*);

Any species of Snakehead fish from the family *Channidae* (*Chamui spp.*);

Any species of Mud carp (*Cirrhinus spp.*);

Any species of fish “rudd” (*Scardinius erythrophthalmus*) or “roach” (*Rutilus rutilus*) or any hybrids of either species;

Zander (*Sander lucioperca*);

European Perch (*Perca fluviatilis*);

Eurasian Minnow (*Phoxinus phoxinus*);

Wels Catfish (*Silurus glanis*);

Prussian Carp (*Carassius gibelio*);

Crucian Carp (*Carassius carassius*);

Any species of eel from the family of *Anguillidae* not native to Alabama;

Amur Sleeper (*Perccottus glenii*);

Any species of venomous reptile which has never naturally existed in the wild in Alabama including but not limited to venomous snakes of the families *Viperidae*, *Attractaspididae*, *Elapidae*, *Hydrophiidae* and *Colubridae*, except for hognose snakes (genus *Heterodon*);

Any species of bird, mammal, fish, crustacea, mollusk, reptile, or amphibian listed as injurious wildlife under the Lacey Act (18 U.S.C. 42) from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service;

Any species of Tegu (*Salvator sp.*);

Any species of Mongoose;

San Juan Rabbits, Jack Rabbits or any other species of wild rabbit or hare; or

Any of the following from any area outside the state of Alabama: any member of the family Cervidae (to include but not be limited to deer, elk, moose, caribou), species of coyote, species of fox, species of raccoon, species of skunk, wild rodent, or strain of wild turkey, black bear (*Ursus americanus*), mountain lion (*Felis concolor*), bobcat (*Felis rufus*), Pronghorn Antelope (*Antilocapridae*), any nondomestic member of the families *Suidae* (pigs), *Tayassuidae* (peccaries), or *Bovidae* (except bison).

No person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association, shall transport within the state, any member of the above-stated species (whether such member originated within or without the state), except for properly licensed game-breeders pursuant to Section 9-11-31, Code of Alabama 1975, or persons engaged in the interstate transport of any of the above-stated species through the state who are otherwise specifically authorized by permit of the Director of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries or his designee.

- (2) It shall be unlawful to release any tame turkey, or any other turkey, whether wild or tame, into any of the wild areas of this State.

The provisions of this regulation shall not apply to any turkeys kept by any farmer or landowner of this State for normal agricultural purposes or for personal consumption.

- (3) Except as authorized by permit issued by the Department prior to the date of this amendment, it shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession any live, protected wild bird or wild animal or live embryo or eggs of these protected wild birds or animals. "Possession" in this section does not include deer restricted by natural or man made barriers as long as the deer remain wild and are not subject to management practices of domesticated animals.
- (4) It shall be unlawful for any person to release any form of mammal, reptile, or amphibian which did not originate from this state, or any captive raised mammal, reptile, or amphibian other than those species raised under a license or permit from the Commissioner.
- (5) It shall be unlawful to release any non-indigenous seafoods, as defined by Section 9-2-80, Code of Alabama, 1975, into any public waters of the state.
- (6) The provisions of this regulation shall not apply to the exceptions provided for in Section 9-2-13(b), Code of Alabama 1975. Accredited educational, research, and

rehabilitation facilities shall be exempt from this regulation through the written permission of the Commissioner or his designee.

Author: Christopher M. Blankenship

Statutory Authority: §§9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12
Code of Alabama 1975

Penalty: As provided by law.

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220-2-.27 Permit to Take Protected Wildlife Causing Crop Damage, Property Damage, or Concern for Human Safety

Protected wildlife causing crop damage, property damage, or a reasonable concern for human safety, may be taken at times and by means otherwise unlawful by first procuring a permit from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Permits for the removal of protected wildlife will be issued by the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or his designee if after investigation it has been determined that such protected wildlife should be removed for human safety, or to protect agricultural crops or other property from excessive damage. Feral swine and coyotes are species for which the necessity of demonstrating specific damage is not required. Such permits will only be issued to the person owning the land or his/her official agent or to any person who has a lease on such lands, provided the lessee has the permission of the landowner to remove protected wildlife. Except for feral swine, permits shall not be issued to take, capture or kill protected wildlife causing damage to crops planted for wildlife management. All wildlife taken shall be disposed of as directed by the issuing agent, and except for feral swine it may not be utilized personally. All feral swine taken under permit must be killed on site in accordance with 220-2-.86.

The means, methods and times for which a permit is valid may be stipulated.

Any person, firm or corporation engaging in the business of wildlife damage control shall obtain a permit from the Department prior to taking, capturing or killing wildlife and shall conduct wildlife damage control only under terms and conditions as specified by the Commissioner or his designee.

A property owner or tenant shall be allowed to take one squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, opossum, beaver, **otter** or skunk per incident that is causing damage to said individual's property without a permit. A property owner or his agent may take blackbirds without permit when found causing damage or posing a nuisance or health threat.

Persons taking, capturing or killing wildlife under the provisions of this regulation shall abide by all state and local laws and ordinances. Live caught animals may not be relocated across a county line or a major river drainage.

Statutory Authority: §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12
Code of Alabama 1975

PENALTY: As provided by law.

9/30/82; 1/22/98; 10/22/2002; 3/13/2009(ER); 6/18/2009; 7/2/2010; 7/17/2015.

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220-2-.29 Open Trapping Seasons on Furbearers.

The open seasons during which fur-bearing animals may be trapped in Alabama during **2024 – 2025** are hereby established:

BOBCAT, FOX, MINK, MUSKRAT, OTTER, AND STRIPED SKUNK:

October 26 – February 28

Note: See tagging requirements for Bobcat and Otter under Rule 220-2-.30

Note: Permit may be obtained through your local District Office for the trapping of nuisance furbearers outside the dates of trapping season.

Note: All bobcat and otter, regardless of method of harvest, are required to be tagged by a representative of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division within 14 days of harvest or may be left with a taxidermist with a completed tagging form, and the taxidermist is required to have the bobcat or otter tagged within 14 days of receipt.

BEAVER, COYOTE, NUTRIA, RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FERAL SWINE:

No Closed Season

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY: §§ 9-2-7 and 9-2-8, Code of Alabama, 1975.

PENALTY: As provided by law.

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220-2-.77 **2024 – 2025 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose, and Teal, ~~and Sandhill Crane~~ Hunting Seasons.**

(1) The following 2024 – 2025 hunting seasons for duck, coot, merganser, goose, and teal, ~~and sandhill crane~~, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manners, and means, are hereby established:

(a) **Duck, Coot, and Merganser:** November 29 – December 1
December 6 – January 31

Duck: Limit 6 ducks a day and may include no more than 4 Mallards (no more than 2 of which may be a female), 3 Wood Ducks, 1 Mottled Duck, 2 Black Duck, 2 Redhead, 1 Pintail, 2 Canvasback, and 1 Scaup. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Merganser: Limit 5 a day, only 2 may be a Hooded Merganser. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Coot: Limit 15 a day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(b) **Goose:**

All Geese Statewide: September 7 – October 6
October 19 – November 2
November 29 – December 1
December 6 – January 31

Shooting hours shall be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day.

Dark Geese (Canada, White-Fronted, & Brant):

The aggregated bag limit shall be 5 a day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Light Geese (Snow, Blue, and Ross's):

The aggregated bag limit shall be 5 a day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

~~(c) Sandhill Crane: December 2 – January 7
January 15 – January 30~~

~~By Limited Quota Permit only. Must apply online at www.outdooralabama.com. Only residents and Lifetime Hunting License holders of the State of Alabama who are sixteen (16) years of age or older and in possession of a valid hunting license~~

~~and a valid Alabama State Duck Stamp may apply for a Sandhill Crane Permit. There is no fee to apply for a permit. There is a \$20 fee to accept the Sandhill Crane Permit in addition to a small processing fee.~~

~~Hunting Zone will be that area North of Interstate 20 from the Georgia state line to the interchange with Interstate 65, then East of Interstate 65 to the interchange with Interstate 22, then North of Interstate 22 to the Mississippi state line. Excludes the remainder of the state.~~

~~Limit 3 per person per permit. Shooting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset. Legal arms and ammunition are same as waterfowl.~~

(c) Regions and Times for Hunting Duck, Coot, Merganser, and Goose:

Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone: The following description defines the boundaries of the Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone. Beginning at the intersection of Highway 90 and the west bank of the Mobile River, east along Highway 90 to the intersection with Interstate 10 at Chacaloochee Bay, east along Interstate 10 to the intersection with Highway 98, northwardly along Highway 98 to the intersection of Highway 90, northwardly along Highway 90 to the intersection with Alabama Highway 225, north along Alabama Highway 225 to the intersection with the railroad that crosses Alabama Highway 225 at the approximate latitude of 30.857136, west along the railroad to the intersection of the west bank of the Mobile River, and south along the west bank of the Mobile River to Highway 90. The Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone excludes the Apalachee Refuge where no hunting is allowed (see below).

Big Bateau Bay & Bay Grass: The area of the Mobile-Tensaw Delta known as Big Bateau Bay and Bay Grass shall be closed to the operation of all gas-powered motors from the second Saturday in November through the second Saturday in February.

~~That area of the Mobile Tensaw Delta known as Big Bateau Bay and Bay Grass shall be closed to the operation of all gas powered motors from the second Saturday in November through the second Saturday in February.~~

~~That area of the Mobile Tensaw Delta encompassed by Interstate 10 from the intersection of Highway 90 (Mobile Causeway), East to the western channel of the Apalachee River as marked by boundary signs, North to the intersection of Highway 90 (Mobile Causeway), West along Highway 90 (Mobile Causeway) to the intersection of Interstate 10 depicts the Apalachee Refuge boundaries and is closed to hunting and the operation of all gas powered motors from the second Saturday in November through the second Saturday in February.~~

~~That area north of Highway 90 (Battleship Parkway), west of Alabama Highway 225, south of CSX Railroad tracks, and east of the west bank of the Mobile River, shooting days and hours for the regular waterfowl season shall be:~~

Monday and Tuesday: Closed to Waterfowl Hunting

Wednesday through Sunday: Shooting hours shall be one-half hour before sunrise to 1:00 P.M.

(For special early teal and goose seasons, shooting days and hours shall be Monday – Sunday, 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.)

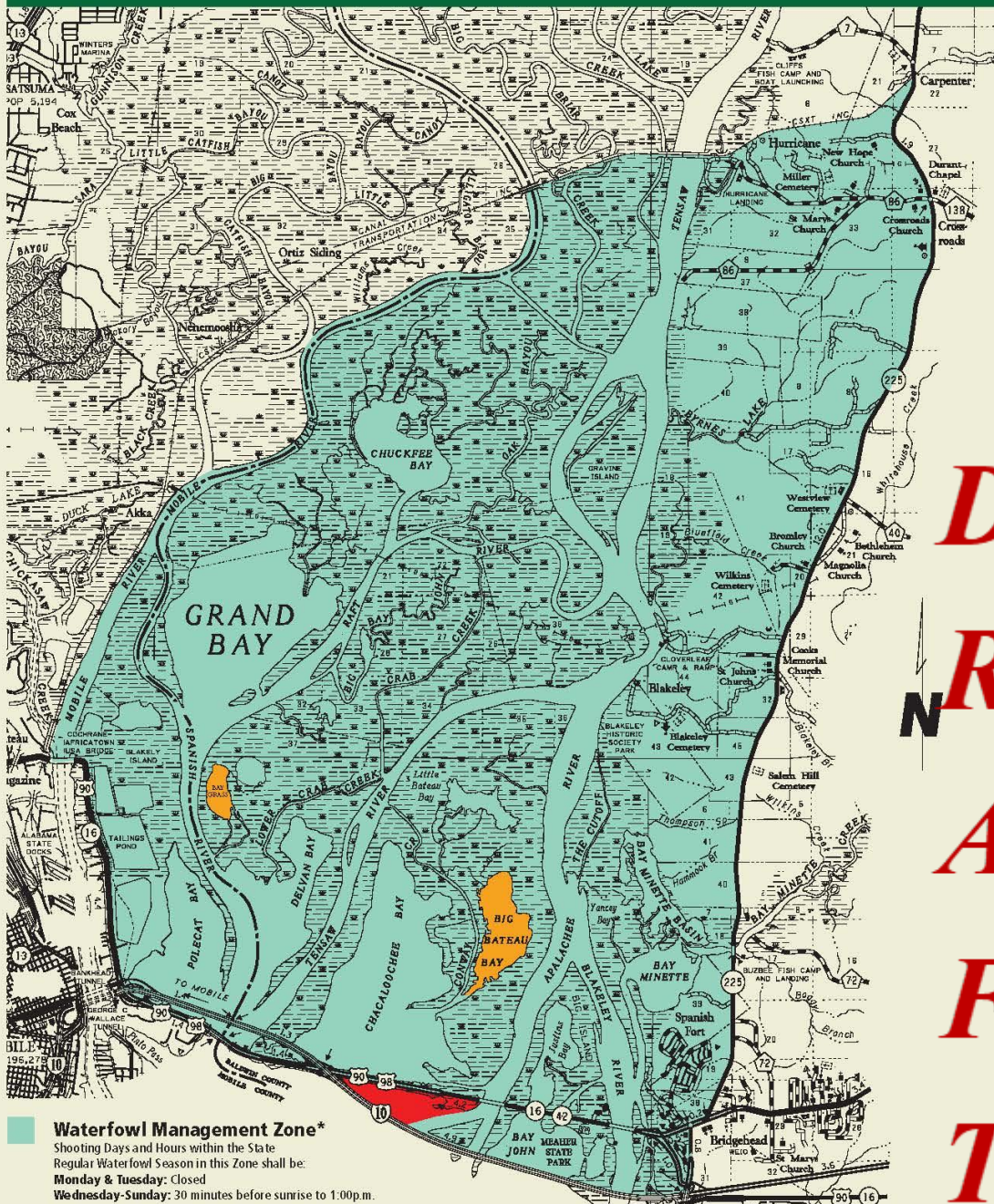
Apalachee Refuge “NO HUNTING”: The following description defines the boundaries of the Apalachee Refuge. Beginning at the intersection of Interstate 10 and Highway 90 at Chacaloochee Bay, east along Interstate 10 to the western channel of the Apalachee River as marked by boundary signs, north to the intersection of Highway 90, west along Highway 90 to the intersection of Interstate 10. The Apalachee Refuge is closed to hunting and the operation of all gas-powered motors from the second Saturday in November through the second Saturday in February.

Remainder of the State:

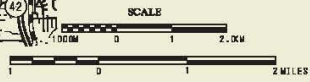
Shooting hours shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day.



MOBILE-TENSAW DELTA WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT ZONE



- **Waterfowl Management Zone***
 Shooting Days and Hours within the State
 Regular Waterfowl Season in this Zone shall be:
Monday & Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday-Sunday: 30 minutes before sunrise to 1:00p.m.
 *For Special Early Teal & Goose Season shooting days and hours shall be Mon-Sun, 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.
- **Big Bateau Bay & Bay Grass**
 Operation of gasoline-powered motors is prohibited from the 2nd Saturday in November through the 2nd Saturday in February. Shooting times and days as stated for Zone above.
- **Apalachee Refuge "NO HUNTING"**
 Operation of gasoline-powered motors is prohibited from the 2nd Saturday in November through the 2nd Saturday in February.



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2nd Saturday in November through the 2nd Saturday in February.

LOCATION OF MANAGEMENT AREA

(d) Special Early Teal Season: September 14 – September 29

Limit 6 a day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.
Shooting hours shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset each day.

(e) Special Youth, Active Military, and Military Veteran’s Waterfowl Hunting Days:

November 23, 2024, & February 8, 2025, in accordance with regulations.

Same shooting hours, bag limits, and legal arms and ammunition apply as in regular waterfowl season, in accordance with Rule 220-2-.119.

(f) Non-toxic shot:

The use of non-toxic shot, either (1) steel shot T size or smaller, or (2) other shot and sizes approved by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is required in Alabama for waterfowl hunting.

(g) Duck Stamps:

Valid State and Federal Duck Stamps shall be required when Hunting Migratory Waterfowl. All licensed hunters are also required to have a Harvest Information Program permit.

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Penalty: As provided by law.

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220-2-.143 Alligator Management Areas and Seasons Established.

(1) A hunting season for American alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*) is hereby established in five areas of Alabama, as provided for below. These areas hereafter are referred to as Alligator Management Areas (AMAs) and are hereby established as, and shall constitute special “wildlife management areas,” in accordance with Sections 9-11-300, 301, Code of Ala. 1975. Five AMAs shall be in portions of Baldwin, Mobile, Washington, Clarke, Monroe, Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Choctaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Marengo, Russell, Dallas, and Wilcox Counties. Hunting of alligator for the purpose of harvest management of wildlife are subject to these regulations.

(2) **Locations of AMAs:**

(a) **SOUTHWEST MANAGEMENT AREA** – The private and public waters in Baldwin and Mobile Counties that lie north of I-10 and private and public waters in Washington, Choctaw, Clarke, and Monroe Counties that lie ~~east of U.S. Highway 43 and~~ south of U.S. Highway 84.

(b) **COASTAL MANAGEMENT AREA** – The private and public waters in Baldwin and Mobile Counties that lie south of I-10.

(c) **SOUTHEAST MANAGEMENT AREA** – The private and public waters in Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston and Russell Counties (excluding public Alabama state waters in Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its navigable tributaries).

(d) **WEST CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA** – The private and public waters in Monroe, Clarke, and Choctaw Counties (north of U.S. Highway 84), Marengo County west of State Highway 28 and South of State Highway 80, Wilcox, and Dallas Counties (excluding Choctaw National Wildlife Refuge).

(e) **LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREA** – The public Alabama state waters only in the Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its navigable tributaries (excluding main channel of the Chattahoochee River), south of 13th Street Bridge Hwy 208, Omaha Bridge, (excluding Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge).

(3) **Season:**

(a) **SOUTHWEST MANAGEMENT AREA** – From Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the third Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the third Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in September until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in September.

(b) **COASTAL MANAGEMENT AREA** – From Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the third Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the third Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in September until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in September.

(c) **SOUTHEAST MANAGEMENT AREA** – From Official Sunset Time on the second Saturday in August until the Official Sunrise Time on the first Monday of September.

(d) **WEST CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA** – From Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the third Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the third Thursday in August.

(e) **LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREA** – From Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the third Thursday in August until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the third Thursday in August, and from Official Sunset Time on the second Thursday in September until Official Sunrise Time on the Sunday immediately following the second Thursday in September. ~~From Official Sunset Time on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in August and run until Official Sunrise on the Monday immediately following the first Sunday in October.~~

(4) **Hunting Hours:**

(a) Southwest, Coastal, Southeast, Lake Eufaula and West Central Management Areas – Official Sunset until Official Sunrise.

~~(b) Lake Eufaula Management Area Daytime and Nighttime Hours.~~

(5) **Persons Eligible:**

(a) **Alabama Residents and Lifetime Hunting License holders of the State of Alabama** who are sixteen (16) years of age or older holding any valid all game or small game Alabama Hunting License may apply for Resident Alligator Harvest Permit (see License Requirements).

(b) **Non-residents** who are sixteen (16) years of age or older holding any valid all game or small game Alabama Non-resident Hunting License may apply for an Alligator Harvest Permit (see License Requirements).

~~may only participate as alligator hunting assistants (see License Requirements).~~

(c) **Hunting Assistants (Residents and Non-Residents)** sixteen (16) years of age or older must hold any valid all game or small game Alabama Hunting License.

(6) **Harvest Permits:**

(a) **Permit Holders** – The following permits and tags are established and required to hunt and harvest alligator in the State of Alabama. Each Permit Holder ~~will~~ can receive ~~one~~ up to two (2) Alligator Possession Tag.

1. **Alabama Residents.**

(i) Resident Alligator Harvest Permit [\$250.00]. This Permit is required for residents to hunt and take alligators in a designated Alligator Management Area. A valid all game or small game Alabama Hunting License is required in addition to the Alligator Harvest Permit to harvest and possess alligators.

(ii) Resident Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit [\$125.00]. This permit is required for residents to hunt and take a bonus alligator in a designated Alligator Management Area. Holders of a Resident Alligator Harvest Permit are eligible to purchase one (1) a Resident Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit. A valid all game or small game Alabama Hunting License is required in addition to the Alligator Harvest Permit to harvest and possess alligators.

2. **Non-residents.**

(i) Non-resident Alligator Harvest Permit [\$1000.00]. This Permit is required for non-residents to hunt and take alligators in a designated Alligator Management Area. A valid all game or small game Non-resident Alabama Hunting License is required in addition to the Non-resident Alligator Harvest Permit to harvest and possess alligators.

(ii) Non-resident Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit [\$500.00]. This permit is required for non-residents to hunt and take a bonus alligator in a designated Alligator Management Area. Holders of a Non-resident Alligator Harvest Permit are eligible to purchase one (1) a Non-resident Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit. A valid all game or small game Non-resident Alabama Hunting License is required in addition to the Non-resident Alligator Harvest Permit to harvest and possess alligators.

(b) **Possession Tag** – All harvested alligators must have a Temporary Alligator Possession Tag attached to the alligator immediately after being dispatched and prior to moving. Hunters must bring alligator carcass or alligator hides, their attached Temporary Alligator Possession Tag, and information regarding length, weight, girth, and sex to a Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries District check station or office as specified by the designated AMAs harvest reporting requirements to receive their permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag. Temporary Alligator Possession Tag will be mailed to the Alligator Harvest Permittee prior to their selected AMA season.

(c) **If a person is selected for an Alligator Harvest Permit and Possession Tag at two or more Management Areas, they will be allowed to select which Management Area they would like to hunt. The other spot(s) not selected will be filled from the Alternates list.**

~~(d) — SOUTHWEST MANAGEMENT AREA — One hundred (100) people will be randomly drawn by computer to be eligible for an Alligator Harvest Permit and Possession Tag. Permits and Possession Tags are non-transferable.~~

~~(e) — COASTAL MANAGEMENT AREA — Fifty (50) people will be randomly drawn by computer to be eligible for an Alligator Harvest Permit and Possession Tag. Permits and Possession Tags are non-transferable.~~

~~(f) — SOUTHEAST MANAGEMENT AREA — Forty (40) people will be randomly drawn by computer to be eligible for an Alligator Harvest Permit and Possession Tag. Permits and Possession Tags are non-transferable.~~

~~(g) — WEST CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA — Fifty (50) people will be randomly drawn by computer to be eligible for an Alligator~~

~~(h) — LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREA — Twenty (20) people will be randomly drawn by computer to be eligible for an Alligator Harvest Permit and Possession Tag.~~

~~(d) — Harvest Permit and Possession Tag. Harvest Permits and Bonus Management Harvest Permits (Resident and Non-resident) and Possession Tags are non-transferable.~~

~~(7) Size and Bag Limit: and Size:~~

~~(a) Size Bag Limit— Each person receiving an Alligator Harvest Permit (Resident and Non-Resident) or an Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit (Resident or Non-resident) will be allowed to harvest one (1) alligator per permit.~~

~~(b) Bag Limit Size— Alligators harvested in the Lake Eufaula Management Area must be a minimum of eight (8) feet in length. The remaining Management Areas have no length requirement on alligators harvested with an Alligator Harvest Permit (Resident or Non-resident). harvested alligators. All Alligators harvested with an Alligator Bonus Management Harvest Permit (Resident or Non-resident) shall be no larger than seven (7) feet in length.~~

~~(8) Applications:~~

Applications for Alligator Harvest Permits will be accepted only at the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Website at www.outdooralabama.com beginning at 8:00 AM on the first Tuesday in June. There is no charge for each Management Area application submitted. Registration will end at 8:00 AM on the second Tuesday of July. The drawings for each Management Area will be held on the second Wednesday of July. All applicants will be able to check for their results on the same website that they registered. Selected applicants must complete the Mandatory Training Course and purchase the Alligator Harvest Permit prior to accepting their hunter status. Selected applicant's acceptance is required by 8:00 AM on the third Wednesday of July. If a Permit is not accepted the next applicant on the list will be notified and given 24 hours to respond. These notifications will continue until all Permit vacancies have been obligated. Only

one (1) application shall be allowed per person per Management Area. Applications shall be in accordance with the procedure set out at www.outdooralabama.com.

(9) **Preference Points:**

The random selection process will utilize a preference point system. The system increases the likelihood of repeat applicants being selected for an Alligator Harvest Permit as long as the applicant continues to apply. The more years an applicant participates in the registration, the higher the likelihood of being selected. If an applicant ceases to register for the Alligator Harvest Permit in a given year or is selected and accepts a tag for an AMA hunt, the preference point status is forfeited.

(10) **Mandatory Training Course:**

All successful applicants will be required to complete the online Alligator Training Course prior to accepting their hunter/alternate status. The video will be available for viewing at www.outdooralabama.com. The official course will be available on the applicant's status page upon login.

(11) **Capture and Dispatch Methods:**

(a) **For All Management Areas**

1. Alligators must be captured and brought adjacent to the boat, bank or dock prior to shooting or otherwise dispatching the animal. It is unlawful to shoot at or kill an unrestrained alligator. Restrained is defined as an alligator that has a noose or snare secured around the neck or leg in a manner that the alligator is controlled. Capture methods are restricted to hand-held snares, snatch hooks (hand-held or rod/reel), harpoons (with attached line), and bowfishing equipment (with line attached from arrow to bow or crossbow). **No use of bait is allowed.**

2. All alligators must be captured and dispatched from the Alligator Permit holder's boat. No capture or dispatch equipment is allowed in assisting boats.

3. **All alligators of legal length must be dispatched immediately once boatside and restrained, as defined above. Culling is prohibited. No alligators should be captured for photographic or any other purposes and released.** Firearms used for dispatching an alligator are restricted to shotguns with shot size no larger than #4 and bangsticks chambered in .38 caliber or larger or shotgun (using #4 shot or smaller). All shotguns and bangsticks must be cased and unloaded at all times until a restraining line has been attached to the alligator. Except as otherwise provided herein, no other firearm or ammunition may be in possession of the permittee or hunting party. No firearm or bangstick may be discharged within 100 yards of any residence, building, boat ramp, or occupied campsite in Mobile/Baldwin Counties and on the Alabama River, Claiborne Lake, William "Bill" Dannelly Reservoir and Lake Walter F. George (Lake Eufaula). The Temporary Alligator Possession Tag, supplied by Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, must be attached to the alligator's tail, as demonstrated in the training video, immediately after being dispatched and prior to moving or transporting.

(12) **Mandatory Check Station:**

(a) **SOUTHWEST ALABAMA, and COASTAL, WEST CENTRAL, and LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREAS** – All successful permittees must bring their harvested alligators from these Management Areas to a designated mandatory check station, on scheduled dates of the designated AMA season. Check station locations and scheduled dates will be posted to the website <https://www.outdooralabama.com/seasons-and-bag-limits/alligator-season>. ~~All successful permittees must bring their harvested alligators from these Management Areas to the check station, located at the District V Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office between the hours of 8:00 PM till 7:00 AM on days of the designated AMA season.~~ All harvested alligators must have a Temporary Alligator Possession Tag attached to the alligator immediately after being dispatched and prior to moving. The permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag will be affixed to the harvested alligator by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries personnel at the check station.

(b) **SOUTHEAST ALABAMA and LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREAS** – All successful permittees must bring their harvested alligator hides, their Temporary Alligator Possession Tag, and information regarding length, weight, girth, and sex to a Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries district office within 10 business days of their harvest. Alligator harvest record sheets detailing the required information will be mailed with the Temporary Alligator Possession Tag to the Permittee. Upon validation of the alligator harvest data by WFF personnel, a permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag will be attached to the alligator.

(c) ~~**WEST CENTRAL ALABAMA MANAGEMENT AREA** – All successful permittees from these management areas must bring their harvested alligators from these Management Areas to the check station located at Roland Cooper State Park between the hours of 8:00 PM till 7:00 AM on days of the designated AMA season. All harvested alligators must have a Temporary Alligator Possession Tag attached to the alligator immediately after being dispatched and prior to moving. The permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag will be affixed to the harvested alligator by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries personnel at the check station.~~

(13) **Harvest Reporting and Tagging:**

(a) **SOUTHWEST, COASTAL, and WEST CENTRAL, and LAKE EUFAULA ALABAMA MANAGEMENT AREAS** – All successful permittees must bring their harvested alligators from these Management Areas to a designated mandatory check station on scheduled dates, ~~between the hours of 8:00 PM till 7:00 AM on days~~ of the designated AMA season. All harvested alligators must have a Temporary Alligator Possession Tag attached to the alligator immediately after being dispatched and prior to moving. The permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag will be affixed to the harvested alligator by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries personnel at the check station.

(b) **SOUTHEAST ALABAMA and LAKE EUFAULA MANAGEMENT AREAS** – All successful permittees from these management areas must bring their harvested alligator hides, their Temporary Alligator Possession Tag, and Alligator harvest record sheet regarding

length, weight, girth, and sex to a Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries district office within 10 business days of their harvest. Alligator harvest record sheets detailing the required information will be mailed with the Temporary Alligator Possession Tag to the Permittee. Upon validation of the alligator harvest data by WFF personnel, a permanent Federal CITES Alligator Possession Tag will be attached to the alligator by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries personnel.

(14) **License Requirements:**

(a) **Alligator Harvest Permittee:** Holders of an Alligator Harvest Permit (**Resident or Non-resident**) must have in possession of a government issued picture identification and a valid Alabama Resident **or Non-resident** all game or small game Hunting License as required by Alabama law. The aforementioned permits and valid hunting license must be in possession during the season while hunting and possessing alligator.

(b) **Alligator Hunting Assistant:** All assistants, either resident or non-resident, in the hunting party sixteen (16) years of age or older are required to purchase and be in possession of a valid Alabama all game or small game Hunting License as required by Alabama law. All persons in the boat or assisting boats that are not the Alligator Harvest Permittee are considered Hunting Assistants.

(15) **General:**

(a) Nothing in this regulation prohibits the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife in violation of law.

(b) **ALL ALABAMA BOATING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS MUST BE FOLLOWED.**

(c) For the purposes of this regulation the term “animal protected by the laws of this state” as used in Section 9-11-235 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, shall mean game animals as designated by the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

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Statutory Authority: §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, 9-2-12, 9-11-300, and 9-11-301, Code of Alabama, 1975.

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220-2-.164 Crow Creek, Mud Creek, and Raccoon Creek Wildlife Management Areas Waterfowl Hunting

(1) In addition to 220-2-.55, it shall be unlawful on Crow Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek Wildlife Management Areas (WMA):

(a) For any person to leave any vehicle parked at the established launching sites. Hunters must use the designated parking areas. However, physically disabled persons with approved handicapped vehicles may be parked at the designated handicap parking locations.

(b) For any person to create or hunt from any dug-out or excavated area.

(c) To construct and/or utilize permanent waterfowl hunting blinds (those using building materials, flooring, or flotation and/or remaining in position overnight) anywhere on the Jackson County Waterfowl (Mud Creek, Crow Creek, and Raccoon Creek) WMAs.

(d) For any blinds to be left in said areas for more than one (1) day. All such blinds shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(e) For any person to leave waterfowl decoys overnight.

~~(f) For any person to access the water in the section of Mud Creek WMA that lies west of the railroad tracks and east of the furthest west Mud Creek boundary 48 hours prior to waterfowl season opening. Persons may enter that area at 3:00 am on waterfowl season opening days.~~

(fg) To have more than 25 shotgun shells in the possession of each hunter (excluding youth hunters during the designated youth hunt days) while hunting waterfowl on all Jackson County Waterfowl Management Areas (Crow Creek WMA, Mud Creek WMA, and Raccoon Creek WMA).

(g) For any person to operate airboats or air-cooled motors (go-devil type motors) on all portions of Mud Creek WMA lying west of Highway 72 from the beginning of youth/Veteran waterfowl season in November to the first Saturday in February.

(2) The following shall apply to the DEWATERING UNITS on Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek WMAs:

(a) All boats and/or boat blinds used for hunting waterfowl shall be launched and removed daily or shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring.

(b) It is unlawful for any person to use commercial fishing gear from October 31st through the second Saturday in February.

(c) Temporary blinds may be used for one (1) day only and removed by the hunter. All such blinds, except boat blinds, left for more than one (1) day shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(d) All activity is prohibited from 7:00 PM to 3:00 AM during the period of Nov. 1 – Feb. 15 and 48 hours prior to waterfowl season openings.

(e) It is unlawful to use airboats.

(f) It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, except during the Special Teal Season and Special Early Goose Season and the last two weeks of waterfowl season. All waterfowl hunting activity in the Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek dewatering units is prohibited on those days unless authorized by the personnel of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(g) ~~It is unlawful to use gasoline powered motors in Mud Creek (Wannville) dewatering unit and Raccoon Creek dewatering unit (North of Hwy 117).~~ It is unlawful to use air-cooled motors (go-devil type motors) in Mud Creek (Wannville) dewatering unit and Raccoon Creek dewatering unit (North of Highway 117).

(h) It is unlawful to launch any vessel prior to 3:00 AM daily. All hunters preparing to hunt waterfowl are not allowed in the water prior to 3:00 AM daily.

(3) It is unlawful to operate airboats and air-cooled motors (go-devil type motors) on all portions of Crow Creek Refuge and North Sauty Refuge from November 1 to ~~April 14~~ March 31 of each year. Airboats are prohibited on the Green Tree Reservoir in the Mud Creek WMA at all times.

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Penalty: As provided by law.

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Justification for Recommended Regulation Changes to Address Pressure Issues on Jackson County Waterfowl Management Areas

Issue:

Since starting in this position in the Fall of 2020, I have consistently watched waterfowl use on certain locations of the Jackson Co. WMAs decline more and more each year, specifically in the slough portion of Mud Creek WMA. Over the four total waterfowl seasons I've been working as the biologist on these areas, it seems that even as the duck numbers that utilize the huntable parts of these areas decrease, overall pressure by waterfowl hunters increase each season. There are three backwater "sloughs" that feed from creeks connecting to the west side on the TN river that run north/south through Jackson County, each separated by only a few miles. Crow Creek is the northernmost of the three and is the waterfowl refuge portion composes roughly 1,500 acres of backwater. Mud Creek is approximately 6.0 miles due south of Crow Creek and this area is comprised of roughly 2,200 acres of huntable backwater under our WMA system. North Sauty is the southernmost of the three creeks and is a waterfowl refuge comprised of ~2,000 acre of backwater lying 15.0 miles south of Mud Creek WMA. Overall, all three of these sloughs are similar in habitat, terrain, and conduciveness to winter thousands of waterfowl, however, both refuges exclusively hold almost the entire population of wintering waterfowl on public land in the county. The issue is that while the prohibition of waterfowl hunting on these two refuges does contribute to the high concentration of waterfowl in these locations, another main reason is that no air-cooled motors are allowed in these refuges from Nov. 1 – March 31 of each year. Even with constant use of outboard motors by fishermen in both refuges throughout the winter months, the birds still feel safe enough to stay on the refuges rather than venture out to sit on other parcels of public land nearby.

During the aerial pre-season, early-season, and mid-winter waterfowl surveys conducted on the TN river during 2023-24, each survey boasted 10,000 or more ducks using each of the refuges but little to no birds sitting on Mud Creek WMA, even when all three areas were surveyed within one hour of each other on the same day with identical weather parameters. Notably, during the early-season survey, while flying over the backwater portion of Mud Creek, zero ducks were counted inside the survey area and four different mud-motor boats were seen running at full speed simultaneously between the main river channel and the back northwest corner of Mud Creek. Quantifying the amount of pressure this specific area gets is difficult because most people who use a mud boat to "scout" for ducks in the back of Mud Creek do not check-in to the area because they are not required to if not hunting. The common practice is to launch a boat at the main ramp and run on pad from the Hwy 72 bridge, under the train tracks, to the very back of the creek and see how many ducks are jumped up to get an idea if the area is worth coming back to hunt or not. This usually begins around two weeks prior to waterfowl season starting and continues throughout the season. When this happens every day from Nov. 15 – Jan. 31 at an average of 2-3 times every hour from daylight to dark, any group of waterfowl that was utilizing that backwater gets bumped up numerous times and eventually finds their way to one of the refuges or a private club where the frequency of disturbance drops dramatically.

Proposed Solution:

In an effort to reduce pressure on the wintering waterfowl that utilize Mud Creek WMA, and to improve overall hunter satisfaction and success, I am recommending the addition of 220-2-.164(1)(h) prohibiting the use of air-cooled engines west of Hwy 72 in Mud Creek WMA between the dates of the first youth waterfowl hunt of the year in mid-November and the last youth waterfowl hunt on the first Saturday in February. I believe that reducing the disturbance caused by the loud exhausts on these type motors in this area of the WMA will be beneficial to hunter success and result in a higher number of waterfowl species utilizing this area. Some access will obviously be limited to this location by this regulation, but hunters will still be able to access these 2,200 acres of backwater by using outboard motors, trolling motors, paddling, or by driving vehicles in from the three roads that access the backwaters of Mud Creek. I'm not partial to limiting access to hunters by any means, but this regulation change has been brought up to me by numerous hunters that waterfowl hunt this area 30-40+ days per season, and I believe this regulation, or one similar, will result in an increase in harvest numbers for this area going forward as opposed to other types of pressure-reducing regulations such as mid-week closures or 1:00pm cut-offs.



Figure 1. – Map showing proposed area of backwater west of Hwy 72 recommended for air-cooled engine restriction on Mud Creek WMA. (~1,481 acres)

Removal of access ban west of railroad tracks:

Regarding 220-2-.164(1)(f), this regulation has not seemed to be effective since its adoption at increasing waterfowl utilization of this area, and I would recommend removing it completely, especially if a regulation such as 220-2-.164(1)(h) is adopted. A 48-hour ban on access to this portion of Mud Creek WMA has not seemed to be enough time for new arrivals of migrating waterfowl to find and begin using this area prior to season openings. Not to mention, this regulation is almost impossible to enforce, as a conservation officer would need to be stationed in a boat at the railroad crossing bridge on Mud Creek WMA almost every hour of daylight during those two days to ensure no one takes a boat west of the tracks and have to remain on post through the night prior to opening day to ensure no one accesses the area prior to 3:00am.

Alteration of 220-2-.164(2)(g):

While the prohibition of gas-powered motors in the dewatering units of Raccoon Creek WMA north of Hwy 117 and inside Wannville dewatering unit has seemed to slightly increase overall waterfowl usage of these areas, only prohibiting the use of air-cooled motors while allowing outboard motors (25hp or less) will still achieve our desired objectives on these areas while also allowing more access back to hunters who are unable to walk or paddle in to these spots. Fields north of Hwy 117 for example sit at an average depth in the winter of roughly 4.5' - 5.5' making it difficult/impossible for walk-in hunters to effectively hunt, not to mention losing crippled game that land in water deeper than hunters can wade in. Also, during days the wind increases upwards of 10+ mph can result in dangerous conditions for hunters who paddle small boats or kayaks in trying to make it back to the ramp. We had one incident during the 2020-21 season where two teenagers capsized their canoe in this part of the dewatering unit after a morning hunt trying to paddle back to the ramp. Most outboard motors nowadays, especially low horsepower outboards, do not compare even close in decibel output to air-cooled engines (mud motors) of the same power. Even if we were to implement an "idle-speed only" addition with this regulation, I feel like we would gain the same results of lowered waterfowl disturbance while also giving back some accessibility to our waterfowl hunters.

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220-2-.165 Mallard-Fox and Swan Creek Wildlife Management Areas Waterfowl Hunting

(1) In addition to 220-2-.55, it shall be unlawful on Swan Creek and Mallard-Fox Creek Wildlife Management Areas (WMA):

(a) For any person to leave any vehicle parked at the established launching sites. Hunters must use the designated parking areas. However, physically disabled persons with approved handicapped vehicles may be parked at the designated **handicap handicapped** parking location at the main launch only.

(b) For any person to create or hunt from any dug-out or excavated area.

(c) To construct and/or utilize permanent waterfowl hunting blinds (those using building materials, flooring, or floatation and/or remaining in position overnight) anywhere on the Swan Creek or Mallard-Fox Creek WMAs, ~~except on the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit where specified.~~ All such blinds shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

(d) For any person using waterfowl decoys on Swan Creek WMA to leave said decoys out overnight ~~unless they are at a limited quota blind location.~~

(2) The following shall apply to the dewatering unit **(DWU)** on Swan Creek WMA:

(a) All boats and/or boat blinds used for hunting waterfowl shall be launched and removed daily ~~or shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring.~~

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to fish from October 31st through the second Saturday in February.

~~(c) Temporary blinds may be used for one (1) day only and removed by the hunter. All such blinds, except boat blinds, left for more than one (1) day shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.~~

(d) All activity is prohibited **in the DWU** when gates are closed. There shall be no activity from 7:00 PM to **4:30** ~~3:00~~ AM, during the periods when gates are open. ~~Gates are opened the morning of the November youth/military waterfowl hunt day and closed that night. During the dates between the youth/military waterfowl hunting days and regular season, gates to West Dike Road and the Main Launch Way will be locked. Gates are opened the opening day of regular waterfowl season. Gates are closed each Monday night and opened each Friday morning of regular waterfowl season, until the last fourteen days~~

of regular waterfowl season during which gates remain open. Gates are closed the night of the last day of regular waterfowl season and opened the morning of the February youth/military waterfowl hunt day and remain open until June 1st.

(d) It shall be unlawful to use airboats, and surface drive motors. Outboard motors must not exceed 25 horsepower.

(f) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, except during the last two weeks of waterfowl season.

(g) All limited quota walk-in and boat blind locations within the Swan Creek WMA DWU will be permitted through a limited quota permit system determined by random computerized drawing for weekend hunts or in-person drawings on the day of weekday hunts. to be placed in the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit must be registered in accordance with the following conditions:

1. The allocation of blinds will be determined through a limited quota system by random selection for individuals 16 years of age or older. In order to apply, ALL applicants are required to obtain a Conservation Identification Number (CID); those who are 16 to 64 years of age must have a hunting license (All Game, Small Game, or Heritage license), State Duck Stamp, and a WMA license to register for the blind drawing. Applicants will be processed through www.outdooralabama.com. **Any violation of rules, regulations, or laws by permit holder or guest while hunting the dewatering unit will result in that individual losing their eligibility for the remainder of the waterfowl season and their blind being disqualified for the remainder of the season. The disqualified blind will have to be removed within 48 hours of notification. Any violator may be prevented from entering future online blind drawings, depending on the severity of the violation.** All waterfowl hunting blinds of selected applicants must be at Swan Creek WMA between the hours of 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM on the first Saturday of October for inspection. Only thirty (30) selected blinds will be installed at predetermined sites in the dewatering unit. All registered blinds receiving one of the 30 predetermined sites must be installed at the predetermined blind location marker prior to gate closing on October 31st. In order to apply, ALL applicants are required to obtain a Conservation Identification Number (CID); registration is restricted to individuals 16 years of age and older; those residents who are aged 16 to 64 and non-residents aged 16 years or older must have a valid hunting license (All Game, or Small Game or Heritage License), State Ducks Stamp, and a valid WMA license to register for the Swan Creek WMA hunt selection process.

Successful resident applicants aged 16 to 64 and non-residents aged 16 or older must obtain and have in possession a valid Alabama hunting license, WMA license, HIP, and state and federal duck stamps if applicable. Any violation of any rules, regulations, or laws by permit holder or guests while hunting on Swan Creek WMA will result in those individuals forfeiting the remainder of their hunt and forfeiting their Swan Creek WMA hunt eligibility for the remainder of the current season and the entire following season. Failure to participate in solicited hunt without providing Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries 7 days prior notice by email to hunt coordinator of cancellation will

result in that individual losing their eligibility for future Swan Creek WMA DWU limited quota hunts.

2. Boat blinds must meet all U.S. Coast Guard Minimum Requirements for Recreational Boats. Life vests and boat kill switches must be worn at all times when the boat is under power or in motion. "Selected Blind Specifications" established by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division and deemed acceptable by an inspecting team to be approved for use. For information or a copy of the specifications, call (256) 353-2634.

3. Permit holders and guests shall only hunt on their assigned dates and within thirty (30) feet of their hunt blind location marker. All blinds passing inspection will be tagged by a Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries employee. The tag must remain attached to the blind for the duration of the blind's stay on the WMA. Tags may not be transferred to a different blind. It is the hunter's responsibility to make sure the blind they hunt from is properly tagged. No person may hunt from an untagged blind.

4. It shall be unlawful for any limited quota permitted hunter to hunt without checking in and out of Swan Creek WMA daily using the Outdoor Alabama WMA Check-In Application or with a daily permit from self-service kiosk. When using daily permit, the tear-off stub with number matching daily permit must be filled out and deposited in return slot of self-service box. The Harvest Report portion of the permit is to be retained in possession of the hunter until the end of the day, then filled out and deposited in the self-service box before leaving Swan Creek WMA each day. The Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division's Blind Governing Committee shall be the final authority in resolving any dispute concerning selected waterfowl blinds. The Blind Governing Committee shall be made up of the following people: District I Conservation Enforcement Supervisor, two (2) Conservation Enforcement Officers, District I Supervising Wildlife Biologist, and the Wildlife Biologist for Swan Creek WMA.

5. It shall be unlawful to access or hunt on Swan Creek DWU unless selected for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates and hunt location. The permit holder and three properly licensed guest(s) may only access and hunt the DWU and hunt location for those permitted times and days. The guests may be different people each hunt day.

Each selected blind must be completely camouflaged with natural material (cane, oak limbs, or other similar materials) except for the boat entrance and the shooting holes before being placed in the dewatering unit. Camouflaged netting, burlap, or other similar materials will not be accepted as camouflage, except when used to cover the boat entrance and/or shooting holes.

6. Selected blinds Permitted walk-in and boat blind hunters must be anchored or stationed to hunt within 30 feet of the appropriate assigned blind hunt location marker. Blinds must remain within 10-30 feet of the hunt blind location marker during the entire waterfowl season limited quota hunt duration. Hunt Blind markers shall not be moved or otherwise altered or tampered with. No boat or blind may be attached to the location marker in any way. If a boat or blind is found to be attached to a marker, all hunters in the blind

will be deemed in violation of this regulation. Walk-in locations must be accessed by foot only. If it is determined by the Blind Governing Committee that a blind marker has been moved, otherwise altered, or tampered with, that blind shall be subject to disqualification from hunting by the Blind Governing Committee.

7. Hunters may enter Swan Creek DWU at 4:30 AM; Hunting may begin at legal shooting hours; all hunting activity is prohibited after 12:00 noon; and all parties must exit the DWU no later than 1:30 PM. It shall be unlawful to leave assigned hunt location except when departing the DWU for the day. Any blind location that is unoccupied by the selected party 30 minutes prior to legal shooting hours may be utilized by the public.

8. Limited quota hunt selections will be conducted by:

1) Weekends (Saturday and Sundays) and Special Youth and Veteran Hunts, applicants will register pre-season on the limited quota hunt platform on www.outdooralabama.gov. Drawing will occur prior to the season opening. Successful permit holders will be able to hunt both days.

2) Weekdays (Tuesdays and Thursdays), applicants will register in person on the day of the hunt. Drawing will occur at the District I Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office (21453 Harris Station Road, Tanner, AL 35671) each morning. Registration begins at 4:00 AM, registration ends at 4:25 AM, and drawing will occur at 4:30 AM. Successful permit holders can hunt only the day they are successfully selected. The removal of all blinds shall be conducted from the Sunday following the February youth/military waterfowl day to no later than the third Sunday of February.

9. ~~It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl within 150 yards of an occupied or unoccupied blind.~~

10. ~~It shall be unlawful to be within the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit on youth/military waterfowl hunt days unless you are an eligible hunter or are accompanying an eligible hunter (only the eligible hunter may hunt).~~

11. ~~The committee shall have the authority to disqualify any blind if a dispute occurs and it cannot be resolved; or for any violation involving Selected Blind Specifications; or for any violation of any portion of this section of the regulation pertaining to the Swan Creek dewatering unit. Any blind that is disqualified by the committee shall be deemed immediately ineligible to be hunted from and shall be removed from the dewatering unit for the remainder of the waterfowl season following notification of the blind owner. The blind owner will have 48 hours in which to move the blind to an approved launch site for mooring and no more than seven days following notification of disqualification, for its complete removal from the WMA. Should the blind owner of a disqualified blind fail to move the blind to an approved launch for mooring and/or to completely remove any such blinds, trailers, or parts thereof from the WMA within the specified times listed above, the blind shall be deemed to be the property of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and shall be utilized or destroyed as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.~~

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Statutory Authority: §§ 9-11-301, Code of Alabama, 1975.

Penalty: As provided by law.

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Blue Spring Wildlife Management Area – Scheduled Dog Deer Hunt

During the 2023-24 hunting season at Blue Spring WMA, WFF modified the traditional two two-day dog deer hunt dates conducted on the WMA, in an effort to address the overcrowding experienced during the 2022-23 season. The two two-day hunts had previously been conducted on a Friday and Saturday with no limit on the number of hunters. During the 2023-24 season, this was modified to conduct one of the two-day hunts during the week with no limit on participants and the other two-day hunt to be conducted via a limited quota of 300 hunters and on a Friday and Saturday, with selection being accomplished on our limited quota platform on www.outdooralabama.gov.

The Alabama Dog Hunters Association provided input on desired modifications on the Blue Spring Hunts and in consideration of their input, we will be continuing the weekday two-day hunt with no quota and modifying the Friday/Saturday quota hunt to include the criteria below:

- allow for group selections so that hunting groups can be afforded the opportunity to hunt together on this limited quota hunt.
- Increase limited quota hunt registration to 300 from 350.
- Allow for children under 16 to accompany adults on stands and hunt.

Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries Division

Seasons and Bag Limits

2024 - 2025 Calendar

September '24						
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