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*Code of Alabama 1975, Section 9-2-8*

**NOTE:** For convenience, Game and Fish Laws and Game, Fish, Furbearer and Other Wildlife Regulations are available online at [outdooralabama.com](http://outdooralabama.com).

**GAME AND FISH DIVISION NAME CHANGE TO  
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES**

Act No. 99-637, passed by the Alabama Legislature, renamed the Game and Fish Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. Pursuant to this Act, wherever reference is made in these regulations to the Game and Fish Division or the Division of Game and Fish, the reference should be construed to refer to Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.

**DEFINITION OF HUNTING**

Hunting includes pursuing, shooting, killing, capturing and trapping wild animals, wild fowl, wild birds, and all lesser acts, such as disturbing, harrying or worrying, or placing, setting, drawing, or using any device used to take wild animals, wild fowl, wild birds, whether they result in taking or not, and includes every act of assistance to any person in taking or attempting to take wild animals, wild fowl, or wild birds.

**REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES**

**STATE OF ALABAMA**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-2-8, Code of Alabama 1975, I do hereby publish the official 2019-2020 pamphlet of the following regulations of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries of the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. These regulations have been promulgated pursuant to the authority of Title 9 of the Code of Alabama 1975, or other laws of the State of Alabama. Any person, firm, corporation or association so violating or attempting to violate any of these regulations or any part of same, shall, upon conviction, be subject to the penalty or penalties as provided for by the Code of Alabama, 1975, Section 9-1-4, or as otherwise specifically provided for by the laws of the State of Alabama.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Christopher M. Blankenship". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Christopher" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Blankenship".

Christopher M. Blankenship  
Commissioner  
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

## **220-2-.01      2019-2020 Hunting Seasons**

The following 2019-2020 hunting seasons, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manner, and means, are hereby established:

### **(A) DEER**

**ANTLERED BUCKS** are defined as those deer with bare antlers visible above natural hairline.

**UNANTLERED DEER** are defined as all deer without bony antlers visible above the natural hairline.

**WHITE-TAILED ANTLERED BUCK LIMIT** –Three per hunter during all combined seasons, one a 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 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. **EXCEPTIONS:**

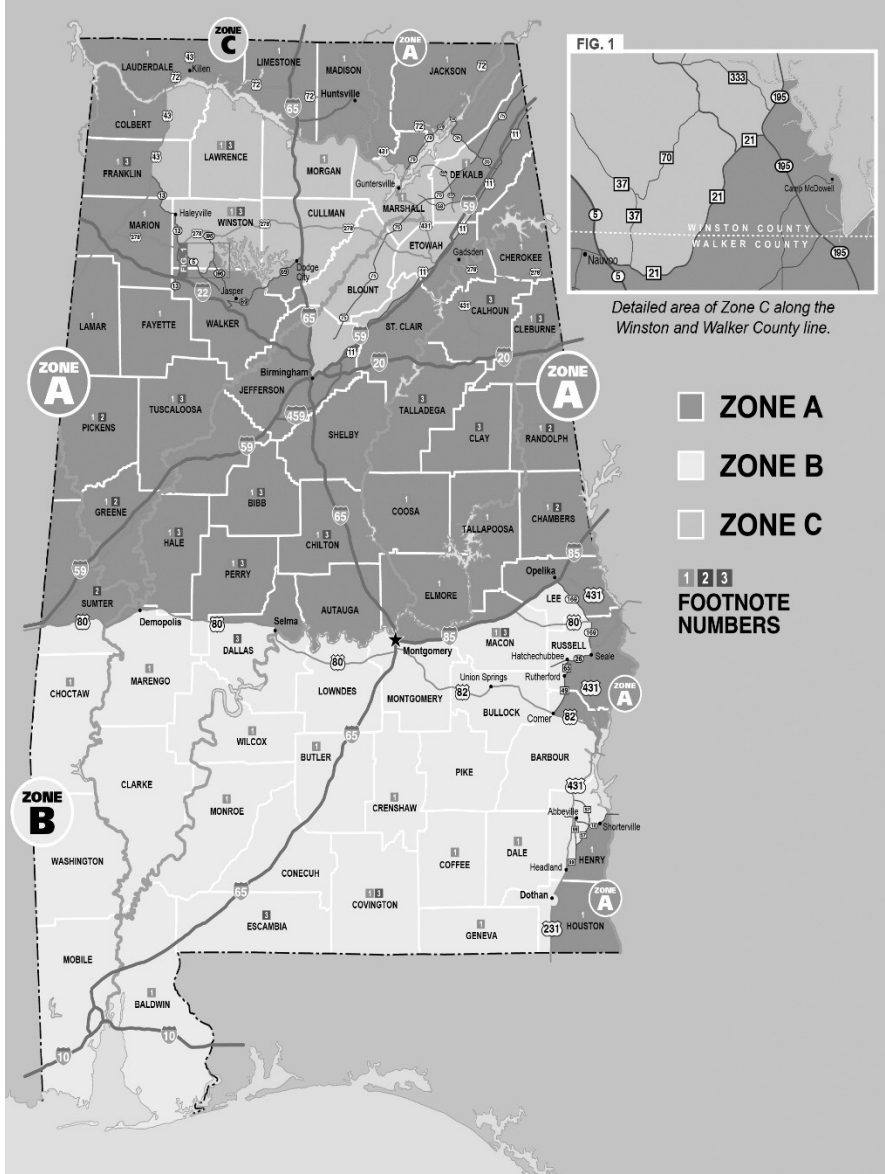
- (1) BARBOUR COUNTY ANTLER RESTRICTION** – white-tailed deer bucks must have a minimum of three points on one side (except on the state-wide special youth deer hunting dates during which any antlered buck may be taken).
- (2) WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA) BONUS BUCK** - One per hunter during all combined bonus buck hunt dates will be allowed to be harvested from a selected collection of WMA's on specific hunt dates depicted on the WMA map permits that will not count towards a hunter's State three buck limit. Must be validated at WMA check station by WFF personnel.

**WHITE-TAILED UNANTLERED DEER LIMIT** – During the Unantlered Deer Gun, Special Muzzleloader, Bow and Arrow, 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 for selected areas with one deer per day limit on U.S. Forest Service Lands.

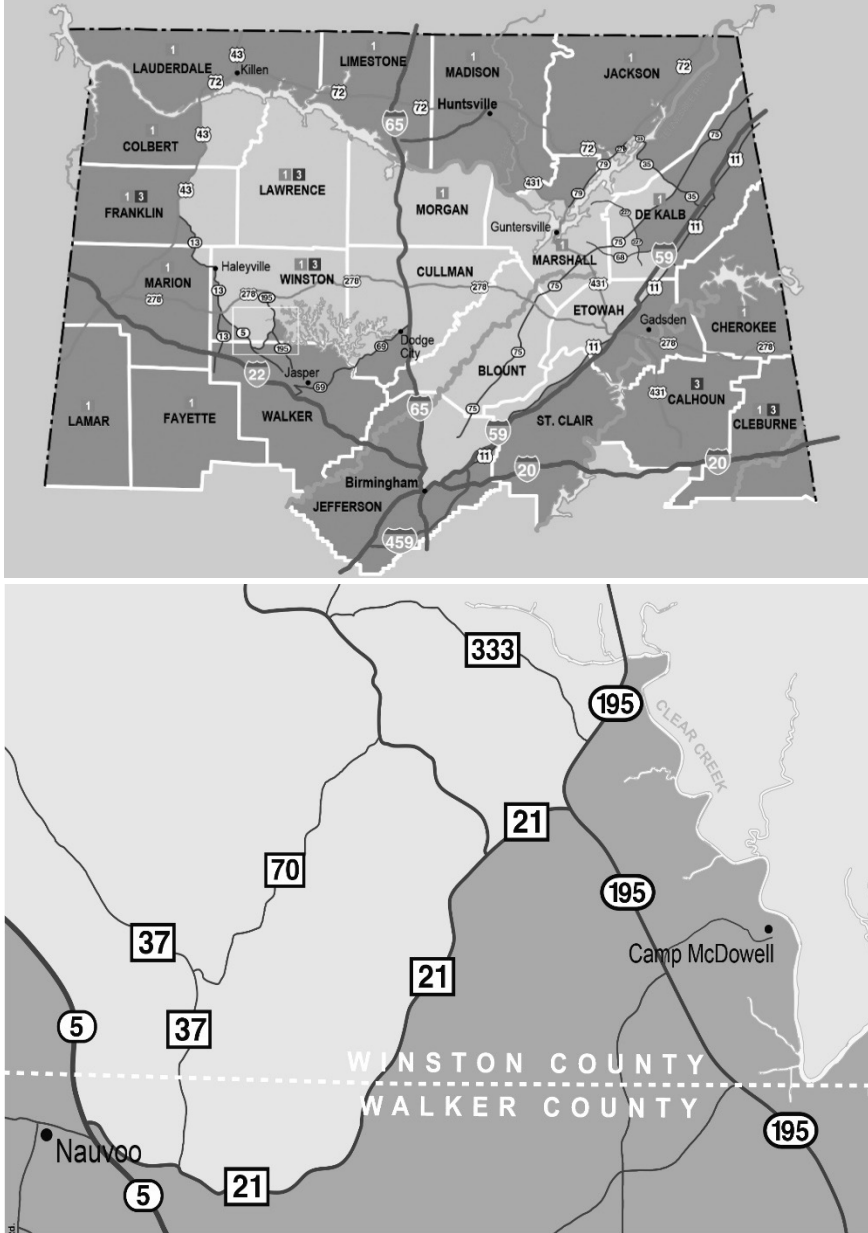
**SPECIAL YOUTH (UNDER 16) DEER HUNTING** – Statewide, (includes all Privately Owned, Leased Lands and Open Permit – Public Lands (except Wildlife Management Areas) on November 15-18. Dog hunting in those counties or parts of counties where and how it is allowed during the regular dog deer hunting season. Same legal arms and ammunition apply as in Deer season, in accordance with Rule 220-2-.119. See the 2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Map Permits for youth deer hunting dates and other information.

**SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:** If notes 1, 2 or 3 appear by the county listed, see the special exceptions at the end of this chart. Note (1) relates to dog deer hunting. Note (2) relates to U.S. Corp of Engineers Lands. Note (3) relates to National Forest Service Lands.

# 2019-2020 Deer Season Zone Map



# 2019-2020 Deer Season Zone C Breakout Map



# 2019-2020 Deer Season Zone Map

## ZONE A

### BOW AND ARROW – STALK HUNTING

Either sex: ..... October 15, 2019 - February 10, 2020

### GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

#### ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

#### ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks Only: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

Either sex: ..... December 14, 2019 - January 1, 2020

### DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - January 15, 2020

## ZONE B

### BOW AND ARROW – STALK HUNTING

Antlered Bucks only: ..... October 15, 2019 - October 24, 2019

Either sex: ..... October 25, 2019 - February 10, 2020

### GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

#### ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

#### ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

Either sex: ..... December 14, 2019 - January 1, 2020

### DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - January 15, 2020

## ZONE C

### BOW AND ARROW – STALK HUNTING

Either sex: ..... October 15, 2019 - February 10, 2020

### GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

#### ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Antlered Bucks Only: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - December 1, 2019

and December 21, 2019 - December 31, 2019

#### ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks Only: ..... November 23, 2019 - February 10, 2020

Either sex: ..... December 21, 2019 - December 31, 2019

### DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Antlered Bucks: ..... November 23, 2019 - January 15, 2020

Either sex: ..... November 23, 2019 - December 1, 2019

and December 21, 2019 - December 31, 2019

## ALL ZONES

### SPECIAL MUZZLELOADER AND AIR RIFLE

Privately Owned or Leased Land

and U.S. Forest Service Land -

Stalk Hunting Only (No Dogs)

Either sex: ..... November 18-22, 2019

## DEER SEASON ZONES:

**ZONE A (see map):** Those areas north or east of a line described as: Beginning at the intersection of the Mississippi state line and US Hwy 80 in Sumter County follow US Hwy 80 east to the US Hwy 80 Bypass and Alabama River; upstream 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); 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 Rd 65; south along Russell County Rd 65 to Russell County Rd 4; west along Russell County Rd 4 to Russell County Rd 49; south along Russell County Rd 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 Rd 57; south along Henry County Rd 57 to Henry County Rd 99; south along Henry County Rd 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 to the Alabama/Florida state line. Excludes Zone C description below.

**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 in Sumter County follow US Hwy 80 east to the US Hwy 80 Bypass and Alabama River; upstream 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); 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 Rd 65; south along Russell County Rd 65 to Russell County Rd 4; west along Russell County Rd 4 to Russell County Rd 49; south along Russell County Rd 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 Rd 57; south along Henry County Rd 57 to Henry County Rd 99; south along Henry County Rd 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.

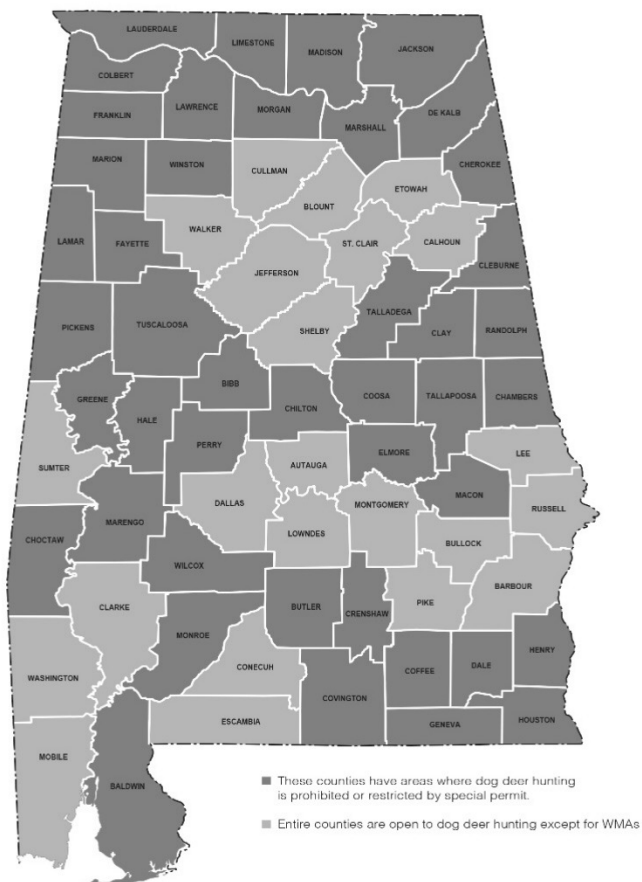
**ZONE C - UNANTLERED DEER SEASON:** Those area of Blount, Colbert, Cullman, Dekalb, Etowah, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Lawrence, Morgan, Marshall, St. Clair, Walker and Winston Counties inside the following boundaries: begin at the intersection of US



Hwy. 431 and AL Hwy. 79 in Marshall County; north on US Hwy. 431 to Paint Rock River; Paint Rock River (Marshall County/Madison County line) to Tennessee River; west on Tennessee River to US Hwy 43; south on US Hwy 43 to intersection with AL Hwy 13; south on AL Hwy 13 to AL Hwy 43; south on AL Hwy 5 to Nauvoo, Walker County; east/north on Poplar Springs Road to Winston County Road 21; north on Winston County Road 21 to AL Hwy 195; north on AL Hwy 195 to Clear Creek; south on Clear Creek to Sipsey Fork; south on Sipsey Fork to US Hwy 69; north on US Hwy 69 to Interstate 65; south on Interstate 65 to Interstate 59; north on Interstate 59 to US Hwy 11; north on US Hwy 11 to AL Hwy 68; west on AL Hwy 68 to AL Hwy 227; north on AL Hwy 227 to AL Hwy 75; north on AL Hwy 75 to AL Hwy 35; north on AL Hwy 35 to US Hwy 72; west on US Hwy 72 to AL Hwy 279; south on AL Hwy 279 to AL Hwy 79; south on AL Hwy 79; ending at the junction of US Hwy 431 and AL Hwy 79.

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

## DOG DEER HUNTING RESTRICTIONS AT A GLANCE



***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 inside the following boundaries: from the intersection of the Natchez Trace Parkway and US Hwy. 72 west along US Hwy

72 to the Mississippi State line, north along the Mississippi State line to the Tennessee River, east along the Tennessee River to the intersection of the Natchez Trace Parkway, south along the Natchez Trace Parkway to the intersection of US Hwy. 72); **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).

***By Stalk Hunting Only, (No Dogs):***

**BIBB AND 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).

**(2) U.S. CORP OF ENGINEERS LANDS:**

U.S. Corp of Engineers Lands in **Chambers, Greene; Pickens; Randolph** and **Sumter** counties special muzzleloader and air rifle and unantlered deer season same as privately owned or leased lands in those counties.

Be aware to consult U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (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 refuge areas are closed to hunting. For complete information concerning hunting on the Tennessee Tombigbee Waterway (TTWW), visit the website at <http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Recreation/TennesseeTombigbee-Waterway/> or contact the TTWW office at (662) 327-2142.

**(3) U. S. FOREST SERVICE (USFS)** (same as open permit for county), except Wildlife Mgmt. Areas – one deer per day.

**Stalk Hunting Only**– No Dogs (except for USFS Lands within **Calhoun, Clay & Talladega** counties): Same season and dates as open permit-public lands.

**Dog Deer Hunting – Calhoun, Clay & 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 a holiday falls on those days; No Dog Deer hunting on the Piney Woods/ Ivory Mountain Area, the borders of which are defined as: bounded by the Cleburne County line to the north and running east and west, then to the west by Clay CR 66 running east and west from State Rte. 49 to Hwy. 9; The eastern border is Hwy. 9 running north from Clay CR 66 to the Cleburne County Line.

## **(B) TURKEY:**

**GOBBLERS ONLY**—Limit One a Day, Five During Combined Fall and Spring Seasons.

**SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT: SATURDAY & SUNDAY THE WEEK PRIOR TO OPENING OF THE SPRING SEASON, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 220-2-.119.**

**SPECIAL DISABLED HUNT: ONE DAY PRIOR TO ALL OPENING DAYS.** Participants must meet medical requirements of regulation 220-2-.109(2)(d)

**WMA DELAYED SPRING TURKEY SEASON:** Barbour, Choccolocco, Hollins, J.D. Martin – Skyline, Lowndes, Oakmulgee and Perdido River.

*March 28 - May 3*

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## **TURKEY SEASON ZONES:**

**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 (except south of AL Hwy. 52, east of AL Hwy. 167, west of Houston County line and north of the Florida line); 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.

**SPRING SEASON** (decoys permitted):

*March 21 – May 3*

**ZONE 2:** Colbert; Franklin, Lauderdale (west of US Hwy. 43); Lawrence (south of AL Hwy. 24); Limestone (north of US Hwy. 72); Madison and Winston.

**SPRING SEASON** (decoys permitted):

*March 28 – May 3*

**ZONE 3:** Cullman (north of Lewis Smith Lake and north of Cullman County Road 437 and west of I-65.); Geneva (south of AL Hwy. 52, east of AL Hwy 167, west of Houston County line and north of the Florida line); Lawrence (north of AL Hwy 24) Lauderdale (east of US Hwy. 43); and Morgan.

**SPRING SEASON** (decoys permitted):

*April 18 – April 22*

**ZONE 4: Clarke; Clay; Covington; Monroe; Randolph; and Talladega.**

**FALL SEASON** (decoys not permitted):

*November 23 – December 5*

*December 14 – January 1*

**SPRING SEASON** (decoys permitted):

*March 21 – May 3*

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**(C) MOURNING and WHITE-WINGED DOVE:**

Shooting on opening day in each zone starts at 12:00 noon until sunset.

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**SPRING SEASON Shooting Hours** (except those listed below in South Zone) (90 Days)

12 O'clock noon until Sunset (Afternoon Shooting Only)

*September 7*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day)

*September 8 – 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 12*

**SOUTH ZONE: Baldwin; Barbour; 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 – November 3*

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 12*

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**(D) BOBWHITE QUAIL:** Limit 8 a Day-8 in Possession

*November 2 – February 29*

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**(E) RABBIT:** Limit 8 a Day-8 in Possession

*September 14 – March 8*

No running of dogs during daytime or after 3:00 A.M. during and in areas of spring turkey season.

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**(F) SQUIRREL:** Limit 8 a Day-8 in Possession

*September 14 – March 8*

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**(G) 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 or nighttime hours.

No running of dogs during daytime or after 3:00 A.M. during and in areas of spring turkey season. *Note: Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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

*No Closed Season*

May be hunted daytime and nighttime hours.

No running of dogs during daytime or after 3:00 A.M. during and in areas of spring turkey season. *Note: Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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**(I) ALLIGATOR (2019):**

*By Special Limited Quota Permit Only*

Must register on-line at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com) between June 4 (8:00 a.m.) and July 10 (8:00 a.m.). Must be a resident or lifetime hunting license holder to register.

**West Central Zone: Dallas; Monroe** (north of US Hwy 84) and **Wilcox** (nighttime only)

*Sunset August 8 – Sunrise August 11*

*Sunset August 15 – Sunrise August 18*

**Southwest Zone: Baldwin, Clarke, Mobile, Monroe** (east of US Hwy. 43 and south of US Hwy. 84); and **Washington counties** (nighttime only)

*Sunset August 8 – Sunrise August 11*

*Sunset August 15 – Sunrise August 18*

**Coastal Zone:** the private and public waters in **Baldwin** and **Mobile** that lie South of I-10  
(nighttime only) *Sunset August 8 – Sunrise August 11*  
*Sunset August 15 – Sunrise August 18*

**Southeast Zone:** **Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Russell**  
**counties** (nighttime only) *Sunset August 10 – Sunrise September 2*

**Lake Eufaula Zone:** **Alabama State Waters Only** (daytime and nighttime)  
*Sunset August 16 – Sunrise September 30*

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**(J) BOBCAT:** No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*  
See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.  
Dogs cannot be used to hunt during and in areas of spring turkey season.  
See tagging requirement under regulation 220-2-.30  
Trapping is limited to legal fur bearer season.  
*\*Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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**(K) COYOTE:** No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*  
See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.  
Dogs cannot be used to hunt during and in areas of spring turkey season.  
Trapping by landowner or his agent.  
*\*Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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**(L) FERAL SWINE:** No Bag Limit–Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*  
See 220-2-.07 for legal hunting hours.  
Dogs cannot be used to hunt during and in areas of spring turkey season.  
Upon capture, it shall be unlawful to release any live feral swine. See regulation 220-2-.86.  
Trapping by landowner or his agent.  
**Privately owned and leased lands only**

*Special Nighttime Season May 1 – August 31*  
No Bag Limit – May be hunted daytime or nighttime hours  
Dogs only – no firearms allowed. *\*Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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**(M) FOX:** No Bag Limit *No Closed Season*  
May be hunted daytime and nighttime hours.  
Nighttime hours with dogs only.  
No running of dogs during daytime or after 3:00 A.M. during and in areas of spring turkey.  
*\*Check with USFS for further restrictions.*

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**(N) BEAVER, NUTRIA, AND GROUNDHOG:**  
No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*

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**(O) STARLINGS, CROWS, AND ENGLISH SPARROWS:**  
No Bag Limit – Daylight Hours Only *No Closed Season*

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**(P) BEAR, MOUNTAIN LION AND RUFFED GROUSE** *No Open Season*

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**(Q) WOODCOCK:** Limit 3 a Day *December 13 – December 15*  
Shooting Hours–One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset *December 21 – January 31*  
*Note: Contingent upon federal register.*

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**(R) SNIPE:** Limit 8 a Day *November 14 – February 28*  
Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset

*Note: Contingent upon federal register.*

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**(S) CLAPPER RAIL, VIRGINIA RAIL, SORA, AND GALLINULE:**

Limit 15 a Day. Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset.

*September 14 – September 29*

*Note: Contingent upon federal register.*

*November 29 – January 21*

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**(T) 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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**(U) TRAPPING:**

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

*November 2 – February 29*

*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.*

**BEAVER, COYOTE, NUTRIA, RACCOON, OPOSSUM, AND FERAL SWINE:**

*No Closed 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.*

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**220-2-.77 2019-2020 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose, and Teal Hunting Seasons**

(1) The following 2019-2020 hunting seasons for duck, coot, merganser, goose, 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:** 6 ducks a day and may include no more than 4 Mallards (no more than 2 of which may be female), 3 Wood Ducks, 1 Mottled Duck, 2 Black Duck, 2 Rehead, 1 Pintail, 2 Canvasback and 3 Scaup. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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

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

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(b) **Goose:**

**All Geese Statewide:**

*September 1 – September 30*

The aggregate bag limit of 5 dark geese (Canada, White-fronted, Brant) shall not include more than 1 Brant. Additionally, an aggregate bag limit of 5 light geese (Snow, Blue, Ross's) may be harvested per day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

**Dark Geese (Canada, White-Fronted, & Brant):** *October 19 – November 2*

*November 29 – December 1*

*December 6 – January 31*

Limit 5 a day, shall no include more than 3 Canada Geese and 1 Brant, all five may be White-Fronted Geese. The possession limit is three time the daily bag limit.

**Light Geese (Snow, Blue, And Ross's):**

**October 19 – November 2**  
**November 29 – December 1**  
**December 6 – January 31**

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

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**(c) Sandhill Crane**

**December 3 – January 5**  
**January 16 – January 31**

By Limited Quota Permit only. Must apply online at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com). Must be sixteen (16) years of age or older and an Alabama resident or an Alabama lifetime hunting license holder to apply.

Hunting Zone will be that area North of Interstate 20 from the Georgia state line to the interchange with 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.

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**(d) Regions and Times for Hunting Duck, Coot, Merganser, and Goose:**  
**Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone:**

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.)

**Remainder of the State:**

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

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**(e) Special Early Teal Season:**

**September 14 - 29**

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.

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**(f) Special Youth, Active Military, and Military Veteran's Waterfowl Hunting Days:**

November 23, 2019, & February 8, 2020, 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.

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**(g) Non-toxic shot:**

(Informational Note: 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 and sandhill crane hunting.)

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**(h) Duck Stamps:**

(Informational Note: 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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**220-2-.60 Airboat Regulation**

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to use an airboat on any of the public waters of this State in Baldwin or Mobile counties between November 15th of each year and the end of the waterfowl seasons.
  - (2) The prohibition prescribed in Paragraph (1) above shall not apply to the use of airboats by law enforcement personnel, state aquatic plant management personnel, oil and gas exploration crews, or utility company personnel while operating air boats in their official capacities.
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**220-2-.119 Special Youth Hunting Day Regulations for Deer, Turkey, and Waterfowl**

This rule applies to Special Youth Hunting Days, as established by Rule 220-2-.01 and Rule 220-2-.77. The regular season shooting hours, bag limits, and legal arms and ammunitions apply to the special youth hunting days. Individuals shall comply with the following rules to participate in the scheduled youth hunts:

- (1) Youth means an individual who has not reached his [or her] sixteenth birthday.
  - (2) Adult Supervisor means an individual 21 years old or older or the parent of the youth. An adult supervisor shall be in possession of all required state hunting licenses (and state and federal waterfowl stamps if required to hunt waterfowl).
  - (3) Up to two (2) youth participants shall be accompanied by an adult supervisor. The adult supervisor shall remain within 30 feet of each youth at all times.
  - (4) Only one firearm will be allowed per youth. Only the youth hunters will be permitted to utilize firearms for hunting. The adult supervisor shall review the rules of firearm safety with each youth under his [or her] supervision and ensure they are followed.
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**220-2-.06 Game Animals Designated**

The following animals are hereby designated as game animals: Bear, Beaver, Coyote, Deer, Opossum, Eastern Cottontail and Swamp Rabbit, Raccoon, Squirrel, Nutria, Fox, Mountain Lion (Cougar), Groundhog, Bobcat, Red Wolf, Feral Swine (Wild Hog or Wild Pig), and Alligator.

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**220-2-.86 Feral Swine Regulation**

- (1) The seasons and methods for taking feral swine will be as provided in Rule 220-2-.01.
- (2) Upon taking or capturing or having in possession any feral swine it shall be unlawful to



release said feral swine alive or to transport said live feral swine. All feral swine taken by trap or dogs or otherwise must be killed on site. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful to release any live domestic swine into the wild.

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#### **220-2-.07    Legal Hunting Hours for Game Animals**

It shall be unlawful to hunt all protected animals during nighttime hours except as otherwise provided by law or rule promulgated by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources. Legal hunting hours for all game animals during the open season for same shall be daylight hours only, except fox may be hunted during nighttime hours with light and dogs only, and raccoon and opossum may be hunted during nighttime hours with the use of a light and legal arms and ammunition as provided in rule 220-2-.02 when hunter or hunters are accompanied by dog or dogs free of leash.

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#### **220-2-.04    Game Birds Designated**

**Resident Game Birds:** Bobwhite Quail, Ruffed Grouse, Wild Turkey; **Migratory Game Birds:** Wild Duck, Wild Goose, Brant, Virginia and Clapper Rail, Sora, Coot, Wilson Snipe, Woodcock, Mourning and White- Wing Dove, Gallinule, Merganser and Sandhill Crane.

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#### **220-2-.05    Legal Hunting Hours for Game Birds**

Legal hunting hours for game birds during the open season shall be daylight hours only, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

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#### **220-2-.23    Licenses and Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Must be in Possession**

Every person hunting, trapping or fishing in the State, who is required by law to have a hunting, fishing or trapping license and migratory bird hunting stamp, must have said license or licenses in his or her possession at all times when hunting, fishing or trapping, and such license or licenses must be presented for inspection to any authorized officer of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources upon demand.

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#### **220-2-.118    Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program**

Any person hunting migratory birds (woodcock, dove, rails, sora, Wilson's snipe, coots, gallinule, merganser, ducks, geese or sandhill crane) required to be licensed should have completed a free Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program survey card providing information for the preceding season prior to hunting any species of migratory bird. Each person required to be licensed hunting migratory birds in Alabama should have the survey completion stamp on their person while hunting migratory birds.

It shall be a violation of this regulation for any person required to be licensed, having been warned by a law enforcement officer, to continue to hunt migratory birds without the survey completion stamp on their person.

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#### **220-2-.12    Game Bag, Hunting Coat, Etc., Shall be Open to Inspection**

- (1) Pursuant to the Code of Alabama, 1975, Sections 9-11-259 and 9-11-85, which provided in effect that all game birds, animals or fish taken or killed in this State must at all times be carried or transported openly and that all game birds, animals or fish carried or transported in an illegal manner shall be confiscated and disposed of under regulations by the Commissioner; any live box, holding box, game bag, hunting coat, camping equipment, or like receptacles, or any automobile or boat used for the carrying or holding of any fish, game birds, or game

animals or any gun or fishing tackle used in hunting or fishing shall be subject to inspection by officers of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources at all times upon proper identification of said officer. Any person who refuses to allow inspection of the above named articles shall be in violation of this regulation and shall be punished as provided by law.

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### **220-2-.13 Reasonable Effort Must Be Made to Retrieve Crippled Birds,**

#### **Animals and Fish**

It shall be illegal for any person, firm, or corporation to kill or cripple any species of game bird, game animal or game fish without making a reasonable effort to retrieve same and include it in his daily bag or creel limit. Nothing in this regulation permits or requires a person to enter upon the land or waters of another for the purpose of retrieving game or fish without the permission of the landowner.

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### **220-2-.15 Destroying Sex of Deer or Wild Turkey Prohibited**

It is hereby made unlawful for any person who kills, captures, or possesses a deer or wild turkey, in order to evade or attempt to evade any law or regulation, to destroy or attempt to destroy the evidence of sex, or to mutilate the carcass of such deer or wild turkey so as to make the determination of the legal status of the deer or turkey uncertain. Nothing in this regulation is intended to prevent any person from dressing for consumption any deer or wild turkey which has been killed legally. This regulation is designed to prohibit the killing or capturing of illegal deer and wild turkey hens.

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### **220-2-.18 Possession Limit**

It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take or have in possession more than the daily bag limit of any game bird, game or furbearing animals except as listed in numbers (1) and (2) of this rule.

- (1) Possession limit does not apply on deer and/or turkey provided not more than the daily bag limit on deer and/or one (1) turkey is taken on any one day.
- (2) Possession limit of one day bag does not apply on legally taken game birds or game animals after they have been processed and stored in a cooler or freezer at one's residence or at a commercial processing plant.

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### **220-2-.146 Game Check System – Deer and Turkey Harvest Record and Reporting Requirement**

- (1) For the purpose of this regulation:
  - a. "Deer" shall be defined as a white-tailed deer.
  - b. "Antlered Deer" shall be defined as a white-tailed deer with antlers visible above the natural hairline.
  - c. "Unantlered Deer" shall be defined as all other white-tailed deer.
- (2) **DEER AND TURKEY HARVEST RECORD FORM:**
  - (a) Any person hunting deer or turkey, whether required to be licensed or not, shall maintain and have in his/her possession either:
    - i. A "Deer and Turkey Harvest Record" which shall be in substantially the following form and contain the same information.
    - ii. The State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ("DCNR") approved App on a hand-held device capable of recording the harvest in the Game Check System as set forth in paragraph (3).

**NOTE:** Harvest Record must be in possession when hunting. See paragraph 2(a). Hunter

must record before field dressing or moving carcass. See paragraph 2(b). Hunter must obtain confirmation number within 48 hours. See paragraph 3.

- (b) All deer or turkey harvested shall be recorded completely on either the harvest record form as identified in paragraph (2)(a) above or the DCNR approved app by the hunter harvesting the deer or turkey before the deer or turkey is moved or field dressed; provided however, that confirmation numbers for each deer or turkey harvested shall be obtained by following the procedures set forth in paragraph (3) hereof, and shall be entered on the harvest record within forty-eight (48) hours of harvest.
- (c) Any person who harvests a deer or turkey shall have in their possession either the completed harvest record form as identified in paragraph (2)(a) above or the DCNR approved App until it is processed and stored in a cooler or freezer at one's residence or delivered to a commercial processing plant; provided however, that confirmation numbers for each deer or turkey harvested shall be obtained by following the procedures set forth in paragraph (3) hereof, and shall be entered on the harvest record form within forty-eight (48) hours of harvest. In addition, any other person who is in possession of deer or turkey not harvested by that person shall have in their possession written documentation including the name, address, license number (if applicable), telephone number, date of harvest and signature of the person who harvested the deer or turkey until it is processed and stored in a cooler or freezer at one's residence or delivered to a commercial processing plant.

**(3) DEER AND TURKEY HARVEST REPORTING REQUIREMENT:**

- (a) All hunters shall report to the DCNR, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, their harvest of each and every deer or turkey within forty-eight (48) hours of harvest, by using one of the following methods, as further described herein:
  - (1) the DCNR "Game Check" reporting site at [www.OutdoorAlabama/Game-check](http://www.OutdoorAlabama/Game-check); (2) the **OutdoorAlabama** App on a hand-held device; or (3) the DCNR approved Toll-Free Number.
- (b) Online reporting shall be done by: (1) accessing the web site stated above; (2) using the **OutdoorAlabama** App on a hand-held device; or (3) by any other means of accessing the DCNR "Game Check" reporting site on the internet.

**On the Deer Harvest** Reporting page, the hunter shall be required to provide: (1) his or her 16-digit hunting license number or lifetime license number or other authorized identification number; (2) whether the deer is an "antlered deer" or an "unantlered deer;" (3) whether the harvest location is public or private land; (4) the date of the harvest; and (5) the county of harvest.

**On the Turkey Harvest** Reporting page, the hunter shall be required to provide: (1) his or her 16-digit hunting license number or lifetime license number or other authorized identification number; (2) the turkeys age (whether jake or adult); (3) whether the harvest location is public or private land; (4) the date of the harvest; and (5) the county of harvest.

A confirmation number shall be provided which shall be entered in the appropriate corresponding space on the harvest record form within forty-eight (48) hours of harvest or the DCNR approved App. Once data is submitted and a confirmation number provided, the data cannot be changed.

- (c) Hunters may use a Toll-Free Voice Response Call by calling the DCNR approved toll-free number from a touchtone phone. The phone number will be provided on the DCNR website.

**For deer harvest**, the hunter, using the phone keypad, shall provide: (1) his

or her 16-digit hunting license number or lifetime license number or other authorized identification number; (2) whether the deer is an “antlered deer” or an “unantlered deer”; (3) whether the harvest location is public or private land; (4) the date of the harvest; and (5) the county of harvest.

**For turkey harvest**, the hunter, using the phone keypad, shall provide: (1) his or her 16-digit hunting license number or lifetime license number or other authorized identification number; (2) the turkey’s age (whether a jake or adult); (3) whether the harvest location is public or private land; (4) the date of the harvest; and (5) the county of harvest.

A confirmation number shall be provided at the end of the call, which shall be entered in the appropriate corresponding space on the harvest record form within forty-eight (48) hours of harvest. Once data is submitted and a confirmation number provided, the data cannot be changed.

- (4) It shall be a violation of this regulation for any person to fail to comply with the requirements of this regulation. Further, it shall be a violation of this regulation to present an incomplete deer and turkey harvest record for inspection, or to intentionally enter false information into the deer and turkey harvest record form provided in paragraph (2) hereof or into the deer and turkey harvest reporting database provided in paragraph (3) hereof.

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#### **220-2-.85 Hunter Orange Requirement for Hunting and Definition of Open Permit-Public Land**

- (1) During dates and in areas open by regulation to gun deer season, including youth deer season and muzzleloader deer season, all persons hunting any wildlife species, except foxes, raccoons and opossums during legal nighttime hours or turkey or migratory birds (including crows), are required to wear an outer garment above the waist with a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. Hunters are not required to wear hunter orange when hunting from a stand elevated twelve (12) feet or more from the ground, when hunting in an enclosed box stand, when traveling in an enclosed vehicle, or when traveling on foot no more than twenty feet directly between an operating enclosed vehicle and a stand where the hunter is exempt from the hunter orange requirement. The hunter orange must be worn when traveling on foot between an operating enclosed vehicle and exempt stand when the distance is more than a direct distance of twenty feet. A small logo and/or printing is permitted on the front of hunter orange caps; otherwise, hunter orange must be of solid color and visible from any angle. Only hunter orange, commonly called blaze orange, ten mile cloth, etc., is legal. The various shades of red as well as camo orange are not legal.
- (2) “Open Permit-Public Land” is defined as governmentally owned land open for public hunting and/or lands made available to the public on an individual basis whether for a fee or not. Examples of such lands would be national forest lands, lands owned by lumber companies and utility companies available for use by hunters either through free permits, fee permits or no permit requirement.

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#### **220-2-.02 Legal Arms, Ammunition, and Equipment for Hunting**

**(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) Except as otherwise provided by Rule 220-2-.03 for laser type range finders with computational capabilities on bows and by (d) listed below, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt with a bow or gun that has a light source attached that is capable of casting a beam of light (including a laser sight) forward of said bow or gun or to possess such a light source adapted for attachment to said bow or gun while hunting.
- (d) Legally blind hunters may use laser sighting devices to take game, subject to all other regulations, if the following conditions are met:
  - The person is accompanied by a sighted person who is a member of the immediate family or at least 16 years of age;
  - 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)
  - The sighted person shall not discharge any gun or bow with laser sighting device.
  - 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.
- (e) It shall be unlawful to possess any equipment that uses electronics to increase the ability to see in the dark (night vision equipment) while hunting any species of wildlife, both protected or unprotected species.
- (f) It shall be unlawful to possess fully automatic firearms while hunting any species of wildlife.

**(2) DEER:**

- Rifles using centerfire, mushrooming ammunition.
- Pre-charged pneumatic air powered guns, .30 caliber or larger.
- Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using buckshot, slugs, or single round ball.
- Muzzle-loaders and Black Powder Handguns--.40 caliber or larger.
- Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows in conformance with 220-2-.03.
- Handguns or pistols using centerfire, mushrooming ammunition.

**(3) TURKEY:**

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  - Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using standard No. 2 shot or smaller.
  - Long bows, compound bows or crossbows in conformance with 220-2-.03.
- (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:**

- 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.
- Waterfowl hunters shall not possess any other size shot or any size lead shot.
- Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.

- Raptors by properly permitted falconers.
- (5) **RACCOON & OPOSSUM:**
- Nighttime hunting--Shotguns using No. 6 shot or smaller; .22 caliber rimfire firearms.
  - Daytime hunting - See “(7) OTHER GAME BIRDS OR ANIMALS”
- (6) **BOBCAT, GROUNDHOG, UNPROTECTED WILDLIFE, FOX, COYOTE & FERAL SWINE:**
- Rifles of any caliber.
  - Handguns or pistols.
  - Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller.
  - Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
  - Muzzleloaders and black powder handguns of any caliber.
  - Spear or sharpened blade.
  - Raptors by properly permitted falconers.
- (7) **OTHER GAME BIRDS OR ANIMALS:**
- Rifles using rimfire ammunition or those operated by air.
  - Muzzleloaders and black powder handguns of any caliber.
  - Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
  - Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller, using standard No. 4 shot or smaller.
  - Handguns or pistols.
  - Blowguns using darts propelled by the hunter’s breath only.
  - Sling shots.
  - Raptors by properly permitted falconers.
- (8) **BULL FROG AND PIG FROG:**
- Air powered rifles .25 caliber or smaller.
  - Gig or spear.
  - Long bows, compound bows, or crossbows.
  - Hand or dip net.
- (9) **FALCONRY** [NOTE: Special rules and regulations apply to the use of Raptors for hunting. For a complete copy of the Falconry regulation, visit: [www.outdooralabama.com/resident-commercial-hunting-licenses](http://www.outdooralabama.com/resident-commercial-hunting-licenses)]

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## **220-2-.03      Legal Specifications for Bow and Arrow**

- (1) A legal bow for hunting is defined as either a long bow, a recurve bow, a compound bow or a crossbow.
- (2) It shall be unlawful, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation, for any person to hunt deer and turkey with bow and arrows that are not in conformance with the following specifications:
  - (a) Bows must have a minimum peak tension (within the user’s normal draw length) of 30 pounds. Crossbows must have a minimum peak tension of 85 pounds at normal draw length.
  - (b) Arrows shall be equipped with a broadhead which has a minimum cutting diameter of 7/8 inch and 2 sharpened edges.
- (3) Crossbows must be equipped with a working safety.
- (4) There shall be no electronic or electrically assisted devices attached to The bow except:
  - (a) Illuminated sight pins/beads/markings,
  - (b) sights with magnification on crossbows, or
  - (c) laser type range finders with computational capabilities.

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**220-2-.10      The Possession of Firearms by Bow Hunters Prohibited**

It shall be unlawful for any person to possess both gun and bow while hunting any species of game, bird or animal, except during and in areas of the either sex gun deer season. This prohibition shall not apply to the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

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**220-2-.08      Hunting of Raccoon, Opossum, Squirrel, Rabbit and Deer During Closed Gun Season**

It is hereby made lawful to run raccoon, opossum, squirrel, and rabbit with dogs during the closed gun season on raccoon, opossum, squirrel, and rabbit by licensed hunters, provided, however, that under no circumstances shall anyone take, kill or have in his possession any raccoon, opossum, squirrel, or rabbit, or possess any device that could aid in capturing or killing other than light in conjunction with the running of raccoon, opossum, squirrel, and rabbit as permitted under this regulation during the closed gun season. Provided, further, that deer may be run with dogs only from the period October 1 until the opening of gun deer season in counties having a scheduled gun dog deer season. In addition it is also provided further that each cast participating in a raccoon night hunt field trial having a permit issued pursuant to Rule 220-2-.17 may possess one raccoon squaller during the closed season on raccoons. 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.

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**220-2-.16      Period for Training Bird Dogs**

Any licensed dog trainer may train bird dogs and any licensed hunter may train his own bird dog during the closed hunting season. Any licensed dog trainer, any licensed hunter may train his bird dogs with the aid of a recovery pen to recover the pen raised quail used in training bird dogs. Provided all pen raised quail used shall be banded and any unbanded birds taken in the recovery pen shall be immediately released.

Under no circumstances, however, shall such training be accomplished or allowed with the use of a gun during the closed hunting season other than as outlined below. Such trainer or owner may train such dogs by using a pistol loaded with blanks only. The training of bird dogs through the use of shotguns and live ammunition shall be allowed at any time of the year, provided that such training be restricted to a specific location predesignated to and approved by the Conservation Officer assigned to the area where the training is to take place; that the dogs being so trained be controlled by leash in a manner restricting them to the specified training area; that only unprotected birds be involved and that written permission for such training be obtained from said Conservation Officer assigned to such area.

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**220-2-.17      Organized Field Trials**

It shall be unlawful for any resident or nonresident of this State to participate in any organized field trial without a hunting license unless approved in writing by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and conducted pursuant to a valid permit from the Department. In the process of such organized field trial events, no guns using live ammunition shall be used nor shall any game animals or birds be taken or killed. Further, during the course of approved hunting dog field trials (which trials shall only be conducted pursuant to possession of a valid permit from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources), only properly marked pen-raised quail or mallard ducks may be

shot. Provided the organization receives a permit as provided for herein, the shooter, or person bearing the gun, will not be required to have a hunting license. Only one person at a time may possess a gun during the course or stations of a permitted field trial where such quail or ducks will be shot. An organized field trial permit where such quail or ducks are taken will only be issued for a predesignated marked course or hunting dog trial stations. Approval of the local conservation officer (or Commissioner's designee) will be required prior to the issuance of a hunting dog field trial permit where such quail or ducks are to be taken. Permits for organized field trials will be limited to three permits per organization per year and will only be issued for periods from September 1 through May 15. These date restrictions do not apply to raccoon or fox field trials. An administrative fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50) will be required for each permit to cover the Department's costs associated with organized field trial activities. Applicants will be required to submit the name of the organization, name of the organization's manager, as well as additional addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. Applicants will also be required to provide the physical address or GPS coordinates of the location of the field trial, and the date and type of field trial event. Organized field trials on Wildlife Management Areas and Open Permit-Public Land (as defined in rule 220-2-.85(2), such as national forests lands, will not be approved under field trial permits. Notwithstanding the foregoing, organized field trials may be held at the Barnett Lawley Field Trial Facility managed by State Lands Division.

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**220-2-.25     Imported Game Birds, Game Animals and Raw Furs Subject to State Laws**

- (1) All wildlife, game or fur-bearing animals, game birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof transported into the State of Alabama from any other state, territory or foreign country for use, consumption, sale or storage in the State of Alabama shall, upon arrival, be subject to the operation and effect of the laws and regulations of the State of Alabama enacted in the exercise of its police powers to the same extent and in the same manner as though such animals or birds had been produced or taken in the State of Alabama.
- (2) The importation of body parts of any member of the family Cervidae is prohibited from all states, territories, or possessions of the United States of America. Importation of body parts is also prohibited from all foreign countries. The family Cervidae includes but is not limited to white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, moose, caribou, fallow deer, axis deer, sika deer, red deer, and reindeer.
- (3) This regulation shall not apply to the importation of: meat from the species listed in (2) above that has been completely deboned; cleaned skull plates with attached bare antlers, if no visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; unattached bare antlers or sheds; raw capes, if no visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; upper canine teeth, if no root structure or other soft tissue is present; and finished taxidermy products or tanned hides.
- (4) The importation of velvet-covered antlers is prohibited unless part of a finished taxidermy product.

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**220-2-.101     Hunting of Captive Bred Mallard Ducks and Non-Native Game Birds on Commercial Fowl Hunting Preserves**

- (1) Captive bred mallard ducks, properly marked in accordance with federal regulations, shall be legal fowl to be hunted on a licensed commercial fowl hunting preserve. Such hunting shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- (2) Any private commercial shooting preserve that is licensed by the Department of



Conservation and Natural Resources may, by obtaining a special letter permit from the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources, hunt any species of exotic or non-native birds at any time of the year when such exotic or non-native birds have been stocked on said hunting preserves. Provided, however, that this regulation shall not apply to any bird or animal that appears on the U.S. Department of the Interior's and State of Alabama's "Endangered Species" list.

- (3) Native game birds and animals other than species listed on hunting preserve licenses may be taken only on licensed hunting preserves during legal hunting seasons and when taken by properly licensed hunters abiding by any bag limits and other regulations that may be promulgated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or established by law.

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## **220-2-.11 Prohibited Methods and Devices for Hunting**

- (a) It shall be unlawful to concentrate, drive, rally, molest or to hunt, take, capture or kill or attempt to hunt, take, capture or kill any bird or animal from or by the aid of:
  - (1) Any automobile, motorcar, airplane, train, motorboat, sailboat or any type mechanically propelled device, or any other device being operated in conjunction with any of the above mentioned devices of transportation. Provided, however, that nothing in this regulation shall prevent hunting from a floating craft (except a sinkbox), including those propelled by motor, sail and wind, or both, when the motor of such craft has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled, as the case may be, its progress therefrom has ceased, and it is drifting, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or it is being propelled by paddle, oars or pole, and provided further that nothing in this regulation shall prevent the taking of game birds and game animals from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor driven land conveyance provided any forward motion is ceased and engine is shut off. Nothing in this regulation allows the hunting, taking or killing or attempting to hunt, take or kill any bird or animal from any vehicle on a public road.
  - (2) Any electrically amplified turkey, dove, or waterfowl calls or sound whether real or imitation. Nothing in this regulation shall prevent the use of electrically amplified crow calls. The possession of any electrical device and/or records capable of producing real or imitation turkey, dove, or waterfowl calls of any type in the woods, field, or on the waters of this State shall be a violation of this regulation.
  - (3) Fire or smoke whether man-made or natural.
  - (4) Any live decoys, except when hunting unprotected birds or animals, provided that banded live pen raised quail may be used in a recovery pen as a call bird when such recovery pen is used to recover pen raised quail as provided for in Regulation 220-2-.16.
  - (5) It shall be unlawful for any person while engaged in hunting turkey in this State to use or have in his possession a decoy which has mechanical or electronic parts which makes the decoy capable of movement or producing sound or which can be manipulated to produce movement or sound. It is further provided, however, that no turkey decoys shall be lawful except during spring turkey season in the area of use.
  - (6) From floodwater. It shall be a violation of this regulation to hunt or attempt to hunt or take any species of resident bird or animal taking refuge in, swimming through, flying over, or resting in a tree, bush, or log standing or floating in any floodwaters or backwaters or taking refuge on any island less than forty acres in size created by any such flood or backwaters. Provided, however, that nothing in this regulation shall prevent the taking of migratory waterfowl from such areas.

- (7) Any area where feeding has taken place, until all the feed has been removed or consumed for at least 10 days prior to such hunting.
  - (8) Gasoline or any noxious chemical or gaseous substance to drive wildlife from their burrows, dens, or retreats.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided by Rule 220-2-.03 for laser type range finders with computational capabilities on bows and conditional use of laser sighting devices by legally blind hunters, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt with a bow or gun that has a light source attached that is capable of casting a beam of light (including a laser sight) forward of said bow or gun or to possess such a light source adapted for attachment to said bow or gun while hunting.

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**220-2-.157 Definition of Area Regulation**

For purposes of Section 9-11-244, Code of Alabama 1975, and Rule 220-2-.11, Alabama Administrative Code, as it applies to the hunting of deer and feral swine, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that any bait or feed (as defined in Section 9-11-244) located beyond 100 yards from the hunter and not within the line of sight of the hunter, is not a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over the area where the hunter is attempting to kill or take the deer or feral swine. For the purpose of this regulation, “not within the line of sight” means being hidden from view by natural vegetation or naturally occurring terrain features. This regulation shall not apply on public lands.

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**220-2-.160 Definition of Immediate Family**

For the purposes of Section 9-11-44(d), Code of Alabama 1975, “immediate family” is defined as: a landowner’s spouse, children, parents, brothers, and sisters.

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**220-2-.112 Dog Deer Hunting**

- (a) It shall be unlawful to cast, release, or otherwise place, a dog, for the purpose of hunting deer, from, upon, or onto, a public right-of-way, without the permission of the landowners whose land adjoins the right-of-way within 50 feet of the location of such dog.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to utilize a dog for the purpose of deer hunting without the person placing and maintaining on said dog a collar containing the following information clearly stated thereon: the name, address, and telephone number of the person utilizing the dog.

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**220-2-.139 Hunting or Discharging a Firearm Near a Dwelling, etc.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or attempt to hunt within 100 yards of any dwelling belonging to another, whether occupied or not, without the permission of the owner or lessee of said dwelling. Provided further, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge a firearm while hunting in such a manner that any projectile strikes any dwelling or building used for human occupation, whether occupied or not, or any commercial vessel, without the permission of the owner or lessee of said dwelling, building or vessel. This regulation shall not apply to a landowner or member of his or her immediate family hunting on his or her own property provided that no projectile strikes any of the above stated property of another without the permission of the owner or lessee of said property.

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**220-2-.114 Normal Agricultural Planting and Hunting of Dove**

It shall be unlawful to hunt mourning dove or white winged doves over fields that are planted or prepared outside of or contrary to the recognized practices or methods prescribed by

the most recent Alabama Cooperative Extension System publications, available through the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

Rule 220-2-.114, as previously adopted, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

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**220-2-.73     The Alabama Cooperative Deer Management Assistance Program**

Section 1. The Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall administer a program entitled “The Alabama Cooperative Deer Management Assistance Program” to improve management of white-tailed deer through cooperative agreements with landowners and hunting clubs.

Section 2. Each prospective participant shall submit an application on a form to be supplied by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. Each application must be accompanied by two copies of a map of the area to be included in the Deer Management Program that are of sufficient detail to allow the area’s boundaries to be readily determined. Cooperators in Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Districts 1-2 and 3-5 shall have at least 200 and 500 contiguous acres, respectively. Approval of the application shall be at the discretion of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. Each landowner/club approved shall be termed a “cooperator.”

Section 3. Each cooperator shall designate a person with authority to represent all parties with a controlling interest in hunting activities on the land to serve as the cooperator’s contact with the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.

Section 4. The Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries shall designate a Wildlife Biologist, knowledgeable in deer management, as the agency’s contact with each cooperator.

Section 5. Cooperators must abide by all hunting laws and regulations. Failure to do so shall be cause to terminate participation in the Deer Management Assistance Program.

Section 6. Each cooperator shall make a written statement of its deer management objectives. Those objectives must be within the capabilities of the harvest and management strategies that can be applied.

Section 7. Each cooperator shall collect specified biological information from deer harvested and submit the data to the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries as directed. Failure to do so shall be cause to terminate participation in the Deer Management Assistance Program.

Section 8. Information concerning past harvest, existing conditions and deer management objectives will be considered in the development of a deer management and harvest strategy for each cooperator. Harvest of unantlered deer will be prescribed as appropriate.

Section 9. Harvest of unantlered deer outside the regular Hunter’s Choice hunting season will be allowed only where appropriate to meet the deer management objectives of the cooperator. The number of unantlered deer to be taken, dates of harvest and bag limits will be designated and shall be by written permit as approved by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Director based on recommendations submitted by the Wildlife and Enforcement Sections. The regular Hunter’s Choice hunting season shall not apply to the extent of its conflict with the provisions of said permits.

Section 10. Any person hunting on areas included in the Deer Management Program shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, including those relating to the wearing of hunter orange.

Section 11. The Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries shall provide the cooperator a report based on the biological information submitted.

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## **220-2-.29    Open Trapping Seasons on Fur-Bearers**

The open seasons during which fur-bearing animals may be trapped in Alabama during 2019-2020 are hereby established:

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

*November 2 – February 29*

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.

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

*No Closed 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.

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## **220-2-.30    Fur-Bearing Animals Designated/Trap Specifications/ And Prohibited Devices/Tagging Requirement**

The following shall be named and designated as fur-bearing animals in Alabama:

Beaver, Bobcat, Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Nutria, Opossum, Otter, Raccoon, Striped Skunk, Coyote, and Feral Swine.

- (1) Trap Specifications –It shall be unlawful for any person to set or use a leg hold trap on land that has an inside diameter jaw spread greater than six (6) inches as measured at the widest point perpendicular to the frame and parallel to the trap dog and for those traps without a dog, at the widest point parallel with the pan shank. Leg hold trap having teeth or serrated edges along the inside of one or both jaws are prohibited. All body gripping traps with jaw width exceeding 5 inches as measured from the inside of the main jaw at the trigger assembly to the inside of the opposing jaw across the entrance window, and snares (except powered foot snare with a maximum loop of 5 1/2 inches) are prohibited for use in trapping fur bearing animals on land. It shall be unlawful for any person to trap in the State of Alabama without identifying each trap with a metal tag bearing the name and address or Conservation Identification Number (CID) of the owner. Instructions for obtaining a CID are available at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com).
- (2) Any person trapping fur-bearing animals, except for feral swine, in the State of Alabama must carry a choke stick while running traps. When trapped fur-bearing animals are dispatched with a firearm, only standard .22 caliber rimfire firearms may be used. However, feral swine may be dispatched by any firearm or sharpened blade.
- (3) Tagging Bobcat/Otter Pelts - Persons taking bobcat and otter must have the fur or pelts tagged by representatives of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries within 14 days of taking and before the fur or pelt is sold or otherwise disposed of.
  - (a) However, a licensed fur catcher may sell untagged bobcat and otter to an authorized resident fur dealer and leave a completed signed fur tag report with said dealer. The dealer must then have the bobcat and otter tagged by a representative of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries within 14 days of purchasing bobcat or otter pelts.

- (b) Legally acquired bobcat and otter pelts or carcasses may be delivered untagged to a resident taxidermist for mounting if the owner leaves a completed, signed fur tag report with said taxidermist. The taxidermist must then have the bobcat and otter tagged by a representative of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries within 14 days of taking delivery of said pelts and transmit the completed fur tag report to the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries representative at the time the pelt or carcass is tagged.
  - (c) Tags may be removed from bobcat and otter pelts when processed by a taxidermist for mounting. However, the removed tag must remain with the mounted specimen when it is returned to its owner and until the mount and pelt are destroyed.
  - (d) It shall be unlawful for anyone to ship, transport, or export bobcat and otter pelts from this state unless said bobcat and otter pelts are tagged by a representative of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.
  - (e) All bobcat and otter pelts shipped or imported into this state must be officially tagged by the state of origin.
- (4) It shall be illegal to set a trap on top of a post or stake elevated above ground level.
  - (5) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess a furbearer alive beyond the confines of the trap without permit from the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or his designee. Except for feral swine, all furbearers shall be immediately dispatched or released at the trap site. All feral swine must be killed at the site of capture in accordance with rule 220-2-.86.
  - (6) It shall be unlawful for any person to disturb a legally set trap or to remove a furbearing animal from a trap without permission of the owner.

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#### **220-2-.31    Unlawful to Hang or Suspend Bait**

It shall be unlawful to hang or suspend bait over or within 25 feet of a steel trap.

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#### **220-2-.33    Fur Dealers**

All persons, firms, associations, or corporations dealing in storing, buying or transporting or otherwise shipping furs, skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals shall provide and keep for regular inspection:

The name and address of each person from whom furs, skins and pelts of fur-bearing animals have been received or purchased.

The fur catcher license number of the catcher from whom the furs, skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals have been received or purchased.

The number and classification of furs, skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals with reference to kind of fur, skin or pelt.

And the dates such furs, skins or pelts were sold, the person, firm, association or corporation to whom said furs, skins or pelts were sold        and the gross amount in dollars and cents received from said sales.

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#### **220-2-.24    Possession of Carcass, Untanned Hides or Skins**

It shall be a violation of this regulation to have in possession the carcass, untanned hide, or skin of any bird or animal, or any part of said bird or animal if it has been taken, caught or killed in violation of the laws and regulations of this State. It shall be unlawful to have in possession any freshly killed bird or animal protected by law or regulation of this State except during the open season for the taking of same.

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**220-2-.147    Deer Enclosure Regulation**

- (1) The season for hunting all species of deer shall be closed within any enclosure capable of confining deer, where: (1) there exists or has existed any man-made point of access that allows deer to enter the enclosure but restricts their ability to exit the enclosure, including, but not limited to, any man-made ramp, platform, funnel, maze, or one-way gate; or (2) any bait has been placed so as to lure deer through any man-made opening into any such completed enclosure.
- (2) The deer season shall be closed within any such enclosure from the date the owner or operator of the enclosure is notified by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division Enforcement personnel. The deer season shall remain closed for two years after such devices are removed or such conditions no longer exist. The owner or operator shall notify any persons who may hunt within the enclosure of the closed deer season.

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**220-2-.138    Licensed Game Breeders**

For further information, visit:

[www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits](http://www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits)

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**220-2-.156    Release of Captive Raised Cervidae**

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation licensed under 9-11-30 or 9-11-261, or any buyer or recipient from any of such persons, to knowingly or intentionally release any captive raised member of the family Cervidae into the wild except those areas bounded by enclosures which effectively restrict the egress of such animals.

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**220-2-.142    Turtle Dealer/Farmer Regulation**

- (1) Definitions:
  - “Division” – Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - “Director” – The Director of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - “Turtle Farmer” - Any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of propagating legally acquired captive indigenous turtles or turtle eggs for commercial purposes.
  - “Turtle Dealer” - Any person, firm, or corporation who purchases, imports or exports turtles or turtle eggs for resale or stocking purposes or who sells, offers for sale, or trades for anything of value legally acquired live turtles.
- (2)(a) No person shall take, attempt to take, sell or possess any turtle egg or turtle or parts thereof from the wild in this state, to include public and private waters, for commercial purposes, except those turtle farmers who may take nuisance turtles from privately constructed farm ponds for use as breeder turtles only under specially issued permits from the Director or his designee. Turtles taken under the specially issued nuisance permits shall not be sold or bartered. This is not to prohibit the operations of properly permitted “Turtle Farmers” or “Turtle Dealers” as defined in paragraph (1) as long as those turtles are not taken from the wild.
- (b) This is not to prohibit the removal of turtles from a privately constructed farm pond by the landowner or his agent while controlling nuisance animals as long as the turtles are not sold or traded for anything of value.
- (c) Nothing in this regulation prohibits the taking for personal use of up to two legal turtles per day by hand, dip net or hook and line however, no person shall take more

than two turtles per day from the wild in this state, to include public and private waters.

- (3)(a) Any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of propagating captive turtles or incubating and hatching turtle eggs for restocking, sale, or other commercial purposes must first obtain a turtle farmer's permit from the Director. Each turtle farmer permittee must agree to meet designated standards for enclosure construction and animal care prior to being permitted. Each permittee will file an annual report on forms provided by the Division prior to renewal of their farmer permit. This report will provide the information required by subsection (c) of this regulation. Any person, firm or corporation engaged in the import, export, sale or trade of live turtles or turtle eggs must first obtain a "Turtle Dealers" permit from the Director or his designee.
- (b) No person, firm or corporation shall import or cause to be imported, any nonindigenous turtle species for the purpose of propagation. Nonindigenous turtle species may not be propagated within the state.
- (c) All turtles imported into or exported out of the state of Alabama for commercial purposes shall be accompanied by a bill of lading which provides the following information: (1) name of person importing/exporting the turtles; (2) permit number of person importing/exporting the turtles; (3) date of shipment; (4) quantity and species of turtles; (5) origin (state and body of water) of shipment; (6) destination of shipment; (7) total value of shipment; and (8) signature of owner/transporter. A copy of the bill of lading shall remain with the shipment and a copy sent to the Division.
- (d) Each turtle farmer report required in this regulation must be filed with the Division prior to renewing their annual permit and must include the following and any other information specified by the Director: (1) permit holder's name and permit number; (2) buyer/seller's name and address; (3) date of transaction; (4) origin (state ) of turtles purchased/sold; (5) quantity and species of turtles purchased/sold; (6) amount received/paid for turtles and; (7) signature of permit holder. The Director or other persons as designated for such purposes shall have the power and authority to inspect and examine the books, records, turtles or facilities of each permit holder.

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#### **220-2-.154 Standards of Care for Wildlife Used for Public Exhibition Purposes**

For further information, visit:

[www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits](http://www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits).

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#### **220-2-.96 Alligator Farming Regulations**

For further information, visit:

[www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits](http://www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits).

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#### **220-2-.95 Alligator Nuisance Control Hunter Regulations**

**NOTE:** One part of this regulation generally prohibits the feeding or enticement with feed, of any wild American alligator.

For other provisions and the full text of the regulation, visit: [www.outdooralabama.com/hunting](http://www.outdooralabama.com/hunting)

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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 pro-

curing 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 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 major river drainage.

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## **220-2-.92     Protected Nongame Species**

- (1) It shall be unlawful to take, capture, kill, or attempt to take, capture or kill; possess, sell, trade for anything of monetary value, or offer to sell or trade for anything of monetary value, the following nongame wildlife species (or any parts or reproductive products of such species) without a scientific collection permit or written permit from the Commissioner, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, which shall specifically state what the permittee may do with regard to said species:

(a) **FISHES**

**Common Name**

**Scientific Name**

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|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| • Cavefish, Alabama  | <i>Speoplatyrhinus poulsoni</i>  |
| • Cavefish, Southern | <i>Typhlichthys subterraneus</i> |
| • Chub, Shoal        | <i>Macrhybopsis hyostoma</i>     |
| • Chub, Spotfin      | <i>Erimonax monachus</i>         |
| • Darter, Bankhead   | <i>Percina sipsi</i>             |
| • Darter, Blotchside | <i>Persina burtoni</i>           |
| • Darter, Bluebreast | <i>Etheostoma camurum</i>        |
| • Darter, Boulder    | <i>Etheostoma wapiti</i>         |
| • Darter, Brighteye  | <i>Etheostoma lynceum</i>        |
| • Darter, Coldwater  | <i>Etheostoma ditrema</i>        |
| • Darter, Crystal    | <i>Crystallaria asprella</i>     |



- Darter, Goldline
- Darter, Halloween
- Darter, Holiday
- Darter, Lipstick
- Darter, Lollipop
- Darter, Rush
- Darter, Scaly Sand
- Darter, Slackwater
- Darter, Slenderhead
- Darter, Snail
- Darter, Trispot
- Darter, Tuscumbia
- Darter, Vermilion
- Darter, Watercress
- Longperch, Blotchside
- Madtom, Frecklebelly
- Madtom, Mountain
- Minnow, Suckermouth
- Sculpin, Pygmy
- Shad, Alabama
- Shiner, Blackmouth
- Shiner, Blue
- Shiner, Bluestripe
- Shiner, Broadstripe
- Shiner, Cahaba
- Shiner, Dusky
- Shiner, Ironcolor
- Shiner, Palezone
- Sunfish, Spring Pygmy
- Sturgeon, Alabama
- Sturgeon, Gulf
- Sturgeon, Lake

*Percina aurolineata*  
*Percina crypta*  
*Etheostoma brevirostrum*  
*Etheostoma chuckwachatte*  
*Etheostoma neopterum*  
*Etheostoma phytophilum*  
*Ammocrypta vivax*  
*Etheostoma boschungii*  
*Percina phoxocephala*  
*Percina tanasi*  
*Etheostoma trisella*  
*Etheostoma tuscumbia*  
*Etheostoma chermocki*  
*Etheostoma nuchale*  
*Percina burtoni*  
*Noturus munitus*  
*Noturus eleutherus*  
*Phenacobius mirabilis*  
*Cottus paulus*  
*Alosa alabamae*  
*Notropis melanostomus*  
*Cyprinella caerulea*  
*Cyprinella callitaenia*  
*Pteronotropis euryzonus*  
*Notropis cahabae*  
*Notropis cummingsae*  
*Notropis chalybaeus*  
*Notropis albizonatus*  
*Elassoma alabamae*  
*Scaphirynchus suttkusi*  
*Acipenser oxyrhynchus desotoi*  
*Acipenser fulvescens*

(b) **AMPHIBIANS**

**Common Name**

- Amphiuma, One-toed
- Frog, Gopher
- Frog, Mississippi Gopher
- Frog, River

**Scientific Name**

*Amphiuma pholeter*  
*Lithobates capito*  
*Lithobates sevosa*  
*Lithobates heckscheri*

● Frog, Wood	<i>Lithobates sylvaticus</i>
● Hellbender, Eastern	<i>Cryptobranchus</i> sp.
● Salamander, Reticulated Flatwoods	<i>Ambystoma bishopi</i>
● Salamander, Eastern Tiger	<i>Ambystoma tigrinum</i>
● Salamander, Green	<i>Aneides aeneus</i>
● Salamander, Red Hills	<i>Phaeognathus hubrichti</i>
● Salamander, Seal	<i>Desmognathus monticola</i>
● Salamander, Seepage	<i>Desmognathus aeneus</i>
● Salamander, Small-mouth	<i>Ambystoma texanum</i>
● Salamander, Southern Dusky	<i>Desmognathus auriculatus</i>
● Salamander, Southern Red-backed	<i>Plethodon serratus</i>
● Salamander, Tennessee Cave	<i>Gyrinophilus pallescens</i>
● Treefrog, Pine Barrens	<i>Hyla andersonii</i>
● Waterdog, Black Warrior	<i>Necturus alabamensis</i>

(c) **REPTILES**

<b><u>Common Name</u></b>	<b><u>Scientific Name</u></b>
● Lizard, Eastern Slender Glass	<i>Ophisaurus attenuatus longicaudus</i>
● Lizard, Mimic Glass	<i>Ophisaurus mimicus</i>
● Skink, Coal	<i>Plestiodon anthracinus</i>
● Skink, Southeastern Five-lined	<i>Plestiodon inexpectatus</i>
● Snake, Pine	<i>Pituophis melanoleucus</i> spp.
● Snake, Eastern Indigo	<i>Drymarchon couperi</i>
● Snake, Eastern King	<i>Lampropeltis getula getula</i>
● Snake, Eastern Coral	<i>Micrurus fulvius</i>
● Snake, Gulf Salt Marsh	<i>Nerodia clarkii clarkii</i>
● Snake, Prairie King	<i>Lampropeltis calligaster calligaster</i>
● Snake, Rainbow	<i>Farancia erythrogramma</i>
● Snake, Black "Speckled" King	<i>Lampropeltis nigra</i>
● Snake, Southern Hognose	<i>Heterodon simus</i>
● Terrapin, Diamonback	<i>Malaclemys</i> spp.
● Tortoise, Gopher	<i>Gopherus polyphemus</i>
● Turtle, Alabama Red-bellied	<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>
● Turtle, All Map	<i>Graptemys</i> spp.
● Turtle, Flattened Musk	<i>Sternotherus depressus</i>
● Turtle, Alligator Snapping	<i>Macrochelys temminckii</i>
● Turtle, Razor-backed Musk	<i>Sternotherus carinatus</i>

Informational Note: See Section 9-11-269, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to protection

of the flattened musk turtle (*Sternotherus depressus*).

(d) **BIRDS**

All nongame birds are protected under the provisions of this regulation except crows, starlings, English sparrows, Eurasian collared doves, pigeons, and other non-native species.

(e) **MAMMALS**

**Common Name Scientific Name**

● Bat, Baraziliam Free-tailed	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>
● Bat, Eastern Small-foot Myotis	<i>Myotis myotis leibii</i>
● Bat, Gray Myotis	<i>Myotis grisescens</i>
● Bat, Indiana	<i>Myotis sodalist</i>
● Bat, Little Brown	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>
● Bat, Northern Long-eared	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>
● Bat, Northern Yellow	<i>Lasiurus intermedius</i>
● Bat, Rafinesque's Big-eared	<i>Corynorhinus rafinesquii</i>
● Bat, Southeastern	<i>Myotis austroriparius</i>
● Bat, Tricolored	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>
● Gopher, Southeastern Pocket	<i>Geomys pinetis</i>
● Manatee, West Indian	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>
● Mouse, Alabama Beach	<i>Peromyscus polionotus ammobates</i>
● Mouse, Meadow Jumping	<i>Zapus hudsonius</i>
● Mouse, Perdido Key Beach	<i>Peromyscus polionotus trissylepsis</i>
● Shrew, Pygmy	<i>Sorex hoyi</i>
● Shrew, Smoky	<i>Sorex fumeus</i>
● Cottontail, Appalachian	<i>Sylvilagus obscurus</i>
● Rabbit, Marsh	<i>Sylvilagus palustris</i>
● Skunk, Spotted	<i>Spilogale putorius</i>
● Weasel, Long-tailed	<i>Mustela frenata</i>
● Allegheny, Woodrat	<i>Neotoma magister</i>

(f) Other State or Federally protected nongame species.

- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, kill or possess any bullfrog (*Lithobates catesbeianus*) or pig frog (*Lithobates grylio*) from the public waters of this state for commercial purposes. Furthermore it shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, kill or possess more than twenty (20) bullfrogs and pig frogs in aggregate from the public waters of this state during any twenty-four (24) hour period from 12 noon to the following 12 noon.
- (3) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale or trade anything of value or posses alive any Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake (*Crotalus adamanteus*) without a permit from the Commissioner. Nothing herein is intended to prevent the relocation of live Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnakes to suitable habitat when conducted in the same day as capture and with landowner permission.

**220-2-.98     Invertebrate Species Regulation**

(1) It shall be unlawful to take, capture, kill, or attempt to take, capture or kill; possess, sell, trade for anything of monetary value, or offer to sell or trade for anything of monetary value, the following invertebrate species (or any parts or reproductive products of such species) without a scientific collection permit or written permit from the Commissioner, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, which shall specifically state what the permittee may do with regard to said species:

(a) <u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
● Alabama cave crayfish	<i>Cambarus jonesi</i>
● Alabama cave shrimp	<i>Palaemonias alabamiae</i>
● Alabama creekmussel	<i>Strophitus connasaugaensis</i>
● Alabama creekshell	<i>Anodontoides radiates</i>
● Alabama hickorynut	<i>Obovaria unicolor</i>
● Alabama lamp mussel	<i>Lampsilis virescens</i>
● Alabama moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus acutissimus</i>
● Alabama pearlshell	<i>Margaritifera marrianae</i>
● Alabama rainbow	<i>Villosa nebulosa</i>
● Alabama spike	<i>Elliptio arca</i>
● American burying beetle	<i>Nicrophorus americanus</i>
● Ample elimia	<i>Elimia ampla</i>
● Angled marstonia	<i>Marstonia angulobasis</i>
● Angular dwarf crayfish	<i>Cambarellus lesliei</i>
● Anthony's riversnail	<i>Athearnia anthonyi</i>
● Armored marstonia	<i>Marstonia pachyta</i>
● Armored rocksnail	<i>Lithasia armigera</i>
● Auger elimia	<i>Elimia teretria</i>
● Black mudalia	<i>Elimia melanoides</i>
● Black sandshell	<i>Ligumia recta</i>
● Boxclaw crayfish	<i>Cambarus distans</i>
● Brooch elimia	<i>Elimia broccata</i>
● Burrowing bog crayfish	<i>Creaserinus burrisi</i>
● Cahaba ancylid	<i>Rhodacmea cahawbensis</i>
● Cahaba pebblesnail	<i>Clappia cahabensis</i>
● Cajun dwarf crayfish	<i>Cambarellus shufeldtii</i>
● Canoe creek clubshell	<i>Pleurobema athearni</i>
● Capillaceous crayfish	<i>Procambarus capillatus</i>
● Celestial crayfish	<i>Procambarus holifieldi</i>
● Chattahoochee crayfish	<i>Cambarus howardi</i>
● Chipola slabshell	<i>Elliptio chipolaensis</i>

● Choctaw bean	<i>Obovaria choctawensis</i>
● Cobble elimia	<i>Elimia vanuxemiana</i>
● Cockle elimia	<i>Elimia cochliaris</i>
● Cockscomb crayfish	<i>Procambarus clemmeri</i>
● Coosa creekshell	<i>Villosa umbrans</i>
● Coosa moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus parvulus</i>
● Coosa pyrg	<i>Marstonia hershleri</i>
● Coosa River spiny crayfish	<i>Faxonius spinosus</i>
● Corpulent hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera corpulenta</i>
● Cracking pearly-mussel	<i>Hemistena lata</i>
● Creeper	<i>Strophitus undulatas</i>
● Crisscross crayfish	<i>Procambarus marthae</i>
● Cumberland combshell	<i>Epioblasma brevidens</i>
● Cumberland moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus conradicus</i>
● Cumberland monkeyface	<i>Theliderma intermedia</i>
● Cylindrical lioplax	<i>Lioplax cyclostomaformis</i>
● Delicate spike	<i>Elliptio arcata</i>
● Depression crayfish	<i>Cambarus rusticiformis</i>
● Downy rainbow	<i>Villosa villosa</i>
● Duck river dartsnapper	<i>Epioblasma ahlstedti</i>
● Elktoe	<i>Alasmidonta marginata</i>
● Engraved elimia	<i>Elimia perstriata</i>
● Escambia crayfish	<i>Procambarus escambiensis</i>
● Etowah heelsplitter	<i>Lasmigona etowaensis</i>
● Fanshell	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>
● Fine-lined pocketbook	<i>Hamiota altilis</i>
● Fine-rayed pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia cuneolus</i>
● Fire elimia	<i>Elimia exusta</i>
● Fireback crayfish	<i>Cambarus pyronotus</i>
● Flat pebblesnail	<i>Lepyrium showalteri</i>
● Flatnose crayfish	<i>Procambarus planirostris</i>
● Flaxen elimia	<i>Elimia boykiniana</i>
● Flint river crayfish	<i>Faxonius cooperi</i>
● Florida floater	<i>Utterbackia peggyae</i>
● Fuzzy pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema stroadianum</i>
● Georgia pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema hanleyianum</i>
● Greensaddle crayfish	<i>Cambarus manningi</i>

● Gulf moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus penicillatus</i>
● Heavy pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema taitiana</i>
● Inflated heelsplitter	<i>Potamilus inflatus</i>
● Inflated spike	<i>Elliptio purpurella</i>
● Jackknife crayfish	<i>Procambarus hubbelli</i>
● Kidneyshell	<i>Ptychobranhus fasciolaris</i>
● Lacon exit cave crayfish	<i>Cambarus laconensis</i>
● Lacy elimia	<i>Elimia crenatella</i>
● Lagniappe crayfish	<i>Procambarus lagniappe</i>
● Latticed elimia	<i>Elimia mihalcikae</i>
● Lavender burrowing crayfish	<i>Creaserinus byersi</i>
● Least crayfish	<i>Cambarellus diminutus</i>
● Lilyshoals elimia	<i>Elimia annettae</i>
● Linear cobalt crayfish	<i>Cambarus gentryi</i>
● Longnose crayfish	<i>Cambarus longirostris</i>
● Longsolid	<i>Fusconaia subrotunda</i>
● Manitou cavesnail	<i>Antrorbis breweri</i>
● Mississippi pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema beadleianum</i>
● Mobile crayfish	<i>Procambarus lecontei</i>
● Monkeyface	<i>Theliderma matanevra</i>
● Moss pyrg	<i>Marstonia scalariformis</i>
● Mountain fork crayfish	<i>Cambarus diupalma</i>
● Mountain midget crayfish	<i>Cambarus parvocolus</i>
● Mucket	<i>Actinonaias ligamentina</i>
● Muddy rocksnail	<i>Lithasia salebroa</i>
● Narrow pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia escambia</i>
● Oblong rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis compacta</i>
● Ohio pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema cordatum</i>
● Okaloosa crayfish	<i>Procambarus okaloosae</i>
● Orangenacre pocketbook	<i>Hamiota persoalis</i>
● Oval pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema pyriforme</i>
● Ovate clubshell	<i>Pleurobema perovatum</i>
● Oyster mussel	<i>Epioblasma capsaeformis</i>
● Painted creekshell	<i>Villosa taeniata</i>
● Painted rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis coosaensis</i>
● Pale Lilliput	<i>Toxolasma cylindrellus</i>
● Panhandle crayfish	<i>Procambarus evermani</i>

● Peninsula crayfish	<i>Procambarus paeninsulanus</i>
● Phantom cave crayfish	<i>Cambarus pecki</i>
● Pheasantshell	<i>Actinonaias pectorosa</i>
● Pink mucket	<i>Lampsilis abrupta</i>
● Plicate rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis plicata</i>
● Prickly cave crayfish	<i>Cambarus hamulatus</i>
● Princess elimia	<i>Elimia bellacrenata</i>
● Prominence riverlet crayfish	<i>Hobbseus prominens</i>
● Purple bankclimer	<i>Elliptoideus sloatianus</i>
● Puzzle elimia	<i>Elimia varians</i>
● Pyramid pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema rubrum</i>
● Rabbitsfoot	<i>Theliderma cylindrica</i>
● Rayed kidneyshell	<i>Ptychobranhus foremanianus</i>
● Rough hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera foremani</i>
● Rough pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema plenum</i>
● Round ebonyshell	<i>Reginaia rotulata</i>
● Round hickorynut	<i>Obovaria subrotunda</i>
● Round pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i>
● Round-ribbed elimia	<i>Elimia nassula</i>
● Round rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis ampla</i>
● Rugged hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera alveare</i>
● Saddle crayfish	<i>Faxonius durelli</i>
● Salt Spring hydrob	<i>Pseudotryonia grahamae</i>
● Sculpin snail	<i>Stiobia nana</i>
● Sculptured pigtoe	<i>Cyclonaias infucata</i>
● Sheepnose	<i>Plethobasus cyphus</i>
● Shelta cave crayfish	<i>Orconectes sheltae</i>
● Shiny pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia cor</i>
● Shiny-rayed pocketbook	<i>Hamiota subangulata</i>
● Shrimp crayfish	<i>Faxonius lancifer</i>
● Skirted hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera pyrenella</i>
● Slabside pearlymussel	<i>Pleuonaia dolabelloides</i>
● Slackwater crayfish	<i>Cambarus halli</i>
● Slender campeloma	<i>Campeloma decampii</i>
● Slenderclaw crayfish	<i>Cambarus cracens</i>
● Slippershell mussel	<i>Alasmidonta viridis</i>
● Smoothnose crayfish	<i>Procambarus hybus</i>

● Snuffbox	<i>Epioblasma triquetra</i>
● Southeastern prairie crayfish	<i>Procambarus hagenianus hagenianus</i>
● Southern clubshell	<i>Pleurobema decisum</i>
● Southern combshell	<i>Epioblasma penita</i>
● Southern elktoe	<i>Alasmidonta triangulata</i>
● Southern hickorynut	<i>Obovaria jacksoniana</i>
● Southern kidneyshell	<i>Ptychobranhus jonesi</i>
● Southern pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema georgianum</i>
● Southern purple lilliput	<i>Toxolasma corvunculus</i>
● Southern sandshell	<i>Hamiota australis</i>
● Southern White River crayfish	<i>Procambarus zonangulus</i>
● Speckled burrowing crayfish	<i>Creaserinus danielae</i>
● Speckled crayfish	<i>Cambarus lentiginosus</i>
● Spectaclecase	<i>Margaritifera monodonta</i>
● Spike	<i>Eurynaia dilatata</i>
● Spindle elimia	<i>Elimia capillaris</i>
● Spotted rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis picta</i>
● Spur crayfish	<i>Procambarus lewisi</i>
● Squat elimia	<i>Elimia variata</i>
● Stately elimia	<i>Elimia dickinsoni</i>
● Straightedge crayfish	<i>Procambarus hayi</i>
● Striate hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera striata</i>
● Sweet home Alabama cave crayfish	<i>Cambarus speleocoopi</i>
● Tallapoosa crayfish	<i>Cambarus englishi</i>
● Tapered pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia burkei</i>
● Teardrop elimia	<i>Elimia lachryma</i>
● Tennessee bean	<i>Venustaconcha trabalis</i>
● Tennessee bottlebrush crayfish	<i>Barbicambarus simmonsii</i>
● Tennessee clubshell	<i>Pleurobema oviforme</i>
● Tennessee heelsplitter	<i>Lasmigona holstonia</i>
● Tennessee pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema barnesiana</i>
● Triangular kidneyshell	<i>Ptychobranhus greenii</i>
● Tulotoma	<i>Tulotoma magnifica</i>
● Twisted dwarf crayfish	<i>Cambarellus rotatus</i>
● Vernal crayfish	<i>Procambarus viaeviridis</i>
● Warrior pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema rubellum</i>
● Warty rocksnail	<i>Lithasia lima</i>



- Watercress Snail *Fontigens nickliniana*
- White sping cave crayfish *Cambarus veitchorum*
- White wartyback *Plethobasus cicatricosus*
- Wicker ancylid *Rhodacmea elatior*
- Zebra crayfish *Cambarus clairitae*

(b) Other State or Federally protected invertebrate species. In addition any required federal permits for federally protected species must be obtained.

## **220-2-.97 Alligator Protection Regulation**

Except to the extent otherwise provided by Act No. 89-874, H. 17, 1989 Regular Session, Rule 220-2-.95, Rule 220-2-.96, or any other law or regulation enacted or adopted by the Alabama Legislature or Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, it shall be unlawful to possess, take, capture, or kill, or attempt to possess, take, capture, or kill, any alligator, or the skins, meat, eggs, or parts thereof.

## **220-2-.34 Game Fish Designated**

The following shall be named and designated as game fish:

All members of the sunfish family (Centrarchidae) to include:

**Black Bass** – 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.

**Bream** – rock bass, flier, shadow bass, warmouth, redbreast, bluegill, longear, and redear (shellcracker).

**Crappie** – black and white crappie.

All members of the temperate bass family (Moronidae) to include:

**Temperate Bass** – saltwater striped, white, and yellow bass and any hybrids thereof.

All members of the pike family (Esocidae) to include:

**Pickerel** – chain, redbfin, and grass pickerel.

The following members of the perch family (Percidae):

**Perch** – sauger (jack), walleye, and yellow perch.

The following members of the trout family (Salmonidae):

**Trout** – rainbow trout.

## **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 bona fide 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 and Possession Limit**

- (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 Creeks in Coosa County and the Mulberry Fork River or any of its tributary streams in Blount, Cullman, Lawrence, Walker, or Winston Counties. 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 (34 inches or greater)** .....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 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).

- (m) **Alligator Gar**..... 1
  - (n) **Sturgeon**..... Closed Season
- All sturgeon must be immediately returned to water with the least possible harm

- (o) **Paddlefish or Spoonbill Catfish**..... Closed Season
- Except for those holders of special commercial harvest permits, all paddlefish must be immediately returned to water with least possible harm.

(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 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>. (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.
- (i) **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 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>(See paragraph 5)
- (j) **Pickwick Reservoir** It is illegal to possess any smallmouth or largemouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.
- (k) **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.
- (l) **Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its Tributaries** It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.
- (m) **Weiss Reservoir** It is illegal to possess crappie less than 10 inches in total length.
- (n) **West Point Reservoir and its Tributaries** – It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.
- (o) **Wheeler Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.
- (p) **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.
- (q) **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.

- (r) **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)(l), (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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**220-2-.159    Special Duck River Reservoir Daily Creel and Possession Limits for Sport Fish**

The following special daily creel and possession limits for taking fish in the Duck River Reservoir are hereby established. All other applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources apply.

- (a) **Black Bass:** It is illegal to possess black bass in the Duck River Reservoir.
- (b) **Bream:** .....20
- (c) **Crappie:**.....30
- It is illegal to possess any crappie less than nine inches in total length.

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**220-2-.57    Daily Creel Limits - U.S. Forest Service Lands**

Effective immediately, the following creel limits shall exist for Open, Buck, Ditch and Otter Ponds, located on U. S. Forest Service lands in Covington County:

A daily creel limit of 20 bream, 2 bass, 5 catfish per person, the limits representing aggregate totals from any or all of the four ponds.

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**220-2-.61    Creel, Possession and Size Limits for Federally Owned and Managed Ponds and Lakes**

The daily creel, possession and size limits for game fish and catfish in Federally owned and managed ponds and fishing lakes in the State of Alabama shall be as posted at each pond or lake. Creel, possession and size limits for fish not posted shall be the same as otherwise provided for all public waters of this State.

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**220-2-.122    Georgia Reciprocal Fishing Agreement Regulation**

- (1) This regulation shall apply to those waters referred to in this regulation which are covered by the reciprocal agreement with the State of Georgia and which are within the jurisdiction of the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.
- (2) The State of Alabama and the State of Georgia have a reciprocal agreement concerning fishing in certain reciprocal waters, whereby fishing licenses of Georgia and Alabama are mutually recognized for fishing from the banks or on the waters of the Chattahoochee River forming the boundary between Alabama and Georgia and all impoundments thereon as now exists or which may exist in the future, with the exception of that portion of West Point Reservoir lying upstream (north) of Georgia Highway 109 bridge on the Chattahoochee River arm of said reservoir. The waters covered by this agreement do not include other streams or tributaries which flow into the Chattahoochee River or its impoundments.
- (3) For the purpose of this agreement, “sport fishing” shall be defined as the lawful taking by ordinary hook and line, pole, casting reel and rod and use of artificial lures, spinning reel and rod, or fly rod.
- (4) The term “commercial fishing” shall be defined as the legal taking of non-game fish by any person from either state.

- (5) No person shall take, catch, or have in possession on any one day, more than fifty (50) in the aggregate of all of the following species or more than one day's creel limit for any species. The daily creel limit shall be as follows:

<u><b>Species</b></u>	<u><b>Daily Creel Limit</b></u>
<b>BLACK BASS</b> .....	<b>10</b>
(Includes Largemouth, Smallmouth, Kentucky or Spotted, Redeye or Coosa, and Shoal)	
<b>WHITE BASS, SALTWATER STRIPED BASS AND SALTWATER STRIPED-WHITE BASS HYBRIDS, IN THE AGGREGATE</b> .....	<b>15</b>
(Only 2 of which may be 22 inches or longer in length)	
<b>CRAPPIE</b> .....	<b>30</b>
<b>BREAM</b> .....	<b>50</b>
(Includes Bluegill, Redbreast, Warmouth,Shadow Bass and all other species of bream)	
<b>PICKEREL</b> .....	<b>15</b>

- (6) Nets shall not be used to take fish from any of the waters covered by this agreement provided, however, minnow seines, dip nets and cast nets meeting the requirements of the respective states for catching minnows for use as live bait are hereby permitted, and provided further that baskets and snaglines may be used for catching and taking non-game fish, upon securing from the proper authority or authorities of the state upon whose side of the boundary line between the states such basket or snagline is used, any license required for the use of such basket or snagline, and upon compliance with any other laws or rules of the state governing the use of such baskets or snagline.
- (7) Fish may not be caught or taken by any hook or combination of hooks pulled through the water (snatching); provided however, said hooks may be so used with bait and/or lures to entice fish to strike or bite such bait or lure.
- (8) Snaglines, trotlines and wire baskets may be used for catching and taking fish in any of the waters covered by this agreement according to the laws, rules and regulations of the state in which the fishing takes place.

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### **RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT - MISSISSIPPI**

Reciprocal Agreement Pertaining to Sport Fishing on the Tennessee River. Reciprocal agreements are in effect whereby sports fishing licenses of Mississippi and Alabama are mutually recognized for fishing either the water or from the banks of said water of the following part of the Tennessee River or embayment or impoundments.

All that part of the Tennessee River and its embayment and impoundments between the junction of the Tennessee-Alabama-Mississippi line and a north-south line projected across the Tennessee River from the eastern end of the old Riverton Lock, except and exclusive of that part of the Big Bear Embayment lying south of the Southern Railroad bridge.

All that part of the Tombigbee River, its embayments, impoundments and navigation channel, from river mile 322 to the Aliceville Lock and Dam.

Creel limits pertaining to sport fishing of Alabama shall apply to Mississippi licenses when fishing in the State of Alabama and the creel limits pertaining to sport fishing in the State of Mississippi shall apply to Alabama licenses when fishing in the State of Mississippi.

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### **RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT - TENNESSEE**

Reciprocal Agreement Pertaining to Tennessee River-Pickwick Lake. A reciprocal agreement is in effect between the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency and the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to recognize the sport fishing licenses of the two states within the impounded waters of the Tennessee River-Pickwick Lake lying

within Hardin County, Tennessee, and Lauderdale County, Alabama, from Pickwick Dam (approximately TRM 207.8) upstream to where the common boundary line of Colbert County, Alabama, and Tishomengo County, Mississippi, meet the Lauderdale County, Alabama, boundary line at approximately TRM 224.8. It is agreed that:

Sport fisherman duly licensed or legally exempt from license requirements by the State of Tennessee may, without further license, fish with ordinary hook and line, pole, casting, spinning, and fly rods and reels, and use artificial lures and natural bait in the area of Pickwick Lake described above.

Likewise, sport fishermen duly licensed or legally exempt from license requirements by the State of Alabama may, without further license, fish with ordinary hook and line, pole, casting, spinning, and fly rods and reels, and use artificial lures and natural bait in the area of Pickwick Lake described above.

Except for licenses and fishing methods covered in this agreement, all creel limits, size limits, and other laws, rules and regulations enacted by the State having jurisdiction must be adhered to while fishing in that state's waters.

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#### **220-2-.45 Commercial or Non-Game Fish Designated**

The following shall be designated as commercial or non-game fish: Drum, Buffalo, Carp, Channel Catfish, all members of the Catfish family, Paddlefish (Spoonbill), Spotted Sucker, all members of the Sucker family including the species known as Red Horse and Black Horse, Bowfin and all members of the Gar family, and mullet taken or attempted to be taken north of the line specified in paragraph (1) of 220-2-.42 subject to the exception provided in paragraph (3) thereof.

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#### **220-2-.47 Commercial Fishing Restrictions**

(1) Areas Restricted to Use of Nets and/or Slat Boxes -

- (a) Public Waters: It is hereby made illegal for any person to place any gill net, trammel net, hoop net or fyke net in the public waters of this State, in such a way that it extends more than half way across any river, creek, stream, slough or bayou and no net shall be placed closer than 50 feet to any other net.
- (b) Public Impounded Waters: It is hereby made illegal for any person to place any gill net, trammel net, hoop net, fyke net or slat box closer than 25 feet from the water's edge in any public impounded water of this State, and provided further that on the Tennessee River, or its impoundments no person shall place a net closer than 100 feet from the water's edge and no person shall place any net or slat box within 300 feet above or below any tributary of the Tennessee River.
- (c) It shall be unlawful to use nets of any type for fishing purposes in all impounded public waters and tributaries thereto of Alabama in which *Morone saxatilis*, commonly known as saltwater striped bass, have been stocked. Nothing in this regulation shall be construed so as to preclude the lawful use of set lines, trot lines, or snag lines for the taking, killing or catching of commercial or non-game fish from said waters. The following lakes have been stocked: Lake Martin, Lake Jordan, Lake Mitchell, Lay Lake, Jones Bluff (name changed to R. E. "Bob" Woodruff Lake), Logan Martin, Neeley Henry and Weiss Lake. (These bodies of water were stocked prior to the original enactment of this regulation dated December 12, 1972.)
- (d) It shall be unlawful to use nets of any type for commercial fishing purposes in all public impounded waters of Alabama having 3,000 or less surface acres. A list of these lakes is as follows:

**IMPOUNDMENT****COUNTY**

Gantt	Covington
Point A	Covington
Oliver	Tuscaloosa
Inland	Blount
ThurLOW	Elmore, Tallapoosa
Yates	Elmore, Tallapoosa
Opelika City Lake	Lee
Purdy	Shelby, Jefferson
Thollocco	Dale
Oliver	Russell
Goat Rock	Lee
Columbia	Houston
Little Bear Creek	Franklin
Upper Bear Creek	Marion, Franklin, Winston
Bear Creek	Franklin

- (2) It shall be unlawful to set and leave unattended in the public fresh waters of the State of Alabama for more than seven (7) consecutive days all fishing gear, including but not limited to, trot, snag and snare lines, hoop, fyke, gill and trammel nets, and slat traps and/or baskets; provided however, that any set line or bush hook left unattended for 48 hours may be removed by Game and Fish Division personnel and destroyed.
- (3) It shall be unlawful to use nets of any type for commercial fishing purposes in the area of Wheeler Wildlife Refuge between Interstate 65 and U. S. Highway 31 and in the area of Limestone Bay, during the period of October 15 through February 15 of each year.

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**220-2-.130 Prohibition of Commercial or Non-Game Fish Sales and Commercial Gear Use in Specific Advisory Areas**

- (a) It shall be illegal to fish with the aid of commercial gear in any specific portion of the public waters of the State under the jurisdiction of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries as provided in Rule 220-2-.42 where there has been a fish consumption advisory issued by the State Department of Public Health on any commercial or non-game fish species. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to persons taking fish pursuant to a valid permit issued pursuant to Section 9-11-231, Code of Alabama 1975.
- (b) In addition, it shall be illegal to sell or offer for sale any fish taken from such waters regardless of the method by which the fish are taken.

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**220-2-.43 Unlawful to Willfully Waste Paddlefish**

No person shall take paddlefish from the public waters of this state, remove the roe and willfully waste the remainder of this fish.

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**220-2-.46 Legal Methods and Equipment for the Taking of Commercial or Non-Game Fish**

The following are hereby designated as legal fishing equipment and methods for the taking of commercial or non-game fish or other unprotected fish in the fresh waters of this State. Any other equipment or methods used in the taking of commercial or non-game fish or other unprotected fish is a violation of this regulation.

- (1) By Licensed or Licensed-Exempt Sport Fishermen -

- (a) Rod and Reel
  - (b) Hook and Line
  - (c) Trot Line
  - (d) Set Line, including limb lines and jug lines
  - (e) Snag Line or Snare Line
    - 1. It shall be unlawful to fish any trotline, snag or snare line without plastic or metal tag attached containing the owners name and either their address or fishing license number or phone number.
    - 2. It shall be unlawful for any fisherman other than a licensed commercial fisherman to fish one or more trotline, snag or snare line or combination thereof containing more than 100 hooks.
  - (f) Bowfishing with any longbow, recurve bow, compound bow, crossbow equipped with a working safety or sling bow using barbed arrows attached by line to the bow, float, vessel or shooter.
  - (g) Spear or Similar Instruments (underwater) by Special License
  - (h) Gigs or Grabbling
    - 1. Grabbling, noodling, or hand fishing by means of hands, stick (reed, pvc pipe, string, or other similar object), or single barbless hook attached to stick (reed, pvc pipe, string, or other similar object).
    - 2. Treble hooks, multi hooks, or any barbed hooks are prohibited.
  - (i) It shall be unlawful to set and leave unattended in the public waters of the State of Alabama for more than seven consecutive days all fishing gear provided, however, that any set line or bush hook left unattended for 48 hours may be removed by Game and Fish Division personnel and destroyed.
- (2) By Licensed Commercial Fishermen (All commercial gear is required to be tagged pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, § 9-11-22 with the license number of the commercial fisherman owning the equipment imprinted on the tag and have the location of the equipment marked pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, § 9-11-147.
- (a) Trot Line
  - (b) Snag Line
  - (c) Set Line, including limb lines and jug lines
  - (d) Hoop and Fyke Nets the mesh of which is not less than 1 1/4 inches from knot to knot with a stretch or spread of not less than 2 1/2 inches after said net has been tarred and/or shrunk.
  - (e) Gill and Trammel Nets the mesh of which is not less than 3 inches knot to knot with a stretch or spread of not less than 6 inches after net has been shrunk.
  - (f) Slat Trap or Slat Basket made entirely of wood or plastic strips or slats in a boxlike or cylinder shape. At least 18 inches of the slat trap opposite the muzzle, including the end, shall be constructed with wood or plastic slats or strips of a width not greater than 3 inches running lengthwise or vertically of the trap and with a space between strips or slats of not less than one and one-eighth inches (1 1/8"), and provided further that any restrictions (which must be wood or plastic) between muzzle and back of trap or basket contain an opening of at least two (2) inches square to permit free passage of fish within said box or basket.  
 Provided further it shall be legal to use a trap made of round solid plastic, provided at least eighteen inches of the trap opposite the muzzle, including the end, shall have parallel openings a minimum of 1 1/8 inches wide running lengthwise or vertically of the trap. There shall be a maximum of three inches of solid material between the 1 1/8 inch parallel openings. The muzzle of such trap shall be constructed of netting with a mesh of at least 1 1/4 inches knot to knot with a stretch of 2 1/2 inches.



Only a single muzzle may be used and the muzzle shall be attached to the trap with 100% cotton material only. There shall be a minimum opening of two inches square between the muzzle and the back of the fish trap. Any round plastic trap not conforming to these guidelines shall be illegal.

- (3) By Licensed Wire Basket Fishermen - Any person who possesses a valid wire basket license may fish such baskets in compliance with Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 9-11-190 through 9-11-198.

- (a) In the following counties a maximum of 4 wire baskets with a mesh of one (1) inch or larger:

Autauga	Crenshaw	Marion	Wilcox
Barbour	Dale	Monroe	Walker (except
Bibb	Dallas	Perry	Lewis M. Smith
Butler	Escambia	Pickens	Reservoir)
Calhoun	Fayette	Pike	
Chambers	Franklin	Randolph	
Chilton	Greene	Russell	
Choctaw	Hale	St. Clair	
Clarke	Henry	Sumter	
Cleburne	Lamar	Talladega	
Coffee	Lee	Tallapoosa	
Coosa	Lowndes	Tuscaloosa	
Covington	Marengo	Washington	

- (b) In Elmore County a maximum of three (3) wire baskets with a mesh of one (1) inch or larger may be fished provided that only one (1) wire basket may be fished in Lake Jordan and only two (2) wire baskets may be fished in Lake Martin. Wire baskets may not be used in any other areas of Elmore County except as listed above.

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#### **220-2-.04L Wire Basket Fishing Regulation - Shelby County**

Any person who possesses a valid wire basket license may fish such baskets in Shelby County under the provisions as set out by the Code of Alabama 1975, Section 9-11-190 through Section 9-11-198; provided, however, that such baskets shall have a wire mesh of two (2) inches.

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#### **220-2-.70 Use of Wire Baskets in Jefferson County**

Any person properly licensed under the provisions of Act No. 83-482, Acts of Alabama, Regular Session, 1983, is hereby authorized to take, catch or kill non-game fish from the public waters of Jefferson County (except in municipal parks) by the use of wire baskets having a mesh of one (1) inch or larger. Persons are restricted to four (4) such licenses per person and are restricted to the use of four (4) wire baskets per person and the use of said baskets shall be governed strictly in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 83-482, Acts of Alabama, Regular Session 1983.

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#### **220-2-.39 Legal Methods of Taking Minnows, Shad, and Suckers for Bait and Mullet in Freshwater**

It is hereby made lawful to take minnows, shad, and the following species of suckers: spotted sucker, *Minytrema melanos*; black redhorse, *Moxostoma duquesnei*; golden redhorse, *Moxostoma erythrurum*; and the blacktail redhorse, *Moxostoma poecilurum*; by the use of a cast net, minnow jug, minnow basket, not to exceed 24 inches in length, 12 inches in diameter, with funnel entrance not more than one inch in diameter, or dip net or seine, commonly known as a minnow seine, the length of which shall not exceed 25 feet and the width or depth of which shall not exceed 4 feet for the purpose of taking shad, minnows, or the sucker species identified above for the exclu-

sive use as fish bait. However, no seines may be used in un-impounded tributary streams and creeks. Seines are legal gear only in man-made impoundments and in major rivers to include the Alabama, Coosa, Tallapoosa, Tombigbee, Black Warrior, Mobile, Tensaw and Tennessee Rivers. It is illegal to transport suckers caught in the Tennessee River watershed for bait to waters outside the Tennessee River watershed. Further, no suckers caught for bait outside the Tennessee River watershed shall be transported for bait into the Tennessee River watershed. The use of any seine of larger proportions than herein provided is illegal, and the possession of a seine of larger proportions than herein provided in any public freshwater or on the bank of any such waters shall be prima facie evidence that such net is being used illegally. It is further made lawful to take mullet by cast net in freshwater. The daily creel and possession limit for mullet taken with a cast net will be the same as permitted under Marine Resources Regulation 220-3-.03. All game fish and all commercial or non-game fish, except mullet, as listed under Rules 220-2-.34 and 220-2-.45 taken by nets or seines as allowed under this regulation shall be immediately returned to the water from whence they came with the least possible injury.

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#### **220-2-.38 Taking of Suckers Permitted in Certain Counties**

It shall be legal for sport fishermen holding a valid sport fishing license to take all species of suckers during any hour of the day or night by the use of gill or trammel nets with a mesh of one inch (1") or more measured from knot to knot (stretch of two inches) in the public waters of Butler, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike Counties during the months of February, March, and April, provided such nets are marked with buoys of floats visible above the waterline on which the owner's sport fishing license number is listed. Such nets may not be used for taking of suckers or any other fish in the following rivers and impoundments thereof located in the above counties: Conecuh River, Chattahoochee River, Choctawhatchee River, Patsaliga River, Pea River, Sepulga River, and Yellow River. Suckers taken under the provisions of this regulation are for personal use only and may not be sold, traded or bartered.

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#### **220-2-.40 Taking Fish in Waterfowl Management Areas and Certain State Lakes**

- (1) Whenever the Director of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division (WFF) of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall announce in writing that a waterfowl feeding pond or lake located on any wildlife management area operated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources is to be drained or pumped dry, resulting in the death of fish located in any such pond or lake, such fish of any species may be taken, or attempt to be taken, in any number regardless of creel limits by any holder of a valid fishing license, and in the case of WFF managed state lakes as defined in 220-2.36, possession of a daily permit, by the use of hands, nets, seines, gigs, spears, or snatch hooks. Such fish shall not be taken by the use of explosives, poison, or firearms of any type or description.
- (2) Only those holders of a valid commercial fishing license may sell commercial or non-game fish except catfish. The sale or barter of any game fish or catfish of any species taken by anyone from any area covered under this regulation is hereby prohibited.
- (3) Nothing in this regulation shall be construed or interpreted to legalize any type of fishing equipment for the taking of fish under any circumstances other than those outlined in this regulation. Provided, however, that this regulation shall not apply to the Swan Creek Management Area in Limestone County.
- (4) It shall be unlawful to take fish for commercial purposes and/or to use commercial

fishing gear within any dewatering unit within the state during waterfowl season.

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**220-2-.42 Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries and Marine Resources Division Jurisdictional Lines for Certain Fishing Licenses and Operations; Use and Possession of Certain Nets**

- (1) For the purposes of the freshwater fishing licensing requirements of Sections 9-11-53, 53.4, 55, and 56, Code of Alabama 1975, said licenses shall be applicable to such activities as provided for therein which occur north of the below-described line, as well as below said line in those ponds or lakes containing freshwater fish. For the purposes of the saltwater fishing licensing requirements of Sections 9-11-53.1, 53.5, and 55.2, Code of Alabama 1975, said licenses shall be applicable to such activities as provided for therein which occur south of the below-described line. The line is described as follows:

Beginning at the Mississippi State line, a meandering line following U.S. Highway 90 eastwardly to its junction with State Highway 188; State Highway 188 eastwardly to its junction with State Highway 193; State Highway 193 northwardly to its junction with State Highway 163; State Highway 163 northwardly to its intersection with Interstate Highway 10 (except all of the Theodore Industrial Canal); Interstate Highway 10 eastbound lane (except that portion of Interstate Highway 10 which lies north of State Highway 90 Battleship Parkway, in which case the line follows the Battleship Parkway) to Interstate Highway 10's intersection with U.S. Highway 98; U.S. Highway 98 southwardly and eastwardly to its intersection with State Highway 59; State Highway 59 southwardly to its intersection with Baldwin County Highway 20; Baldwin County Highway 20 eastwardly to its intersection with Baldwin County Highway 95; Baldwin County Highway 95 northwardly to its intersection with U.S. Highway 98; U.S. Highway 98 eastwardly to its intersection with the western shore of Perdido Bay; then the western shore of Perdido Bay northwardly to the intersection of the Florida State Line and the mouth of the Perdido River.

- (2) (a) All commercial fishing operations, as well as recreational netting operations, and all gear used in any of such operations, in state jurisdictional waters north of Interstate 10 eastbound lane (except that portion of Interstate Highway 10 which lies north of State Highway 90 Battleship Parkway, in which case the line follows the Battleship Parkway) shall be subject to those laws, rules and regulations of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Provided further, it shall be unlawful to use any net (other than hoop and fyke nets) with mesh size of less than three inches (3") knot toknot with a stretch or spread of less than six inches (6") in the public impounded waters and navigable streams in the state of Alabama north of the line described in this paragraph except as provided for in other regulations or laws of this state.
- (b) All commercial fishing operations, as well as recreational netting operations, and all gear used in any of such operations, in state jurisdictional waters south of Interstate 10 eastbound lane (except that portion of Interstate Highway 10 which lies north of State Highway 90 Battleship Parkway, in which case the line follows the Battleship Parkway) shall be subject to those laws, rules, and regulations of the Marine Resources Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (3) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, however, from September 1 to December 31, it shall be unlawful to possess a gill net, trammel net, or other entangling net aboard a boat in the Mobile Delta south of L&N Railroad and north of a line running two hundred fifty (250) yards north of and parallel to Highway 90

(Battleship Parkway).

- (4) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, however, it shall be lawful for any person (provided such person complies with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations) to take, catch, or possess commercial or non-game fish as defined in the laws of Alabama or regulations of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, in accordance with the below stated times, places, manners, and means:
- (a) From January 1 to September 1, in Grass Bay, Chuckfey Bay, Choccolata Bay, Gustang Bay, Big Bay John, Bay Minette Basin and Bay, Little Bay John, Big Bay Bateau, Little Bay Bateau, and John's Bend, Monday through Friday, except official State of Alabama holidays, between the hours of sunrise and sunset, by the use of nets with a mesh size of not less than three inches (3") knot to knot with a stretch or spread of not less than six inches (6"). These nets shall be constantly attended.
  - (b) From January 1 to May 31, in Grand Bay, Polecat Bay, and Bay Delvan, Monday through Friday, except official State of Alabama holidays, between the hours of sunrise and sunset, by the use of nets with a mesh size of not less than the general minimum mesh size for fish other than menhaden for "inside waters" under the jurisdiction of the Marine Resources Division as provided in 220-3-.03; provided that any person in these areas possessing, using, or attempting to use, a gill net with a mesh size less than three inches (3") knot to knot is required to be licensed and permitted under 9-11-141, 9-11-142, and 9-12-113, and shall have such licenses and permit in possession. These nets shall be constantly attended.
- (5) Violations of the provisions of paragraphs (2)(a), (3) and (4) shall be punished as provided by Section 9-11-156, Code of Alabama 1975 or as otherwise provided by law.
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#### **220-2-.129    Public Water Stocking**

It shall be unlawful to intentionally stock or release any fish, mussel, snail, crayfish or their embryos including bait fish into the public waters of Alabama under the jurisdiction of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries as provided in Rule 220-2-.42 except those waters from which it came without the written permission of a designated employee of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources authorized by the Director of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries to issue such permit. The provisions of this rule shall not apply to the incidental release of bait into the water during the normal process of fishing.

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#### **220-2-.44    Prohibited Methods of Taking Fish**

It shall be unlawful:

- (1) to drag any hoop net, fyke net, gill net, trammel net or seine, except a legal minnow seine, through any public waters of this State;
- (2) to take, attempt to take, catch or kill any species of fish from public waters by the use of any firearms;
- (3) to take, attempt to take, catch, or kill any species of fish from the public waters by use of any seine, except minnow seine, wire basket, cast net, or any stationary fish trap except as otherwise provided by law;
- (4) to take, attempt to take, catch, or kill any species of fish by means of any trotlines, set lines, snag lines, commercial fishing net, slat box, or wire basket within one-half mile below any lock, dam, or power house on any public water of this State;
- (5) to take, attempt to take, catch, or kill any species of fish by grabbling, noodling, or hand fishing by means of hands with the aid of treble hook, multi hook, or barbed hook;

- (6) to remove or attempt to remove fish from any hoop net, gill net, fyke net, trammel net, slat trap or slat basket, or to move, set or reset any of the said fishing gear listed in this regulation between the hours of sunset and sunrise;
- (7) to fish or attempt to fish in any of the public waters of this State on or from the posted lands of another without first obtaining the permission of the landowner or his agent;
- (8) to fish a slat box or basket without having a metal tag permanently affixed thereto stating thereon the name, address, and license number or tax identification number of the licensee operating and using each slat box.
- (9) to leave any set line or bush hook unattended for more than 48 hours. Further, any set line or bush hook unattended for more than 48 hours may be removed by Game and Fish Division personnel and destroyed.
- (10) to filet a fish while fishing, or to possess filets or to remove the heads of fish while on public waters except when fish are being prepared for immediate cooking and consumption; provided however, that fish may be drawn or gutted with heads left attached.
- (11) to utilize more than three rods and reels or poles or any combination thereof while fishing Weiss Reservoir or Neely Henry Lake.

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### **220-2-.153 Purchase of Game Fish Prohibited**

It shall be unlawful for any person to buy or purchase or offer to buy or purchase any game fish that the person knew, or reasonably should have known, was caught or taken from the public fresh waters of this state or any other state.

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### **220-2-.115 Snagging Fish**

- (1) For the purpose of this regulation, "snagging" shall be defined as the taking or attempted taking of fish by pulling either a single or group of hooks through the water in any manner which increases the likelihood of impaling fish in body regions other than the mouth.
- (2) It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take fish by snagging on all waters of the Tennessee River or its impoundments.
- (3) It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take fish by snagging within 800 feet of any dam on the Coosa River or its impoundments.

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### **220-2-.124 Nonindigenous Aquatic Plant Regulation**

For purposes of enforcement of Sections 9-20-1 through 9-20-7, Code of Alabama 1975, enacted by Act No. 95-767, as the "Alabama Nonindigenous Aquatic Plant Control Act", the following list of all nonindigenous aquatic plants which are prohibited by Section 9-20-3 from being introduced or placed or caused to be introduced or placed into public waters of the state is established:

#### **COMMON NAME**

- African elodea
- alligatorweed
- Brazilian elodea
- curlyleaf pondweed
- Eurasian watermilfoil
- floating waterhyacinth
- giant salvinia

#### **SCIENTIFIC NAME**

*Lagarosiphon spp*  
*Alternanthera philoxeroides*  
*Egeria densa*  
*Potamogeton crispus*  
*Myriophyllum spicatum*  
*Eichhornia crassipes*  
*Salvinia molesta*

● hydrilla	<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>
● hygrophila	<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i>
● limnophila	<i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i>
● parrot-feather	<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>
● purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
● rooted waterhyacinth	<i>Eichhornia azurea</i>
● spinyleaf naiad	<i>Najas minor</i>
● water-aloe	<i>Stratiotes aloides</i>
● water-lettuce	<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>
● water chestnut	<i>Trapa natans</i>
● water spinach	<i>Ipomea aquatica</i>

## **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*, *Catoprion*, 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 (*Lissachitina 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*;
- Any species of Mud carp (*Cirrhinus spp.*);
- Blue back herring (*Alosa aestivalis*);
- 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 nonindigenous venomous reptile;
- 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.

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## **220-2-.161    Cervid Urine Ban.**

- (1) The use or possession of natural cervid urine from cervids outside of Alabama while hunting is prohibited except that cervid urine may be used if produced in a facility that the department determines:
  - (a) complies with a federal or a federally approved chronic wasting disease herd certification program and any federal chronic wasting disease protocols and record requirements;
  - (b) does not allow importation of live cervids;
  - (c) requires that all cervids exported from the facility be tested for chronic wasting disease upon death and the results are reported to the facility;
  - (d) is inspected annually by an accredited veterinarian, including inspection of the herd and applicable records; and
  - (e) maintains a fence at least 8 feet high around the facility and, if the facility is located within 30 miles of a confirmed positive occurrence of chronic wasting disease, is double fenced to prevent direct contact between captive and wild cervids.
- (2) Nothing in this regulation shall prohibit the use, collection, or sale of cervid urine products originating from within the State of Alabama.
- (3) This regulation shall not apply to those urine products which are fully synthetic in

composition.

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### **220-2-.162      Wild Baitfish Regulation**

Within the jurisdiction of the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, it shall be unlawful to transport any live baitfish, having been caught or harvested from streams, rivers, public lakes or reservoirs in Alabama, away from the waters in which they are caught. For the purposes of this regulation, baitfish are defined as any non-game species of fish or crayfish (Superfamily *Astacoidea*) that are legal to use as bait for recreational or commercial fishing in Alabama.

This regulation does not prohibit the possession or the use of live baitfish on or within the waters from which they have been caught or harvested. Nor does it prohibit the possession or the use of live baitfish originating from commercial baitfish producers and bait shops.

For purposes of this regulation, refer to 220-2-.42(1) for a description of the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries jurisdictional line.

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### **220-2-.163      Restrictions on Certain Species of Asian Carp**

No person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association shall possess, sell, offer for sale, release, or cause to be distributed within the State of Alabama any live fish of the genus *Hypophthalmichthys spp.* (silver carp, bighead carp, largescale silver carp) except for holders of valid commercial fishing licenses engaged in harvesting individuals of these species from the public waters of Alabama for sale to licensed fish dealers and/or processors and aquaculture producers holding a valid written permit issued by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.

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### **220-2-.36      State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes**

- (1) Definition of State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes-The words “state-owned public fishing lakes” shall include and embrace all land and water under the direct supervision of the Fisheries Section of the Game and Fish Division. The lakes are as follows:
  - Barbour County Public Lake
  - Bibb County Public Lake
  - Chambers County Public Lake
  - Clay County Public Lake
  - Coffee County Public Lake
  - Crenshaw County Public Lake
  - Dallas County Public Lake
  - Dale County Public Lake
  - DeKalb County Public Lake
  - Fayette County Public Lake
  - Geneva County Public Lake
  - Leon Brooks Hines Public Lake (Escambia County)
  - Lamar County Public Lake
  - Lee County Public Lake
  - Madison County Public Lake
  - Marion County Public Lake
  - Monroe County Public Lake
  - Pike County Public Lake
  - Walker County Public Lake
  - Washington County Public Lake (J. Emmett Wood)
- (2) Permit Required to Fish in State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes - Any person 12 years old or older who fishes, takes, catches, or attempts to fish, take, or catch fish in or



from any state-owned or state-operated public fishing lake must have a valid permit in possession.

- (3) It shall be a violation of this regulation for any person to leave a child under 12 years of age unaccompanied by an adult at any state-owned public fishing lake, and it shall also be a violation of this regulation for any child under 12 years of age to be at any state owned public fishing lake unaccompanied by an adult.
- (4) Daily Creel, Possession Limits and Size Limits for Game Fish in State-Owned Public Lakes - The daily creel, possession and size limits for game fish and catfish in state-owned public fishing lakes shall be as posted at each lake. Creel, possession and size limits for fish not posted shall be the same as provided for all public waters of this State.
- (5) Time to Fish - Fishing in state-owned fishing lakes shall be limited to daylight hours or as specified by an agent of the Commissioner, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (6) Fishing in State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes Regulated
  - (a) No method other than hook and line with natural or artificial bait may be used to take or attempt to take fish from state-owned public fishing lakes except by special written permission of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources. Nothing in the regulation permits the taking of fish by "snagging," "snatching," trot lines, set hooks or jug fishing in the above mentioned areas.
  - (b) A person fishing shall upon demand exhibit his catch, fishing permit and fishing license to any Conservation Officer, concessionaire, or other agent or employee of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for inspection.
  - (c) All fish taken from the lake must be counted and weighed by the concessionaire unless the concessionaire is absent.
  - (d) No species of fish shall be stocked in the state-owned public fishing lakes unless introduced by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (7) Unlawful to Sell Fish Taken from State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer to sell, or use for any commercial purpose any fish, regardless of species or kind, taken from any of the state-owned public fishing lakes unless expressly permitted in writing by the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (8) Use of Minnows for Bait in State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes Regulated - Live minnows used for bait in any state public fishing lake shall be limited to the following species: Goldfish minnows, commonly called "Indiana" minnows; golden shiners, commonly called "Shiners," and fathead minnows, commonly called "Toughies." No person shall release in any state-owned public fishing lake any minnow whatsoever, either dead or alive, by emptying from a minnow bucket or any other method. All minnow buckets or other receptacles for holding minnows used at state-owned public fishing lakes shall at all times be open to inspection by Conservation Officers, concessionaires, or other agents or employees of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (9) It shall be unlawful to operate any size gasoline powered outboard motor on the state-owned public fishing lakes except where expressly permitted as posted. Where gasoline powered outboard motors are allowed, they shall be operated only at slow trolling speed creating no wake. It shall be unlawful to operate such motors at any speed greater than trolling speed.
- (10) No Camping - There shall be no camping on state-owned public fishing lake land unless by special permission of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.

- (11) No Swimming or Wading - There shall be no swimming or wading in the State-owned public fishing lakes.
- (12) Personal Injuries or Accidents - The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall not be responsible for any accident or injury to any person while on public fishing lake property or when utilizing the public lake facilities. Any person coming within the boundaries of the state-owned public lakes shall, by such entrance or use, waive any claim against the State or its agents for any accident or injury occurring while on or within public lake property.
- (13) It shall be unlawful to use sailboats in public fishing lakes operated by the Game and Fish Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. It shall be unlawful to use any other type of boat on said lakes for any purpose other than fishing.
- (14) It shall be a violation of this regulation to launch any boat on said lakes without first obtaining a launching permit and such fishing permits as may be required at each lake.
- (15) State Laws Applicable - All state laws now in force and laws, which may hereinafter be enacted by the Legislature, shall be maintained in the public lake areas.
- (16) Conduct at State-Owned Public Fishing Lakes - Any person, who conducts himself or herself in an unruly or disorderly manner in any public lake area, and any person, who so conducts himself or herself in a manner which will tend to annoy or disturb any visitor or employee, shall be in violation of this regulation. Any person in violation of this regulation shall not be entitled to a refund of any fee or rental.
- (17) Soliciting or Advertising in State Lake Areas - No person shall solicit, sell or advertise in any public area without the written authorization of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (18) Removal of Shrubs or Wild Flowers - In order to protect all native, wild or domesticated trees, shrubs, plants, and flowers from destruction and to conserve the same, it is hereby made unlawful for any person to cut, destroy, damage or remove any such tree, bush, shrub, plant or flower growing in any public lake area. Any person, who willfully destroys, cuts, or breaks or removes any such tree, shrub, bush, plant or flower growing in any public lake area, shall be in violation of this regulation unless given special permission to do so from the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (19) Defacing or Destroying State Property - Any person who litters, defaces or destroys any real or personal property in any of the public lake areas of Alabama and any property belonging to the State of Alabama in any of the public lake areas, shall be in violation of this regulation.
- (20) State-Owned Public Fishing Lake Land Designated as Wildlife Sanctuaries - It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, pursue, catch or kill, or attempt to hunt, trap, pursue, catch or kill any wild bird or wild animal or possess any firearm or bow and arrow in any of the places herein mentioned without special permission of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (21) Speed Limits for Vehicles - The maximum speed limit for any power driven vehicles shall be 25 miles per hour unless otherwise specified by signs. All motorists shall come to a complete stop before crossing any intersection in any public lake area. This maximum speed limit shall be reduced as is reasonable when driving through any congested area; and when any person is driving through any congested area in the public lake area, he shall exercise every caution possible.
- (22) Only licensed vehicles shall be allowed on public lake roads; no off road traffic shall be permitted.
- (23) It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to consume alcoholic beverages at any public fishing lake during the hours of operation.

- (24) It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to catch, take or attempt to take or catch fish, by any means whatsoever, in the ponds and lakes located on the fish hatcheries operated by the Game and Fish Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; provided however, this provision shall not apply to that lake known as Perry Lake.
- (a) It shall be a violation of this regulation for any person to harass any such hatchery fish or to stock or release any fish into any such hatchery pond or lake.
  - (b) It shall be unlawful for any person
    - 1. to swim or wade in any pond or lake located on said hatcheries,
    - 2. to camp on said hatcheries without the special permission of the Commission of Conservation and Natural Resources,
    - 3. to solicit, sell or advertise in any public area of said hatcheries without written authorization of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources,
    - 4. to cut, destroy, damage or remove any tree, shrub, bush, plant or flower growing on any such hatchery,
    - 5. to litter, deface or destroy any real or personal property belonging to or operated by the State of Alabama on said hatcheries, or
    - 6. to operate any motor vehicle on said hatcheries except as same is permitted by, and in accordance with, signs posted thereon.
  - (c) All state-owned and/or operated fish hatcheries are designated as Wildlife Sanctuaries, and it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, pursue, catch or kill or attempt to hunt, trap, pursue, catch or kill any wild bird or wild animal on any such hatchery without the special permission of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.

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## **220-2-.37 Restricted Use of Public Access Areas**

- (1) Definition: Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, in this regulation, the term "public access area" shall include any state-owned, leased, and/or operated boat launching and/or landing access area, parking lot, ramp, pier, and any real or personal property within the boundaries of said areas.
- (2) Picnicking, except at tables provided, and camping are prohibited at all public access areas. Swimming or any other activities, to the extent that swimming or any other activity may interfere with the intended use of any public access area by the public, are forbidden; provided, however, that in any event it shall be unlawful to swim or wade within fifty (50) yards of any ramp or pier at any public access area.
- (3) The mooring of boats, houseboats and other watercraft is forbidden at all public access areas. In addition, the dry-docking, storage, or abandonment of any type of vessel, vehicle, or other personal property item, is prohibited at all public access areas.
- (4) Public access areas are for the use of the pleasure boating, hunting and fishing public in general only. No commercial, industrial or construction equipment such as barges, dredges, etc., are to be loaded or unloaded without the specific written authorization of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (5) Persons using public access areas shall park their vehicles and/or trailers in designated parking areas or, when areas are not designated, in such a way so as not to block any part of the ramp or pier or approach to the ramp or pier or interfere with the use of the public access area by other persons.
- (6) It shall be unlawful to discharge firearms on all public access areas.
- (7) Defacing or Destroying State Property -- Any person who defaces or destroys any real or personal property on any of the public access areas or any property belonging

to the State of Alabama in any of the public access areas, shall be in violation of this regulation.

- (8) Only licensed vehicles shall be allowed on public access areas, except that mobility-impaired persons may utilize other power-driven mobility devices (subject to the applicable assessment factors) pursuant to and in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and 28 CFR 35.137. Off road traffic is prohibited. Nothing in this regulation shall prevent the use of properly licensed motorcycles on public access area roads or parking lots.
- (9) Soliciting or Advertising on Public Access Areas -- No person shall solicit, sell, advertise, or install any sign on any public access area without the written authorization of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (10) It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person(s) to build, tend, or maintain any fire at any public access area.
- (11) Except as otherwise permitted by written permission of the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, it is hereby made unlawful for any person to cut, destroy, damage or remove any tree, bush, shrub, plant or flower growing at any public access area.
- (12) Personal Injuries or Accidents -- The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall not be responsible for any accident or injury to any person while at or in public facilities. Any person coming within the boundaries of the public access areas shall, by such entrance or use, waive any claim against the State of Alabama, its employees, or its agents for any accident or injury to person or property occurring while on or within the said public access area.
- (13) It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to consume alcoholic beverages at any public access area.

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#### **220-2-.104 Legal Species of Freshwater Mussels To Be Taken For Commercial Purposes**

The following species shall be the only species of freshwater mussels permitted to be legally taken for commercial purposes in the State of Alabama:

- Washboard (Megaloniaias nervosa)
- Threeridge (Amblesma plicata)
- Pistol Grip (Tritogonia verrucosa)
- Elephant Ear (Elliptio crassidens)
- Mapleleaf (Quadrula quadrula)
- Ebony Shell (Fusconaia ebenus)
- Pink Heel Splitter (Potamilus alatus)
- Three Horn (Obliquaria reflexa)
- Southern Mapleleaf (Quadrula apiculata)
- Bankclimber (Plectomerus dombeyanus)
- Bleufer (Potamilus purpuratus)

It shall be unlawful to take any other species of freshwater mussel for commercial purposes in the State of Alabama.

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#### **220-2-.103 Waters Open to the Taking of Freshwater Mussels for Commercial Purposes**

Unless specifically prohibited otherwise, the following waters shall be open to the otherwise legal taking of freshwater mussels for commercial purposes:

- (1) Coosa River from Jordan Dam upstream to the Alabama-Georgia State line.

- (2) Alabama River from the mouth to the confluence of Coosa and Tallapoosa Rivers with the exception of the Cahaba River.
- (3) Tombigbee River from mouth to U. S. Interstate 59.
- (4) Black Warrior River from mouth to U. S. Interstate 59.
- (5) Tennessee River and its impoundments with the exception of restricted areas.

It shall be unlawful to take freshwater mussels for commercial purposes from any other waters of the State of Alabama.

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## **220-2-.106 Mussel Fishing Seasons**

The season for legal mussel fishing is open year-round except during the prescribed waterfowl hunting season, Swan Creek, Crow Creek, Mud Creek, and Raccoon Creek Wildlife Management Areas shall be closed. The area of the Wheeler Wildlife Refuge between Interstate 65 and U.S. Highway 31 and the area of Limestone Bay shall be closed to mussel harvest during the period of October 15 through February 15 of each year. Mussel fishing in the fresh waters of this State shall be restricted to five (5) days each week (Monday through Friday) and shall be closed on all federal holidays.

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## **220-2-.48 Legal Methods and Equipment for Taking of Freshwater Mussels**

The following is hereby designated as legal fishing equipment and methods for taking of freshwater mussels or other freshwater bivalved mollusca in the freshwaters of this State. Any other equipment or methods used in the taking of freshwater mussels or other mollusca is in violation of this regulation.

- (1) By use of brails with hooks and constructed of wire 14 gauge or larger and with prongs not longer than 2 inches from the tip of point to point where prongs are wrapped or joined.
- (2) By hand and/or with the use of diving equipment.
- (3) By the use of a shell bar with a limit of six (6) feet in length.
- (4) Licensed fishermen may use a rake or dip net no wider than 24 inches to collect Asiatic clam *Corbicula* for fish bait. Harvest of any other species of freshwater bivalved mollusca with such equipment or sale of *Corbicula* harvested with such equipment will be a violation of this regulation.

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## **220-2-.49 Size Restrictions on Freshwater Mussels or Their Shells**

It is hereby made illegal for any person or persons to take, catch, kill, buy, possess or transport for commercial purposes freshwater mussels or any type of freshwater bivalved mollusca listed below or the shells of such mussels or bivalved mollusca, less than the following sizes in diameter:

Washboard ( <i>Megalonaias nervosa</i> ) .....	4 inches
Threeridge ( <i>Amblema plicata</i> ) .....	2 5/8 inches
Pistol Grip ( <i>Tritogonia verrucosa</i> ).....	2 5/8 inches
Elephant Ear ( <i>Elliptio crassidens</i> ) .....	2 5/8 inches
Mapleleaf ( <i>Quadrula quadrula</i> ) .....	2 5/8 inches
Ebony Shell ( <i>Fusconaia ebenus</i> ) .....	2 3/8 inches
Pink Heel Splitter ( <i>Potamilus alatus</i> ) .....	4 inches
Three Horn ( <i>Obliquaria reflexa</i> ).....	1 3/4 inches
Southern Mapleleaf ( <i>Quadrula apiculata</i> ).....	2 5/8 inches
Bankclimber ( <i>Plectomerus dombeyanus</i> ) .....	3 inches
Bleufer ( <i>Potamilus purpuratus</i> ).....	3 inches;

with the exception of Asiatic clam *Corbicula* harvested from below the full pool eleva-

tion of impounded waters. All mussels or their shells less than the legal diameter must be immediately released and placed back in the waters from whence they came with the least possible injury. Mussels or their shells shall be measured from their dorsal to ventral surfaces by passing or attempting to pass the mussel or mussel shell by the weight of the mussel or mussel shell through a ring of the appropriate inside diameter. There shall be no allowance for undersize mussels or their shells.

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**220-2-.50     Harvest of Freshwater Mussels Restricted to Daylight Hours Only**

It shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, or to attempt to take, catch or kill mussels from freshwater between the hours of sunset and sunrise (nighttime).

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**220-2-.51     Harvest of Freshwater Mussels for Commercial Purposes in all Open Areas Restricted to Five Days a Week**

Mussel fishing for commercial purposes in the freshwaters of this State in all open areas shall be restricted to five days each week (Monday through Friday), unless specifically provided otherwise by law or regulation.

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**220-2-.52     Restricted Areas for the Taking of Freshwater Mussels**

It shall be unlawful to take, catch, kill, or attempt to take, catch, or kill mussels in the following areas:

- (1) Wheeler Lake, an impoundment on the Tennessee River, from Guntersville Dam downstream to the mouth of Shoal Creek (approximately 347 miles above the mouth of the Tennessee River).
- (2) Wheeler Lake, an impoundment on the Tennessee River, from the upstream end or head of Hobbs Island downstream to Whitesburg Bridge.
- (3) Pickwick Lake, an impoundment on the Tennessee River, from Wilson Dam downstream to the upper end or head of Seven Mile Island.
- (4) Wilson Lake, an impoundment on the Tennessee River, from Wheeler Dam downstream to the mouth of Town Creek on the South Bank and the mouth of Bluewater Creek on the north bank.
- (5) The Cahaba River.
- (6) The Alabama River from the mouth of Mulberry Creek (RM 220.0) downstream to the Edmund Pettus Bridge (RM 205.3).

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**220-2-.53     Mussel Buyers Required to Report**

Standardized receipts must be completed by all resident and non-resident mussel buyers for all mussels purchased in the state of Alabama, including mussels originating from waters outside of the state of Alabama.

The receipts shall be completed at the time of transaction and include the signature of the buyer. A copy of the receipt shall be issued to the mussel catcher at the time of transaction. Each receipt must be complete and legible, and include the following and any other information specified by the Commissioner: (1) buyer's license number; (2) mussel catcher's license number; (3) mussel catcher's name; (4) date of transaction; (5) body of water from which the mussels originated (in the form of numerical codes provided by the Department); (6) species taken (in the form of alphabetical codes provided by the Department); (7) pounds of each species purchased; (8) total pounds of mussels purchased; and (9) amount paid for the mussels. The same standardized receipts shall be used whether the shells originated from the waters of Alabama or another state.

All mussels imported into the state of Alabama by a person, firm or corporation shall be accompanied by a bill of lading which provides the following information: (1) name of person, firm or corporation importing the mussels; (2) name(s) of person, firm or corporation that sold the mussels being imported; (3) date of shipment of mussels being imported; (4) weight of mussels by species; (5) origin of shipment; and (6) destination of shipment. A copy of the bill of lading shall remain with the importing person, firm or corporation and made available to authorized Department employees at any reasonable time.

Each person who purchases mussels shall at the time of any purchase have proof on his person of possession of a current mussel buyer's license. Any mussel catcher who exports, or causes to be exported, mussels from the State of Alabama without first going through a buyer shall make payment of 5 cents per pound of mussel shell, with or without meat, to the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries before such mussels are exported. Any such shipment shall be accompanied by a bill of lading as prescribed previously in this regulation for mussels imported and a receipt for said payment. A copy of the bill of lading and receipt for payment of tax shall be retained by the mussel catcher for a period of two years and subject to inspection by agents of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries at any reasonable time.

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### **220-2-.131 Establishment of Youth Turkey Hunting Area**

- (1) The following area is hereby designated and established as "Youth Turkey Hunting Area":
  - (a) "USA Foundation Hunting Area" as indicated on the attached map.
- (2) It shall be unlawful on any area designated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as a "Youth Turkey Hunting Area":
  - (a) To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps or bow and arrow, without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled area spring turkey season during legal hunting hours and only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting turkey. See (4) for limited exception for certain lawfully authorized handguns possessed for personal protection.
  - (b) To have in possession any firearms, ammunition or bow and arrow except as allowed by law for the species hunted. See (4) for limited exception for certain lawfully authorized handguns possessed for personal protection.
  - (c) For any person to hunt without having in possession all required hunting licenses.
  - (d) For any person to carry firearms in or on vehicle with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place.
  - (e) To camp in the area.
  - (f) To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to bobcat, coyote, or fox, which may be killed during all scheduled area hunts that occur during the dates of the spring turkey season.
  - (g) To discharge fireworks at any time.
  - (h) To discharge firearms for target practice.
  - (i) To use fire to smoke out game.
  - (j) To transport turkey killed from the area before recording pertinent data at the designated check station.
  - (k) For any person except those authorized to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits

vehicular traffic.

- (l) For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
  - (m) To damage or remove any trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization.
  - (n) To hunt from an elevated platform.
  - (o) To hunt without first making a reservation for the particular hunt.
  - (p) To hunt more often than two days every week. Failure to cancel a reservation at least 48 hours prior to the hunt dates will be considered the same as if the individual hunted in determining when that person could reserve other dates.
- (3) Individuals must follow the listed rules to participate in the scheduled youth turkey hunts.
- (a) Each youth participant must be accompanied by an adult supervisor. The adult supervisor is to remain within arms length of the youth at all times.
  - (b) Youth is defined as those individuals who have not reached their sixteenth birthday.
  - (c) Adult is defined as those individuals twenty-five years old or older who are in possession of all state hunting licenses required to hunt turkey on a wildlife management area.
  - (d) Only one firearm will be allowed per youth. Only the youth hunter will be permitted to utilize the firearm for hunting. The adult is to review with the youth the rules of firearm safety and to ensure they are followed.
  - (e) The adult-youth pair is to check in and out at the check station as a single unit.
  - (f) Hunting hours will be daylight until 1:00 P.M. on Saturdays and other dates established by the District Wildlife supervisor of the spring turkey season.
  - (g) All other rules, laws, and regulations are in effect.
- (4) 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.

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### **220-2-.134 Special State Park Hunting Regulation**

- (1) The following rules and regulations shall apply at any state park area authorized by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources for hunting:
- (a) BOW AND ARROW (including crossbows) will be legal on all specially scheduled hunts. Broadhead points only must be utilized. Bow and Arrow equipment must meet the specifications of Rule 220-2-.03. All arrows used must contain the name of the hunter thereon. Bow and Arrow will also be permitted in the park for use during authorized official proficiency testing prior to the hunt;
  - (b) It shall be unlawful:
    - (1) to hunt without a valid permit. Hunters must comply with all terms and conditions of the permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled Special State Park Hunting Seasons for the particular state park area, only during legal hunting hours, only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps, and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit;
    - (2) to use dogs for stalk hunting of deer;
    - (3) to hunt deer without first presenting his or her required hunting licenses at the checking station;
    - (4) to possess any firearms;
    - (5) to hunt within one hundred (100) yards of any campground, house, building or



- enclosed structure, excluding structures on the Oak Mountain State Park golf course;
- (6) to camp on any area except in designated sites. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area;
  - (7) to kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting;
  - (8) to use fire to smoke out game;
  - (9) to transport deer killed during any hunts before being checked at the designated checking station for scientific data;
  - (10) for any person except authorized personnel to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic;
  - (11) for any unauthorized person at any time to operate a motor scooter, motorcycle, trail bike, or any motor driven vehicle except on regularly used roads open for public use by four wheel vehicle traffic and except as otherwise authorized;
  - (12) for any person to hunt without wearing an outer garment above the waist containing a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange color or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. Hunters are not required to wear hunter orange when hunting from a stand elevated twelve (12) feet or more above the ground. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo and/or printing on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle;
  - (13) for any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible;
  - (14) for any person to deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on any area maintained by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources prior to receiving approval from said Department;
  - (15) to damage or remove any trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization;
  - (16) to erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold;
  - (17) to cast a light of any kind, either hand held, affixed to a vehicle, or otherwise, between the hours of sunset and sunrise. This paragraph does not apply to the headlights of vehicles traveling in a normal manner on an open established road;
  - (18) to hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a safety harness capable of supporting their weight; or
  - (19) to violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.

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## **220-2-.140    Special State Park Hunting Seasons**

There are hereby established Special State Park Hunting Seasons for the following parks:

- (1) Oak Mountain State Park – Whitetail Deer Hunt. The Adult Mentored Hunt administered by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will take place January 3, 2020 – January 5, 2020.
- (2) Falconry: The following State Parks will allow falconry in accordance with state laws and regulations during squirrel/rabbit hunting seasons as set forth in Rules 220-2-.01 and 220-2-.02: DeSoto State Park, Joe Wheeler State Park, Lake Guntersville State Park, Lakepoint Resort State Park, Chewacla State Park, Bucks Pocket State Park, Lake Lurleen State Park, Monte Sano State Park, Oak Mountain State Park, Paul M. Grist State Park, Wind Creek State Park, Frank Jackson State Park, Cheaha State Park, Cathedral Caverns State Park, Rickwood State Park, Meahar State Park, and Blue

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**220-2-.21    Possession of Firearms or Bow and Arrow in Any Sanctuary Prohibited**

No person shall take, carry, or possess any firearms or bow of any description whatsoever (except handguns possessed by lawfully authorized persons for personal protection) in any state sanctuaries established as a sanctuary by Rule 220-2-.22; provided, however, that this rule shall not apply to the possession of firearms by State Conservation Officers, state or county enforcement officers, or federal agents, when they are on active duty in the performance of their duties in the enforcement of the laws of this State.

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**220-2-.22    Wildlife Management Areas and Sanctuaries Established**

- (1) The areas and refuges described in paragraph (2) hereof are hereby established as "wildlife management areas." The boundary lines of these areas and refuges shall be as they are described on the revised maps attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein in full.
- (2) The names and counties of these areas and refuges are as follows: Charles D. Kelley Autauga Wildlife Management Area (Autauga); Barbour Wildlife Management Area (Barbour, Bullock); Black Warrior Wildlife Management Area (Winston, Lawrence); Blue Spring Wildlife Management Area (Covington); Boggy Hollow Wildlife Management Area (Covington); William R. Ireland, Sr. - Cahaba River Wildlife Management Area (Bibb, Shelby); Choccolocco Wildlife Management Area (Cleburne, Calhoun); Coosa Wildlife Management Area (Coosa); Crow Creek Management Area (Jackson); David K. Nelson Wildlife Management Area (Sumter, Greene, Hale, Marengo); Freedom Hills Wildlife Management Area (Colbert); Geneva State Forest Wildlife Management Area (Geneva, Covington); Grand Bay Savanna Community Hunting Area (Mobile); Hollins Wildlife Management Area (Talladega, Clay); James D. Martin - Skyline Wildlife Management Area (Jackson); Lauderdale Wildlife Management Area (Lauderdale); Little River Wildlife Management Area (DeKalb, Cherokee); Lowndes Wildlife Management Area (Lowndes); Mallard-Fox Creek Wildlife Management Area (Morgan, Lawrence); Mud Creek Management Area (Jackson); Mulberry Fork Wildlife Management Area (Walker, Tuscaloosa); Oakmulgee Wildlife Management Area (Bibb, Perry, Hale, Tuscaloosa); Perdido River Wildlife Management Area (Baldwin); Raccoon Creek Management Area (Jackson); Riverton Community Hunting Area (Colbert); Sam R. Murphy Wildlife Management Area (Lamar, Marion); Seven Mile Island Wildlife Management Area (Lauderdale); Swan Creek Wildlife Management Area (Limestone); Upper Delta Wildlife Management Area (Baldwin, Mobile); W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta Wildlife Management Areas (Baldwin, Mobile); Forever Wild Gothard-AWF Yates Lake Wildlife Management Area (Elmore); North Sauty Refuge (Jackson); Coon Gulf Tract (Jackson); Crow Creek Refuge (Jackson); Crow Creek Special Opportunity Area (Jackson); Martin Community Hunting Area (Tallapoosa); Cedar Creek Special Opportunity Area (Dallas); Uchee Creek Special Opportunity Area (Russell); Fred T. Stimpson Special Opportunity Area (Clarke); Portland Landing Special Opportunity Area (Dallas); and Upper State Special Opportunity Area (Clarke).
- (3) In addition, the following Federal refuges exist in the State of Alabama: Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge (Bibb); Choctaw National Wildlife Refuge (Choctaw); Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge (Barbour); Mountain Longleaf National Wildlife Refuge (Calhoun); Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge (Morgan, Limestone, Madi-

son); Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge (Baldwin, Mobile); Grand Bay National Wildlife Refuge (Mobile); Key Cave National Wildlife Refuge (Lauderdale); and Sauta Cave National Wildlife Refuge (Jackson). The boundary lines and areas for these refuges are established by Federal authorities.

(4) Rule 220-2-.22, as previously promulgated, is hereby expressly repealed.

For WMA maps, please visit: [www.outdooralabama.com/wildlife-management-areas](http://www.outdooralabama.com/wildlife-management-areas)

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## **220-2-.55 Wildlife Management Areas, Community Hunting Areas,**

### **Public Hunting Areas, and Refuges of Alabama**

- (1) It shall be unlawful on ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS, COMMUNITY HUNTING AREAS, SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY AREAS, PUBLIC HUNTING AREAS, AND REFUGE AREAS, all of which are established as “wildlife management areas” by Rule 220-2-.22 and all of which are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to herein as “AREAS” or “AREA”:
  - (a) To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow, except on open designated target ranges and except bow fishing equipment without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled AREA seasons during legal hunting hours and only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit. See (r) and (ii) for limited exception for certain lawfully authorized handguns possessed for personal protection.
  - (b) To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting. (Leashed dogs may be used for the expressed purpose of retrieving wounded deer, limited to two dogs per tracking event.)
  - (c) To use dogs for hunting of feral swine or small game where dogs are expressly prohibited (except for the scheduled special feral swine dog hunt on W.L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta WMAs).
  - (d) To use dogs for hunting, training, or any other purpose from March 4 until August 31.
  - (e) To conduct organized man drives during stalk hunts outside the hours of 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.
  - (f) For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on any AREA unless accompanied by an adult who is either 21 years old or older or the parent, and who is in possession of all state hunting licenses required to hunt on a WMA.
  - (g) To use or possess any firearm, weapon, or weapon for hunting [with exception as specified in (r) or (ii)] that does not conform with Regulation 220-2-.02 and 220-2-.03 except that:
    1. DEER: Stalk Hunting – shotguns are restricted to slugs (no buckshot.)
    2. DEER: Stalk Hunting on Grand Bay WMA is restricted to archery, primitive weapons and shotguns with slugs.
    3. DEER: Stalk Hunting - Primitive Weapons Hunts are restricted to muzzle-loading rifles and muzzle-loading handguns (.40 caliber or larger) muzzle-loading shotguns, pre-charged pneumatic air-powered guns (.30 caliber or larger), or bow and arrow (including crossbow).
    4. DEER: Dog Hunts are restricted to shotguns using buckshot only.
    5. FERAL SWINE SPECIAL SEASONS: the same provisions as established in (1)(g) and (1)(g)2, above, except at Seven Mile Island where only (1)(g)2, and (1)(g)3 apply. Feral Swine may also be hunted with legal arms permitted for other game birds and animals during scheduled WMA hunts.

6. TURKEY: Turkey Hunts are restricted to shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller, using number 2 shot or smaller and archery equipment conforming to regulation 220-2-.03.
  7. BOBCAT, COYOTE and FOX may only be hunted with legal arms permitted for other game birds or animals during those scheduled WMA seasons.
- (h) To trap furbearers except as permitted under 220-2-.30.
  - (i) For any person to hunt deer with gun without first obtaining and possessing a daily permit from check station on specific deer hunt dates as designated on WMA map permit except on Grand Bay Savanna, Martin Community Hunting Area, Riverton, Upper Delta, W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta, Forever Wild Gothard - AWF Yates Lake AREAS, and all Special Opportunity Areas.
  - (j) For any person to hunt on Boggy Hollow, Coosa, Hollins, Choccolocco, Jackson County, James D. Martin Skyline, and Little River AREAS without possessing a daily permit from check station or kiosk self-service boxes located on WMA. (See map permit for check station and kiosk locations.) The tear-off stub with number matching daily permit must be deposited in return slot of self-service box. Remaining permit portion is to be retained in possession of hunter while hunting and completely filled out and deposited into self-service box at kiosk for each day hunted.
  - (k) For any person to possess or to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearms [including pistols/handguns, except as described in (r) and (ii)] with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place, or cocked crossbows. See (r) and (ii) for limited exception for certain lawfully authorized handguns possessed for personal protection.
  - (l) For hunters on dog deer hunts to leave stand assigned to them until instructed. The Geneva WMA dog hunt will be limited to 100 standers, registered and permitted through a permit system selected by an online random selection process. Further, it shall be unlawful for any hunter to release a dog not approved by DCNR personnel on the Geneva WMA during the hunt referenced in the preceding sentence.
  - (m) To camp on any AREA except in designated sites. Campers using generators must camp in site designated for generator use. On AREAS located on U. S. Forest Service lands, hunters must camp in designated camping areas, unless excepted by U.S. Forest Service rules specific to a unit—see local Forest Service rules. Individuals or groups may camp on AREAS for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any thirty (30) day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area. All campers (portable shelters on wheels) must be removed from Barbour or Freedom Hills AREAS by sundown on the first Sunday following the last day of turkey season; otherwise, the camper may be towed from the AREA at the owner's expense; or, may be relocated to another portion of the AREA without AREA personnel being responsible for any damages and the owner assessed a \$10.00 per day storage fee without the State or AREA personnel responsible for any damage, loss, etc. No campers are permitted on Barbour or Freedom Hills AREAS, until Sept. 1, unless approved by special PERMIT issued by the AREA biologist. All campers left unattended overnight must display the owner's contact information to include name, address, and phone numbers.
  - (n) To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting.
  - (o) To discharge fireworks at any time.
  - (p) To discharge firearms for target practice except on designated target ranges in ac-

cordance with listed rules during posted times and dates. Permits for excepted uses will be issued by the AREA biologist. The range may be closed as necessary by the AREA biologist. It shall be unlawful for target range users to:

1. Use range without a hunting, fishing, WMA or Heritage License.
  2. Use range except during daylight hours within posted times and dates.
  3. Possess any alcoholic beverages.
  4. Use armor-piercing or tracer ammunition or exploding targets.
  5. Point firearms in an unsafe direction or possess a loaded weapon outside the firing line.
  6. Stand on or in front of the firing line except when shooting.
  7. Shoot while persons are down range.
  8. Discharge firearms (except as noted below in #9.) anywhere other than designated stations on the concrete shooting line into the embankment at stationary paper, self-healing, or metal automatic reset targets. Targets must be placed so shots will impact the embankment no higher than 5' above ground level at the base of the embankment. Only one person may shoot from each designated location at any given time.
  9. Shoot clays except in designated areas.
  10. Fail to place targets, hulls and trash in trash can or fail to remove same from area.
  11. Violate any posted restriction.
- (q) To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, 100 yards of any paved public road or highway, or from within the right-of-way of any developed road (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic [provided, however, that standers hunting the WMA roads closed to vehicular traffic (roads closed with gates and/or signage indicating closed to vehicular traffic) on Geneva and Upper Delta AREAS are allowed during scheduled dog deer hunts]; within a posted safety zone or on Sunday within one-half mile of any church.
- (r) For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with bow and arrow or cross-bow, except on days of either sex gun deer hunts. This prohibition shall not apply to the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.
- (s) To transport deer or turkey killed during hunts from any AREA before being checked at the designated checking stations or kiosk or reported as specified for each Area Map Permit.
- (t) For any person except authorized personnel to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic. Individuals with a mobility disability may request authorization in writing to use motorized vehicles or other power-driven mobility devices on state-owned lands under the jurisdiction of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division. Such request will be evaluated based on the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, and 28 C.F.R. §35.137.
- (u) For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on Autauga, Black Warrior, William R. Ireland, Sr.-Cahaba River, Choccolocco, Coosa, David K. Nelson, Hollins, Little River (within Little River Canyon National Preserve), Lowndes, Martin Community Hunting Area, Mulberry Fork, Oakmulgee, Perdido River and Forever Wild Gothard-AWF Yates Lake AREAS.

- (v) For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on any AREA, except when utilized for the expressed purpose of retrieving harvested deer, traveling to or from a hunting location, or any other hunting related activity (excluding Geneva State Forest Zone B). ALL VEHICLES, whether licensed or unlicensed must remain on regularly used roads open for public use by four- wheel vehicle traffic(unless noted as prohibited above in (u).)
- (w) For any unauthorized person to ride or possess horses on any AREA except: (1) on roads open to four-wheel motorized vehicles, excluding Autauga and Geneva Zone A (where no horses are permitted); and (2) in areas, roads, and trails, designated as open to horses, excluding Autauga and Geneva Zone A (where no horses are permitted). On Coosa horses are not permitted in the campgrounds from October 1 until after the last day of turkey season.
- (x) For any unauthorized person to ride or possess horses on any AREA on days of scheduled gun deer hunts, and during legal hours of turkey hunting, except those portions of AREAS kept open to such activity by the National Park Service, U. S. Forest Service, and except on Freedom Hills and James D. Martin-Skyline AREAS where horses are only allowed on designated horse trails. At Freedom Hills and the Jacinto Port Tract of W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta AREAS, horses are only allowed from March 1 to the beginning of turkey season and May 4 to September 14. Riding or possession of horses on any AREA, except those on National Park Service lands, U. S. Forest Service lands, and Geneva State Forest, shall be restricted to holders of a valid Wildlife Management Area license and a valid Wildlife management area permit.
- (y) For any person to hunt any wildlife species (except turkey, migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours) without wearing the minimum requirement of hunter orange as described in 220-2-.85.
- (z) For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
- (aa) For any person to possess, deposit, distribute or scatter grain/corn, salt, litter, or any other materials on any AREA maintained by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources prior to receiving approval from said Department.
- (bb) To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, firewood, plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization.
- (cc) To erect any permanent tree stand or install any screw-in type steps, spikes, nails or otherwise damage any standing live tree.
- (dd) To intentionally cast a light of any kind, either hand held, affixed to a vehicle, or otherwise, between the hours of sunset and sunrise from motor vehicles except those vehicles traveling in a normal manner on an open established road.
- (ee) To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a full body safety harness capable of supporting their weight.
- (ff) To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
- (gg) To release any animal, bird, fish, or other wildlife on any WMA, Refuge, or Public Lands without first obtaining written permission from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (hh) To possess any open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas. Possession of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited on any AREA in counties that prohibit the possession of alcohol and on campgrounds of Coosa WMA.
- (ii) Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for personal pro-

tection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.

- (jj) To hunt small game during gun deer hunts and primitive weapon hunts except on Grand Bay Savanna, and the W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta AREAS, and except waterfowl in Upper Delta (Zone B) AREAS.
- (2) Individuals must follow the listed rules to participate in the scheduled youth deer or turkey hunts on any AREA.
  - (a) Up to two (2) youth participants must be accompanied by an adult supervisor. The adult supervisor is to remain within 30 feet of the youth at all times.
  - (b) Youth is defined as those individuals who have not reached their sixteenth birthday.
  - (c) Adult is defined as those individuals twenty-one years old or older or the parent of the youth who are in possession of all required state hunting licenses (and state and federal waterfowl stamps if required to hunt waterfowl) and WMA map permit.
  - (d) Only one firearm will be allowed per youth. Only the youth hunter will be permitted to utilize the firearm for hunting.
  - (e) The adult/youth group is to sign in and out at the AREA checking station as a single unit, except at David K. Nelson, Grand Bay Savanna, Upper Delta, W.L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta AREAS.
  - (f) Both the adult and youth will be required to wear hunter orange while deer hunting, as defined in 220-2-.85.
- (3) All deer and turkeys harvested must be properly recorded and reported per Gamecheck Program requirements pursuant to Regulation 220-2-.146.
- (4) It shall be unlawful on Swan Creek, Crow Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek AREAS:
  - (a) For any person to leave his/her vehicle parked at the approved 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 location at the main launch only.
  - (b) For any person to excavate, to hunt or attempt to hunt from any dug-out or excavated area.
  - (c) For all blinds, excluding Swan Creek limited quota blinds, to be left in said areas for more than one 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.
- (5) The following shall apply to the dewatering units on Swan Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek AREAS:
  - (a) All boats and/or boat blinds used for hunting of waterfowl on said dewatering units shall be launched and removed daily or shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring. [For the Swan Creek AREA, see (7)].
  - (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to use commercial fishing gear within said dewatering units from November 1 through January 31.
  - (c) Temporary blinds may be used for one day only and removed by the hunter. All such blinds, except boat blinds, left in said areas for more than one day shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - (d) The use of permanent blinds constructed with building material, flooring and/or flotation materials shall be prohibited in, or within 150 yards of, the Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek dewatering units.
  - (e) It shall be unlawful for any person using waterfowl decoys in the Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek dewatering units to leave said decoys overnight. In addition, all un-

authorized activity is prohibited from the herein mentioned dewatering units; from 7:00 PM to 3:00 AM during the period of Nov. 1 – Feb. 15; and, 48 hours prior to waterfowl season openings.

- (f) It shall be unlawful to use airboats.
- (g) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl in Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek dewatering units, and Crow Creek AREAS on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, except for the last two weeks of waterfowl season. All activity in the Mud Creek (Wannville), Raccoon Creek dewatering units, and Crow Creek AREAS is prohibited on those days unless authorized by WFF personnel.
- (h) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl in Swan Creek WMA Dewatering Unit on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, except for the last two weeks of waterfowl season. All activity in the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit is prohibited on those days unless authorized by WFF personnel. During the dates between the youth season and regular season, gates to West Dike Road and the Main Launch Road will be locked. All activity in and around the dewatering unit during this time is prohibited.
- (i) It shall be unlawful to have more than 25 shotgun shells per hunter in possession while hunting waterfowl on all Jackson County Waterfowl Management Areas (Crow Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek), Swan Creek WMA and Mallard-Fox AREAS.
- (j) It shall be unlawful to use gasoline-powered motors in Mud Creek (Wannville) dewatering unit and Raccoon Creek dewatering unit (North of Hwy 117).
- (k) It shall be unlawful to launch any vessel in Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek dewatering units and Crow Creek WMA prior to 3:00 AM daily. All hunters preparing to hunt waterfowl are not allowed in the water prior to 3:00 AM daily.
- (6) It shall be unlawful to operate airboats and air-cooled motors (go-devil type motors) on those portions of Crow Creek and North Sauty Refuges lying north of U.S. Hwy 72 and the Green Tree Reservoir on Mud Creek from November 1 to April 30 of each year.
- (7) It shall be unlawful to install permanent waterfowl hunting blinds (those using building materials and/or remaining in position overnight) anywhere on the Swan Creek, Mallard-Fox Creek, or Jackson County Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) except on the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit where specified. All such blinds to be placed in the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit must be registered in accordance with the following conditions:
  - (a) 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 small game license, State Duck Stamp, and a WMA license. Applicants will be processed through [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com). **Any violation of the rules, regulations, or law 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 will not be eligible for future online blind draws.** All waterfowl hunting blinds of selection applicants must be at Swan Creek WMA between the hours of 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM on the third 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 the first Saturday in November. See also subsection (k).
  - (b) Blinds must meet Selected Blind Specifications established by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division and deemed acceptable by an inspecting team in order to be approved for use. For information or a copy of the procedures, call (256) 353-2634.



- (c) 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 Area. Tags shall not be moved 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. See also subsection (k).
- (d) 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 1 Conservation Enforcement Supervisor, two Conservation Enforcement Officers, District 1 Supervising Wildlife Biologist, and the Area Wildlife Biologist for Swan Creek AREA. See also subsection (k) concerning the authority of the Blind Governing Committee.
- (e) 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. See also subsection (k).
- (f) Selected blinds must be anchored within 10 feet of the appropriate blind location marker. Blinds must remain within 10 feet of the blind location marker during the entire waterfowl season. Blind markers shall not be moved or otherwise altered or tampered with. No blind may be attached to the location marker in any way. If a blind is found to be attached to a marker, all hunters in the blind will be deemed to be in violation of this regulation. If it is determined by the blind governing committee that a blind marker has been moved or otherwise altered or tampered with, that blind shall be subject to disqualification from hunting by the Blind Governing Committee. See also subsection (k).
- (g) Blinds may not be locked at any time. Any blind unoccupied by the selected party 30 minutes prior to legal shottings hours may be utilized by the public.
- (h) Blinds must be completely removed from the WMA no later than the second Sunday in February.
- (i) Anyone launching a boat or preparing to hunt waterfowl within the dewatering unit may not depart any launch site or enter the water before 3:00 AM daily and must be out of the water no later than 7:00 PM daily.
- (j) Dewatering area access gates will be closed on the first Saturday in November at sunset and will be opened by 3:00 AM the opening day of waterfowl season. No activity is allowed in or around the dewatering unit during the period gates are closed.
- (k) The committee shall have the authority to disqualify any blind if a dispute occurs and it can not 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 area. 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 & Freshwater Fisheries Division.

- (8) Hunting on Cedar Creek, Crow Creek, Fred T. Stimpson, Portland Landing, Uchee Creek and Upper State Special Opportunity Areas (SOA) will be permitted through a limited quota permit system by random computerized selection. Participants are required to attain a Conservation Identification Number (CID) and apply through [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com) to register for a limited number of quota permits available for hunts on these AREAS. All Successful applicants must attain and have in possession a valid Alabama hunting license, WMA license, and state and federal duck stamps if applicable.

**Any violation of any rules, regulations, or law by permit holder or guest while hunting on any SOA will result in that individual forfeiting the remainder of their hunt and losing their eligibility for future SOA hunts.** Failure to participate in solicited hunt without providing Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries 7 days' prior notice of cancellation will result in that individual losing their eligibility for future SOA hunts. Hunters and guests shall only hunt and scout in their assigned hunt unit(s). All deer and turkey hunters are required to report all harvests per Gamecheck System requirements pursuant to regulation 220-2-.146. Other requirements for hunters participating in limited quota hunts on the SOAs include:

(a) **On Cedar Creek, Portland Landing and Uchee Creek SOA:**

1. It shall be unlawful to hunt on any SOA unless selected by random draw for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned SOA and hunt unit(s). The permit holder and one guest may only access (excluding approved scouting days) and hunt the assigned SOA and hunt unit(s) for those permitted days. No substitutions will be allowed.
2. Each deer hunt begins at noon on Day 1 and ends on Day 4 of the hunt at noon. On other days of the hunt, hunters may enter the SOA 1½ hour prior to legal sunrise and must exit the AREA by 1½ hour after legal sunset.
3. During deer and turkey hunts, travel to and from assigned hunt units shall be from 1½ hour prior to legal sunrise and up to 1½ hour after legal sunset and between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.
4. Antlered bucks harvested are required to have a minimum main beam spread of 16" (outside the ears) or 18" main beam (3x the length of the ear). One antlered buck and three antlerless deer per hunter per permit duration.
5. **Deer hunters are required** to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, and antler measurements on provided data forms at a SOA kiosk, as well as complete the hunter observation data sheet. Deer hunters are also required to extract the jawbone and leave it at SOA kiosk.
6. **Turkey hunters are required** to record the harvest date, weight, spur length, and beard length on provided data forms at a SOA kiosk, as well as complete the hunter observation data sheet.
7. **Hunters are required** to email pictures of their harvest to the managing biologist.

(b) **On Crow Creek SOA:**

1. Waterfowl Hunting:
  - a. It shall be unlawful to hunt on Crow Creek SOA unless selected by random draw for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned hunt unit. The permit holder and three guests may only access (excluding approved scouting days) and hunt the assigned hunt unit for those permitted times and days. No substitutions will be allowed.
  - b. It shall be unlawful to operate any motorized vehicle on the SOA without authorization.
  - c. It shall be unlawful to use gasoline-powered motors on the SOA.
  - d. Unauthorized activity is prohibited in the SOA. In addition, hunters may enter the

Crow Creek SOA at 4:00 AM; all hunting activity is prohibited after 12:00 noon; all parties should be off the SOA no later than 1:30 PM.

- e. It shall be unlawful to leave assigned hunt unit for any reason except when departing the SOA for the day.
- f. Temporary blinds may be used for the duration of the hunt and removed by permit holder. All such blinds left in said SOA after the hunt will be disposed of as deemed advisable by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- g. It shall be unlawful to have more than 25 shotgun shells per hunter in possession while hunting waterfowl on the SOA. This does not apply to Youth Waterfowl Days.
- h. It shall be unlawful for any limited quota permitted hunter to hunt without possessing a daily permit from kiosk self-service box located at entrance. When obtaining 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 hunter until the end of the day. The harvest report portion of the permit is to be filled out and deposited in return slot of the self-service box no later than 1:30 PM after each day.

2. Archery Deer Hunts:

- a. It shall be unlawful to hunt on Crow Creek SOA unless selected by random draw for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned hunt unit. The permit holder and one guest may only access (excluding approved scouting days) and hunt the assigned unit for those permitted times and days. No substitutions will be allowed.
- b. Each deer hunt begins at legal shooting hours, hunters may enter Crow Creek SOA 1 ½ hour prior to legal sunrise and must exit the AREA by 1½ hour after legal sunset.
- c. It shall be unlawful to operate any motorized vehicle on the SOA without authorization.
- d. It shall be unlawful to use gasoline-powered motors on the SOA.
- e. Unauthorized activity is prohibited in the SOA.
- f. It shall be unlawful to leave assigned hunt unit for any reason except when departing the SOA for the day.
- g. It shall be unlawful for any limited quota permitted hunter to hunt without possessing a daily permit for kiosk self-service box located at entrance. When obtaining 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 hunter until the end of the day. The harvest report portion of the permit is to be filled out and deposited in return slot of the self-service box no later than 6:30 PM after each day.
- h. One antlered buck and two unantlered deer per hunter per permit duration.

(c) **On Fred T. Stimpson SOA:**

1. Archery Deer Hunts:

- a. It shall be unlawful to hunt Fred T. Stimpson SOA unless selected by random draw for limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned hunt unit. The permit holder and one guest may only access (excluding approved scouting days) and hunt the assigned hunt unit for those permitted times and days. No substitutions will be allowed.
- b. The permit holder accompanied by one properly licensed guest hunter must sign in together. Hunters may sign in at 12:00 noon on Day 1 of the pre-selected hunt. There will be no entry after 3:00 PM. On all other Days sign-in begins at 5:00

AM. Travel to and from assigned hunt unit will only be permitted prior to legal sunrise and after legal sunset, with the exception of the hours between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. Only travel to and from hunt unit is permitted. On Days 1-3 hunters must sign out with 1 ½ hours after legal sunset. On Day 4 hunters must check out by 1:30 PM. Scouting is not permitted outside of your assigned hunt dates.

- c. One antlered buck and three unantlered deer per hunter per permit duration. All deer must be checked at check station prior to exiting the SOA.

2. Youth Gun Deer Hunts:

- a. The permit holders may be accompanied by two youth guest hunters and a properly licensed supervising adult 21 year old or older or parent of the youth. Hunters may only hunt in their assigned hunt unit on their specified hunt date. Only the youth may hunt.
- b. On the specified 2-day hunt hunters may sign in beginning at 5:00 AM. All hunters must be signed in prior to legal sunrise. All hunters must check out with 1 ½ hours after legal sunset. Travel to and from assigned hunt unit will be allowed between the hours of 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. Only travel to and from hunt unit is permitted.
- c. One antlered buck and two unantlered deer per hunter per permit duration. All deer must be checked out prior to exiting the SOA.

3. Youth Squirrel Hunts:

- a. The permit holders 21 years old or older must be accompanied by one youth hunter, and will be allowed to have two additional youth guest hunters and one properly licensed supervising adult 21 years old or older or parent of the youth, for a maximum of 5 hunters per party per hunt unit. Hunters are only allowed to hunt in their assigned hunt unit on their assigned hunt date. Both youth and supervisors are allowed to hunt.
- b. Permits will be issued at the check station beginning at 6:00 AM. Permitted hunters must exit the area within 1 hour after legal sunset. All squirrels harvested must be recorded at check station prior to leaving the SOA.

4. Youth Waterfowl Hunt:

- a. The permit holders 21 years old or older must be accompanied by one youth hunter and may have one additional guest youth hunter and one properly licensed supervising guest hunter 21 years old or older or the parent of the youth. Hunters may sign in beginning at 5:00 AM. Hunters must hunt in their assigned hunt unit on their specified hunt date. All ducks must be recorded at the check station prior to leaving the SOA. Both youth and supervisors are allowed to hunt.

**(d) On Upper State SOA:**

1. Archery Deer Hunts:

- a. It shall be unlawful to hunt on Upper State SOA unless selected by random draw for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned hunt unit. The permit holder and one guest may only access (excluding approved scouting days) and hunt the assigned hunt unit for those permitted times and days. No substitutions will be allowed.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any limited quote permitted hunter to hunt without possessing a daily permit obtained from kiosk self-service box located at the entrance. When obtaining permit, the tear-off stub with number matching daily permit must be filled out and deposited in slot of self-service box. The Harvest Report portion of the permit is to be retained in possession of hunter until the end of the day. The Harvest Report portion of the permit is to be filled out and deposited in return slot of the self-service box no later than 1½ hours after

legal sunset on Days 1-3 of hunt period. On Day 4 Harvest Report portions of the permit must be deposited in self-service box by 6:30 PM. A new permit is required for each day hunted.

- c. Deer hunters are required to record harvest date, sex, evidence of lactation, weight, and antler measurements for bucks, along with hunter observations on data forms located at SOA kiosk.
  - d. Each deer hunt begins at noon on Day 1 and ends at noon on Day 4. On days 2-4 hunters may enter the SOA 1½ hours before legal sunrise. On Days 1-3 hunters must exit the area by 1½ hours after legal sunset. After legal sunrise hunters may only travel to and from assigned hunt unit between the hours of 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. The hunt will conclude at 12:00 noon on Day 4 and hunters must exit the area by 6:30 PM. Scouting is not permitted outside of the dates for which you are drawn to hunt.
  - e. One antlered buck and three unantlered deer per hunter per permit duration. All deer must be checked at check station prior to exiting the SOA.
- (9) A Wildlife Management Area License (required for deer, turkey, and waterfowl), PLUS the applicable Resident or Non-Resident Hunting License [for Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age and for non-residents 16 years of age and older], PLUS a Wildlife Management Area Permit [free of charge], are required for hunting on AREAS; provided however, that properly licensed persons under the “Wildlife Heritage License” may hunt legal small game except waterfowl on AREAS without the other licenses described herein. PLUS, in order to hunt waterfowl on AREAS, all persons must have, in addition to the otherwise required licenses and permit, a HIP and valid State (ages 16 through 64) and a valid Federal (ages 16 and over) Waterfowl Stamp.

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## **220-2-.56     2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Hunting Seasons**

*NOTE: All antlered bucks harvested (excluding those bonus bucks validated by WFF personnel) on all Wildlife Management Areas must be included in each hunter's statewide three antlered buck limit for all combined seasons.*

*NOTE: As per 220-2-.55 (9) A Wildlife Management Area License (required for deer, turkey and waterfowl), PLUS the applicable Resident or Non-Resident Hunting License [for Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age and for non-residents 16 years of age and older], PLUS a Wildlife Management Area Permit [free or charge], are required for hunting on AREAS; provided however, that properly licensed persons under the “Wildlife Heritage License” may hunt legal small game except waterfowl on AREAS without the other licenses described herein. In order to hunt waterfowl on AREAS, all persons must have, in addition to the otherwise required licenses and permit, a HIP and valid State (ages 16 through 64) and Federal (ages 16 and over) Waterfowl Stamp.*

### **District I 2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northwest Alabama)**

- (a)     BLACK WARRIOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**     (Lawrence and Winston Counties)

#### **DEER:**

- Zone A     Gun- Special Early Hunt - Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only:** Nov. 15 – 17.  
One antlered buck a day.  
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, and Dec. 19-22. One antlered buck a day.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov 18-21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Jan. 14. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15 – Feb. 10. One antlered buck a day.

Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

## **Zone B**

**Gun- Special Early Hunt** – Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 8-10. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6 – 8 and Dec. 13 – 15. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18 -21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Jan. 14. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15 – Feb. 10. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks in Zone B must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.***

## **Zones A & B**

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 21 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 - May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of gun or primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed; Daylight Hours Only. One fox per day.

**CROW:** Sep. 14-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sep. 1-15 and Mar. 2-15. Permitted firearms and

archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.  
**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(b) FREEDOM HILLS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Colbert County)

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Hunters must submit all harvested deer at check station for data collection.

**Zones A & B** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, Dec. 5-8, Dec. 19-22. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested on Saturday hunts must be presented at check station for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

*\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on days of youth deer hunts. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

**Zone A** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 8-12 and Jan. 29-Feb. 2. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested on Saturdays must be presented at check station for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

**Zone B** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15-19 and Feb. 5-9. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested on Saturdays must be presented at check station for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board.

**DOVE:** State seasons (opening day – 12:00 noon to sunset; remainder of season – ½ hour before sunrise to sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of youth and gun deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-30 and Feb. 1-29 (nighttime hours only). Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun deer and primitive weapons hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of youth and gun deer hunts.

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(c) **LAUDERDALE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Lauderdale County)

**DEER:**

**Zones A & B** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 28 – Dec 1, Jan. 2-5 (**Jan. 4 BO-NUS BUCK DAY, must be validated by WFF personnel**), and Jan. 10-12, One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested must be recorded at check station on all Saturdays for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Zone A** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 5 -8 and Dec. 18-22. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested must be presented at check station on all Saturdays for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

**Zone B** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 12-15 and Dec. 26-29. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested must be presented at the check station on all Saturdays for data collection. Check station will be open from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 21 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at check station or hunter information board.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of primitive weapons



and gun deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1-30 and Feb. 1-29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceeding or nights of scheduled primitive weapons and gun deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed; Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(d) RIVERTON COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA**

(Colbert County)

**DEER:** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Open each Wednesday and Saturday of the regular Gun Deer Season in Colbert County, and from Nov. 23-30, Dec. 14-22, and Jan. 11-19. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested must be recorded at permit boxes.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested must be recorded at permit boxes.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at permit boxes.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only. All turkey harvested must be recorded at permit boxes.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-March 8. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1-30 and Feb. 1-29 (Nighttime hours only). Fox: Dogs Only, No Weapons.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer and primitive weapons hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer and primitive weapons hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(e) SAM R. MURPHY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Lamar & Marion Counties)

- DEER:**      **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice Nov. 16. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 25-30, Dec. 12-15, Dec. 26-Jan. 2, Jan. 9-12 and Jan. 23-26. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov 18-21. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Harvested deer must be recorded at the check station.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Regular-** Mar. 21-May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Harvested turkeys must be recorded on the form at the check station.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- QUAIL:**      Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting – Dogs Only – No Weapons.
- SNIPE:**      State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun deer and primitive weapons hunts.
- WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- DOVE:**      State season (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- CROW:**      Sep. 1-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WATERFOWL:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.
- FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sep. 1-8 and Feb. 15-23 Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(f) SEVEN-MILE ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Lauderdale County)

**(1) ALL AREAS OF SEVEN-MILE ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA EXCEPT KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE:**

- DEER:**      **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice Dec. 26 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered and one antlered. All deer harvested must be recorded at permit box.
- WATERFOWL:** State Season.

**GOOSE:** State Season.

**SPECIAL TEAL SEASON:** State Season.

**YOUTH WATERFOWL:** State Season.

**DOVE:** State Season (12:00 Noon until sunset on opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset.).

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**SNIPE:** State Season.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only). Fox hunting: Dogs Only – No Weapons.

**CROW & STARLING:** Sep. 14-Feb. 29.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season

**RAIL:** State Season.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE, BEAVER & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sept. 15-Oct. 27. Shotguns using slugs only, primitive weapons, bow and arrow and crossbows. Hunter Orange Requirements as on WMA Gun Deer Hunts would also apply. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

**BOW-FISHING:** Mar. 1-Aug. 31 (Nongame fish only).

**(2) KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE: HUNTING ALLOWED ONLY FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIES AND ONLY ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING SEASONS: (Lauderdale County)**

**DOVE:** State Season (12:00 Noon until sunset on opening days, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset).

**SQUIRREL & RABBIT:** Sep. 14-Mar. 1. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29.

**DEER, FERAL SWINE, WATERFOWL, COYOTE, BOBCAT & FOX:** CLOSED.

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**(g) SWAN & MALLARD-FOX CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Limestone, Morgan, and Lawrence Counties)

**DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES BELOW.** EACH hunter must obtain daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service kiosk. Permits will be available at the entrance roads to Main Launch, West Dike, Dairy, Road, and at the District 1 Office on Harris Station Road for Swan Creek WMA; at County Line Road and Flower Hill Road for Mallard-Fox Creek WMA or other data collection stations. SEE MAP.

ALL HARVEST (big and small game) MUST BE RECORDED AT ONE OF THE LOCATIONS LISTED ABOVE.

**DEER:** Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Nov. 22. Two deer A day, one unantlered and one antlered buck. **Hunters must record all harvested**

**deer on permit and return at Daily Permit Boxes or kiosks.**

**WATERFOWL:** State Seasons. **Hunters must record all harvested deer on permit and return at Daily Permit Boxes or kiosks.**

**SANDHILL CRANE:** By draw permit only. Dec. 3-Jan. 5 and Jan. 16-31 (Sunrise to 12:00 noon).

**Limit of 1 box (25 shells per person) in possession on Swan Creek WMA while waterfowl hunting. No waterfowl hunting in Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays except for the last 14 days of the waterfowl season. All activity prohibited in the dewatering unit on these days.**

**DOVE:** State Season. (Noon until sunset.)

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29 (Nighttime Hours Only). Dogs Only – No Weapons.

**CROW, STARLING & PIGEON:** Sep. 7-Feb. 29 (Closed During Regular Waterfowl Season).

**QUAIL:** Closed Season.

**SNIPE:** State Season

**WOODCOCK:** State Season

**RAIL:** State Season

**BOBCAT, BEAVER, FOX & COYOTE:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29.

Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

**BOW FISHING:** Mar. 1-Aug. 31 – Non-game fish only.

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## **District II 2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northeast Alabama)**

- (h) **CHOCOLOCOCO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA and MT. LONGLEAF NWR SEGMENT** (Calhoun and Cleburne Counties)

**DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES BELOW. Hunters must obtain daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service kiosk. Permits will be available at the check station at the intersection of Forest Service Road 522 and AL HWY 9, intersection of Forest Service Road 500 and Forest Service Road 553, Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, Bains Gap Road, or other data collection stations. SEE MAP. ALL HARVEST (big or small game) MUST BE RECORDED AT ONE OF THE LOCATIONS LISTED ABOVE.**

### **DEER:**

**Zones A & B Youth - Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice:** Nov. 16-17. One deer A day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Hunters must record all harvested deer on permit and return at check station or kiosks.**

**Gun- Special Early Hunt Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only:** Zone A - Nov. 9, Zone B – Nov. 10. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Hunters must submit all harvest deer at check stations located on FS road 522 and AL Hwy 9 for Nov. 10 or at the intersection of FS roads 500 & 553 for Nov. 9**

for data collection.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer a day, either one unantlered or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Hunters must record all harvested deer on permit and return at check station or kiosks.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on days of youth deer hunt. Hunters must record all harvested deer on permit and return at check station or kiosks. Archery Hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations if hunting in zone open to gun deer hunting.

### **Zone A**

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-8 and Dec. 20-22. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Check station at intersection of Forest Service Road 500 and Forest Service Road 553 will be opened for data collection on Nov. 23-24, Dec. 6-7 and Dec. 20-21. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at the check station. When check station is closed hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or kiosks located within Zone A.

### **Zone B**

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov.30-Dec. 1. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 13-15 and Dec. 27-29. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Check station at intersection of Forest Service Road 522 and Alabama Hwy. 9 will be opened for data collection on Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 13-14 and Dec. 27-28. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at the check station. When check station is closed hunters must record all harvested deer on permit and return at check station or kiosks located in Zone B.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

### **Zones A & B**

**TURKEY:** Youth- Mar. 21-22 (daylight hours). Gobblers only.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar.27 (daylight hours). Gobblers only.

**Regular-** Mar. 28-May 3 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful turkey hunters must record their harvest on daily permit and return at either the check station located at the intersection of Hwy 9 & FS road 522, check station located at intersection of FS road 500 & 553, or kiosk SEE MAP

**DOVE:** State Season (12:00 noon until sunset). **Closed on Mt. Longleaf NWR Segment.**

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT:** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.

**SQUIRREL: (Gray)** Sep. 14-Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.  
(Fox) Closed.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting

on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons. **No dogs - daylight hours only on Mt. Longleaf NWR Segment.**

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:** Oct. 2-10 and Mar. 1-10. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts. **Closed on Mt. Longleaf NWR Segment.**

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(i) **COOSA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Coosa County)

**DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW.**

Hunter's must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service kiosk. Permits will be available at the check station across from Mt. Moriah Church and kiosks at entrance to Weogufka Tract off County Road 56, WMA boundary on Road 11, Double Bridges on County Road 29, intersection of County Road 27 & WMA Road 72, and Alabama Power Company Higgins Ferry Park accessed by Chilton County Road 28.

**DEER: Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antler buck restrictions apply.*

**Hunters must record all harvested deer on daily permit and return at check station or kiosk.**

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer harvested on these dates must be checked in for mandatory data collection at the check station across from Mt. Moriah Church or mobile check station on WMA Rd. 11.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 11-13, Jan. 25-26 and Feb. 8-9. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Any deer harvested must be checked in for mandatory data collection at the check station across from Mt. Moriah Church on Nov. 29-30, Dec. 26-28, Jan. 11-12, Jan. 25-26 and Feb. 8-9.

**Hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return at check station or a kiosk on days when check station is closed.**

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 20-22. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Hunters must have daily permit and record all harvests at check station or kiosks.**

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. **Hunters must have daily permit and record all harvests on the daily permit and return at check**

**station or kiosks on days when check station is closed.** Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations during gun hunts.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.***

**DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR ALL TURKEY AND SMALL GAME HUNTING.**

Daily Permits will be available at the check station across from Mt. Moriah Church and kiosks at entrance to Weogufka Tract off County Road 56, WMA boundry on Road 11, Double Bridges on County Road 29, intersection of County Road 27 & WMA Road 72, and Alabama Power Company Higgins Ferry Park accessed by Chilton County Road 28. All hunters must possess a daily permit and report results of hunt an the Check Station or Kiosk.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14-15 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset on opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise to sunset). Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer and feral swine hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**CROW:** Sep. 7 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1 –Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:** Sept. 1-9 and Mar. 1-9. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29.

Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(j) CROW CREEK, MUD CREEK AND RACCOON CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND COON GULF TRACT (Jackson County)**

**DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW.**

**Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at check station or a self-service kiosk. SEE MAP FOR LOCATIONS.**

**Crow Creek, Mud Creek & Raccoon Creek MWA's-**

**DEER:** Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice: Oct. 19 – Nov. 3. Two deer a day – one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons (½ hour before sunrise to sunset).

**SANDHILL CRANE:** By draw permit only. Dec. 3-Jan.5 and Jan. 16-31 (Sunrise to 12:00 noon).

**Limit of 1 box (25 shells per person) in possession on all Jackson County WMA'S while waterfowl and sandhill crane hunting. No waterfowl or sandhill crane hunting in Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek dewatering impoundments (outline in map/regulation form) or Crow Creek WMA on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All activity prohibited in these locations on these days. No gasoline powered motors allowed in Mud Creek (Wannville) dewatering unit and Raccoon Creek dewatering unit north of HWY 117.**

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset Fri.-Sun.; ½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon.-Thu.).

**QUAIL:** CLOSED

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 14 - Feb 29. (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**CROW & STARLING:** Sep. 7 – Feb. 29.

**RAIL, WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** State season.

**FERAL SWINE (Archery Only):** Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

**BOWFISHING:** Mar. 1 – Aug. 31. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

### **Coon Gulf Tract:**

**DEER:** Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24, Nov. 29-Dec. 1 and Jan. 17-19. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. No hunting on days of youth deer hunt.

**TURKEY:** Youth- Mar. 21-22 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Regular-** Mar. 28-May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset Fri.-Sun.; ½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon.-Thu.).

**QUAIL:** CLOSED

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapon



ons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**BLACKBIRD, CROW & STARLING:** Sep. 7 –Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RAIL, WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** State seasons.

**WATERFOWL:** NO OPEN SEASON.

**FERAL SWINE (Archery Only):** Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

**BOWFISHING:** May 1 – Aug. 31. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

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**(k) NORTH SAUTY AND CROW CREEK WATERFOWL REFUGES** (Jackson County)

**DEER:** **Archery Only-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 19 – Nov. 3. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Sauta Cave NWR – closed to deer hunting.**

**DOVE:** FIRST SEGMENT STATE SEASON (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise to sunset Fri.-Sun.; ½ hr. before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon. – Thu.).

**QUAIL:** CLOSED

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Oct. 24 and Feb. 9 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM:** Sep. 14 – Oct. 24. (nighttime hours only). No hunting on days of archery deer hunting.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**WATERFOWL:** NO OPEN SEASON.

**FERAL SWINE:** Sept. 1-9 & May 1-8. (Archery, Rimfire and Shotguns with slugs only). Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Jan. 31. (water or land sets), Feb. 1-29 (water sets only). Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

**BOWFISHING:** May 1 – Aug. 31. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required

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**(l) HOLLINS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Clay & Talladega Counties)

**DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW, AND NON-HUNTING RELATED WMA USER ACTIVITIES. DAILY PERMITS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT SELF SERVICE BOXES LOCATED AT LOCATIONS LISTED BELOW.**

Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service box in the open zone.

**PERMIT LOCATIONS:**

**Zone A-** Permits available at kiosks located at intersection of Hwy 148 and Forest Service Road 607, the intersection of Forest Service Road 615 and Forest Service Road 616, and the intersection of Trammel Road (Forest Service Road 603) and Hwy.

148, and intersections of Horns Valley Road and Forest Service Road 662-A.

**Zone B-** Permits available at the check station located on Clay Co. Rd. 4 in Hollins and kiosks located on the east side of Bull Gap Road and the intersection of Trammel Road (Forest Service Road 603) and Hwy. 148.

**DEER:**

**Zones A & B** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or kiosks.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.*** Any deer harvested must be checked in at the check station on Clay County Rd. 4 in Hollins or mobile check stations at the intersection of Forest Roads 616 and 607.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-20 and Jan. 3-5. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.*** All deer harvested must be checked in at check station on Clay County Rd. 4 in Hollins on Jan. 5. Hunters must have daily permit and record all harvested deer at check station or kiosks when check station is closed.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks on days of antlered buck only gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.*** Hunters must have daily permit and record results of hunt at check station or kiosks. Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

**Zone A**

**DEER: Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-8, Jan. 18 – 20, and Feb. 1-2. One antlered buck a day. Any deer harvested must be checked in at the mobile check station at the intersection of Forest Service Roads 616 and 607 for mandatory data collection on Dec. 7, Jan. 18-19, and Feb. 1. When mobile check station is closed, Hunters must record all harvested deer at Zone A kiosks.

**Zone B**

**DEER: Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 13-15, Dec. 21-23, Jan. 25-26 and Feb. 7-8. One antlered buck per day. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.*** Any deer harvested must be checked in at the check station located on Clay County Rd. 4 in Hollins for mandatory data collection on on all Zone B gun hunt dates. When check station is closed, Hunters must record results of hunt at check station or Zone B kiosks.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks in Zone B must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.***

**Zones A & B: DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR ALL TURKEY AND SMALL GAME HUNTING**

Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at a kiosk self-service box. Permits for Zone A will be available at kiosks located at intersection of Hwy 148 and Forest Service Road 607, the intersection of Forest Service Road 615 and Forest Service Road 616, and the intersection of Trammel Road (Forest Service Road 603)

and Hwy 148, and the intersection of Horns Valley Road and Forest Service Road 662-A. Permits for **Zone B** will be available at the check station located on Clay Co Rd. 4 in Hollins and kiosks located on the east side of Bull Gap Road and the intersection of Trammel Road (Forest Service Road 603) and Hwy 148.

- TURKEY:**     **Archery-** Nov. 21-27 and Dec. 18-26. Gobblers only. No turkey hunting on days of gun deer hunts.  
                  **Youth-** Mar. 21-22 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
                  **Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
                  **Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
- DOVE:**       State seasons. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- QUAIL:**       Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.
- BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.
- CROW:**       Sep. 7 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.
- FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:** Mar. 1-10. Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

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(m)     **JAMES D. MARTIN-SKYLINE WMA**     (Jackson County)

**DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW. Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at check station or a self-service kiosk. SEE MAP FOR LOCATIONS**

**DEER:**

- Zones A & B**     **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*  
                  **Primitive Weapon-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21, and Dec. 6-8. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*  
                  **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks on days of antlered buck only gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

*\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

**Zone A**

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24, and Nov. 29 - Dec. 1. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 13–15, Dec. 20-22, Dec. 27 – Jan. 1, Jan. 10-12, Jan. 24 – 26 and Jan. 31-Feb. 2. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

**Zone B**

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-24, Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Dec. 13-15, Dec. 20-22, Dec. 27 - Jan. 1, Jan. 10-12, Jan. 24-26 and Jan. 31 - Feb. 2. **Check Station open every Saturday when hunts are in progress and Nov. 29 for biological data collection.**

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks in Zone A must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). Wednesdays and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT:** **(Zone A)-** Oct. 1 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.  
**(Zone B)-** Feb. 4 – Mar. 1.

**SQUIRREL:** Oct. 1 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 14 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:** Mar. 9-13 Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on WMA. NO buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

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**(n) LITTLE RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Cherokee and DeKalb Counties)

**DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNT-**

**ING ON DATES LISTED BELOW. Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at the check station or self-service kiosk. SEE MAP FOR LOCATIONS.**

**ALL HARVEST (BIG AND SMALL GAME) MUST BE RECORDED AT CHECK STATION OR KIOSK (SEE MAP FOR LOCATIONS) ON DAYS WHEN CHECK STATION IS CLOSED.**

**DEER:**        **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All hunters must return results of hunt at check station or kiosk.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23, Nov. 29-Dec. 1 and Dec. 6-8. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. \* ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Check station will be opened for biological data collection on Nov. 23, Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 6-7. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. When check station is closed hunters must record result of hunt on daily permit and return at check station or kiosk.

**Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only:** Dec. 13-15, Dec. 27-29, and Jan. 17- 19. One antlered buck a day. \* ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Check station will be opened for data collection on Dec. 13-14, Dec. 27-28, and Jan. 17-18. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. When Check Station is Closed hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return at check station or a kiosk.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Dec. 23-26. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. \* ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** All hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return at the check station or at the kiosk. SEE MAP

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. \* ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return at the check station or kiosk. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks on days of antlered buck only gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or Longer) on at least one main beam.***

**TURKEY:**    **Youth-** Mar. 14-15 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.

**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must records results of hunt on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.

**DOVE:**        State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:**        Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons

deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:** Mar. 1-10. Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

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**(o) MARTIN COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA (Tallapoosa County)**

**DEER:** Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 1. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**TURKEY:** Youth- Mar. 28 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

Regular- April 1 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 28

**WOODCOCK:** State Season

**CROW:** Sept. 8 – Mar. 3

**FERAL SWINE & COYOTE:** Open during any other scheduled WMA hunting seasons using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed.

**WATERFOWL:** State Season.

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**District III 2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Central-West Central Alabama)**

**(p) CHARLES D. KELLEY – AUTAUGA COUNTY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Autauga County)**

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT FOR ALL HUNTS** (One map permit a hunter each season.

**DEER:** Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day-either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Maddox Drive or contact the area biologist. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact area biologist.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-24, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 1-5, Jan. 17-19 and Feb 6-9. One antlered buck a day. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All hunters must record their harvest at the log in the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact the area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 18-21. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact the area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon to sunset). Wednesdays and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.14 – Mar. 8. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 21 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest on the log at the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact the area biologist.

**Physically Disabled-** March 27 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact the area biologist.

**Regular-** Mar. 28-May 3 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Mattocks Drive or contact the area biologist.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**CROW:** Sep. 7 – Mar. 1. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**GOOSE:** Sep. 1-4 (½ hr. before sunrise to sunset). 5 geese a day. No goose hunting allowed on dove field.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**FALCONRY:** Legally permitted falconers may take migratory game birds (not more than three (3) per day in aggregate combination) and resident game birds and animals following the State seasons and bag limits (Except on Saturdays and Wednesdays of the State dove season).

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(q) **WILLIAM R. IRELAND, SR. – CAHABA RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Bibb and Shelby Counties)

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT FOR ALL HUNTS** (One map permit a hunter each season)

**DEER:** **Youth**– Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. Two deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WAM users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist. **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

**Gun**- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 30-Dec. 1. Two deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. The check station will be from from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to record harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-24, Dec. 13-15 Dec. 20-22, Dec. 27-29, Jan. 10-12, and Jan. 24-26 (**Jan. 25 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel at check station prior to leaving Area**). One antlered buck a day. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist.

*\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

**Primitive Weapons**- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Jan. 18-20. Two deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

**Archery**- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.* **Archery deer hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge.** Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth**– Mar. 14-15 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify the Area Biologist.

**Physically Disabled**– Mar. 20 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify the Area Biologist.

**Regular**– Mar. 21 – May. 3 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify the Area Biologist.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). Wednesdays and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**



**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX :** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**STARLINGS & CROWS:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on Cahaba River Refuge.**

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons (½-hour before sunrise until sunset). No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**

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**(r) DAVID K. NELSON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Greene, Hale, Marengo & Sumter Counties)

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT FOR ALL HUNTS** (One map permit a hunter each season)

**DEER: Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. Two deer a day – either one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify the Area Biologist.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24, Dec. 6-12. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify the Area Biologist. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 28-29, Jan.3-9, Jan. 17-19, Jan. 24-26, and Feb. 1-5. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify the Area Biologist. One antlered buck a day. ***\* Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Dec. 21-24. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify the Area Biologist. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify the Area Biologist. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

**\*Damsite and Daub's Swamp Units (\*Antlered buck restrictions apply)**

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch of longer) on at least one main beam.*

- TURKEY:** **Youth**– Mar. 14-15 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at a kiosk or notify Area Biologist.  
**Physically Disabled**– Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify Area Biologist.  
**Regular**– Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the kiosk or notify Area Biologist.
- DOVE:** State season (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.
- FERAL SWINE:** Mar. 1-8. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at a kiosk or notify Area Biologist.
- SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.
- WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WATERFOWL:** **Daub's Swamp, Dead Lake, and Spidle Lake Units.**  
State season (1/2 hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). No waterfowl hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange during gun deer season.

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**(s) LOWNDES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Lowndes County)

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT FOR ALL HUNTS** (One map permit a hunter each season)

**Dutch Bend Tract**

- DEER:** **Archery Only-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck per day.  
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.
- TURKEY:** Mar. 28-May 3 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify area biologist.
- DOVE:** State Season (12:00 noon until sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. Hunting allowed Saturdays, Mondays, and

Wednesdays only. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2-Feb. 29. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.

**SNIPE:** State Season. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.

**WATERFOWL:** State season. (½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). Saturdays, Mondays, and Wednesdays only.

**FERAL SWINE & COYOTE:** Open during any other scheduled Hunting

Season on the Dutch Bend Tract using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

### **Remainder of Lowndes WMA**

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or notify area biologist.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24, Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Dec. 13-15, and Dec. 27-29. One deer a day - either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 1-5, Jan. 17-19, and Feb. 1-2. **(Jan. 4 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel at the check station prior to leaving the Area).** The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Dec. 2-7. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 - Feb. 10. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck per day. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.***

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 21 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at a kiosk or check station prior to hunting. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify area biologist.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in at the kiosk or check station prior to hunting. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or notify area biologist.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 - May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk or notify area biologist.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**CROW:** Sep.1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**RACCOON & OPPOSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only).

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons (½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). Saturdays, Mondays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sept.1 - 10 and Feb. 25 - Mar. 8. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(t) MULBERRY FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Tuscaloosa and Walker Counties)

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMITS FOR ALL HUNTS** (One map permit a hunter each season)

**DEER: Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 6-7. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-24, Nov. 30-Dec. 2, Dec. 20-22, Dec. 28-29, Jan. 1-5, Jan. 17-19 and Feb. 7-10. One antlered buck a day. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

*\*Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Jan. 21-27. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Antlered bucks only during buck only gun hunts.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler*

*points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY: Youth-** Mar. 14-15 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk or contact area biologist.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

**Regular-** Mar. 21 - May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest daily at Check Station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar.8. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only).

**DOVE:** State season (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**CROW:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State season (½ hour before sunrise to noon). No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Hunt):** Sep. 1-3 and Mar. 1-8. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(u) OAKMULGEE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Bibb, Hale, Perry & Tuscaloosa Counties)

**HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT FOR ALL HUNTS**

(One map permit a hunter each season)

**DEER: Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. one deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Successful hunters must record harvest at check station or kiosk.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23 - 24, and Dec. 27-29. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Dec. 18-22, and Jan. 10-12. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Dec. 10-15. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. The check station will be open from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Saturday during a gun deer hunt to collect harvest data and assist WMA users. All deer harvested must be recorded

at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

*\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth**– Mar. 21 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk or contact area biologist.

**Physically Disabled**– Mar. 27 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

**Regular**– Mar. 28 – May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2– Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (Nighttime Hours Only).

**DOVE:** State season (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**CROW:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**FERAL SWINE (Special Hunt):** Sep. 1-10. Permitted firearms & bow and arrow and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Successful hunters must record harvest at Check Station, kiosk, or contact area biologist.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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## **District IV 2019 – 2020 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (South-east Alabama)**

### **(v) BARBOUR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Barbour & Bullock Counties)

#### **DEER:**

**Zones A & B Youth**- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24 and Jan. 9-11 (**Jan.11 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 23-25 and Feb. 7-9. (A limited number of hunter's choice permits may be issued). One antlered buck a

day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. No archery hunting on day(s) of Youth Deer Hunt.

**Zone A** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 2-8 and Dec. 16-22. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Small game hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting.

**Zone B** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 9-15 and Dec. 23-29. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Small game hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting.

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14-15 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Regular-** Mar. 28 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**DOVE:** State seasons (opening day - 12:00 noon to sunset; remainder of season - ½ hour before sunrise to sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 14 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting – dogs only, no weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed; Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(w) BLUE SPRING WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Covington County)

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23 and Nov. 30. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*  
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 20-22, Jan. 10-11, Jan. 24-26 and Feb. 7-10. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Dog-** Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 13-14 and Dec. 27-28. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. No hunting on days of youth and dog deer hunts. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (daylight until 1 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon to sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep.14 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FOX :** Sep. 1 – Oct. 14 (daylight hunting permitted). Dogs only – no weapons. Oct. 15 – Feb. 28 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.



**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. No hunting permitted on Open, Buck, Ditch, and Blue Ponds.  
**FURBEARER TRAPPING:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29 (Excluding Dec. 13-14 and Dec. 27-28). Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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(x) **BOGGY HOLLOW WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Covington County)

**DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR ALL DEER, TURKEY AND SMALL GAME HUNTING.** Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at kiosk self-service box.

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. Hunting allowed only on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays of State season. One antlered buck a day.  
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Hunting allowed only on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays of state season. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (daylight until 1 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.  
**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.  
**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1 pm). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**SQUIRREL & RABBIT:** Sept. 14 - Mar. 8. Hunting only on Thursdays and Fridays of State Season. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sept. 14 – Feb. 29. Night time hunting only except on Wednesday, Saturday, and Youth deer hunt day.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. Hunting only on Wednesdays and Saturdays of state season.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 17 – Feb. 16. Hunting only on Wednesdays and Saturdays of state season. 4 Quail per person per day.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING:** Feb. 17 – Feb. 28. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

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(y) **GENEVA STATE FOREST WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Covington and Geneva Counties)

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23-24, Dec. 17-21 and Jan. 1-5. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*  
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15-19 and Feb. 1-10 (**Feb.8 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*  
**Dog-** Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-7. One antlered buck a day. By Limited quota permit only. Dogs must be approved by DCNR personnel. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. No hunting on days of dog deer hunts. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

*\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.*

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (daylight until 1:00p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (daylight until 1:00p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**DOVE:** State seasons (12:00 noon to sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 14 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting - dogs only, no weapons.

**COYOTE, BOBCAT & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only. One fox a day.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29 (Excluding Dec. 6-7). Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(z) GOTHARD-AWF YATES LAKE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Elmore County)**

**DEER:**

**Zones A & B** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer a day- either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-24, Jan. 23 - Feb. 2.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer a day- either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 15-Feb. 10. One deer a day-

either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

**Zones A**     **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Dec. 13-15, Dec. 27-31, Jan. 9-12. One antlered buck a day.

**Zones B**     **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-8, Dec. 20-24, Jan. 2-5, and Jan. 16-19. One antlered buck a day.

### **Zones A & B**

**TURKEY:**     **Youth-** Mar. 14-15 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only.  
                  **Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only.  
                  **Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sept. 14 – March 8. (except on days of youth and primitive weapons deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 14 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting - dogs only, no weapons.

**QUAIL:**        Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. (except on days of youth and primitive weapons deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. (except on days of youth and primitive weapons deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

**CROW:**        Sep. 1 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

**FERAL SWINE & COYOTE:** Open during any other legal WMA hunting season using weapons and ammunition approved for those WMA hunts (No Dogs Allowed; Daylight hours only).

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from D-IV office. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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## **District V 2019-2020 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Southwest Alabama)**

### **(aa)    GRAND BAY SAVANNA COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA** (Mobile County)

**DEER:**        **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23 - Feb. 10 Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only. One antlered buck a day. Shotguns with slugs and primitive weapons only. No dogs allowed.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day.

                  Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25– Feb. 10. One deer a day – either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**DOVE:**        State seasons.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.14 – Mar. 8. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

**RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM :** Sept. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.

**FERAL SWINE, COYOTE, BOBCAT & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only. One fox a day.

**SNIPE:** State Season.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season.

**CROW:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29.

**RAIL:** State seasons.

**WATERFOWL:** State seasons.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(bb) MOBILE-TENSAW DELTA AND W. L. HOLLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Baldwin and Mobile Counties)

**Jacinto Port Tract:**

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day.  
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 – Oct. 13 & Feb. 11 – Mar. 8. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**FERAL SWINE & COYOTE:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season on the Jacinto Port Tract using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. No centerfire rifles allowed on the Jacinto Port Tract.

**(Remainder of Mobile-Tensaw Delta and W. L. Holland Wildlife Management Areas Including Tom Roush Tract):**

**DEER:** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the State Gun Deer Season Nov. 23 – Feb. 10. One antlered buck a day. No Dogs Allowed.  
**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day.  
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Regular-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**WATERFOWL:** State Season (½ hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m.), (Further restrictions apply for the Mobile-Tensaw Delta Waterfowl Management Zone within the WMA, see Alabama Waterfowl Hunting Guide).

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sept. 14 – Mar. 8. Fox Squirrel season closed during February & March.

**DOVE:** State Season.  
**SNIPE:** State Season.  
**WOODCOCK:** State Season.  
**CROW:** Sep. 1 - Feb. 29.  
**RAIL:** State Season.  
**RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only).  
 Fox: Dog only -No weapons.  
**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.  
**FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sep. 1 – 10. Dog hunting allowed. Daylight Hours Only.  
**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29.  
 Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(cc) PERDIDO RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Balwin County)

**DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 23 and Nov. 29 -Nov. 30. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. A predetermined percentage of the permits issued will be Hunter's Choice permits.  
 Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 13-15, Jan. 3-5, Jan. 17-19, and Jan. 31 – Feb. 2 (**Feb.1 Bonus buck day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). One antlered buck a day.  
**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21 and Dec. 16-20. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.  
**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day.  
 Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 - Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only on antlered bucks only gun hunts.

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 21 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 27 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.  
**Regular-** Mar. 28-May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 14 - Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

**QUAIL:** Nov. 2 - Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of all youth, gun, and primitive weapons hunts. Fox hunting: Dogs Only – No Weapons.

**DOVE:** State Season (Thursdays and Saturdays only; Noon until sunset). No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WATERFOWL:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun and muzzleloader deer hunts.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**CROW:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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**(dd) UPPER DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
(Baldwin & Mobile Counties)

**DEER:**

**Zones A & B:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23. One antlered buck a day.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 13-14. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Dog-** Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-7 and Dec. 27-28. One antlered buck a day. Dog deer hunts shall start no earlier than 7:00 a.m.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Jan. 17-19. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

**Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 25 - Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only on antlered bucks only gun hunts. No archery hunting on Nov. 16 Youth Deer Hunt.

**Zone A:** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 3-5 and Jan. 31-Feb. 2. One antlered buck a day.

**Zone B:** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 6-12 and Jan. 24-26. One antlered buck a day.

**Dog-** Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 25-30. One antlered buck a day. Dog deer hunts shall start no earlier than 7:00 a.m.

**Zones A & B:**

**TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Physically Disabled-** Mar. 20 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**Regulars-** Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

**WATERFOWL:** **Zone A-** State Season (1/2 hour before sunrise to 1:00 pm). No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**Zone B-** State Season (1/2 hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m.).

**DOVE:** State Season (Saturdays only). No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**SQUIRREL & RABBIT-** Sept. 14 - Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February.

**SNIPE:** State Season. No hunting days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**WOODCOCK:** State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**CROW:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

**FOX, RACCOON & OPOSSUM-** Sep. 1- Feb. 29 (Nighttime hours only). No hunting

on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: Dogs only - No weapons.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

## **(2) 2019-2020 Special Opportunity Area Hunting Seasons**

### **District II 2019-2020 Special Opportunity Hunting Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northeast Alabama)**

#### **a) CROW CREEK SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA (Jackson County)**

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 18-20, Nov. 1-3 and Nov. 8-10. One antlered buck and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 3-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter permit holder. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specific hunt date and in specified unit.

**WATERFOWL:** Dec. 14-15, Dec. 21-22, Dec. 28-29, Jan. 4-5, Jan. 11-12, Jan. 18-19, Jan. 25-26. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have three properly licensed hunting guests on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Hunters are required to remain in their assigned hunt unit on their specified hunt date. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw. All state shooting times and bag limits apply.

**WATERFOWL (Youth):** Feb. 1. By limited quota permit only for youth hunter permit holder and up to three youth hunting guests. The group must be supervised by at least one properly licensed adult serving as the supervising adult, 21 years or older or the parent of the youth hunter. Hunters are required to remain in their assigned hunt unit on their specified hunt date. Only youth are allowed to hunt. Permit and specified hunt zone to be determined through random draw. All state shooting times and bag limits apply.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

### **District III 2019-2020 Special Opportunity Hunting Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Central-West Central Alabama)**

#### **b) CEDAR CREEK SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA**

(Dallas Caounty)

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 17-20, Oct. 24-27, and Oct. 31-Nov. 3. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer per hunter per 4-day hunt. *\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.* By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlerless Deer Only: Nov. 7-10. Four antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 5-8, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 2-5, Jan. 23-26, and Feb. 6-9. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer per hunter during 4-day hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have:***

- **Main beam spread width of 16" (outside the ears) or 18" main beam (3x length of the ear).**
- **Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, and antler measurements at kiosk.**
- **Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the district biologist.**

**TURKEY:** Mar. 28-30, Apr. 3-5, Apr. 17-19, Apr. 24-26 and May 1-3. One gobbler for each hunter during the 3-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**DOVE:** Sept. 7. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date. 12 noon until sunset.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Feb. 15-16, Feb. 22-23 and Feb. 29 – Mar. 1. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have three properly licensed hunting guests on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

## **c) PORTLAND LANDING SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA**

(Dallas County)

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 17-20, Oct.

24-27, Oct. 31-Nov. 3. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random



draw.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlerless Deer Only: Nov. 7-10. Four antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 5-8, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 2-5, Jan. 23-26, and Feb. 6-9. One antlered buck and 2 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. ***\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

***\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have:***

- **Main beam spread width of 16" (outside the ears) or 18" main beam (3x length of the ear).**
- **Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, and antler measurements at kiosk.**
- **Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the district biologist.**

**DOVE:** Sept. 7. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date. 12 noon until sunset.

**TURKEY:** Mar. 28-30, Apr. 3-5, Apr. 17-19, Apr. 24-26 and May 1-3. One gobbler for each hunter during the 3-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Feb. 15-16, Feb. 22-23 and Feb. 29-Mar. 1. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have three properly licensed hunting guests on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

## **District IV 2019-2020 Special Opportunity Hunting Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Central East Central, Southeast Alabama)**

### **d) UCHEE CREEK SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA**

(Russell County)

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 17-20, Oct. 24-27, Oct. 31 - Nov. 3. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the

4-day hunt. **\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlerless Deer Only: Nov. 7-10. Four antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 5-8, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 2-5, Jan. 23-26, and Feb. 6-9. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. **\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 18-21. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. **\*Antlered buck restrictions apply.** By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**\*To be legal for harvest, antlered bucks must have:**

- **Main beam spread width of 16" (outside the ears) or 18" main beam (3x length of the ear).**
- **Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, and antler measurements at kiosk.**
- **Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the district biologist.**

**TURKEY:** Mar.21-23, April 3-5, Apr. 17-19, Apr. 24-26, and May 1-3. One gobbler for each hunter during the 3-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Feb. 15-16, Feb. 22-23 and Feb. 29-Mar. 1. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter. The permit holder may have three properly licensed hunting guests on that specified hunt date and in specified hunt unit. Permit and specified hunt unit to be determined through random draw.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

## **District V 2019-20120 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Southwest Alabama)**

### **e) FRED T. STIMPSON SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA (Clarke County)**

**DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 24-27, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 16-19, and Jan. 30-Feb. 2. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter

during the 4-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for the properly licensed hunter permit holder. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified unit.

**Youth Gun - Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice:** Nov. 9 - 10, Nov. 22 - 23, Dec. 21 - 22, and Jan. 4 -5. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer per hunter during the 2-day hunt. By limited quota permit only, a properly licensed permit holder 21 years old or older or youth's parent with one youth will be allowed to have one youth guest hunter and a properly licensed supervising adult 21 years old or the parent of the additional youth hunter. Hunters are required to remain in their assigned unit on the specified hunt date. Only the youth are allowed to hunt.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any other scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox a day. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

**SQUIRREL: Youth -** Oct. 19 and Nov. 2. By limited quota permit only, properly licensed permit holder 21 years old or youth's parent, must have one youth hunter and will be allowed to have two additional youth guest hunters and one properly licensed supervising adult 21 years old or older. Hunters are required to remain in their assigned unit on their specified hunt date.

**WATERFOWL: Youth-** Jan. 11-12. By limited quota permit only, a properly licensed permit holder 21 years old or older will be allowed to have two youth guest hunters and a properly licensed supervising adult 21 years old or older.

#### **f) UPPER STATES SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA**

(Clarke County)

**DEER: Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Oct. 17-20 and Feb. 6-9. One antlered buck and 3 antlerless deer for each hunter during the 4-day hunt. By limited quota permit only for properly licensed hunter permit holder. The permit holder may have one properly licensed hunting guest on that specified hunt date and in specified unit.

**BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE & FOX:** Open during any scheduled Special Opportunity Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

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#### **220-2-.107 Special 2019-2020 Hunting Seasons for Fort Rucker**

The following special fall turkey season (gobblers only) is hereby established at **Fort Rucker** at U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence designated hunting areas only. November 16-30, 2019. One a Day, Five during combined Fall and Spring Seasons. No decoys permitted during fall turkey season.

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#### **220-2-.125 Special 2019-2020 Hunting Seasons for Certain Forever Wild and State Lands Division Lands**

- (1) The following special 2019-2020 hunting seasons, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manners, and means, are hereby established for the following Forever Wild and State Lands Division lands:

**Lillian Swamp Complex -** Lillian Swamp South, Caney Bayou, and Lillian Swamp West tracts, Baldwin County;

**Pike County Pocosin Complex** - Pike County Pocosin and the Sellers addition, Pike County;

**Sipsey River Complex – North and South Zones**, Sipsey Sullivan, Sipsey Randolph, and Sipsey Robertson tracts, Pruett, TH Robertson, Springer and Sipsey River Swamp 2012, Tuscaloosa County;

**Splinter Hill Bog Complex** - Splinter Hill Bog Ben May, Splinter Hill Bog International Paper Addition, and Splinter Hill Bog Ben May Charitable Trust tracts, Baldwin County;

**Old Cahawba Prairie Complex – West Zone**, Old Cahawba Prairie Tract, Dallas County; and

**Red Hills Complex** – Red Hills Tract, Red Hills-Hancock/CFS Addition, and Red Hills Ziebach Addition, Monroe County:

- (a) The hunting seasons as established in Rule 220-2-.01 entitled “2019-2020 Hunting Seasons,” Rule 220-2-.77 entitled “2019-2020 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose, and Teal Hunting Seasons,” and Rule 220-2-.29, entitled “Open Trapping Seasons on Fur-Bearers,” as they apply to said lands and to “Open Permit-Public Land” in the particular portions of the counties in which the tracts are located, shall apply except as otherwise provided herein:
  1. Hunting of waterfowl shall be restricted to thirty (30) minutes prior to sunrise until 12 noon during the state waterfowl seasons.
  2. Hunting of feral swine (wild hogs) shall be limited to October 1 through May 31 for Pike County Pocosin Complex in Pike County, Splinter Hill Bog Complex in Baldwin County, Lillian Swamp Complex in Baldwin County, Sipsey River Complex in Tuscaloosa County, Old Cahawba Prairie Tract in Dallas County and Red Hills Complex in Monroe County, (no bag limit).
  3. Deer hunting shall be limited to shotgun with slugs, muzzleloader, bow and arrow or crossbow.
  4. No centerfire rifles or buckshot shall be allowed for any type of hunting.
  5. No dogs shall be permitted for hunting deer, coyote, and feral swine (wild hogs).
  6. Special muzzleloader season for Deer: By muzzleloader only – Stalk hunting only (no dogs). During the special muzzleloader deer season, two (2) deer a day only one (1) of which may be an antlered buck and only one (1) may be an unantlered deer (except spotted fawns), is permitted November 18-22.
  7. Turkey hunting shall be legal from daylight until 1:00 pm.
  8. Un-antlered deer dates at the Red Hills Complex in Monroe County shall be: December 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.
  9. Hunting on Old Cahawba Prairie Complex shall be as follows: (East Zone, Thursday – Sunday) and (West Zone, open daily) during open public hunting seasons.
- (2) The following special 2019-2020 hunting seasons, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manners, and means, are hereby established for the following Forever Wild lands:

**Coon Creek Tract**, Tallapoosa County;

**Indian Mountain Complex** – Indian Mountain, Indian Mountain Garner, and Simmons addition, Cherokee County;

**Shoal Creek Preserve Tract**, Lauderdale County; and

**Old Cahawba Prairie Complex – East Zone**, Dallas County:

- (a) The hunting seasons as established in Rule 220-2-.01 entitled “2019-2020 Hunting Seasons,” and Rule 220-2-.77 entitled “2019-2020 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose and Teal Hunting Seasons,” as they apply to said lands and to

“Open Permit-Public Land” in the particular portions of the counties in which the tracts are located, shall apply except as otherwise provided herein:

1. Hunting of feral swine (wild hogs) shall be limited to October 1 through April 30 (no bag limit).
2. Deer hunting shall be limited to bow and arrow or crossbow.
3. No firearms permitted except for shotguns, 10 gauges or smaller using standard No. 2 shot or smaller.

Note: This prohibition shall not apply to the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.

4. No dogs shall be permitted for hunting deer, coyote, and feral swine (wild hogs).
5. No trapping shall be allowed.
6. Turkey hunting shall be legal on the Old Cahawba Prairie Complex – East Zone in Dallas County from daylight until 1:00 PM.

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**220-2-.127 Special 2019-2020 Hunting Seasons for Blowing Springs Cave Tract (Forever Wild Lands), Lauderdale County**

- (1) The following special 2019-2020 hunting seasons, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manners, and means, are hereby established:
  - (a) The hunting seasons as established in Rule 220-2-.01 entitled “2019-2020 Hunting Seasons,” and as established in Rule 220-2-.77 entitled “2019-2020 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose and Teal Hunting Seasons,” as they apply to that portion of Lauderdale County known as the Blowing Springs Cave Tract (Forever Wild Lands), and as they apply to “Open Permit-Public Land” in that portion of Lauderdale County, shall apply to hunting on the Blowing Springs Cave Tract (Forever Wild Lands), except as otherwise provided herein:
    1. There shall be no open season for deer or turkey.
    2. The only legal firearms or weapons shall be black powder firearms otherwise legal for hunting and long bows, compound bows, and crossbows otherwise legal for hunting.

Note: This prohibition shall not apply to the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided in this regulation.

3. No trapping shall be allowed.

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**220-2-.109 Physically Disabled Hunting Areas**

- (1) It shall be unlawful on any area designated by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as a “Physically Disabled Hunting Area”:
  - (a) To violate any terms or conditions of his certificate of qualification, permit, or other authorization, for participation in any such hunts, including, but not limited to, the times, dates, locations, manners and means for hunting.
  - (b) To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow, without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled area seasons during legal hunting hours and only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit.
  - (c) To have in possession any fully automatic rifle or any firearms, ammunition or bow and arrow (including crossbows) except as allowed by law for the species hunted.
  - (d) For any person to hunt without having his/her required hunting licenses and authoriza-

tion and checking in at the checking station, except Big Oak.

- (e) For any person to carry firearms in or on vehicle with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, cocked crossbow, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place.
- (f) Nothing in this regulation shall prohibit the possession of handguns by lawfully authorized persons for their personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.
- (g) To camp in the area, except Big Oak where the designated campground must be used.
- (h) To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, bobcat or fox may be killed during all scheduled area hunts that occur during the dates of the gun deer and turkey seasons, and coyote or feral swine may be killed during all scheduled area hunts.
- (i) To discharge fireworks at any time.
- (j) To discharge firearms for target practice.
- (k) To use fire to smoke out game.
- (l) For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with bow and arrow.
- (m) To transport deer killed from the area before recording pertinent data at the designated checking station, except Big Oak.
- (n) For any person except those authorized to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic.
- (o) For any person to hunt deer or assist in said hunting, on days of scheduled hunts without wearing a vest containing a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange color or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo and/or printing on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
- (p) For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
- (q) To damage or remove any trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel, sod or artifacts without legal authorization.
- (r) To hunt from an elevated platform, except at Big Oak (where it is unlawful to hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a full body harness capable of supporting their weight).
- (s) To hunt without first making a reservation for the particular hunt, except at Big Oak.
- (t) To hunt more often at any area than is authorized. Failure to cancel a reservation at least 48 hours prior to the hunt date will be considered the same as if the individual hunted in determining when that person could reserve another hunt date, except at Big Oak.
- (u) To hunt outside the area designated to the hunter for each hunt. At the time of check-in the hunter will receive, on a first come basis, a shooting house on a segment of the hunting area that will be his/her exclusive area for the day, except at Big Oak. Hunter must hunt from the shooting house, except at Big Oak.
- (v) To check-in any Physically Disabled Hunting Area prior to 5 am on the scheduled hunt days.
- (w) To change stand locations after signing in for that stand. Once signed in for a stand, the hunter shall not change stands for the duration of that hunt.
- (x) For any person to be on any Physically Disabled Hunting Area unless registered to hunt on that day.

- (2) Individuals must follow the listed rules to participate in the scheduled deer and turkey hunts for the physically disabled.
- (a) Each participant must submit, on a Department form, an application to participate in such hunts. The application will include a doctor's statement certifying the physical disability. The Department will review the application and notify each participant if they are approved for such hunts.
- (b) Each participant must provide any assistants that are required. Only the physically disabled individual will be eligible to hunt.
- (c) All license requirements and other rules, laws, and regulations, are in effect.
- (d) Physical disability is defined as an individual that is permanently physically disabled by one or more of the following:
  1. Has a permanent physical disability, is unable to ambulate and requires a wheelchair, walker, one long leg brace or two short leg braces, external prosthesis below knee or above, two canes or two crutches for mobility.
  2. Has at least 80% permanent impairment of one hand or arm as determined by a physician using the standards outlined in the "Guide to Evaluation of Permanent Impairment Rating," published by the American Medical Association.
  3. Has a permanent physical disability for which they are considered "totally" disabled under guidelines established by the Veterans' Administration and/or the U.S. Social Security Administration.
- (3) If convicted of violating any part of this regulation or any other regulation relating to Game, Fish, and Fur-Bearing Animals, the individual's Physically Disabled Permit may be revoked up to and including permanently.
- (4) Cherokee Physically Disabled Hunting Area is available for muzzleloader season.
- (5) The following Physically Disabled Hunting Areas are suitable for turkey hunting:
  - (a) Fayette,
  - (b) Skyline,
  - (c) Big Oak,
  - (d) USA Foundation,
  - (e) Chattahoochee,
  - (f) Shiloh Hill,
  - (g) Turnipseed-Ikenberry, and
  - (h) Dozer.

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## **220-2-.110    Establishment of Physically Disabled Hunting Areas**

- (1) The following areas are hereby designated and established as "Physically Disabled Hunting Areas":
  - (a) "Marengo Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
  - (b) "M. Barnett Lawley Forever Wild Field Trial Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
  - (c) "R. L. Harris Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
  - (d) "Fayette Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
  - (e) "Turnipseed-Ikenberry Place Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
  - (f) "Upper State Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached map.
  - (g) "Macon State Forest Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.

- (h) "Little River State Forest Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (i) "Prairie Creek Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (j) "Forever Wild Land Trust – Alabama Power Co. Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (k) "University of South Alabama Foundation Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (l) "Pine Hills Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (m) "Big Oak Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (n) "Dozier Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (o) "Cherokee Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (p) "Shiloh Hill Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (q) "Coffee County (Victoria) Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached map.
- (r) "Lewis Smith Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached map.
- (s) "Jordan Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map."

[For Physically Disabled Hunting Area maps, please contact the Wildlife Section at 334-242-3469.]

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## **220-2-.126 Public Shooting Range Regulation**

- (1) It shall be unlawful to discharge firearms on any Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries public shooting range existing now or in the future, except in accordance with the following rules. All range users shall abide by the listed rules. Permits for the excepted uses will be issued by the Hunter Education Coordinator or his designee. The range may be closed as necessary.
  - (a) Range is open during daylight hours only, except by permit.
  - (b) No alcoholic beverages allowed.
  - (c) Any legal firearm and ammunition (except armor-piercing or tracer by permit only) may be used on target range.
  - (d) Keep all firearms unloaded and muzzles pointed down range when not firing or uncased. Action on uncased guns shall be open when not on the firing line.
  - (e) All persons are to remain behind the shooting line while firing is taking place. No firing shall be allowed while anyone is down range.
  - (f) All firearms [except as noted below in (g).] shall only be fired from designated stations on the concrete shooting line into the embankment at stationary paper targets, self-healing or metal automatic reset targets. The targets must be placed so that shots will impact the embankment into the bottom 5' of the embankment. Only one person may shoot from each designated location at any given time.
  - (g) Shotguns with no. 4 shot or smaller may be fired at moving clay targets on designated clay target areas only.
  - (h) All used targets, brass, shotgun hulls, and other trash shall be placed in a garbage can, or removed from the public shooting range.
  - (i) It shall be unlawful to violate any posted restriction.
  - (j) INFORMATIONAL NOTE: All Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age using



a public shooting range are required to have either a valid state hunting license, a valid state wildlife management area license, or a valid wildlife heritage license to use the range. All non-residents 16 through 64 years of age are required to have either a valid state hunting license or a valid state wildlife management area license.

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## **220-2-.151     Archery Range Regulation**

- (1) It shall be unlawful to shoot any type of bow or crossbow on any archery range operated now or in the future by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, except in accordance with the following rules. All range users shall abide by the posted rules. Permits for excepted uses will be issued by the Hunter Education Coordinator or his designee. The range may be closed as necessary.
    - (a) The range is open during daylight hours only, except by permit.
    - (b) No alcoholic beverages allowed.
    - (c) Arrows may only be nocked onto the bowstring when standing on the shooting line preparing to shoot.
    - (d) Shooting allowed only from the shooting line and only into the designated targets.
    - (e) Shooters are allowed to bring and shoot at a paper face placed on an existing target as long as it is removed from the range once an individual has finished shooting. Personal targets are not allowed on range, except by permit.
    - (f) Bows must be hung on the bowhanger behind the shooting line when waiting to shoot or while archers are down range retrieving arrows. No shooting shall be allowed while anyone is down range.
    - (g) All persons are to remain behind the shooting line while shooting is taking place.
    - (h) Arrows from bows of 30 pound draw weight or more may only be shot into the targets on the adult range. Arrows from bows less than 30 pound draw weight may be shot into targets on the youth or adult range.
    - (i) Only arrows with field or target points may be used or possessed on range. No broadheads may be possessed on the range, except by permit.
    - (j) All individuals standing on or utilizing the elevated platform must wear a full body harness, including shoulder and leg straps, and attach themselves to the appropriate safety cable carabineer.
    - (k) All used paper target faces and other trash shall be placed in a trash receptacle or removed from the range.
    - (l) All Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age are required to have either a valid state hunting license, a valid state wildlife management area license, or a valid wildlife heritage license to use the range. All non-residents 16 years of age and over are required to have either a valid state hunting license or a valid state wildlife management area license to use the range.
    - (m) Bows will only be drawn in such a manner as to prevent accidental or intentional loss of an arrow from range property. Arrows will only be released into designated targets.
    - (n) It shall be unlawful to violate any posted restriction.
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## **GENERAL INFORMATION - LICENSE FEES**

**All license prices include issuance fee.** Alabama hunting and fishing licenses are available in all sections of the State from approximately 300 special license agents in many sporting goods stores, marinas, and at all county courthouses. Licenses may also be purchased at WFF District Offices and Montgomery Office as well as by phone by calling 1-888-848-6887, or on our website at: [www.outdooralabama.com/license-information](http://www.outdooralabama.com/license-information) unless noted otherwise. *It is illegal to willfully or knowingly make a false statement to a license agent when purchasing a license. It is also illegal to lend, borrow, sell, buy, rent or use another person's license to hunt, fish or trap.*

### **License exemptions:**

Residents on active military duty home on leave may hunt and fish without licenses. (State and federal duck stamps and HIP permits are still required as per federal regulation. Management Area License and Permit are required when hunting deer or turkey on a wildlife management area. Saltwater Angler Registry required for saltwater fishing.) Resident must provide Alabama driver's license and copy of leave papers.

Residents 65 years of age and over are exempt from buying freshwater and saltwater fishing licenses, hunting licenses, wildlife management area license, HIP permit or state duck stamp (federal stamp required), provided said resident has on his person while hunting or fishing, a driver's license or proof of permanent Alabama residence and age. If fishing in saltwater, residents 65 and over are required to register in the Saltwater Angler Registry each year.

**NOTE:** Residents 64 years of age purchasing a hunting or fishing license are issued on a life-time basis.

**HUNTING LICENSES (Resident and Nonresident):** Required for residents 16 years of age and under 65 years of age and nonresidents 16 years of age and older. (State and Federal Duck Stamp required when hunting migratory waterfowl, and HIP permit required for hunting migratory birds.)

<b>Resident Annual All Game</b> .....	\$ 27.75
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
<b>Resident Annual Small Game</b> .....	\$ 18.40
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
<b>Resident Bait Privilege</b> <sup>(8)</sup> .....	\$ 15.00
<b>Resident Wildlife Heritage*</b> .....	\$ 11.45
<b>Resident Disabled</b> (100% Disabled) <sup>(4)</sup> .....	\$ 6.25
<b>Resident Veterans Disabled</b> (50% Disabled) <sup>(5)</sup> .....	\$ 14.40
<b>Resident Veterans Disabled</b> (100% Disabled) <sup>(5)</sup> .....	\$ 3.15
<b>Nonresident Annual All Game</b> .....	\$320.30
<b>Nonresident Annual Small Game</b> .....	\$104.60
<b>Nonresident 10-Day Trip All Game</b> .....	\$197.85
<b>Nonresident 10-Day Trip Small Game</b> .....	\$ 63.85
<b>Nonresident 3-Day Trip All Game</b> .....	\$139.60
<b>Nonresident 3-Day Trip Small Game</b> .....	\$ 46.30
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 240 or 72 consecutive hours</i>	
<b>Nonresident Bait Privilege</b> <sup>(8)</sup> .....	\$ 51.00
<b>Disabled Military Veteran's Appreciation</b>	
<b>Hunting Event License**</b> .....	\$139.60
<b>State Duck Stamp</b> .....	\$ 11.00
<b>Federal Duck Stamp</b> <sup>(7)</sup> .....	\$ 27.50
<b>Wildlife Management Area License***</b> .....	\$ 18.40

<b>Commercial Fowl Hunting Preserve License****</b> .....	\$ 10.00
<b><u>FUR CATCHERS LICENSE (Resident and Nonresident):</u></b>	
<b>Resident</b> .....	\$ 22.60
<b>Nonresident</b> <sup>(2)</sup> .....	Varies By State

\* Allows residents to fish in freshwater statewide with hook and line from the bank, fish in WFF operated Public Fishing Lakes (daily lake permits required), hunt small game, except waterfowl, on WFF WMA (WMA permit required), shoot on WFF managed shooting ranges, and support wildlife. These privileges are also included in all resident hunting and freshwater fishing licenses, including lifetime licenses.

\*\*Event must be sanctioned by DCNR Commissioner. Allows up to (10) U.S. Military veterans, 50% or more disabled, to hunt on one event license. Must present certification by the U.S. Veterans Administration.

\*\*\*Required for hunting big game (deer or turkey) and waterfowl on a WFF WMA in addition to the appropriate hunting license and a Management Area Permit (free). Shooting range users on WMA are required to have a valid hunting license, the Management Area License or residents may have the Wildlife Heritage license.

\*\*\*\*In lieu of a regular hunting license, either a resident or a nonresident may purchase for \$8.00 plus a \$2.00 issuance fee, a 7-day commercial fowl hunting preserve license that allows that person the privilege of hunting only artificially propagated or pen-raised fowl on a licensed commercial fowl hunting preserve. Check with the hunting preserve for information.

**NOTE:** It is illegal to hunt, trap, capture, injure, kill or destroy any wild game on another person's land without having in possession the written permission of the landowner with few exceptions. All required hunting and fishing licenses must be in possession when hunting or fishing. Hunters are required to have a deer/turkey harvest record in possession when hunting.

#### **RESIDENT SPORT FISHING LICENSES** <sup>(1):</sup>

<b>Annual Freshwater</b> .....	\$13.85
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
<b>Annual Saltwater</b> .....	\$24.35
<b>7-Day Trip Saltwater</b> .....	\$10.15
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 168 consecutive hours</i>	

#### **DISABLED RESIDENT SPORT FISHING LICENSES** <sup>(1):</sup>

<b>Freshwater Annual</b> .....	\$ 3.05
<b>Freshwater Veterans Appreciation Annual</b> <sup>(5)</sup> .....	\$ 3.15
<b>Freshwater 3-day Event</b> <sup>(6)</sup> .....	\$100.00
<b>Saltwater Annual</b> <sup>(4)</sup> .....	\$ 3.05
<b>Saltwater Veteran's Appreciation Annual</b> <sup>(5)</sup> .....	\$ 3.15

**NONRESIDENT SPORT FISHING LICENSES:** *Special fishing license fees may apply to residents of Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi due to reciprocal license costs.*

<b>Nonresident Annual Freshwater</b> <sup>(3)</sup> .....	\$53.30
<b>Nonresident Annual Saltwater</b> <sup>(3)</sup> .....	\$52.20
<b>Nonresident 7-Day Trip Freshwater</b> <sup>(3)</sup> .....	\$29.95
<b>Nonresident 7-Day Trip Saltwater</b> <sup>(3)</sup> .....	\$28.85
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 168 consecutive hours</i>	

**Nonresident Freshwater Family Trip 3 Day** .....\$29.95

*Allows non-residents to add up to 4 additional immediate family members to their Sport Fishing License.*

**STATE LAKES FISHING LICENSES \* (Resident and Nonresident):**

<b>Resident Daily Freshwater Fishing</b> .....	\$ 6.40
<b>Nonresident Daily Freshwater Fishing</b> .....	\$ 7.50
<b>Nonresident Annual Freshwater Fishing</b> .....	\$12.95

\*In lieu of a regular fishing license, a resident or non-resident may purchase to fish at any WFF Division owned State Lake. Not valid in other public reservoirs, lakes and rivers. For a complete list of WFF Division owned State Lakes, visit our website at: [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com)

**FRESHWATER MUSSEL LICENSE (Resident and Nonresident):**

<b>Resident Catcher</b> <sup>(2)</sup> .....	\$251.00
<b>Nonresident Catcher</b> <sup>(2)</sup> .....	\$751.00
<b>Resident Dealer or Buyer</b> <sup>(2)</sup> .....	\$101.00
<b>Nonresident Dealer or Buyer</b> <sup>(2)</sup> .....	\$301.00

**FRESHWATER COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE:**

<b>Resident Annual</b> .....	\$100.00
<b>Retail Freshwater Fish Dealer</b> .....	\$11.00
<i>Required to sell commercial or nongame fish direct to consumer</i>	
<b>Wholesale Freshwater Fish Dealer</b> .....	\$26.00
<i>Required to sell commercial or nongame fish for resale</i>	
<b>Nonresident Commercial Fishing</b> .....	varies
<i>Same as nonresident license in applicant's resident state</i>	

**NOTE:** Game fish cannot be caught by any method other than ordinary hook and line, fly, troll, or spinner. The sale of game fish taken from public water is prohibited by law in Alabama.

**SPEAR FISHING LICENSE:** *Valid for fresh and saltwater. Must also have appropriate Sportfishing license.*

<b>Resident Annual</b> .....	\$ 6.00
<b>Nonresident Annual</b> .....	\$ 8.50
<b>Nonresident 7-Day Trip</b> .....	\$ 3.50

Spear fishing licenses are issued by:

DCNR - WFF  
PO Box 301456  
Montgomery, AL 36130-1456  
(334) 242-3465

On our website at:  
[www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com)

Marine Resources Div.  
PO Box 189  
Dauphin Island, AL 36528  
(251) 861-2882

Marine Resources Div.  
PO Box 458  
Gulf Shores, AL 36547  
(251) 968-7576

## **RESIDENT LIFETIME LICENSES**

(Lifetime fishing licenses purchased prior to April 1, 1992 include Freshwater & Saltwater)

<b><u>License Privilege (by age)</u></b>	<b><u>Under 2</u></b>	<b><u>2 - 11</u></b>	<b><u>12 - 49</u></b>	<b><u>50 &amp; over</u></b>
Hunting	\$350.60	\$467.20	\$583.70	\$350.60
State Duck Stamp	\$154.75	\$195.75	\$236.80	\$154.75
Freshwater Fishing	\$175.70	\$234.00	\$292.35	\$175.70
Saltwater Fishing	\$292.35	\$350.60	\$408.90	\$292.35
Hunting & State Duck Stamp	\$504.40	\$662.00	\$819.50	\$504.40
Hunting & Freshwater Fishing	\$525.50	\$583.70	\$816.90	\$525.50
Hunting & Saltwater Fishing	\$642.00	\$816.90	\$991.80	\$642.00
Freshwater Fishing & State Duck Stamp	\$329.50	\$428.80	\$528.15	\$329.50
Freshwater & Saltwater Fishing	\$467.20	\$583.70	\$700.30	\$467.20
Saltwater Fishing & State Duck Stamp	\$446.10	\$545.40	\$644.70	\$446.10
Saltwater Fishing & Wildlife Heritage	\$525.25	\$583.55	\$641.85	\$525.25
Wildlife Heritage & State Duck Stamp	\$387.80	\$428.80	\$469.80	\$387.80
Hunting, State Duck Stamp & Freshwater	\$679.30	\$778.50	\$1,052.70	\$679.30
Hunting, Fresh & Saltwater Fishing	\$816.90	\$933.45	\$1,224.90	\$816.90
Hunting, State Duck Stamp & Saltwater	\$795.75	\$1,011.65	\$1,227.60	\$795.75
State Duck Stamp, Fresh & Saltwater Fishing	\$620.95	\$778.50	\$936.10	\$620.95
Wildlife Heritage, State Duck Stamp & Saltwater Fishing	\$679.05	\$778.35	\$877.65	\$679.05
Hunting, State Duck Stamp, Fresh & Saltwater Fishing	\$970.65	\$1,128.25	\$1,460.70	\$970.65
Wildlife Heritage	\$234.00	\$234.00	\$234.00	\$234.00

**NOTE:** Lifetime Licenses issued by the DCNR, 64 North Union Street, Ste. 567, Montgomery, AL 36104, by probate judges and license commissioners, electronic license agents or by calling: 1-888-848-6887 or online at [www.outdooralabama.com/license-information](http://www.outdooralabama.com/license-information).

- (1) *Required for residents 16 years of age and under 65 years of age who fish with rod and reel, hook and line, or from a boat in public waters. This license is not required to fish with ordinary hook and line, only from bank in county of legal residence.*
- (2) *Issued only by the WFF Montgomery Office, PO Box 301456, Montgomery, AL 36130-1456, Call 334-242-3465 for application packet or visit [www.outdooralabama.com/license-information](http://www.outdooralabama.com/license-information).*
- (3) *Required for fishing in any public water regardless of tackle used.*
- (4) *Present certification of permanent disability benefit to your local Probate/License Commissioner office for Issuance.*
- (5) *Resident Disabled Military Veteran's Appreciation applicants must present certification by the U.S. Veterans Administration to your local Probate/License Commissioner Office. For freshwater 20% or more disabled; for hunting 50% or more disabled or 100% disabled for hunting.*
- (6) *Event must be sanctioned by DCNR. Allows up to (20) physically disabled persons and their assistant to fish on one event license. \$5.00 for each additional participant.*
- (7) *A 45-day temporary Federal Duck Stamp is now available electronically. Original stamp will be mailed within 30 days.*
- (8) *Allows taking of white-tailed deer or feral swine by aid of bait, in addition to required hunting licenses. Required of all ages. NO EXCEPTIONS.*

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