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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.

**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 2017-2018 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 that reads "Christopher M. Blankenship". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Christopher M. Blankenship
Commissioner
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

220-2-.01 2017-2018 Hunting Seasons

The following 2017-2018 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 – One per day, for a maximum of three during all combined seasons. 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. ***BARBOUR COUNTY ANTLER RESTRICTION** – white-tailed deer bucks must have a minimum of three points on one side (except on the statewide special youth deer hunting dates during which any antlered buck may be taken).

WHITE-TAILED UNANTLERED DEER LIMIT – One per day may be taken in addition to one antlered buck per day during the unantlered deer gun, special muzzleloader/air rifle, bow and arrow/spear and special youth (under 16) seasons. See Special Exceptions note (3) for National Forest Service Lands.

SPECIAL YOUTH (UNDER 16) DEER HUNTING – Statewide, (includes all Privately Owned and Leased Lands and Open Permit – Public Lands (except Wildlife Management Areas) on November 10-13. 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 unantlered Deer season, in accordance with Rule 220-2-.119. See the 2017-2018 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.

Hunting Activity By Zone

ZONE A

BOW AND ARROW AND SPEAR-STALK HUNTING

Either sex: October 14, 2017 - February 10, 2018

GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks Only: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

Either sex: December 15, 2017 - January 1, 2018

DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - January 15, 2018

ZONE B

BOW AND ARROW AND SPEAR-STALK HUNTING

Antlered Bucks only: October 14, 2017 - October 23, 2017

Either sex: October 24, 2017 - February 10, 2018

GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

Either sex: December 15, 2017 - January 1, 2018

DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - January 15, 2018

ZONE C

BOW AND ARROW AND SPEAR-STALK HUNTING

Either sex: October 14, 2017 - February 10, 2018

GUN DEER-STALK HUNTING:

ON PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED LAND ONLY

Antlered Bucks Only: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - November 26, 2017

and December 22, 2017 - January 1, 2018

ON OPEN PERMIT-PUBLIC LAND

Antlered Bucks Only: November 18, 2017 - February 10, 2018

Either sex: December 22, 2017 - January 1, 2018

DOG DEER HUNTING: WHERE ALLOWED

Antlered Bucks: November 18, 2017 - January 15, 2018

Either sex: November 18, 2017 - November 26, 2017

and December 22, 2017 - January 1, 2018

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 13-17, 2017

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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 areas of Lauderdale; Colbert; Franklin; Marion; Winston; Walker; Cullman; Blount; Jefferson; St. Clair; Etowah; Calhoun; Cherokee; Cleburne; DeKalb; Jackson; Marshall; Madison; Limestone; Lawrence; and Morgan counties inside the following boundaries: begin at AL/TN state line in Lauderdale Co, US Hwy. 43; south on US Hwy. 43 to intersection with US Hwy. 43S/US Hwy. 72W; south on US Hwy. 43S/US Hwy. 72W; continue south on US Hwy. 43S to intersection of AL Hwy. 13; south on AL Hwy. 13 to intersection of I-22/US Hwy. 78; east on I-22/US Hwy. 78 to intersection of AL Hwy. 69; north on AL Hwy. 69 to I-65; south on I-65 to intersection of I-59; north on I-59 to intersection of US Hwy. 278; east on US Hwy. 278 to Alabama/Georgia state line; north along Alabama/Georgia state line to Alabama/Tennessee state line; west along Alabama/Tennessee state line to Tennessee River; south along Tennessee River to US Hwy. 431; north along US Hwy. 431 to Flint River; north along Flint River to Madison County Road 65/Winchester Rd; north along Madison County Road 65/Winchester Rd to Alabama/Tennessee state line; west along Alabama/Tennessee state line to US Hwy. 43.

(1) DOG DEER HUNTING RESTRICTIONS:

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.
Calhoun, Clay & Talladega counties - Dog Deer hunting -until 12:00 noon – antlered bucks only:

*November 18 – November 30
December 18 – January 10*

(B) TURKEY: GOBBLERS ONLY—Limit One a Day, Five During Combined Fall and Spring Seasons.

SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT, SATURDAY & SUNDAY 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)

FALL SEASON (decoys not permitted): **Clarke; Clay; Covington; Monroe; Randolph;** and **Talladega.**

*November 18 –November 30
December 16 – January 1*

SPRING SEASON (decoys permitted): **Autauga; Baldwin; Barbour; Bibb; Blount; Bullock; Butler; Calhoun; Chambers; Cherokee; Chilton; Choctaw; Clarke; Clay; Cleburne; Coffee; Conecuh; Coosa; Covington; 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; Monroe; Montgomery; Perry; Pickens; Pike; Randolph; Russell; Shelby; St. Clair; Sumter; Talladega; Tallapoosa; Tuscaloosa; Walker; Washington;** and **Wilcox.**

March 15 - April 30

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

March 31 - April 30

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.**

April 21 - April 25

(C) MOURNING and WHITE-WINGED DOVE:

SOUTH ZONE: Baldwin; Barbour; Coffee; Covington; Dale; Escambia; Geneva; Henry; Houston; and Mobile.

Limit 15 a Day – (90 days)

Split Season

September 16 - September 24

October 7 – October 28

November 18 – January 15

Shooting Hours:

12 O'clock noon until Sunset (Afternoon Shooting Only) *September 16*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *September 17 –24*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *October 7 – October 28*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *November 18 – January 15*

NORTH ZONE: All counties except those listed above.

Limit 15 a Day – (90 Days)

Split Season

September 9 – October 29

December 8 – January 15

Shooting Hours:

12 O'clock noon until Sunset (Afternoon Shooting Only) *September 9*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *September 10 –October 29*

One-half hour before Sunrise until Sunset (All Day) *December 8 – January 15*

(D) BOBWHITE QUAIL:

Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession

November 4 – February 28

(E) RABBIT: Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession

September 16 – March 4

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

(F) SQUIRREL:

Limit 8 a Day – 8 in Possession

September 16 – March 4

(G) RACCOON:

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

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

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

(H) OPOSSUM: No Bag Limit

No Closed Season

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

(I) ALLIGATOR:

By Special Permit Only

Must register on-line at www.outdooralabama.com between June 2 (8:00 a.m.) and July 14 (8:00 a.m.). Must be a resident to register.

Dallas; Monroe (north of US Hwy. 84) and **Wilcox** (nighttime only)

Sunset August 10 – Sunrise August 13

Sunset August 17 – Sunrise August 20

Mobile Delta (nighttime only) *Sunset August 10 – Sunrise August 13*

Sunset August 17 – Sunrise August 20

Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Russell counties (nighttime only) *Sunset August 12 – Sunrise Sept 4*

Lake Eufaula – Alabama State Waters Only
(daytime and nighttime) *Sunset August 12 – Sunrise October 2*

(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.

(K) COYOTE: *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.

(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.

Note: Permit may be obtained through your local district office for nighttime nuisance control hunting outside of the dates of deer season.

(M) FOX: 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 is limited to legal fur bearer season.

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

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

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

(Q) WOODCOCK: Limit 3 a Day
Shooting Hours–One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset *Dec. 15 – January 28*

(R) SNIPE: Limit 8 a Day

Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset *Nov. 11 – February 25*

(S) **RAIL AND GALLINULE:** Limit 15 a Day *Sep. 9 – September 24*

Shooting Hours – One-half hour before Sunrise to Sunset. *Nov. 24 – January 16*

(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

220-2-.77 2017-2018 Duck, Coot, Merganser, Goose, and Teal Hunting Seasons

(1) The following 2017-2018 hunting seasons for duck, coot, merganser, goose and teal, in accordance with the below-stated times, places, manners, and means, are hereby established:

(a) **Duck, Coot, and Merganser:** **November 24 – November 25**
December 2 - January 28

(b) **Goose: All Geese Statewide:** **September 1 – September 30**
October 7 – October 21
November 24 – November 25
December 2 - January 28

(c) Bag Limits for Duck, Merganser, Coot, and Goose

Duck: 6 ducks a day and may include no more than 4 Mallards (no more than 2 of which may be a female), 3 Wood Ducks, 1 Mottled Duck, 2 Black Duck, 2 Redhead, 1 Pintail, 2 Canvasback and 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.

Goose: **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.

October 7 – October 21

November 24 – November 25

December 2 – January 28

Dark Geese (Canada, White-front, Brant) – 5 a day. The aggregate bag limit of 5 shall not include more than 3 Canada Geese or 1 Brant. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Light Geese (Snow, Blue, Ross's) – The aggregate bag limit shall be 5 a day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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

That area of the Mobile-Tensaw Delta known as Big Bateau Bay shall be closed to the operation of all gas-powered motors from November 11, 2017, through February 10, 2018.

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 November 11, 2017 through February 10, 2018.

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.

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

(e) Special Teal Season: September 9 - 24

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.

(f) Special Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days:

in accordance with regulations.

**November 18, 2017
& February 3, 2018**

(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 hunting.)

(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.)

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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
Winged Dove, Gallinule, and Merganser.

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.

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.

220-2-.118 Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program

Any person hunting migratory birds (woodcock, dove, rails, sora, Wilson's snipe, coots, gallinule, merganser, ducks or geese) 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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/Gamecheck; (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.

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.

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 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.
 - Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using buckshot, slugs, or single round ball.
 - Air powered guns, .30 caliber or larger.
 - 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.
 - Hand thrown spear with sharpened blade in conformance with the standards for broadheads in paragraph 2(b) of 220-2-.03.
- (3) **TURKEY:**

- (a)
 - Shotguns, 10 gauge or smaller using standard No. 2 shot or smaller.
 - Long bows or compound bows in conformance with 220-2-.03 (no crossbows).
 - Handguns or pistols using centerfire mushrooming ammunition, black powder handguns or pistols .40 caliber or larger.
 - Handguns or pistols can only have open metallic sights (no scopes).
 - (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.
- (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]
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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.
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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.

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.

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.

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. 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.

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, including but not limited to deer, elk, moose and caribou, is prohibited from those states, territories, and foreign countries where the occurrence of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been confirmed by either the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) or the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).
- (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 antlers, if no visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; raw capes or hides, 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.

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.

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.

For the 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

The open seasons during which fur-bearing animals may be trapped in Alabama during 2017-2018 are hereby established:

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

November 4 – February 28

NOTE: See tagging requirements for Bobcat and Otter under Rule 220-2-.30.
BEAVER, COYOTE, NUTRIA, RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FERAL SWINE:

No Closed Season

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 pen 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.
- (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 or smaller 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

220-2-.138 Licensed Game Breeders

For further information, visit:

www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits

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.

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.

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.

220-2-.96 Alligator Farming Regulations

For further information, visit:

www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits.

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

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

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

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

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

A property owner or tenant shall be allowed to take one squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, opossum, beaver 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.

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

- Cavefish, Alabama
- Cavefish, Southern
- Chub, Shoal
- Chub, Spotfin
- Darter, Bankhead
- Darter, Blotchside
- Darter, Bluebreast
- Darter, Boulder
- Darter, Brighteye
- Darter, Coldwater
- Darter, Crystal
- 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
- Logperch, 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

Scientific Name

- Speoplatyrhinus poulsoni*
- Typhlichthys subterraneus*
- Macrhybopsis hyostoma*
- Erimonax monachus*
- Percina sipsi*
- Persina burtoni*
- Etheostoma camurum*
- Etheostoma wapiti*
- Etheostoma lynceum*
- Etheostoma ditrema*
- Crystallaria asprella*
- Percina aurolineata*
- Percina crypta*
- Etheostoma brevirostrum*
- Etheostoma chuckwachatte*
- Etheostoma neoptermum*
- 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*
- Ellossoma alabamae*
- Scaphirynchus suttkusi*
- Acipenser oxyrhynchus desotoi*
- Acipenser fulvescens*

(b) **AMPHIBIANS**

Common Name

- Amphiuma, One-toed
- Frog, Gopher

Scientific Name

- Amphiuma pholeter*
- Lithobates capito*

- Frog, Mississippi Gopher *Lithobates sevosa*
- Frog, River *Lithobates heckscheri*
- Frog, Wood *Lithobates sylvaticus*
- Hellbender, Eastern *Cryptobranchus* sp.
- Salamander, Reticulated Flatwoods *Ambystoma bishopi*
- Salamander, Eastern Tiger *Ambystoma tigrinum*
- Salamander, Green *Aneides aeneus*
- Salamander, Red Hills *Phaeognathus hubrichtii*
- Salamander, Seal *Desmognathus monticola*
- Salamander, Seepage *Desmognathus aeneus*
- Salamander, Small-mouth *Ambystoma texanum*
- Salamander, Southern Dusky *Desmognathus auriculatus*
- Salamander, Southern Red-backed *Plethodon serratus*
- Salamander, Tennessee Cave *Gyrinophilus palleucus*
- Treefrog, Pine Barrens *Hyla andersonii*
- Waterdog, Black Warrior *Necturus alabamensis*

(c) **REPTILES**

- | <u>Common Name</u> | <u>Scientific Name</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| • 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 erytrogramma</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 temminikii</i> |
| • Turtle, Razor-backed Musk | <i>Sternotherus carolinatus</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**

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
• Bat, Barazilian 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 possess 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 shrimp	<i>Palaemonias alabamiae</i>

• Alabama lamp pearly mussel	<i>Lampsilis virescens</i>
• Alabama moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus acutissimus</i>
• Alabama pearlshell	<i>Margaritifera marrianae</i>
• American burying beetle	<i>Nicrophorus americanus</i>
• Anthony's riversnail	<i>Athearnia anthonyi</i>
• Armored marstonia	<i>Pyrgulopsis pachyta</i>
• Black clubshell	<i>Pleurobema curtum</i>
• Chipola slabshell	<i>Elliptio chipolaensis</i>
• Choctaw bean	<i>Villosa choctawensis</i>
• Clubshell	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>
• Coosa moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus parvulus</i>
• Cracking pearly mussel	<i>Hemistena lata</i>
• Cumberland moccasinshell	<i>Medionidus conradicus</i>
• Cumberland monkeyface pearly mussel	<i>Quadrula intermedia</i>
• Cumberlandian combshell	<i>Epioblasma brevidens</i>
• Cylindrical lioplax	<i>Lioplax cyclostomaformis</i>
• Dark pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema furvum</i>
• Dromedary pearly mussel	<i>Dromus dromas</i>
• Fanshell	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>
• Fine-lined pocketbook	<i>Lampsilis altilis</i>
• Fine-rayed pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia cuneolus</i>
• Flat pebblesnail	<i>Lepyrium showalteri</i>
• Inflated heelsplitter	<i>Potamilus inflatus</i>
• Judge Tait's mussel	<i>Pleurobema taitianum</i>
• Lacy elimia	<i>Elimia crenatella</i>
• Little-wing pearly mussel	<i>Pegias fabula</i>
• Marshall's mussel	<i>Pleurobema marshalli</i>
• Moss pyrg	<i>Pyrgulopsis scalariformis</i>
• Narrow pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia escambia</i>
• Orange-footed pearly mussel	<i>Plethobasus cooperianus</i>
• Orange-nacre mucket	<i>Lampsilis perovalis</i>
• Oval pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema pyriforme</i>
• Ovate clubshell	<i>Pleurobema perovatum</i>
• Oyster mussel	<i>Epioblasma capsaeformis</i>
• Painted rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis taeniata</i>
• Pale lilliput pearly mussel	<i>Toxolasma cylindrellus</i>
• Penitent mussel	<i>Epioblasma penita</i>
• Pink mucket pearly mussel	<i>Lampsilis abrupta</i>
• Plicate rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis plicata</i>
• Purple cat's paw pearly mussel	<i>Epioblasma obliquata obliquata</i>
• Pyramid pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema rubrum</i>
• Rabbitsfoot	<i>Quadrula cylindrica</i>
• Ring pink pearly mussel	<i>Obovaria retusa</i>
• Rough hornsnail	<i>Pleurocera foremani</i>
• Rough pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema plenum</i>
• Round pigtoe	<i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i>
• Round rocksnail	<i>Leptoxis ampla</i>
• Sheepnose	<i>Plethobasus cyphus</i>

- Shiny pigtoe *Fusconaia cor*
 - Shiny-rayed pocketbook *Lampsilis subangulata*
 - Silt elimia *Elimia haysiana*
 - Slabside pearlymussel *Lexingtonia dolabelloides*
 - Slender campeloma *Campeloma decampi*
 - Slippershell mussel *Alasmidonta viridis*
 - Southern acornshell *Epioblasma othcaloogensis*
 - Southern clubshell *Pleurobema decisum*
 - Southern kidneyshell *Ptychobranchus jonesi*
 - Southern pigtoe *Pleurobema georgianum*
 - Southern sandshell *Lampsilis australis*
 - Spectaclecase *Cumberlandia monodonta*
 - Spotted rocksnail *Leptoxis picta*
 - Stirrup shell *Quadrula stapes*
 - Triangular kidneyshell *Ptychobranchus greeni*
 - Tubercled-blossom pearly mussel *Epioblasma torulosa torulosa*
 - Tulotoma snail *Tulotoma magnifica*
 - Turgid-blossom pearly mussel *Epioblasma turgidula*
 - Upland combshell *Epioblasma metastriata*
 - White wartyback pearly mussel *Plethobasus cicatricosus*
 - Yellow-blossom pearly mussel *Epioblasma florentina florentina*
- (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:

Pickereel – chain, redbfin, and grass pickereel.

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 bonafide fishing tournament provided they are released unharmed to the public waters from which they were taken as soon as reasonably possible on the same day they were taken. This does not obligate the sponsor or its designated agent to release dead or dying fish.
- (3) Except as otherwise noted, it shall be unlawful to possess any fish less than or greater than size restrictions as established herein. Size restrictions on all fish are determined by measuring from the front of the mouth to the tip of the tail with both mouth and tail closed. Except as otherwise provided for certain State and Federally owned and/or managed fishing lakes and ponds, the daily creel, possession limits and size restrictions for fish in all public waters of this State shall be as follows:

Daily Creel 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 and Weogufka Creeks in Coosa County. Any walleye taken in these lakes or streams shall immediately be released back into the waters from which they were taken with least possible harm.
- (c) **Sauger**5
(It is illegal to possess any Sauger less than 15 inches in total length.)
- (d) **White Bass**15
- (e) **Yellow Bass**15

(f) Saltwater Striped Bass, and Hybrids or Combinations.....15
 No more than five of the 15 may exceed 22 inches in total length. See exceptions for Lewis Smith, Inland, Yates, and Thurlow reservoirs and Lake Martin.

(g) Crappie.....30
 (It is illegal to possess any crappie less than nine inches in total length taken from Alabama public waters, including Aliceville Reservoir and Pickwick Reservoir. Waters exempt from the nine-inch crappie limit include impoundments less than 500 surface acres, and the reciprocal waters of the Chattahoochee River and Impoundments and their tributaries, Bear Creek Reservoir (Big Bear Lake of the B.C.D.A. Lakes), Lake Jackson at Florala and Weiss Reservoir. See exception for Weiss Reservoir.)

(h) Yellow PerchNo 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) **Demopolis Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any black bass less than 14 inches in total length.

(c) **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.

(d) **Harris Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass between 13 inches and 16 inches in total length.

(e) **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.

(f) **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.

- (g) **Lewis Smith Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit. It shall be unlawful to intentionally cull from the creel any saltwater striped bass from June 15th to October 15th. (See paragraph 5)
 - (h) **Lewis Smith Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any black bass between 13 inches and 15 inches in total length unless permitted in writing by the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
 - (i) **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.
 - (j) **Lake Martin** - It is illegal to possess more than two saltwater striped bass that exceed 22 inches in total length in the daily creel limit. It shall be unlawful to intentionally cull from the creel any saltwater striped bass from June 15th to October 15th. (See paragraph 5)
 - (k) **Pickwick Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth or largemouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.
 - (l) **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.
 - (m) **Walter F. George Reservoir (Lake Eufaula) and its Tributaries** - It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.
 - (n) **Weiss Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess crappie less than 10 inches in total length.
 - (o) **West Point Reservoir and its Tributaries** – It is illegal to possess any largemouth bass less than 14 inches in total length.
 - (p) **Wheeler Reservoir** - It is illegal to possess any smallmouth bass less than 15 inches in total length.
 - (q) **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.
 - (r) **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.
 - (s) **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 paragraph (3)(k), (4)(g), (4)(j), and (5), “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.

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.

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.

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

- (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.

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.

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.

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.

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:

<u>IMPOUNDMENT</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Gantt	Covington
Point A	Covington
Oliver	Tuscaloosa
Inland	Blount
Thurlow	Elmore, Tallapoosa
Yates	Elmore, Tallapoosa
Opelika City Lake	Lee
Purdy	Shelby, Jefferson

Tholocco	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.

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.

220-2-.155 Commercial Paddlefish

For further information, visit: www.outdooralabama.com.

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.

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
 - (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 § 9-11-147, Code of Ala. 1975).
- (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	Washington
Barbour	Dale	Monroe	Wilcox
Bibb	Dallas	Perry	
Butler	Escambia	Pickens	
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	Walker (except Lewis M. Smith Reservoir)	

(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.

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.

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.

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 redbhorse, *Moxostoma duquesnei*; golden redbhorse, *Moxostoma erythrurum*; and the blacktail redbhorse, *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 exclusive use as fish bait. However, no seines may be used in unimpounded 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.

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 or 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.

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.

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.

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.

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 or attempt to take, catch or kill any species of fish from public waters by the use of any firearms;
- (3) to take or 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 or 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 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;
- (6) 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;
- (7) 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.
- (8) 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.
- (9) 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.
- (10) to utilize more than three rods and reels or poles or any combination thereof while fishing Weiss Reservoir or Neely Henry Lake.

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.

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.

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:

<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>
• African elodea	<i>Lagarosiphon spp</i>
• alligatorweed	<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>
• Brazilian elodea	<i>Egeria densa</i>
• curlyleaf pondweed	<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>
• Eurasian watermilfoil	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>
• floating waterhyacinth	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>
• giant salvinia	<i>Salvinia molesta</i>
• 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 Smail (*Lissachтина 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 (*Channa spp.*);
 - 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;
- 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.

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 carried to the concessionaire, who must count and weigh them.

- (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 from the lake concessionaire.
- (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 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 Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources,
 3. to solicit, sell or advertise in any public area of said hatcheries without the 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.

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.

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 (Megalonaias nervosa)
- Threeridge (Amblema 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.

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.

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.

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.

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>Megaloniais 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 elevation 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.

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).

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.

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).

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.

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.

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.

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. In certain designated area at the park, for the hunting of deer by bow and arrow (including crossbows), during the period of November 1, 2017 through January 12, 2018, Monday – Friday only, and January 13, 2018 –February 10, 2018, every day, by permitted and licensed Alabama resident and non-resident hunters 16 year old or older only, subject to and in accordance with established registration and eligibility requirements. Stalk hunting only (no dogs). State harvest limits will apply. Hunters will be allowed to take up to three deer per day, only one of which may be an antlered buck.
- (2) Lakepoint Resort State Park – Whitetail Deer Bow Hunt. This is limited to the following dates only: October 23-25, 2017, October 30-November 1, 2017, November 6-8, 2017, November 13-15, 2017, December 11-13, 2017, January 15-17, 2018, January 22-24, 2018, and January 29-31, 2018. The bow hunts are limited to four people per date/pre-registered and all state hunting regulations will apply, including state harvest limits in Barbour County.
- (3) Falconry: The following State Parks will allow falconry in accordance with state laws and regulations during squirrel/rabbit hunting seasons as set forth in Rule 220-2-.01: 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, and Cathedral Caverns State Park.

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.

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); Crow Creek Refuge (Jackson); Cedar Creek Special Opportunity Area (Dallas); and Uchee Creek Special Opportunity Area (Russell); Fred T. Stimpson 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, Madison); Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge (Baldwin, Mobile); Grand Bay National Wildlife Refuge (Mobile); and Key Cave Refuge (Lauderdale). 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

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, 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.
 - (c) To use dogs for hunting of feral swine or small game where dogs are expressly prohibited (except for the special feral swine dog hunt on W.L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta WMAs on September 1-10).
 - (d) To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 6 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 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 Gun Hunting on Grand Bay WMA is restricted to archery and shotguns with slugs.
 2. DEER: Stalk Hunting - Primitive Weapons Hunts are restricted to muzzle-loading rifles and muzzle-loading handguns (.40 caliber or larger) muzzle-loading shotguns, air-powered guns .30 caliber or larger, or bow and arrow (including crossbow).
 3. DEER: Dog Hunts are restricted to shotguns using buckshot only.
 4. FERAL SWINE SPECIAL SEASONS: the same provisions as set out in (1)(g), (1)(g)1, and (1)(g)2, above, except at Seven Mile Island where (1)(g)1, and (1)(g)2 apply. Feral Swine may also be hunted with legal arms permitted for other game birds and animals during scheduled WMA hunts.
 5. TURKEY: Centerfire handguns or pistols are prohibited.
 6. 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 presenting his required hunting licenses for certain specified hunts at the checking station except on David K. Nelson, Grand Bay Savanna, Riverton, Upper Delta, W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta, and Forever Wild Gothard - AWF Yates Lake AREAS.
 - (j) For any person to hunt on Boggy Hollow, Hollins, Coosa AREAS without possessing a daily permit from kiosk self-service boxes

located on WMA. 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 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 on December 1-2 will be limited to 100 standers, registered through a first come first serve registration process through www.outdooralabama.com. 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, this camping restriction applies October 1 - January 31, except on Choccolocco AREA, where the camping restriction shall also be in effect from October 1 through April 30 of each year. 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 April 30th; 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 September 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 accordance with listed rules during posted times and dates. Permits for the 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 designated 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.
 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 #8.) anywhere other than designated stations on the concrete shooting line into the embankment at stationary paper 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 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 crossbow, 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 reported as specified for each Area, except on David K. Nelson, Grand Bay Savanna, Riverton, Upper Delta, W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta, and Forever Wild Gothard-AWF Yates Lake AREAS.
- (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.
- (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, Coosa, David K. Nelson, Mulberry Fork, Perdido River, Little River (within Little River Canyon National Preserve) 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 express purpose of retrieving game animals, traveling to or from a hunting location, or any other hunting related activity while remaining on regularly used roads open for public use

by four wheel vehicle traffic except on U.S. Forest Service land in an AREA where "all terrain" vehicles (ATV's) must be used on open designated ATV trails (unless noted above or excluded by the cooperating landowner and excluding Geneva State Forest Zone B). Any other recreational use of ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on any AREA is prohibited.

- (w) For any unauthorized person to ride or possess horses on any AREA except: (1) on roads open to four-wheel motorized vehicles, except Autauga; and (2) in areas, roads, and trails, designated as open to horses, except Autauga. Riding or possession of horses is prohibited 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 U.S. Forest Service, and except on Freedom Hills and James D. Martin-Skyline where horses are only allowed on designated horse trails and, in addition at Freedom Hills and the Jacinto Port Tract of W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta, horses are only allowed from March 2 to the beginning of turkey season and May 1 to September 30. Riding or possession of horses on wildlife management AREAS, except those on 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.
- (x) For any person to hunt any wildlife species (except turkey and migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours) without wearing hunter orange as described in 220-2-.85.
- (y) 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.
- (z) 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.
- (aa) To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, firewood, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization.
- (bb) To erect any permanent tree stand or install any screw-in type steps, spikes, nails or otherwise damage any standing live tree. No portable stands may be used within 50 yards of the boundary line on Barbour and Geneva State Forest AREAS.
- (cc) 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.
- (dd) 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.
- (ee) To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
- (ff) To release any animal, bird, fish, or other wildlife without first obtaining written permission from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (gg) To possess any open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas. Possession of alcoholic beverages shall be

- prohibited in counties that prohibit the possession of alcohol and on campgrounds of Coosa WMA.
- (hh) The provisions of Rule 220-2-.109 entitled “Physically Disabled Hunting Areas”, shall apply to that area entitled “Shiloh Hill Physically Disabled Hunting Area” located within Blue Spring Wildlife Management Area; provided further, that as to said physically disabled hunting area, in the event of a conflict between the provisions of Rule 220-2-.109 and this rule, Rule 220-2-.109 shall control.
 - (ii) Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area permit for 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 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 the Daub’s Swamp, Spidle Lake, and Dead Lake units of the David K. Nelson and 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). Possession of the required hunting licenses and stamps are required.
 - (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 group is to check 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 on the hunter’s Antlered Buck and Turkey Harvest Record form or reported through Gamecheck program before field dressing or moving.
 - (4) It shall be unlawful on Coosa AREA for any person to ride or possess horses except on roads designated for four wheel motorized vehicles. Horses are not permitted in the campgrounds from October 1 to April 30.
 - (5) 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, handicapped 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.
- (6) The following shall apply to the dewatering sloughs on Swan Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek AREAS:
- (a) All boats and/or boat blinds used in the harvest of waterfowl on said dewatering sloughs shall be launched and removed daily or shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring. [For the Swan Creek AREA, see (8)]
 - (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to use commercial fishing gear within said dewatering units from November 1 through January 31 of each fiscal year.
 - (c) Temporary blinds may be used for one day only. 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 unauthorized activity is prohibited from the herein mentioned dewatering units; from 7:00 PM to 2:00 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 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.
 - (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 2:00 AM daily. All hunters preparing to hunt waterfowl are not allowed in the water prior to 2:00 AM daily.
- (7) 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.

- (8) 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 or Mallard-Fox Creek Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) except on the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit where specified. All such blinds to be placed in the dewatering area must be registered with Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division officials in accordance with the following conditions:
- (a) The Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division's Blind Governing Committee shall be the final authority in resolving any dispute concerning permanent waterfowl blinds. The Blind Governing Committee shall be made up of the following people: District I Conservation Enforcement Supervisor; two Conservation Enforcement Officers; District I Supervising Wildlife Biologist, and the Area Wildlife Biologist for Swan Creek AREA. See also subsection (k) concerning the authority of the Blind Governing Committee.
 - (b) Blinds must meet "Qualifications and Registration Procedures" 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) All permanent waterfowl hunting blinds will be registered between the hours of 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM on the first Saturday of October. Only one blind may be registered per individual. Only persons 16 years of age and older may register a blind. The registrant must present all valid licenses and stamps required for them to hunt at Swan Creek AREA. Ages 16 through 64 must have an Alabama Hunting License, WMA License, Federal Waterfowl Stamp, Alabama State Waterfowl Stamp and HIP verification. Ages 65 and greater must possess a Federal Waterfowl Stamp to hunt waterfowl. Owners of blinds must present their blind number receipt at the registration table in order to complete their registration. Only fifty (50) permanent blinds will be installed at preselected sites in the dewatering area. All registered blinds receiving one of the 50 preselected sites must be installed as near as possible to the preselected site prior to gate closing on the first Saturday of November. See also subsection (k).
 - (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) In order for a blind to be eligible to be hunted from it 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. This is not intended to prevent a blind owner from removing his blind from the WMA. Blind markers shall not be moved or otherwise altered or tampered with. 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) 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. See also subsection (k).
- (h) Blinds that are drawn and installed in the dewatering unit must be completely removed from the WMA no later than the second Sunday in February. Any blind not drawn and installed on one of the 50 sites must be removed from the WMA by sunset of the day following the opening day of waterfowl season. (This includes all blinds within the boundaries of the Swan Creek WMA.) Any such blinds, trailers, or parts thereof remaining on the WMA after the above dates shall be deemed to be the property of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and shall be utilized or destroyed as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (i) Anyone launching a boat preparing to hunt waterfowl within the dewatering unit may not depart any launch site before 2:00 AM daily. With the exception above, all other hunters preparing to hunt waterfowl within the dewatering unit shall not be allowed in the water before 2:00 AM daily. All boats and boat blinds used in the harvest of waterfowl within the dewatering area shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring or removed from the dewatering unit no later than 7:00 PM daily.
- (j) Dewatering area access gates will be closed on the first Saturday in November and will be opened by 2:00 AM the opening day of waterfowl season. No boats with motors are allowed in the dewatering unit during the period gates are closed except as specified on decoy days.
- (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 Blind Regulations or Permanent Blind Qualifications and Registration Procedures; 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.

(9) Hunting on Cedar Creek, Crow Creek, Fred T. Stimpson and Uchee Creek Special Opportunity Areas (SOA) will be permitted through a limited quota random selection. Participants are required to attain a Conservation Identification Number and apply through www.outdooralabama.com to register for a limited number of quota permits available for hunts on these AREAS. Any violation of SOA rules and regulations or any other regulation or law 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 unit(s). ATV's and UTV's are not allowed on the SOA. All deer and turkey hunters are required to report all deer harvests within 48 hours through Game Check. Other requirements for hunters participating in limited quota hunts on the SOAs include:

(a) On Cedar Creek and Uchee Creek SOA:

a. It shall be unlawful to hunt on the AREA 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 hunt the assigned hunt unit for those permitted days. No substitutions will be allowed.

b. Each hunt begins at noon on Day 1 and ends of Day 4 of the hunt at noon. On other days of the hunt, hunters may enter the AREA 1 ½ hour prior to legal sunrise and must exit the AREA by 1 ½ hour after legal sunset.

c. Travel to and from assigned hunt units shall be from 1 ½ hour prior to legal sunrise and up to 1 ½ hour after legal sunset and between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

d. Antlered bucks harvested are required to have a minimum main beam spread of 16" (outside the ears) or 20" main beam (3x the length of the ear). One antlered buck per hunter per permit duration.

e. Two antlerless deer per hunter per permit duration. If hunter fails to harvest an antlered buck during assigned hunt period, 3 antlerless deer are allowed per hunter per permit duration.

f. Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, extract jawbone and antler measurements on provided data forms at AREA kiosk.

g. Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the managing biologist.

(b) On Crow Creek SOA, it shall be:

a. It shall be unlawful to hunt on the AREA unless selected by random draw for a limited quota permit for specific hunt dates on the assigned hunt unit. The permit holder and four guests may only 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 AREA without authorization.

c. It shall be unlawful to use gasoline-powered motors on the AREA.

- d. Unauthorized activity is prohibited in the AREA. In addition, all hunting activity is prohibited after 12:00 noon; all parties should be off the AREA no later than 1:30PM.
 - e. It shall be unlawful to leave assigned Unit for any reason except when departing the AREA for the day.
 - f. Temporary blinds may be used for the duration of the hunt. All such blinds left in said AREA 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 AREA. 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.
- (9) A Wildlife Management Area License, 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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2017-2018 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.

District I 2017-2018 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northwest Alabama)

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

DEER:
Zone A

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov .18. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23 – 26, Dec. 7 – 9, Dec. 22 – 24 and Dec. 29 – 31. One antlered buck per day.

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13 – 15. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Jan. 14. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15 – Feb. 10. One antlered buck per 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 Opportunity Hunt – Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 10 – 11. One antlered buck per day.

**Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 1 – 3 and Dec. 15 – 17. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 16 -17. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Jan. 14. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 15 – Feb. 10. One antlered buck per 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. 24 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 31 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Apr. 1-30 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

QUAIL:

Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16-Mar. 4. No hunting on days of gun or primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

RACCOON & OPOSSUM: Sep. 1-Feb. 28 (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. 15-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan 28. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

FERAL SWINE (Special Season): Sep. 1-16 and Mar. 1-14. 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. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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

DEER: **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 24-26, Dec. 7-9, Dec. 29-31. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested on Saturday hunts must be presented at check station for data collection. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on days of youth deer hunts. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

Zone A **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 13-17 and Feb. 1-5. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Check station will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 pm. on Jan. 13 and Feb. 3. All deer harvested must be presented at check station for data collection.

Zone B **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 18-22 and Feb. 6-10. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Check station will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Jan. 20 and Feb. 10. All deer harvested must be presented at check station for data collection.

**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. 31 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunts must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular-Apr. 1-30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful 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 and fun deer hunts. **Dove hunting allowed only on designated fields south of Stewarts Camp and Truck Trail #14 and on fields under transmission lines on Truck Trail #22.**

QUAIL: Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16-Mar. 4. 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. 1-28 (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 per day.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

SNIPE: Nov. 11-Feb. 25. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of youth and gun deer hunts.

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

DEER:

Zones A & B **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ****Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 24-26, Jan. 4-6 (**Jan. 6 BONUS BUCK DAY, must be validated by WFF personnel**), Jan. 12-14, One antlered buck per day. ****Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at check station. ****Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. ****Antlered buck restrictions apply.***

Zone A **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 1-5 and Dec. 22-26. One antlered buck per day. ****Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Check station will be open from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm on Dec. 2 and Dec. 23. All deer harvested must be presented at check station for data collection.

Zone B

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 6-10 and Dec. 27-31. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Check station will be open from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm on Dec. 9 and Dec. 30. All deer harvested must be presented at check station for data collection.

**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. 24 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 31 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Apr. 1-30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

QUAIL: Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16-Mar. 4. 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. 1-28 (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 per day.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

SNIPE: Nov. 11-Feb. 26. No hunting on days of primitive weapons and gun deer hunts.

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(d) RIVERTON COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA
(Colbert County)

DEER: **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Open each Wednesday and Saturday of the regular Gun Deer Season in Colbert County, and from Nov. 18-25, Dec. 16-23, and Jan. 13-20. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **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:** **Physically Disabled-** Mar. 31 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only.
Regular- Apr. 1-30 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16-March 4. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1-30 and Feb. 1-28 (Nighttime hours only). Fox: Dogs Only, No Weapons.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15-Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
- SNIPE:** Nov. 11-Feb. 25. 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 per day.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(e) **SAM R. MURPHY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Lamar & Marion Counties)

- DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 20-25, Dec. 14-16, Dec. 26-Jan. 2, Jan. 11-14 and Jan. 25-28. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov 15-17. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Hunters must obtain a hunt permit on days of primitive weapons or gun deer hunts. Harvested deer must be recorded at the check station.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15-Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Harvested turkeys must be recorded on the form at the check station.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16-Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, primitive weapons and gun deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Feb. 28 (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun and

primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting – Dogs Only – No Weapons.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28. 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. 28. 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 per day.

FERAL SWINE (Special Season): Sep. 2-9 and Feb. 17-24 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. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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

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

DEER: Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted Fawns): Dec. 26-Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered and one antlered buck.

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. 16-Mar. 4. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

SNIPE: Nov. 11-Feb. 25.

RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX: Sep. 1-Feb. 28 (Nighttime hours only).
Fox hunting: Dogs Only – No Weapons.

CROW & STARLING: Sep. 12-Feb. 28.

QUAIL: Nov. 4-Feb. 28.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28.

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 per day.

FERAL SWINE (Special Season): Mar. 1-31. 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. 4-Feb. 28.

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. 16-Mar. 4. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

RACCOON & OPOSSUM: Sep. 1-Feb. 28.

QUAIL: Nov. 4-Feb. 28.

DEER, FERAL SWINE, WATERFOWL,

COYOTE, BOBCAT & FOX: CLOSED.

(g) SWAN & MALLARD-FOX CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Limestone, Morgan, and Lawrence Counties)

In order to remove predators such as fox, coyote, raccoon, opossum and bobcat from Swan Creek Wildlife Management Area:

***Note¹:** All Small Game Hunting (except Waterfowl) on the Swan Creek WMA will be closed North and West of Swan Creek from Dec. 4-8 to trap furbearers.

***Note²:** All Small Game Hunting (except Waterfowl) on the Swan Creek WMA will be closed South and East of Swan Creek from Dec. 11-15 to trap furbearers.

DEER: **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Nov. 17. Two deer per day, one unantlered and one antlered buck.

WATERFOWL: State Seasons.

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 ^{*1, 2} (Noon until sunset.)

SQUIRREL & RABBIT: Sep. 16-Mar. 4. ^{*1, 2} Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

SNIPE: Nov. 11-Feb. 25 ^{*1, 2}

RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX: Sep. 1-Feb. 28 ^{*1, 2} (Nighttime Hours Only). Dogs Only – No Weapons.

CROW, STARLING & PIGEON: Sep. 9-Feb. 28 ^{*1, 2} (Closed During Regular Waterfowl Season).

QUAIL: Closed Season.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28. *²

RAIL: State Season *^{1, 2}

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

FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine): Nov. 4-Feb. 28.

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

District II 2017-2018 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northeast Alabama)

(h) CHOCCOLOCCO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA and MT. LONGLEAF NWR SEGMENT (Calhoun and Cleburne Counties)

Hunters use map permits for all hunts.

All harvest (big and small game) must be recorded at check station (intersection of Forest Service Road 522 and AL HWY 9 or intersection of Forest Service Road 500 and Forest Service Road 553) or one of the three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp or Bains Gap Road.

DEER:

Zones A & B

Youth - Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or one of three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, or Bains Gap Road.

Gun- Special Opportunity Hunt Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 4-5. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

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

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-16. One deer per day – one unantlered or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* **Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or one of three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, or Bains Gap Road.**

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. One deer per day – 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 at check station or one of three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, or Baines Gap Road.** Archery Hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunting if hunting in zone open to gun hunt abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

Zone A

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18-20, Dec. 1-3 and Dec. 15-17. One antlered buck per 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. 18-19 and Dec. 1-2. 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 one of three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, or Bains Gap Road.

Zone B

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 24 & 26, Dec. 8-10 and Dec. 22-24. One antlered buck per day.
**Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov 25. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

Check station at intersection of Forest Service Road 522 and Alabama Hwy. 9 will be opened for data collection on Nov. 24-25 and Dec. 8-9. 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 one of three kiosks located at Skeeter Branch Hunt Camp, East End Hunt Camp, or Bains Gap Road.

**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. 17-18 (daylight hours). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar.23 (daylight hours). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 24-Apr. 30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only.
All successful turkey hunters must record their harvest 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 located at Skeeter Branch and East End Hunt Camps or intersection of Bains Gap Road & Mokaley Hill Road.
- DOVE:** State Seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). **Closed on Mt. Longleaf NWR Segment.**
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT:** Sep. 16-Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.
- SQUIRREL:** **(Gray)** Sep. 16-Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
(Fox) Closed.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:** Sep. 1-Mar. 4 (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 and 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 per day.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15-Jan. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts.

FERAL SWINE (Special Season): 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. 4-Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts. **Closed on Mt. Longleaf NWR Segment.**

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

DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR ALL HUNTS.

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 boundry on Road 11, Double Bridges on County Road 29 and intersection of County Road 27 & WMA Road 72.

DEER: **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antler buck restrictions apply.*

Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or kiosk.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18 and Dec. 16. One deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Any 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. 24-26, Dec. 28-31, Jan. 13-15, Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 9-10. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Any deer harvested on these dates must be checked in for mandatory data collection at the check station across from Mt. Moriah Church for mandatory data collection on Nov. 24-25, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 13, Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 10.

Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or kiosk on days when check station is closed.

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 15-17. One deer per day – 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 (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - 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 at check station or kiosks.** 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

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 and intersection of County Road 27 & WMA Road 72.

- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10-11 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (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). Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer and feral swine hunts.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- CROW:** Sep. 9 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 1 –Mar. 4 (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 per day.
- WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** Dec. 15- Jan. 28. 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):** 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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

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

DEER: Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 28 – Nov. 5. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Deer harvested on Saturday, Oct. 28, and Saturday, Nov. 4, MUST be presented at checking station on Jackson Co. Rd. 55 (Low Gap) Stevenson, AL for data collection. Data collection forms will be provided at local license agents to record deer harvested during the entire nine-day archery hunt.**

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

Limit of 1 box (25 shells per person) in possession on all Jackson County WMA'S while waterfowl hunting. No waterfowl hunting in Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek dewatering impoundments or Crow Creek WMA on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All activity prohibited in these locations on these days.

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: Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

RACCOON, OPOOSUM & FOX: Sep. 16 - Mar. 4. (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 per day.

CROW & STARLING: Sep. 9 – Mar. 4.

RAIL, WOODCOCK & SNIPE: State season.

FERAL SWINE (Archery Only): Oct. 28 – Nov. 5 and Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4 – Feb. 28.

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

Coon Gulf Tract:

DEER: Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 24-26, Dec. 1-3 and Jan. 19-21. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

- Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
- Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. No hunting on days of youth deer hunt.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 24-25 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 26 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Apr. 1-30 (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:** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. 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 – Mar. 4 (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 per day.
- BLACKBIRD, CROW & STARLING:** Sep. 9 –Mar. 4. 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):** Oct. 14 – Jan. 31 and Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.
- BOWFISHING:** Mar. 1 – Aug. 31 and during other scheduled hunts. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

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

- DEER:** **Archery Only-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 28 – Nov. 5. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Sauta Cave NWR – closed to deer hunting. Deer harvested on Saturday, Oct. 28, and Saturday, Nov. 4, must be presented at checking station on Jackson Co. Rd. 55 (Low Gap), Stevenson, Alabama for data collection.**

- DOVE:** Sep. 9 – Oct. 27 (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:** Feb. 10 – Feb. 28.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Oct. 31 and Feb. 10 – Mar. 4. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM:** Sep. 16 – Oct. 31. (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 per day.
- WATERFOWL:** NO OPEN SEASON.
- FERAL SWINE:** Mar. 1-14 & May 1-8. (Archery, Rimfire and Shotguns with slugs only). Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Jan. 31. (water or land sets), Feb. 1-28 (water sets only).
- BOWFISHING:** May 1 – Aug. 31. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

(I) HOLLINS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Clay & Talladega Counties)

DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR ALL HUNTS

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

DEER:

Zones A & B

Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.* Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or kiosks.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18. One deer per day - 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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15 and Jan. 6-7. One deer per day - 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. 6. 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 (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - 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 all harvests 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. 8-10, Dec. 26 – 27, Jan. 19-22 and Feb. 10. One antlered buck per 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. 9-10 and Jan. 20-21. 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. 2-4, Dec. 22-24, Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 2-5. 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 Dec. 2-3, Dec. 23-24, Jan. 27 and Feb. 2-5. When check station is closed, Hunters must record all harvested deer 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. 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. 22-28 and Dec. 19-27. Gobblers only. No turkey hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
Youth- Mar. 17-18 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 21 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 24 – Apr. 30 (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. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. 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 – Mar. 4 (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 per day.
- CROW:** Sep. 9 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(m) JAMES D. MARTIN-SKYLINE WMA

(Jackson County)

DEER:

Zones A & B

Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

Primitive Weapon- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15, Dec. 1-3, Dec. 22-24. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - 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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18, Nov. 24-26, Dec. 8-10, Dec. 29-31. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*
 Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 12–14, Jan. 26-28 and Feb. 3-4. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*

Zone B **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18. Nov. 24-26, Dec. 8-10, Dec. 29-31, Jan. 12–14, Jan. 26-28 and Feb. 3-4.

**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. 17 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
Regular- Mar. 24 – Apr. 30 (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. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT:** **(Zone A)-** Oct. 2 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT:** **(Zone B)-** Feb. 5 – Mar. 4.
- SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting: dogs only – no wepons.
- 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.
- 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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

HUNTERS USE MAP PERMITS FOR ALL HUNTS

All harvest (big and small game) must be recorded at check station or kiosk located on County Road 861 on days when check station is closed.

- DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day - one unantlered

deer and one antlered buck. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18, Nov. 24-26 and Dec. 8-10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. * ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Check station will be opened for data collection on Nov. 18, Nov. 24-25 and Dec. 8-9. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or at the kiosk on County Road 861 on days when check station is closed.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 15-17, Jan. 5-7, and Jan. 19- 21. One antlered buck per day. * ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** Check station will be opened for data collection on Dec. 15-16, Jan. 5-6, and Jan. 19-20. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. Hunters must record all harvested deer at check station or at the kiosk on County Road 861 on days when check station is closed.

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-16 and Dec. 23-31. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

* ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station or at the kiosk on County Road 861.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. * ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.*** All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station or at the kiosk on County Road 861. 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. 10-11 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (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). No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

QUAIL: Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. 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 – Mar. 4 (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, FOX, FERAL SWINE & 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 per day.
- WATEFOWL:** State seasons. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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

- DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- April 1 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

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(p) **CHARLES D. KELLEY – AUTAUGA COUNTY COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA** (Autauga County)

- DEER:** **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Maddox Drive.
** Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Maddox Drive.
Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18 and Jan. 19-21. One antlered buck per day. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk on Paul Maddox Drive. ** 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.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.16 – Mar. 4. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Feb. 28 (nighttime hours only).
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 11 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at the kiosk by the gate on Paul Maddox Drive prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at the kiosk by the gate on Paul Maddox Drive prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk.
Regular- Apr. 15 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at the kiosk by the gate on Paul Maddox Drive prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest in the log at the kiosk.
- GOOSE:** Sep. 1-4 (½ hr. before sunrise to sunset). 5 geese per day.
- 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. 4 – Feb. 28. 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)

DEER:

Zones A & B

Youth– Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 24-25. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.* **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18, Dec. 1-2, Dec. 15-17, Dec. 22-24, Jan. 12-14, and Jan. 26-28 (**Jan. 27 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.* **Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.**

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 15-17 and Jan. 19-21. Two deer per day – one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.* **Archery hunting only**

on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day - 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 obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

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

Zones A & B

TURKEY:

Youth- Mar. 10-11 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at check station prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in at check station prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

DOVE:

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

QUAIL:

Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. 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 – Mar. 4. (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 per day.

STARLINGS & CROWS: Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**

WOODCOCK & SNIPE: Dec. 18 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. **No open season on the 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts. **No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.**

(r) **DAVID K. NELSON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Greene, Hale, Marengo & Sumter Counties)

DEER: **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18-19, Dec. 8-14. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. * **Antlered buck restrictions apply.**
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 5-11, Jan.19-21, Jan. 26-28. One antlered buck per day. * **Antlered buck restrictions apply.**
Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 16-17, Feb. 4-6. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. * **Antlered buck restrictions apply.**
Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 - Feb. 10. Two deer per 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. * **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. 10-11 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15 - Apr. 30 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

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

QUAIL: Nov. 4 - Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 - Mar. 4. 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 - Mar. 4 (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 per day.

FERAL SWINE: Mar. 1-4. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15 - Jan. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

WATERFOWL: Daub's Swamp, Dead Lake, and Spidle Lake Units.

State season Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays only (1/2 hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). All other units open during state season (1/2 hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange during gun deer season.

(s) **LOWNDES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

(Lowndes County)

Dutch Bend Tract

DEER: **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

**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 Season (12:00 noon until sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

WATERFOWL: State seasons (1/2 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 WMA

DEER: **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 24-26. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 1-3, Dec. 15-17, Dec. 29-31, Jan. 5-6 (**Jan. 6 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**), Jan. 19-20 and Feb. 3-4. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 15-17 and Dec. 4-9. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* All deer hunters must sign in each day of primitive weapons deer hunt at check station prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.

**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. 17 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at check station prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 21 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in at check station prior to hunting. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Mar. 24 – Apr. 30 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

QUAIL: Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

WOODCOCK & SNIPE: Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

CROW: Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RACCOON & OPPOSUM: Sep. 1 – Mar. 4 (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 per 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 and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of scheduled gun deer hunts.

FERAL SWINE (Special Season): Aug. 15 – Aug. 31 and Feb. 28 - Mar. 4. 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(t) **MULBERRY FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Tuscaloosa and Walker Counties)

Zones A & B

- DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 8-9. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18-19, Nov. 24-26, Dec. 22-24, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 19-21 and Feb. 10. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*
Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15 and Jan. 22-28. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
**Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.*
Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.* 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.*

Zones A & B

- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10-11 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Sign in each day at check station to hunt and record harvest.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15 - April 30 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Mar. 4 (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.
- DOVE:** State season (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- CROW:** Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WATERFOWL:** State season (½ hour before sunrise to noon). No hunting on days of scheduled 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.

FERAL SWINE (Special Hunt): Sep. 1-3 and Mar. 1-3. 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(u) OAKMULGEE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Bibb, Hale, Perry & Tuscaloosa Counties)

DEER: **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18, Dec. 1-2, Dec. 29-30. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 8-9, Dec. 22-24, and Jan. 12-14. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17 and Dec. 13-17. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only during buck only gun hunts. **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. 17 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Sign in each day at check station to hunt and record harvest.

Physically Disabled– Mar. 21 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

Regular– Mar. 24 – Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.

QUAIL: Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RACCOON & OPOSSUM: Sep. 1 – Mar. 4 (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.

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

- WOODCOCK & SNIPE:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled 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. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and muzzleloader deer hunts.
- WATERFOWL:** State season. No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- FERAL SWINE (Special Hunt):** Sep. 1-5. Permitted firearms & bow and arrow and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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(v) **BARBOUR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Barbour & Bullock Counties)

DEER:

- Zones A & B** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
- Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 24-26 and Jan. 4-6 (**Jan.6 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Feb. 1-3 and Jan. 18-20. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
- Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
- Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.* No hunting on day of youth deer hunt. 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

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 1-8 and Dec. 16-22. Two deer per 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 (except spotted fawns): Dec. 9-15 and Dec. 23-30. Two deer per 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. 17-18 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Physically Disabled- Mar. 23 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Mar. 24 – Apr. 30 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful 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. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX: Sep. 16 – Feb. 28 (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 per day.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

SNIPE: Nov. 12 – Feb. 25. No hunting on days of youth, 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. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(w) **BLUE SPRING WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Covington County)

- DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
 Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 22-24, Jan. 12-13, Jan. 26-28 and Feb. 7-10. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 Dog- Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 15-16 and Dec. 30-31. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Two deer per 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. 10 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
 Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
 Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful 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. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sep.16 – Feb. 28 (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 per day.
- FOX :** Sep. 1 – Oct. 14 (daylight hunting permitted). Dogs only – no weapons.
Oct. 14 – Feb. 28 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- SNIPE:** Nov. 11 – Feb. 25. No hunting on days of youth, 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. 4 – Feb. 28 (Excluding Dec. 15-16 and Dec. 30-31). All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day.
Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Hunting allowed only on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays of state season. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (daylight hours). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station
- SQUIRREL & RABBIT:** Sept. 16 - Mar. 4. Hunting only on Thursdays and Fridays of State Season. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.

- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** Sept. 16 – Feb. 28. Night time hunting only except on Wednesday, Saturday, and Youth Deer hunt day.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. Hunting only on Wednesdays and Saturdays of state season.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 15 – Feb. 17. Hunting only on Wednesdays and Saturdays of state season. 4 Quail per person per day.
- TRAPPING:** Feb. 18 – Feb. 28.

(y) **GENEVA STATE FOREST WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** (Covington and Geneva Counties)

- DEER:**
- Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
 - Gun-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 22-26, Dec. 19-23 and Jan. 2-6. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 - Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 17-21 and Feb. 1-10 (**Feb.10 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 - Dog-** Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 1-2. One antlered buck per day. By Limited quota permit only. Dogs must be approved by DCNR personnel. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 - Primitive Weapons-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 - Archery-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day. **Antlered buck restrictions apply.*
 - Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. Two deer per 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. 10 (daylight until 1:00p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.
 - Physically Disabled-** Mar. 14 (daylight until 1:00p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (daylight until 1:00p.m.).
Gobblers only. All successful 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. 4 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep.16 – Mar. 4. 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. 16 – Feb. 28 (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 & 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.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

SNIPE: Nov. 11 – Feb. 25. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

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

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4 – Feb. 28 (Excluding Dec. 8-9). All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(z) GOTHARD-AWF YATES LAKE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Elmore County)

DEER:

Zones A & B **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. One deer per day- one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18-19, Jan. 19-28 and Feb. 1-4.

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-17. One deer per day- one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14-Feb. 10. One deer per day- one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. No hunting on day of youth deer hunt. Archery hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.

Zones A

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 23-26, Dec. 7-10, Dec. 21-25, Jan. 4-7. One deer per day – one antlered buck.

Zones B

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 30-Dec. 3, Dec. 14-17, Dec. 28-31, Jan. 11-14. One deer per day – one antlered buck.

Zones A & B

- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10-11 (Daylight hours).
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight hours).
Regular- Mar. 15 – April 30 (Daylight hours).
- SQUIRREL & RABBIT:** Sept. 16 – March 4. (except on days of youth, PW deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.
- RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** Sep. 16 – Feb. 28 (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. 4 – Feb. 28. (except on days of youth, PW deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28. (except on days of youth, PW, deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zones that are not open for gun deer hunting.
- CROW:** Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and muzzleloader 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. 4 – Feb. 28 All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

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(aa) GRAND BAY SAVANNA COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA (Mobile County)

- DEER:** **Gun-** Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18 - Feb. 10 Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only. One antlered buck per day. Shotguns with slugs only. No dogs allowed.
Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day.
Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
- DOVE:** State seasons.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.16 – Mar. 4. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
- RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM :** Sep. 1 – Feb. 28 (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 per day.

- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28.
SNIPE: Nov. 11 – Feb. 25.
RAIL: State seasons.
WATERFOWL: State Seasons.
FURBEARER TRAPPING (Excluding Feral Swine): Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(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. 14-23. One antlered buck per day.
 Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns). Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep.16 – Oct. 8 & Feb. 11 – Mar. 4. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (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. 18 - Feb. 10. One antlered buck per day. No Dogs Allowed.
Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day.
 Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 – Feb. 10. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 10 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (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:** Sep.16 – Mar. 4. Fox Squirrel season closed during February & March.

- DOVE:** State Season.
- SNIPE:** Nov. 11 – Feb. 25.
- RAIL:** State Season.
- RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 – Mar. 4 (Nighttime hours only).
Fox: Dog only -No weapons.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15 – Jan. 28.
- 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.
- FERAL SWINE (Special Season):** Sep. 1 – 10. Dog hunting allowed. Daylight Hours Only.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(cc) **PERDIDO RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**
(Balwin County)

- DEER:** **Youth-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 18 and Dec. 1-2. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. A predetermined percentage of the permits issued will be Hunters’ Choice permits.
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 15-16, Jan. 5-7, Jan. 19-21, Feb. 2 - 4 (**Feb.3 Bonus buck day, must be validated by WFF personnel**). One antlered buck per day.
Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-14 and Dec. 18-22. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only Oct. 14-23. One antlered buck per day.
Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns):
Oct. 24 - Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only on antlered bucks only gun hunts.
- TURKEY:** **Youth-** Mar. 17 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 23 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Regular- Mar. 24-Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
- RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sep. 16 - Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
- QUAIL:** Nov. 4 - Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- RACCOON, FOX & OPOSSUM:** Sep. 1 - Feb. 28 (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:** Nov. 11-Feb. 25. No hunting on days of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- WOODCOCK:** Dec. 15-Jan. 28. No hunting on days 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.
- FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine):** Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

(dd) UPPER DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Baldwin & Mobile Counties)

DEER:

Zone A:

Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18, Jan. 5-7 and Feb. 2-4. One antlered buck per day.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns):

Dec. 15-16. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Dog- Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 8-9 and Dec. 29-30. One antlered buck per day. No deer hunting as shown in hatched area of map on dog deer hunts. Dog deer hunts shall start no earlier than 7:00 a.m.

Primitive Weapons- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Jan. 19-21. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 - Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only on antlered bucks only gun hunts.

Zone B:

Youth- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18, Jan. 8-14 and Jan. 26-28. One antlered buck per day.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 15-16. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Dog- Dog Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 20-25, Dec. 8-9 and Dec. 29-30. One antlered buck per day. Dog deer hunts shall start no earlier than 7:00 a.m.

Primitive Weapons: Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Jan. 19-20. One deer per day, one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.

Archery- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 14-23. Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 24 - Feb. 10. Two deer per day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. Antlered bucks only on antlered bucks only gun hunts.

Zones A & B:

TURKEY:

Youth- Mar. 10 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
Physically Disabled- Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

Regulars- Mar. 15 – Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.

WATERFOWL: Zone A- State Season (1/2 hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m.). 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- Sep. 16 - Mar. 4. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February.

SNIPE: Nov. 11 - Feb. 25. No hunting days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

FOX, RACCOON & OPOSSUM- Sep. 1- Mar. 4 (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.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 15 - Jan. 28. No hunting on days 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 per day.

FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine): Nov. 4 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

220-2-.56 2017-2018 Special Opportunity Area Hunting Seasons

District II 2017-2018 Special Opportunity Hunting Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Northeast Alabama)

a) CROW CREEK SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA (Jackson County)

WATERFOWL: Nov. 24-25, Dec. 2-4, Dec. 12-14, Dec. 22-24, Jan. 1-3, Jan. 11-13, Jan. 23-25, Jan. 26-28. 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 prior to Oct. 1, 2017.

WATERFOWL (Youth): Nov. 18 & Feb. 3. 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 prior to Oct. 1, 2017.

District III 2017-2018 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 (except spotted fawns): Oct. 26-29, Nov. 2-5. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 3-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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-16. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 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.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 7-10, Dec. 27-30, Jan. 4-7, Jan. 25-28, Feb. 7-10. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 3-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 length of 16" (outside the ears) or 20" main beam (3x length of the ear).***

- **Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, extract jawbone and antler measurements at kiosk.**
- **Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the district biologist.**

TURKEY: Apr. 7-8, April 18-19, Apr. 28-29. One gobbler per 2-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.

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 2017-2018 Special Opportunity Hunting Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Central East Central, Southeast Alabama)

c) UCHEE CREEK SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA
(Russell County)

DEER: **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 26-29, Nov. 2-5. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 3-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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-16. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 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.

Gun- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 7-10, Dec. 27-30, Jan. 4-7, Jan. 25-28, Feb. 7-10. One antlered buck per hunter per 3-day hunt and 2 antlerless deer per hunter per 3-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 length of 16” (outside the ears) or 20” main beam (3x length of the ear).***

- **Hunters are required to record data of harvest date, sex, lactation presence, weight, extract jawbone and antler measurements at kiosk.**
- **Hunters are required to email pictures of their harvest to the district biologist.**

TURKEY: Apr. 7-8, April 18-19, Apr. 28-29. One gobbler per 2-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.

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 2017-2018 Wildlife Management Area Seasons and Bag Limits (Southwest Alabama)

d) FRED T. STIMPSON SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY HUNTING AREA (Clarke County)

DEER: **Archery-** Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 27-29, Dec. 29-31, Jan. 19-21, Feb. 2-4. Two deer per day – one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. 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 (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11 - 12, Nov. 24 - 25, and Dec. 16 - 17, Jan. 5 - 6. Two deer per day – one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. By limited quota permit only for youth hunter permit holder. Youth permit holder may have one youth guest hunter and is required to have one properly licensed supervising adult 21 years or older or the parent of the youth, on the specified hunt day and in specified unit. 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 per day. Limited to those limited quota permit holders for the specified permit days and units.

SQUIRREL: Youth - Oct. 7 - 8 and Oct. 21 - 22. By limited quota permit only for youth hunter permit holder and up to 5 guests. Guests must include at least one other youth hunter. The remaining guests may be youth hunters or properly licensed adult hunters, with one adult guest serving as the supervising

adult, 21 years or older or the parent of the youth hunter. Hunters are required to remain in their assigned unit on their specified hunt date.

220-2-.107 Special 2017-2018 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 18-30, 2017. One a Day, Five during combined Fall and Spring Seasons. No decoys permitted during fall turkey season.

220-2-.125 Special 2017-2018 Hunting Seasons for Certain Forever Wild and State Lands Division Lands

- (1) The following special 2017-2018 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 - Weyerhaeuser and Fire Tower Road Additions, and York North and South Additions and Hancock tracts, Monroe County;

- (a) The hunting seasons as established in Rule 220-2-.01 entitled "2017-2018 Hunting Seasons," Rule 220-2-.77 entitled "2017-2018 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, crossbow, or spear.
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 per 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 13-17.
7. Turkey hunting shall be legal on the Red Hills Complex in Monroe County, Old Cahawba Prairie Complex – West Zone in Dallas County, Sipse River Complex in Tuscaloosa County, Pike County Pocosin Complex in Pike County, and Coon Creek Tract in Tallapoosa County from daylight until 1:00 pm.
8. Un-antlered deer dates at the Red Hills Complex in Monroe County shall be: November 24 and 25th, and again December 31st and January 1st.
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 2017-2018 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 "2017-2018 Hunting Seasons," and Rule 220-2-.77 entitled "2017-2018 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, crossbow, or spear.
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.

220-2-.127 Special 2017-2018 Hunting Seasons for Blowing Springs Cave Tract (Forever Wild Lands), Lauderdale County

- (1) The following special 2017-2018 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 "2017-2018 Hunting Seasons," and as established in Rule 220-2-.77 entitled "2017-2018 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.

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 authorization 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.
- (2) Individuals must follow the listed rules to participate in the scheduled deer 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.

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 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) "USA Foundation Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (l) "Pine Hills Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (m) "Chattahoochee Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (n) "Big Oak Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (o) "Dozier Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (p) "Cherokee Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (q) "Shiloh Hill Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached revised map.
- (r) "Coffee County (Victoria) Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached map.
- (s) "Lewis Smith Physically Disabled Hunting Area," as indicated on the attached map.
- (t) "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.]

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.

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/alabama-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 lifetime 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.)

Resident Annual All Game	\$ 26.60
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
Resident Annual Small Game	\$ 17.70
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
Resident Wildlife Heritage*	\$ 11.00
Resident Disabled (100% Disabled) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 6.05
Resident Veterans Disabled (50% Disabled) ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 13.85
Resident Veterans Disabled (100% Disabled) ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 3.10
Nonresident Annual All Game	\$306.25
Nonresident Annual Small Game	\$100.05
Nonresident 10-Day Trip All Game	\$189.20
Nonresident 10-Day Trip Small Game	\$ 61.10
Nonresident 3-Day Trip All Game	\$133.55
Nonresident 3-Day Trip Small Game	\$ 44.35
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 240 or 72 consecutive hours</i>	
Disabled Military Veteran’s Appreciation	
Hunting Event License**	\$131.65
State Duck Stamp	\$ 11.00
Wildlife Management Area License***	\$ 17.70
Commercial Fowl Hunting Preserve License****	\$ 10.00
<u>FUR CATCHERS LICENSE (Resident and Nonresident):</u>	
Resident	\$ 21.70
Nonresident ⁽²⁾	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 ⁽¹⁾:

Annual Freshwater	\$13.30
<i>Includes privileges of Wildlife Heritage</i>	
Annual Saltwater	\$23.35
7-Day Trip Saltwater	\$ 9.80
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 168 consecutive hours</i>	

DISABLED RESIDENT SPORT FISHING LICENSES ⁽¹⁾:

Freshwater Annual	\$ 3.00
Freshwater Veterans Appreciation Annual ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 3.10
Freshwater 3-day Event ⁽⁶⁾	\$100.00
Saltwater Annual ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 3.00

NONRESIDENT SPORT FISHING LICENSES: *Special fishing license fees may apply to residents of Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi due to reciprocal license costs.*

Nonresident Annual Freshwater ⁽³⁾	\$51.00
Nonresident Annual Saltwater ⁽³⁾	\$49.95
Nonresident 7-Day Trip Freshwater ⁽³⁾	\$28.75
Nonresident 7-Day Trip Saltwater ⁽³⁾	\$27.70
<i>Trip Licenses are valid for 168 consecutive hours</i>	
Nonresident Freshwater Family Trip 3 Day	\$28.75
<i>Allows non-residents to add up to 4 additional immediate family members to their Sport Fishing License.</i>	

STATE LAKES FISHING LICENSES * (Resident and Nonresident):

Resident Daily Freshwater Fishing	\$ 6.20
Nonresident Daily Freshwater Fishing	\$ 7.25
Nonresident Annual Freshwater Fishing	\$12.45

*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

FRESHWATER MUSSEL LICENSE (Resident and Nonresident):

Resident Catcher ⁽²⁾	\$251.00
Nonresident Catcher ⁽²⁾	\$751.00
Resident Dealer or Buyer ⁽²⁾	\$101.00
Nonresident Dealer or Buyer ⁽²⁾	\$301.00

FRESHWATER COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE:

Resident Annual	\$100.00
Retail Freshwater Fish Dealer	\$11.00
<i>Required to sell commercial or nongame fish direct to consumer</i>	
Wholesale Freshwater Fish Dealer	\$26.00
<i>Required to sell commercial or nongame fish for resale</i>	
Nonresident Commercial Fishing	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.

RESIDENT LIFETIME LICENSES

(Lifetime fishing licenses purchased prior to April 1, 1992 include Freshwater & Saltwater)

<u>License Privilege (by age)</u>	<u>Under 2</u>	<u>2 - 11</u>	<u>12 - 49</u>	<u>50 & over</u>
Freshwater Fishing	\$168.05	\$223.80	\$279.55	\$168.05
Hunting	\$335.25	\$446.70	\$558.05	\$335.25
Saltwater Fishing	\$279.55	\$335.25	\$390.95	\$279.55
Hunting & Freshwater Fishing	\$502.45	\$558.05	\$780.95	\$502.45
Hunting & Saltwater Fishing	\$613.75	\$780.95	\$948.15	\$613.75
Freshwater & Saltwater Fishing	\$446.70	\$558.05	\$669.55	\$446.70
Hunting, Freshwater & Saltwater Fishing	\$780.95	\$892.40	\$1,171.00	\$780.95
Wildlife Heritage	\$223.80	\$223.80	\$223.80	\$223.80

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/alabama-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/alabama-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.*

SPEAR FISHING LICENSE: *Valid for fresh and saltwater. Must also have appropriate Sportfishing license.*

Resident Annual	\$ 6.00
Nonresident Annual	\$ 8.50
Nonresident 7-Day Trip	\$ 3.50

Spear fishing licenses are issued by:

DCNR - WFF
 PO Box 301456
 Montgomery, AL 36130-1456
 (334) 242-3465
 Marine Resources Div.
 PO Box 189
 Dauphin Island, AL 36528
 (251) 861-2882

On our website at:
www.outdooralabama.com
 Marine Resources Div.
 PO Box 458
 Gulf Shores, AL 36547
 (251) 968-7576

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