

BARBOUR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Barbour and Bullock Counties)

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES

Hunting Regulations - September 2018 - August 2019

PERMITS: Season permits for small game, archery, and turkey may be obtained from self-service box at checking station. Permits requested by mail should be made to Area Biologist Adam Pritchett, 188 Christa Drive, Midway, AL 36053 (Telephone [334] 529-3222). Request must include current hunting license number and large self-addressed, stamped envelope. All deer hunters (including archery) during the youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts shall be issued a hunting permit and shall report in and out at the checking station located at the area headquarters. Trapping permits may be obtained only from area biologist. Roads are closed seasonally from May 1 to September 15.

NOTE: • A State Hunting License, Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License and a wildlife management area permit are required when hunting deer, turkey, or waterfowl on a wildlife management area. For residents, a State hunting license or Wildlife Heritage License (residents only) and WMA permit are required for hunting small game, except waterfowl on wildlife management areas. Nonresidents must possess a wildlife management area license in addition to a hunting license and WMA permit to hunt big game and small game.

Youth hunters on youth deer and turkey hunts must be less than 16 years of age. Supervisors must be 21 years old or older, or a parent, and must be properly licensed.

Youth must remain within 30 feet of supervisors at all times.

A WMA License and WMA map permit are required for horseback riding.
 Statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies to all WMAs.

Administrators of the hunt shall have the right to distribute the hunters and to inspect all vehicles or other equipment while on the area. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and landowners, who are making the hunting possible, hereby put each hunter on notice that he hunts at his own risk and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and such landowners shall not be responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:

DOVE:

QUAIL:

Zones A & B

(Youth) Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 10. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.

Special Early Hunt Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov 16. (Gun)

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 17-18 and Jan. 10-12 (Jan.12 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: Jan. 24-26 and Feb.7-9. (A limited number of hunter's choice permits may be issued). One antlered buck per day. *Antlered buck restrictions apply.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 12-15. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered buck (Primitive Weapons)

restrictions apply. Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck per day. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. (Archery)

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain

deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. Zone A

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 29-Dec. 6, Dec. 14-20. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered (Gun)

buck restrictions apply. Small game hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting.

Zone B (Gun) Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 7-13 and Dec. 21-29. 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: Mar. 16-17 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

Mar. 22 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station. (Physically Disabled) (Regular) Mar. 23 – Apr. 30 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All successful hunters must record their harvest at the check station.

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. Nov. 3 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and muzzleloader deer hunts.

RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 15 – Mar. 3. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and

March.

RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX: Sep. 15 – 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.

& 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.

SNIPE: Nov. 10 - Feb. 24. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

WOODCOCK: Dec. 14 – Jan. 27. 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. 3 – Feb. 28. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on

days of gun deer hunts.

BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE

BAG LIMITS: Deer - hunter's choice gun and primitive weapons hunts (either sex except spotted fawns - two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck) Hunter's choice archery (either sex except spotted fawns - two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck). Turkey (gobblers only) - 1 a day (5 per season); Squirrel-8 a day; Rabbit-8 a day; Raccoon& Opossum- no limit; Fox- 1 a day; Quail- 8 a day; Waterfowl- state limit; Dove- 15 a day; Woodcock- 3 a day; Snipe- 8 a day.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2-.02(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-.03. Deer: Stalk Hunts:

Primitive Weapons: Using only muzzle loading rifles (.40 caliber or larger), muzzle loading shotguns, air-powered guns (.30 caliber or larger) or archery equipment as defined in

220-2-.03.

As defined in 220-2-.02(3), except no center-fire pistols. Turkey:

Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-.02 and archery equipment in 220-2-.03. Remainder of Seasons:

As Defined in 220-2-.30(2), except no .22 magnums are allowed. Trapping:

Falconry will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falconers; following the dates those seasons are open on each AREA.

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL:

- To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or bow and arrow without a valid permit (except for legally licensed handguns). A permit is valid only during scheduled management area seasons during legal hunting hours and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit.
- To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
- To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 6 until August 31.
- For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied by a licensed hunter at all times. 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 (except for legally licensed handguns).
- To camp in the management area except in designated sites. Campers using generators must camp in site designated for generator use. Individuals or groups may camp on the management area for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any 30-day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area.
- To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to bobcat, feral swine, and coyote which may be killed during all scheduled management area hunts, during daylight hours only, that occur during the dates of the gun deer and turkey seasons for the county or counties in which the management area is located, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts.
- 8. To discharge fireworks at any time.
- To discharge firearms for target practice except on the designated range. To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, or within 100 yards of any public road, highway, or within a posted safety zone, or within one-
- half mile of a church on Sunday or from within the right-of-way of any developed road (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas.
- To transport deer killed during the youth, gun and primitive weapons hunts from the management area before being examined at the checking station for scientific data; all deer killed during archery hunting and all turkey killed during turkey season shall be reported at the self-service check station. 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.
- For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on any AREA, except when utilized for the expressed purpose of retrieving game animals, traveling to or from a hunting location, or any other hunting related activity. Any other recreational use of ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on any AREA is prohibited. ATVs may not be operated on fire-lanes, boundary line ROWs or on any other area not designated as a regularly used road.
- For any person to hunt deer on days of scheduled gun or primitive weapons hunts without wearing a vest containing a minimum 144 square inches of hunter orange color or either full size hunter orange hat or cap. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
- 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. To deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on management area prior to receiving approval from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- For any person to damage or remove any trees, crops or other plants, dirt, gravel, artifacts, or sod from management area without legal authorization.
- To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold on management area without written permission from the landowners. No elevated stands may be used within 50 yards of the Management Area boundary line.
- 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.
- To bring campers to the management area before September 15 unless approved by special permit issued by the area biologist and/or to leave campers on the area after sundown on the first Sunday following April 30th. All campers left unattended overnight must display owner's name, address, and telephone number.

Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.

WMA is provided by the Wildlife Section of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, in cooperation with the Graves Family and the Forever Wild Land Trust.