

HOLLINS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Clay & Talladega Counties)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
Hunting Regulations – September 2018 - August 2019

PERMITS: Daily Permits REQUIRED for Each hunt day, for ALL GAME hunting, on hunt dates listed below, and non-hunting related WMA user activities. Daily Permits will be available at self-service boxes located at the permit locations listed below. WMA map/season regulations will be available at check station, kiosk on FS rd. 607 or east Bull Gap rd., also may be obtained locally at Toodlum's, Hwy. 231 in Hanover, Friendly Corner at the intersection of Hwy. 148 and Main Street in Sylacauga, The Sure Shot on Hwy. 280 in Alexander City or online at www.outdooralabama.com. WMA/Map season regulations may also be obtained in person between the hours of 8:00AM and 5:00PM Monday through Friday or by mail from Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries office, 4101 AL Hwy. 21 N, Jacksonville, AL 36265. Send your request with a stamped self-addressed envelope. Trapping permits are available from the Area Biologist or District II office.

HARVEST: All deer harvested on mandatory check in dates MUST be checked in at the check station (see below in seasons). Deer harvested on other dates MUST be recorded on daily permit and placed in drop box at self-service box at check station or a kiosk. All harvested game must be recorded on daily permit and placed in self-service permit drop box at check station or a kiosk.

RESTRICTIONS: Antlered buck restrictions in effect for Zone B: To be legal for harvest antlered bucks must have at least four (4) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam.

NOTE: • As per 220-2-.55 (10) A Wildlife Management Area License (required for deer, turkey and waterfowl), PLUS the applicable Resident or Non-Resident Hunting License [for Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age and for non-residents 16 years of age and older], PLUS a Wildlife Management Area Permit [free of charge], are required for hunting on AREAS; provided however, that properly licensed persons under the "Wildlife Heritage License" may hunt legal small game except waterfowl on AREAS without the other licenses described herein. PLUS, in order to hunt waterfowl on AREAS, all persons must have, in addition to the otherwise required licenses and permit, a HIP and valid State (ages 16 through 64) and a valid Federal (ages 16 and over) Waterfowl Stamp.
• 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.
• 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 areas. 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.

ALL Hunters must obtain a Daily Permit at a self-service box in the open zone for EACH hunt day for any game animal hunted. Hunters must complete check in portion of daily permit and place in self-service box at check station or a kiosk, and complete check-out portion of daily permit for harvest reporting on days check stations are closed.

PERMIT LOCATIONS: ZONE A - Permits available at kiosks located at intersection of Hwy 148 and Forest Service Road 607, the intersection of Forest Service Road 615 and Forest Service Road 616, the intersection of Trammel Road (Forest Service Road 603) and Hwy. 148, and intersection of Horns Valley Road and Forest Service Road 662-A

ZONE B - Permits available at the check station located on Clay Co. Road 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.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:

ZONES A & B

(Youth)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 10-11. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B.
(Gun)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 17. 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 located at Clay Co. Rd. 4 in Hollins or mobile check station at the intersection of Forest Service Roads 616 and 607.
(Primitive Weapons)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 14-16 and Jan. 5-6. (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 Co. Rd. 4 in Hollins on Jan. 5.
(Archery)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: (except spotted fawns): Oct. 15 – Feb.10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks only on gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone B. Archery hunting is permitted in Zone closed to gun deer hunting. If hunting in Zone open to gun hunt, hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations.
Zone A: (Gun)	Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 1-2, Dec.21-23, Jan. 19-21, and Feb. 9. One antlered buck per day. A mobile check station at the intersection of FS roads 616 and 607 will be opened for data collection on Dec. 1, Dec. 22-23, Jan. 19 and Feb. 9. All deer harvested on these dates must be presented at the mobile check station. On dates check station is closed harvested deer must recorded on the daily permit and submitted at kiosk.
Zone B: (Gun)	Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 7-9, Dec. 26-27, Jan. 26-27, and Feb.1-3. One antlered buck per day. Antler 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. 8-9, Dec.26-27, Jan. 26-27, and Feb. 1-2. When check station is closed, hunters must record harvested deer at check station or Zone B kiosk.

***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: (Archery)	DAILY PERMIT REQUIRED FOR ALL TURKEY AND SMALL GAME HUNTING. See above for permit locations. Nov. 22-28 and Dec. 19-27. Gobblers only. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
(Youth)	Mar. 16-17. Daylight until 1:00 pm. Gobblers only.
(Physically Disabled)	Mar. 22. Daylight until 1:00 pm. Gobblers only.
(Regular)	Mar. 23-Apr. 30. Daylight until 1:00 pm. Gobblers only. Turkey hunters must record all harvest on daily permit and submit it at check station or kiosk.
DOVE:	State Season (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset). Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
QUAIL:	Nov. 3-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL:	Sep. 15-Mar. 3. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:	Sep. 1 - Mar. 3. (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. 8-Mar. 3. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
WOODCOCK & SNIPE:	Dec. 14- Jan. 27. No hunting on days of gun deer hunts.
FURBEARER TRAPPING: (excluding feral swine)	Nov. 3 – Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

BAG LIMITS: Deer – Antlered bucks only hunts – one antlered buck per day; Hunter's Choice one deer per day – one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. Turkey (Gobblers only) - 1 a day (5 per season); Squirrel - 8 a day; Quail - 12 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Raccoon & Opossum - No Limit; Dove - 15 a day; Fox - 1 a day. Feral Swine – no bag limit. Falconers may take migratory game birds (not more than 3 per day in aggregate combination) and resident game birds and animals following the bag limits listed above for firearms and archery.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

Deer: <i>Stalk Hunts:</i>	As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2-.02(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
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.
Turkey:	As defined in 220-2-.02(3), except no center-fire pistols or crossbows allowed.
Remainder of Seasons:	Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-.02 and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
Trapping:	As Defined in 220-2-.30(2), except no .22 magnums are allowed.
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, bow and arrow, or crossbows without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled management and refuge area seasons during legal hunting hours and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit. **See (20) below.**
- To use dogs for hunting of deer, turkey, or feral swine. (Leashed dogs may be used for the expressed purpose of retrieving wounded deer, limited to two dogs per tracking event).
- To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from the end of conventional small game season until August 31.
- For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied at all times by an adult who is either 21 years old or older or the parent and who possesses all license to hunt WMA.
- 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, or cocked crossbows. **See (20) below.**
- To camp in the management area except in designated sites. On management areas located on U.S. Forest Service lands, this camping restriction applies from October 1-January 31. 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.
- To discharge fireworks at any time.
- To discharge firearms for target practice.
- 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 on Sunday within one-half mile of a church, or from within the right-of-way of any developed road (paved or unpaved), which is open for vehicular traffic.
- To transport deer or turkey killed during the hunts from the area before being examined at the checking station for scientific data on the required dates or recorded at check station or kiosk when check station is closed.
- 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 Hollins WMA or to ride or possess horses except on roads and trails open to four-wheel motorized vehicles or on roads/trails or in areas designated as open to horses.
- For any person except authorized personnel to park in front of a locked gate, block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that inhibits traffic.
- For any person to hunt deer or feral swine on days of scheduled gun or primitive weapons hunts without wearing an outer garment above the waist with a minimum 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 on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
- To deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on management area.
- For any person to damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, plants, dirt, gravel or sod from management area.
- To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold on management area. 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.
- Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully licensed 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.
- 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 U.S. Forest Service, Kaul Lumber Company, Hancock Timber Resource Group and other private landowners.