

This map is your Season Permit for hunting in accordance with the seasons, rules and regulations listed on the back of this map. In addition, the following license(s) are required to hunt on a WMA:

**Deer:** An All Game License and Wildlife Management Area License;

**Small Game (except waterfowl):** A Heritage, Small Game or All Game License;

**Waterfowl:** A Small Game or All Game License and a Wildlife Mgt. Area License; State and Federal Duck Stamp; HIP Permit.

This permit must be signed and in your possession along with the appropriate license(s) in order to be valid.

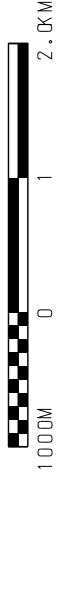
# KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

## U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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A separate trapping permit will be issued by the Area Biologist. Trappers must also possess a current Fur Catchers License.

### SCALE

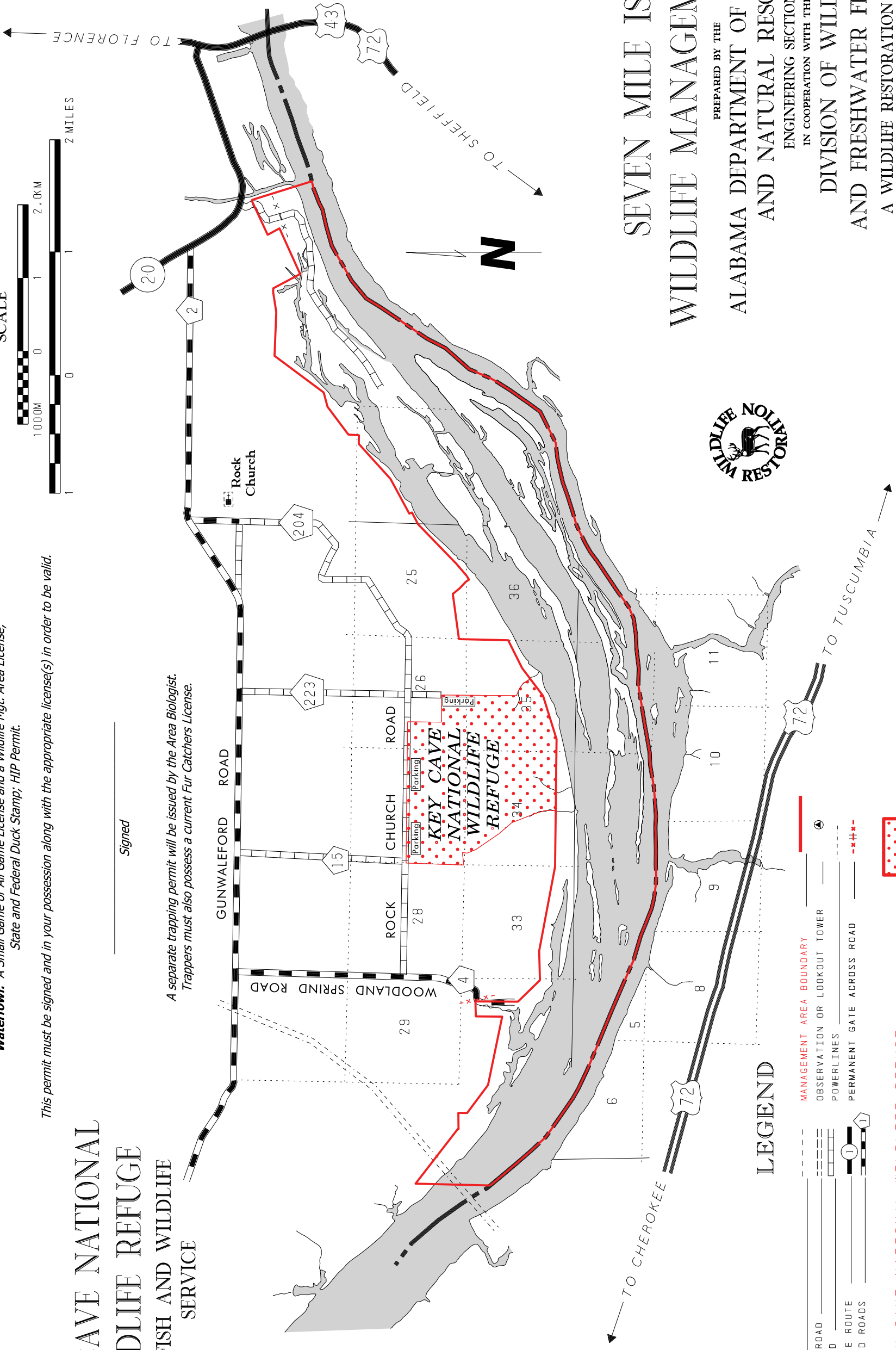
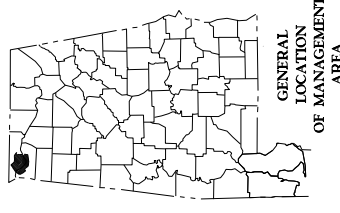


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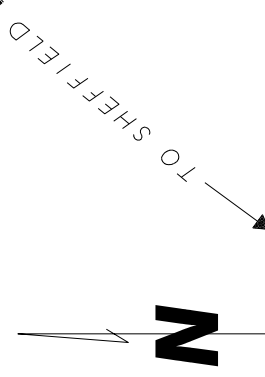
- TRAIL
- PRIMITIVE ROAD
- GRAVEL ROAD
- PAVED STATE ROUTE
- OTHER PAVED ROADS
- MANAGEMENT AREA BOUNDARY
- OBSERVATION OR LOOKOUT TOWER
- POWERLINES
- PERMANENT GATE ACROSS ROAD
- KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE



SEVEN MILE ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

PREPARED BY THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES ENGINEERING SECTION IN COOPERATION WITH THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES A WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROJECT

TO FLORENCE



TO SHEFFIELD

TO CHEROKEE

TO TUSCUMBIA

**SEVEN-MILE ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**  
**(Lauderdale County)**  
**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION OF WILDLIFE & FRESHWATER FISHERIES**  
**Hunting Regulations – September 2018 – August 2019**

**PERMITS:** A season permit is required for all hunting and trapping. Waterfowl, small game, feral swine, and archery deer permits may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Daniel Toole, 4200 White Pike, Cherokee, AL 35616 (enclose current hunting license number with a self-addressed, stamped envelope), or from Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, Decatur or locally from Perkins, McFarland Bottom, Florence; Dick's Sporting Goods, Florence; Probate Judge's Office, Lauderdale County Courthouse; Wal-Mart, Florence; and from self-serve permit box located at main entrance off of Hwy. 20 just west of Cypress Creek next to the Florence Water Treatment Plant or by printing from the Internet at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com) (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist. Vehicles will be allowed beyond the entrance gate the first 10 days of the dove season. All deer harvested during the archery season and all feral swine must be recorded on the reporting form located in the permit box at entrance gate off of Hwy. 20 west of Cypress Creek next to the Florence Water Treatment Plant prior to leaving the area.

**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), or State fishing 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 waterfowl 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 arm's length 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.

**SEVEN-MILE-ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA HUNTING DATES**

**(ALL ANTLERED BUCKS HARVESTED ON WMA'S MUST BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE ANNUAL STATE WIDE 3 BUCK LIMIT).**

**DEER:** (Archery) Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice: **Dec. 26 – Feb. 10.** Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at permit box.  
**State Season**  
**WATERFOWL:** **State Season**  
**GOOSE (All Geese):** **State Season**  
**SPECIAL TEAL SEASON:** **State Season**  
**YOUTH WATERFOWL DAYS:** **State Season**  
**DOVE:** **State Season** (12:00 Noon until sunset on opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset).  
**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** **Sep. 15 – Mar. 3.** Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.  
**SNIPE:** **Nov. 10 – Feb. 24**  
**RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:** **Sep. 1 – Feb. 28.** (Nighttime hours only). Fox - Dogs only; No Weapons.  
**CROW & STARLIN:** **Sep. 12 – Feb. 28**  
**QUAIL:** **Nov. 3 – Feb. 28**  
**WOODCOCK:** **Dec. 14 – Jan. 27**  
**RAIL:** **State Season**  
**BOBCAT, BEAVER, FOX & COYOTE:** Open during any other scheduled WMA hunting season using weapons and ammo approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed - Daylight Hours Only.  
**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. All swine harvested must be recorded at permit box.  
**Nov. 3 – Feb. 28.** Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.

**FURBEARER TRAPPING:** (Excluding feral swine)  
**BOW FISHING:** **Mar. 1 – Aug. 31.** Non-game fish only.

**KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE HUNTING DATES: Hunting Allowed only for the following species and only on Monday, Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays within the following seasons:**

**DOVE:** **State Season** (12:00 Noon until sunset on opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset).  
**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** **Sep. 15 – Mar. 3.** Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.  
**RACCOON & OPOSSUM:** **Sep. 1 – Feb. 28.** (Nighttime hours only). Fox - Dogs only; No Weapons.  
**QUAIL:** **Nov. 3 – Feb. 28**  
**DEER, FERAL SWINE, WATERFOWL, COYOTE, BOBCAT, & FOX:** **CLOSED**

**BAG LIMITS:** Deer - See above deer hunt schedule; Special Teal Season – State bag and limit; Waterfowl (including geese) – State bag limits. Dove - 15 a day; Snipe - 8 a day; Rail - 15 a day; Woodcock - 3 a day (Possession Limit on migratory birds is 3 times the daily bag limit); Squirrel - 8 a day; Quail - 8 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Fox – 1 per day; Raccoon - 5 per day; Opossum - No limit; Feral Swine –No 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.

**LEGAL TIMES FOR HUNTING:** Resident Game - Daylight hours, except Fox, Opossum & Raccoon, may be hunted at night; Dove - see above; Rail, Woodcock, Snipe and Waterfowl - 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.

**PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:**

Deer: *Stalk Hunts:* As defined in Alabama Regulations archery equipment in 220-2-.03.  
Special Feral Swine Hunts: Muzzleloading rifles and shotguns, bow and arrow, crossbows and shotguns using slugs only. Muzzleloading rifles must be .40 caliber or larger (Hunter Orange Requirements Apply).  
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.  
Bowfishing: As defined in 220-2-.46(1)2, 3.

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, except bow fishing equipment 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 wildlife listed on permit. See 24 for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
- To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or turkey. (Leashed dogs may be used for the expressed purpose of retrieving wounded deer, limited to two dogs per tracking event).
- To use dogs for feral swine or small game hunting where dogs are expressly prohibited.
- To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from the end of small game season to August 31.
- For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied by an adult who is either 21 years old or older or the parent and who possesses all licenses to hunt WMA.
- On Key Cave NWR hunters under the age of 16 must be supervised by a properly licensed and permitted adult 21 years of age or older. Hunters under supervision must be under normal voice control, not to exceed 30 feet away from the properly licensed adult.**
- To have in possession any fully automatic rifle or firearms, ammunition or bow and arrow except as described about in Permitted Firearms and Bow and Arrow section.
- For any person to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearm (including pistols) 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 24 for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
- To camp on the Seven-Mile Island WMA or Key Cave NWR. No warming fires shall be permitted on these areas.
- To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. **Bobcat, deer, waterfowl, coyote, fox, or feral swine may NOT be killed on the Key Cave NWR.**
- 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 paved public road, highway, or within a posted safety zone, or within one-half mile of a church on Sunday.
- To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas.**
- For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with a bow and arrow or crossbow. See 24 for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
- 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 harvested deer, traveling to or from a hunting location, or any other hunting related activity. ALL VEHICLES, whether licensed or unlicensed must remain on regularly used roads open for public use by four wheel vehicle traffic.
- To ride or possess horses except in areas or on roads or trails designated as open to horses, or to ride or possess horses on roads designated as closed to motorized vehicles, or **to ride or possess horses at any time on the Key Cave NWR. Riding or possession of horses shall be restricted to holders of a current valid Wildlife Management Area license and a valid WMA permit.**
- 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.
- 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 artifacts, trees, crops, plants, dirt, gravel 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 landowners.
- To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without first 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 (including persons while bow hunting) except as otherwise provided by this regulation.
- To transport deer, turkey, or swine killed during any hunt from the area before being checked or reported at the designated checking stations.
- To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
- To release any animal, bird, fish, or other wildlife on any WMA, Refuge, or Public Lake without first obtaining written permission from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.**

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