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- DATA KIOSK AND/OR PARKING
- POWER LINE
- PRIMITIVE ROAD / TRAIL
- GRAVEL, STONE OR SOIL ROAD
- PAVED STATE ROUTE
- OTHER PAVED ROADS
- SAUTA CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE (SMALL GAME HUNTING ONLY)
- NORTH SAUTY REFUGE
- MUD CREEK MANAGEMENT AREA
- CROW CREEK MANAGEMENT AREA
- CROW CREEK REFUGE
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- GREEN TREE RESERVOIR
- COON GULF TRACT
- TOWER
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- CHURCH AND CEMETERY
- OBSERVATION OR LOOKOUT TOWER
- CAMP OR LODGE
- ROADSIDE PARK-PICNIC GROUND
- CHECKING STATION

- DEWATERING UNIT
- GATE ACROSS ROAD
- AUTOMOBILE JUNKYARD
- WATER TANK OR STAND PIPE
- HOSPITAL
- OFFICE (HEADQUARTERS)
- BOAT LAUNCH

DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED ON REVERSE SIDE. This map permit is your Season Permit to hunt all game, in accordance with the seasons, rules and regulations (220-2-.55 and 220-2-.56). Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service kiosk or check station. In addition to a daily permit and valid map permit, a hunting license and a wildlife management area license are required. This map permit must be signed and in your possession to be valid. 2019-2020 Season Map Permit

JACKSON COUNTY WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREAS, REFUGES AND COON GULF TRACT ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES IN COOPERATION WITH FOREVER WILD LAND TRUST and TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY A WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROJECT

JACKSON COUNTY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS & REFUGES including Coon Gulf Tract (Jackson County)

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
Hunting Regulations –September 2019 – August 2020

PERMITS: Daily permits & map/regulations will be available at the information kiosks located at Mud Creek WMA, Crow Creek, North Sauty Refuge, Raccoon Creek and Coon Gulf Forever Wild Tract; season map/regulations are also available at most local license agents or by writing Area Biologist Courtenay Conring at 234 County Road 141, Hollywood, AL 35752 along with a self-addressed stamped #10 envelope. Phone (256) 437-2788. Map/Regulations will also be available online at www.outdooralabama.com (both pages of the internet map / regulations must be in possession to be valid). Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist.

DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW SO THAT ACCURATE DATA REGARDING HUNTER MAN DAYS AND HARVEST CAN BE COLLECTED TO BETTER SERVE YOU.

- 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 Daily Permit [free of charge], and map/regulations 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.

DAILY PERMITS REQUIRED FOR EACH HUNT DAY FOR ALL GAME HUNTING ON DATES LISTED BELOW. DAILY PERMITS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT SELF SERVICE BOX LOCATIONS MARKED ON THE FRONT OF MAP PERMIT. Hunters must obtain a daily permit for each hunt day at a self-service box and submit results of hunt at kiosk when leaving.

HUNTING DATES FOR CROW CREEK, MUD CREEK AND RACCOON CREEK WMAs-

DEER: (Archery) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 19 – Nov. 3. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
WATERFOWL: State seasons (½ hour before sunrise to sunset).
SANDHILL CRANE By draw permit only. Dec. 3-Jan 5, Jan. 16-31 (Sunrise to 12:00 noon).

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

DOVE: State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset Fri-Sun.; ½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon.-Thu.).
QUAIL: CLOSED
RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX: Sep. 14 – Feb. 29. (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox hunting: dogs only – no weapons.
BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE
& FOX: Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox per day.

CROW, & STARLING: Sep. 7 – Feb. 29.
RAIL, WOODCOCK & SNIPE: State season
FERAL SWINE (Archery only): Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.
FURBEARER TRAPPING Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist.
(excluding feral swine):
BOWFISHING: Mar. 1 – Aug. 31. Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

HUNTING DATES FOR COON GULF TRACT ONLY

DEER: (Youth) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 16-17. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
(Gun) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 23-24, Nov. 29 - Dec. 1 and Jan. 17-19. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
(Primitive Weapons) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 18-21. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck.
(Archery) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. No hunting on days of youth deer hunt.
TURKEY: (Youth) Mar. 21-22 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
(Physically Disabled) Mar. 27 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
(Regular) Mar. 28-May 3 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only.
DOVE: State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise until sunset Fri.-Sun.; ½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon.-Thu.).
QUAIL: CLOSED
RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 14 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX: Sep. 1 – Feb. 29 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive 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. 7 – Feb. 29. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
RAIL, WOODCOCK, & SNIPE: State seasons.
WATERFOWL: NO OPEN SEASON.
FERAL SWINE (Archery only): Mar. 1-14. Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

FURBEARER TRAPPING Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunt
(excluding feral swine):
BOWFISHING: May. 1 – Aug. 31 Nongame fish only. Fishing license required.

HUNTING DATES FOR NORTH SAUTY AND CROW CREEK WATERFOWL REFUGES:

DEER: (Archery Only) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 19 – Nov. 3. Two deer per day - one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. **Sauta Cave NWR – closed to deer hunting.**
DOVE: FIRST SEGMENT STATE SEASON (12:00 noon until sunset opening day, then ½ hour before sunrise to sunset Fri.-Sun.; ½ hr. before sunrise to 12:00 noon Mon. – Thu.).
QUAIL: CLOSED.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sep. 14 – Oct. 24 and Feb. 9 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of archery deer hunting. Fox Squirrel season closed during February and March.
RACCOON & OPOSSUM: Sep. 14 – Oct. 24. (nighttime hours only). No hunting on days of archery deer hunting.

BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE
& FOX: Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only. One fox per day.
WATERFOWL: NO OPEN SEASON.
FERAL SWINE: Sept. 1-9 & May 1-8. (Archery, Rimfire and Shotguns with slugs only). Daylight hours only. No dogs allowed.

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

No airboats or air cooled motors (go-devil type motors) on Crow Creek and North Sauty Refuges north of US Hwy 72 from Nov. 1 – Apr. 30.

TIME FOR HUNTING:

Waterfowl - 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. All unauthorized activity prohibited in the dewatering units and Crow Creek WMA from 7:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. the following day (Nov. 1-Feb. 15) and 48 hours prior to waterfowl season openings.

BAG LIMITS: Waterfowl – State bag limits; squirrel - 8 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Raccoon & Opossum - no limit; Dove - 15 a day; Snipe - 8 a day; Rail - 15 a day; Woodcock- 3 a day. Deer - One deer per day - one unantlered deer or an antlered buck.

Falconry: Falconry will be legal on all scheduled area hunts for legally permitted falconers (must possess state and management area hunting licenses and management area permit). Falconers must adhere to bag limits and hunting season dates as listed above.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

Deer: Stalk Hunts: Coon Gulf Tract Only - As defined in Alabama Regulations 220-2-.02(2) and 220-2-.03, except no buckshot.
Primitive Weapons: Remainder of Areas – As defined in Alabama Regulation 220-2-.03 for archery equipment.
Turkey: Coon Gulf Tract Only - Using only muzzle loading rifles 40 caliber or larger, muzzle loading shotguns, air-powered guns (.30 caliber or larger) or bow and arrow.
Remainder of Seasons: As defined in 220-2-.02(3), except no center-fire pistols or crossbows allowed (Coon Gulf Tract Only).
Special Feral Swine Hunts: Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-.02 and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
Trapping: As defined in Alabama Regulation 220-2-.03 for archery equipment. Shotguns with slugs and rimfire guns only on Mar. 1-14 and May 1-8 hunts.
Bowfishing: As Defined in 220-2-.30(1), 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:

1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or archery equipment, 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 the wildlife listed on permit. See (25) below.
2. To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from the end of small game season to August 31.(Leashed dogs may be used for the expressed purpose of retrieving wounded deer, limited to two dogs per tracking event).
3. 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 possesses all license to hunt on WMA.
4. 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 (25) below.
5. To camp in the management area except in designated sites. Individuals or groups may camp on the management a 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.
6. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting.
7. To discharge fireworks at any time.
8. To discharge firearms for target practice at any location on these Management Areas & Refuges.
9. 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 or from within the right-of-way of any road open to vehicular traffic.
10. To possess any open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping grounds. Possession of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited in counties that prohibit the possession of alcohol.
11. 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.
12. For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on any Jackson County Wildlife Management Areas or Refuges.
13. For any person except authorized personnel to park in front of a closed gate, block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that inhibits traffic.
14. To possess, deposit, distribute or scatter grain/corn, salt, litter, or any other materials on any WMA or refuge.
15. To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, plants, dirt, gravel or sod.
16. 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
17. For any person to hunt any wildlife species (except turkey, migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours) without wearing the minimum requirement of hunter orange as described in 220-2-.85.
18. For waterfowl hunters to possess more than 25 shotgun shells (1 box) per person (in possession or in a boat) on all Jackson Co. WMAs. This regulation does not limit the number of shells one could possess in a vehicle or during special youth waterfowl hunts.

The following regulations will apply to the Green Tree Reservoir and the dewatering units within the Mud Cree Reservoir and Raccoon Creek Wildlife Management Area, and North Sauty and Crow Creek Refuges.

19. To leave their vehicle parked at the approved launching sites; hunters must use the designated parking areas.
20. For any person using a boat in the harvest of waterfowl within the dewatering units to leave boat overnight unless it has been floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring.
21. To use commercial fishing gear within any dewatering unit from Nov. 1-Jan. 31 of each fiscal year.
22. For any person using duck and/or goose decoys in the Greentree Reservoir, the Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek Dewatering Units to leave said decoys overnight.
23. For unauthorized persons to use airboats on the Greentree Reservoir and the dewatering units at any time and mud motors or airboats on those portions of North Sauty and Crow Creek Refuges lying North of Hwy. 72 from Nov. 1 to April. 30.
24. For any person to hunt Mud Creek (Wannville) and Raccoon Creek Dewatering units and Crow Creek WMA on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All activity prohibited in these locations on these days, except the last two weeks of the state waterfowl season.

25. 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.
26. The construction or usage of permanent blinds utilizing building material is prohibited on the Jackson County Wildlife Management Areas.
27. Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.

NOTE: 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.

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 Tennessee Valley Authority and The Forever Wild Land Trust.