This map permit is your ANNUAL permit to hunt all game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon. This map permit must be signed and in your possession to be valid. 2019 - 2020 Season Permit

Signed ___________________________________

A separate trapping permit will be issued by the District Office in Enterprise.

FOREVER WILD GOTHARD-AWF
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A WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROJECT
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**Hunting Regulations - September 2019 - August 2020**

**PERMITS:** Season permits for small game, archery, and turkey may be obtained from self-service box at 1 of 2 kiosks or the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries District IV Office, 3520 Plaza Drive, Enterprise, AL 36330 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mon – Fri, or by written request to the District IV Office (include current hunting license number and a large, self-addressed stamped envelope); by phoning 334-347-1298; or by printing from the internet at www.outdooralabama.com (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). All hunters must possess a map permit while hunting on 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) and WMA permits 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 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 present at all times. Youth hunters are limited to 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.**

**HUNTING DATES:**

**DEER:**

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**Zones A**


**Zones B**


**TURKEY:**

| (Youth) Physical Disability | Mar. 14-15 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only. |
| (Physically Disabled) | Mar. 20 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only. |
| (Regular) | Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight hours). Gobblers only. |

**RABBIT & SQUIRREL:**

| Sep. 14 – 20 (except on days of youth, PW deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zone not open for gun deer hunting. |

**RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:**

| Sep. 14 – Feb. 20 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting - dogs only, no weapons. |
| Nov. 2 – Feb. 20 (except on days of youth, PW deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zone not open for gun deer hunting. |

**WATERFOWL:**

| State season (except on days of youth, PW, deer hunts). Small game hunting is permitted in zone not open for gun deer hunting. |

**CROW:**

| Sep. 1 – Mar. 8. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and PW deer hunting. |

**FERAL SWINE & COYOTE:**

| Open during any legal WMA hunting season using weapons and ammunition approved for those WMA hunts (No Dogs Allowed: Daily hours only). |

**FURBEARER TRAPPING:**

| Nov. 2 – Feb. 29. Trapping permits must be obtained from District IV office. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts. |

**BAG LIMITS:**

- Deer - Hunter’s Choice (except spotted fawns) - One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck; Turkey - (Gobblers only) - 1 a day (5 per season); Squirrel - 8 a day; Rabbit – 8 a day; Quail – 8 a day; Woodcock – 3 a day; Crow – no limit; Feral Hog and Coyote – No Limit; Waterfowl – State Season.

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

- Deer: Stalk Hunts: As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2-0.2(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-0.3, 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 220-2-0.3.
- Turkey: As defined in 220-2-0.2(2), except no center-fire pistols or crossbows allowed.
- Remainder of Seasons: Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-0.2 and archery equipment in 220-2-0.3.
- Trapping: As defined in 220-2-0.2(2), except no .22 magnums are allowed.

**Falconry:**

- Full legal on all areas; 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 bow and arrow, without a valid permit. 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.
2. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
3. To use dogs for hunting, training, or any purpose from March 6 until August 31.
4. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied, at all times, by an adult who is 21 years old or older or the parent and a properly licensed hunter.
5. For any person to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearms (including pistols) with ammunition in the magazine breech or clip attached to firearms, or cocked crossbows. See (20) for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handgun possessed for personal protection.
6. To camp in the management area. No warming fires shall be permitted on Area.
7. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to coyote and feral hogs which may be killed during all scheduled management area hunts, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts. Additionally, bobcat and fox may be killed during all scheduled deer and turkey hunts, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts
8. To discharge fireworks at any time.
9. To discharge firearms for target practice.
10. 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 or highway, or within a posted safety zone or on Sunday within one-half mile of any church or from within the right-of-way of any developed road (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic.
11. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated campgrounds.
12. For any unauthorized person to operate or possess ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on the area or to operate a LICENSED motor scooter, motorcycle, trail bike, or any LICENSED motor driven vehicle on the area or power line right-of-way.
13. For any person to hunt or use any traps, snares, dirt, gravel, or sod from management area without legal authorization.
14. 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. This paragraph does not apply to the headlines of vehicles traveling in a normal manner on an open established road.
15. For any person except authorized personnel to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under, or around any locked gate, barricaded road, or walk in only sign.
16. For any person except authorized personnel to block a road or to drive on any road in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
17. No hunting in this regulation prohibits or requires a WMA permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully licensed persons for the personal protection.
18. For any accidents or injuries that may occur.
19. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
20. To discharge fireworks at any time.
21. To discharge firearms for target practice.
22. 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 or highway, or within a posted safety zone or on Sunday within one-half mile of any church or from within the right-of-way of any developed road (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic.
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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 Forever Wild Land Trust.