

LITTLE RIVER

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA



This map permit is your 2020-2021 Annual permit to hunt all game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon (See Daily Permit requirements on back).
This map must be signed and in your possession along with the appropriate license(s) in order to be valid.

Signed _____

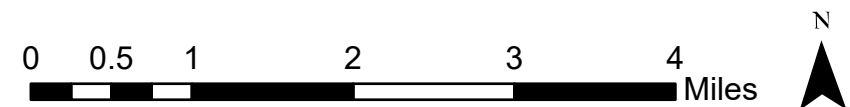
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| WMA | US Route Paved |
| Checking Station | State Highway Paved |
| Gate | County - Paved |
| Self Service Kiosk - DAILY PERMIT | County - Gravel/Dirt |
| Safety Zone | WMA Roads Yearlong OPEN |
| Archery ONLY | WMA Roads All Season OPEN |
| Interstate | WMA Roads Seasonally CLOSED |
| | Woods Road - WALKING ONLY |
| | Other roads |



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LITTLE RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Cherokee & DeKalb Counties)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
HUNTING REGULATIONS- September 2020 – August 2021

PERMITS: Daily Permits or use of the WMA App to Check in and out is REQUIRED for each hunt day, for ALL GAME hunting on hunt dates listed below. Daily Permits will be available at self-service boxes located at the check stations or kiosk (SEE MAP). All harvests of small game, deer and turkey should be recorded by WMA App or Daily Permit. WMA maps/season regulations may be obtained at most local license agents; or writing Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, 4101 AL Hwy. 21 North, Jacksonville, AL 36265. Send request with stamped, self-addressed envelope or online at www.outdooralabama.com (both pages of the internet map/permit must be in possession to be valid). Map/season regulations will be available from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office in Jacksonville between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday except holidays. Trapping permits may be obtained from the Area Biologist or District II Office.

Check Stations: The checking station will be open as indicated on check station schedule below. The check station is located on Cherokee County Road 103, one-half mile from the intersection with Highway 35. See Map for Kiosks locations.

NOTE:• Wildlife Management Area (WMA) 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 WMA Permit [free of charge], are required for hunting on WMA; provided however, that properly licensed persons under the “Wildlife Heritage License” may hunt legal small game except waterfowl on WMA without the other licenses described herein. PLUS, in order to hunt waterfowl on WMA, 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 WMA. 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.

In addition to appropriate licenses, WMA Map Permit and Daily Permit are required in App or paper form on this WMA for all hunters 16 years of age and over. Hunters who fully complete the WMA Check-In/Check Out on the Outdoor Alabama App are not required to be in possession of paper copies of the WMA Map Permit or Daily Permit. Check-in and check-out must be completed upon arrival and departure of the WMA. If not using this feature of the app, hunters must have a signed paper copy of the Map Permit in their possession and complete a paper copy of the Daily Permit.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:	(Youth)	Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 14-15. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All hunters must submit results of hunt via WMA app, at check station or kiosk.
	(Gun)	Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 21, Nov. 27-29, and Dec. 4-6. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Check station will be opened for biological data collection on Nov. 21, Nov. 27-28 and Dec. 4-5. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. When Check Station is closed hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return at check station or a kiosk.
		Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 11-13, Dec. 26-28, and Jan. 15- 17. One antlered buck a day. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Check station will be opened for data collection on Dec. 11-12, Dec. 26-27, and Jan. 15-16. All deer harvested on these days must be presented at check station. When Check Station is Closed hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return at check station or a kiosk.
	(Primitive Weapons)	Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 16-20 and Dec. 21-24. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. All hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return at the check station or at the kiosk. SEE MAP.
	(Archery)	Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return at the check station or kiosk. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks on days of antlered buck only gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts.

***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:	(Youth)	Mar. 13-14 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.
	(Physically Disabled)	Mar. 19 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record results of hunt on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.
	(Regular)	Mar. 20 – May 2 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record results of hunt via WMA app or on daily permit and return to check station or kiosk.
DOVE:		State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
QUAIL:		Nov. 7-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL:		Sept. 12 – Mar. 7. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX:		Sept. 1 – Feb. 28 (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 a day.
CROW:		Sept.12 – Feb. 28. 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):		Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist or District II office. All trappers must wear hunter orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.
FERAL SWINE (Special Season) & COYOTE:		Mar. 1-10. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

BAG LIMITS: Deer/Gun – Hunter’s Choice – One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck; Deer/Archery – One deer per day - one unantlered deer or one antlered buck; Deer/Gun – Bucks Only – one antlered buck per day; **Antlered Buck Restrictions Apply for all archery and scheduled deer hunting on WMA(except Nov. 11-12 youth hunt); Bucks must have 3 points (one inch or longer) on at least one main beam.** Turkey (Gobblers only) - 1 a day (5 per season); Squirrel - 8 a day; Quail - 8 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Raccoon & Opossum - No Limit; Fox – 1 a day; Waterfowl – state bag limit. 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).

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:
Refer to 220-2-.55 at www.outdooralabama.com/wildllife-management-areas/wma-rules-and-regulations

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL: USE of ATV’S is PROHIBITED WITHIN LITTLE RIVER CANYON NATIONAL PRESERVE BOUNDARY.

1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or archery 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 (21) for limited exception)
2. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting. (Leashed dogs may be used for the expressed purpose of retrieving wounded deer, limited to two dogs per tracking event).
3. To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from the end of conventional small game season until August 31.
4. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the WMA unless accompanied at all times by an adult who is either 21 years or older or the parent and who possesses all license to hunt WMA.
5. 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 or cocked crossbow. (See (21) for limited exception)
6. To camp in the management area except in designated sites. Individuals or groups may camp on the WMA 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.
7. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting.
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, 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 open to vehicular traffic.
11. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas.
12. To transport deer or turkey killed from the WMA before being examined at the checking station (when open) for scientific data or recorded at kiosk or by WMA App as described above.
13. 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.
14. For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on Little River WMA.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. To deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on WMA.
18. For any person to damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, plants, dirt, gravel or sod from WMA.
19. 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.
20. For any unauthorized person to ride or possess horses except in areas, roads, and trails designated as open to horses. Riding or possession of horses is prohibited on any WMA on days of scheduled gun deer hunts and during legal hours of turkey hunting.
21. Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a WMA 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.
22. **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 National Park Service, Alabama State Parks Division and the Forever Wild Land Trust.