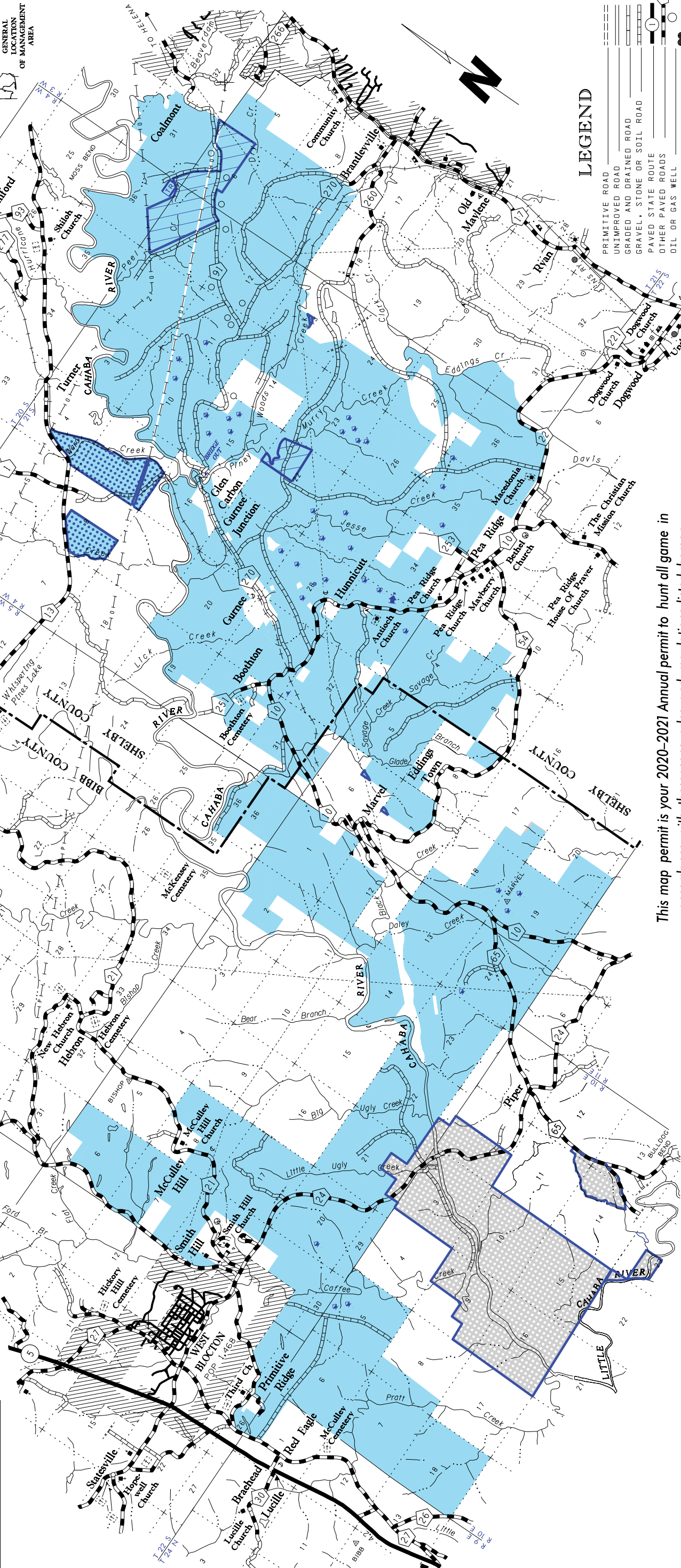


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| LEGEND |                                 |
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|        | PRIMITIVE ROAD                  |
|        | UNIMPROVED ROAD                 |
|        | GRADED AND DRAINED ROAD         |
|        | GRAVEL, STONE OR SOIL ROAD      |
|        | PAVED STATE ROUTE               |
|        | OTHER PAVED ROADS               |
|        | OIL OR GAS WELL                 |
|        | STORAGE TANKS-OIL OR GAS        |
|        | PUMPING STATION-OIL OR GAS      |
|        | GAGING OR PUMPING STATION       |
|        | WATER TANK OR STAND PIPE        |
|        | CHECKING STATION (HEADQUARTERS) |
|        | WILDLIFE OPENING                |
|        | TARGET RANGE (FIRING RANGE)     |
|        | SAFETY ZONE (NO HUNTING)        |
|        | DEER (ARCHERY ONLY)             |
|        | TURKEY AND SMALL GAME           |
|        | TOWER                           |
|        | GATE ACROSS ROAD                |
|        | PLAYGROUND, BALL FIELD, ETC.    |
|        | TOURIST OR TRAILER COURT        |
|        | CAMP OR LODGE                   |
|        | FIRE STATION                    |
|        | AUTOMOBILE JUNKYARD             |
|        | TOWN HALL OR COMMUNITY CENTER   |
|        | POWER SUB-STATION               |
|        | CAHABA RIVER N. W. REFUGE       |
|        | DEER (ARCHERY ONLY)             |
|        | TURKEY AND SMALL GAME           |

This map permit is your 2020-2021 Annual permit to hunt all game in accordance with theseasons, 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.

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Signed





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ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES  
Hunting Regulations – September 2020 – August 2021

**PERMITS:** This map or using the WMA App shall serve as your Season Hunting Permit for all game, except Hunters Choice Gun Deer Hunts, in accordance with season, species, bag limit, firearms and rules applicable to the WMA. Maps/ Permits are available at the self-service box located at the check station; locally at Tractor Supply Co., Hwy. 25, Montevallo; Helena Hardware, Hwy. 91, Helena; McKinney Wrecker Service, West Blocton; Crossroads, Hwy. 22 and 119, Montevallo; Jones, Hwy. 22 and 17, Montevallo; Chevron, Co. Rd. 17, Helena; Coosa Mart, Hwy. 17, Helena; or via the internet at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com). Requests for small game, archery deer, youth deer, primitive weapons deer, and all turkey permits by mail should be sent to Area Biologist Chas Moore, P.O. Box 318, Calera, AL 35040 (cell phone (205) 617-1524, office phone (205) 339-5716). Include a large, self-addressed stamped envelope and current hunting license number. **All deer, turkey, feral swine and small game harvested must be reported daily by using the WMA App or by completing the self-service form at the checking station, kiosk, or by contacting the Area Biologist.** Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist.

**CHECK STATION:** Located approximately 2 miles west of Pea Ridge at 7774 Hwy. 10, Pea Ridge, AL, 35115. **The check station will only be open from 4:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Hunters Choice Gun Deer Hunt to issue permits, collect harvest data and assist WMA users.**

**NOTE:**

- A State Hunting License, Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License and a WMA permit are required when hunting deer, turkey, or waterfowl on a WMA. For residents, a State hunting license or Wildlife Heritage License and WMA permit are required for hunting small game, except waterfowl on WMA. Nonresidents must possess a WMA license in addition to a hunting license and WMA permit to hunt big game and small game.
- 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.
- Individuals ages 16 through 64 that utilize the shooting range on William R. Ireland, Sr.-Cahaba River WMA are required to possess a valid Wildlife Heritage License, State hunting license, WMA license, or resident annual freshwater fishing license.
- Antlered bucks must have at least three (3) antler points (1 inch or longer) on at least one main beam. 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, a WMA Map Permit is required in App or paper form on this WMA for all hunters 16 years of age and older. Hunters who fully complete the WMA Check-In/Check Out on the Outdoor Alabama app are not required to be in possession of a paper copy of the WMA Map Permit. Check-In and Check-Out must be completed upon arrival and departing the WMA. If not using this feature of the app, hunters must have a signed paper copy of the WMA Map Permit in their possession. A separate permit will be issued daily on scheduled hunter’s choice gun deer hunts from the checking station or hunters can also use the WMA App to check in and out of the WMA but all harvest on these days must be brought to the check station.

**HUNTING DATES:**

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| DEER: | (Youth)             | Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 14-15. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, or contact the area biologist. <b>Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|       | (Gun)               | Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 28 – 29. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. <b>Hunter’s Choice Gun Deer Hunt Permits (including archery) will be issued daily from the check station starting at 4:30 am. The WMA App may be used in lieu of obtaining a daily permit. It is MANDATORY to bring all deer harvested on this hunt to the check station for analysis and data collection. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.</b> Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 30-Dec. 04, Dec. 12-18, Dec. 26-Jan. 1, Jan. 9- Jan. 15, Jan. 23-29 ( <b>Jan. 23 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel at check station prior to leaving Area</b> ). One antlered buck a day. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact the area biologis or by WMA App. <b>*Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.</b> |
|       | (Primitive Weapons) | Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 16-20. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact the area biologist, or by WMA App. <b>*Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|       | (Archery)           | Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer a day, either one unantlered deer or one antlered buck. <b>*Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery deer hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge.</b> Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact the area biologist or by WMA App.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

**\*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.**

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| TURKEY:                                     | (Youth)<br>(Physically Disabled)<br>(Regular) | Mar. 13-14 (daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at check station, kiosk, notify the Area Biologist or by WMA App.<br>Mar. 19 (daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at check station, kiosk, notify the Area Biologist or by WMA App.<br>Mar. 20 – May 2 (daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at check station, kiosk, notify the Area Biologist or by WMA App. |
| DOVE:                                       |                                               | State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). Wednesdays and Saturdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. <b>No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 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:                          |                                               | Sept. 1 – Feb. 28. (nighttime hours only).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 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. 1 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. <b>No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| SNIPE:                                      |                                               | State Season. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| WOODCOCK:                                   |                                               | State Season. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. <b>No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| WATERFOWL:                                  |                                               | State seasons (½-hour before sunrise until sunset). No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts. <b>No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FURBEARER TRAPPING:(excluding feral swine): |                                               | Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter orange while trapping. <b>No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

**BAG LIMITS:** *Deer (antlered bucks only hunts) – : Minimum of three (3) points, 1-inch or longer, on at least one antler – 1 a day (statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies), deer (archery, primitive weapons, hunter’s choice gun hunts) - either-sex (except spotted fawns) – One deer per day-one unantlered deer or one antlered buck with a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater on at least one antler (statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies); squirrel – 8 a day; rabbit – 8 a day; quail – 8 a day; woodcock – 3 a day; Others – state bag limits apply.*

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

Refer to 220-2-.55 at [www.outdooralabama.com/wildllife-management-areas/wma-rules-and-regulations](http://www.outdooralabama.com/wildllife-management-areas/wma-rules-and-regulations)

**IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL:**

1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow, except on open designated target ranges and except bow fishing equipment, without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled WMA seasons during legal hunting hours and only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit. (*See (24) for limited exception*)
2. To conduct organized man drives for deer hunting.
3. 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).
4. To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from end of small game season until August 31.
5. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on any WMA unless accompanied by a licensed adult hunter, at least 21 years of age, at all times.
6. For any person to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearms [including pistols/handguns, except as described in (24)] 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.
7. To camp on any WMA except in designated sites. No camping on the Cahaba River Refuge. Individuals or groups may camp on WMAs for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any thirty (30) day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area.
8. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting.
9. To discharge fireworks at any time.
10. To discharge firearms for target practice provided, except on the designated target range. All range users shall abide by the listed rules. The range may be closed as necessary by the Area Biologist.
11. To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam, or active timber or mining operation, 100 yards of any paved public road or highway; 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 which is open to vehicular traffic.
12. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated campgrounds.
13. For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with bow and arrow or crossbow, except on days of either-sex gun deer hunts (*See (24) for limited exception*).
14. To transport deer killed during the gun hunts from the WMA before being checked at the designated check station, during the mandatory check station operation dates above, or kiosk for scientific data, or by WMA App as described above.
15. 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 or park in front of a closed gate.
16. For any unauthorized person at any time to possess and or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE (2, 3, 4, or 6 wheel) on William R. Ireland, Sr. – Cahaba River WMA.
17. For any unauthorized person at any time to operate any licensed motor scooter, motorcycle, trail bike, ATV, or other motor driven vehicle on the William R. Ireland, Sr. – Cahaba River WMA. Utility right-of-ways are not open to vehicular traffic.
18. For any unauthorized person at any time to ride or possess horses except on roads and trails open to four-wheel motorized vehicles or on roads and trails or in areas designated as open to horses. A valid WMA license and a valid WMA permit are required to ride and/or possess horses on William R. Ireland, Sr. – Cahaba River WMA. No horses on the Cahaba River Refuge.
19. For any person to deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on any WMA.
20. To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization or deposit, distribute or scatter grain/corn on the WMA.
21. To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold without written permission from the landowners.
22. For any person to hunt any wildlife species (except turkey, migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during nighttime hours) without wearing the minimum requirement of hunter orange as described in regulation 220-2-.85
23. 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.
24. 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.
25. For any person to field-dress or move any harvested antlered buck or turkey without first properly recording it on the hunter’s Antlered Deer Harvest Record or Turkey Harvest Record form or Game Check.
26. To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
27. To use the target range without a valid State hunting license, WMA license, Wildlife Heritage license, or freshwater fishing license.
28. Only authorized personnel are allowed on the WMA one hour after sunset unless legally hunting, fishing, or camping in a designated campsite.
29. **Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.**

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