

LOWNDES

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

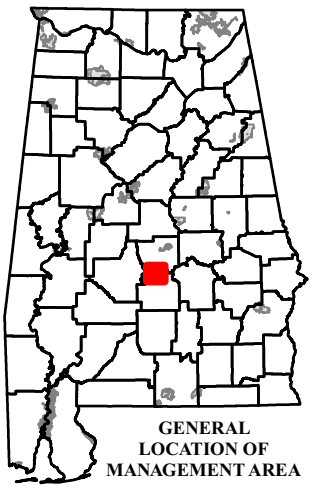


This map permit is your 2020-2021 Annual permit to hunt all game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon (See Daily Permit requirements on back).

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

Signed _____

- WMA
- Dutch Bend Tract - Archery, Turkey and Small Game ONLY
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- WMASafetyZONE
- Checking Station
- Camping Area
- Kiosk / Parking
- Gate
- Wildlife Opening
- US Route Paved
- State Highway Paved
- County - Paved
- County - Gravel/Dirt
- WMA Roads Yearlong OPEN
- WMA Road Seasonally CLOSED
- Woods Road - WALKING ONLY



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LOWNDES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Lowndes County)

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. Permits are available at the check station & kiosk; locally at St. Clair Grocery, County Road 29, St. Clair; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Office, Hwy. 80, and Shopper Stop #145, Hwy. 80, Lowndesboro (open 7 days a week 24 hours a day); or via the internet at www.outdooralabama.com. Requests for permits by mail should be sent to Dalton Bray, Area Biologist at 227 Ridgeland Farm Road, Lowndesboro, AL 36752 (cell phone (334) 301-2834, office phone (205) 339-5716). **All deer, feral swine, turkey and small game harvested must be reported daily by using the WMA App or reported at the checking station, kiosk or by contacting the Area Biologist.** Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist.

CHECK STATION: The check station is located Approximately 3.8 miles north of White Hall, AL at 227 Ridgeland Farm Road, Lowndesboro, AL 36752. **The check station will only be open from 4:30 am to 6:30 pm on every Hunters Choice Gun Deer Hunts to issue permits, collect harvest data and assist WMA users.** All successful deer, feral swine, turkey and small game hunters must record their harvest daily by using the WMA App or at a kiosk, check station, contact the area biologist or by WMA App.

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 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 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, excluding Bonus Buck.
- 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 Army Corps of Engineers, 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.

Dutch Bend Tract
DEER (Archery Only): Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. Archery Only. One antlered buck a day. *Antlered Buck Restrictions Apply.
Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Archery Only. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App. ***Antlered Buck Restrictions Apply.**

***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: Mar. 27 – May 2 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
DOVE: State Season (12:00 noon until sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sept. 12 – Mar. 7. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
QUAIL: Nov. 7-Feb. 28 Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.
SNIPE: State Season. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.
WOODCOCK: State Season. Hunting allowed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.
WATERFOWL: State season. (½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.
FERAL SWINE & COYOTE: Open during any other scheduled hunting season on the Dutch Bend Tract using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.

Remainder of Lowndes WMA
HUNTERS USE MAP PERMIT OR WMA APP FOR ALL HUNTS. 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.

DEER: (Youth) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 14-15. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
(Gun) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 21, Nov. 27-28, Dec. 12-13 and Dec. 26-27. **Permits for Hunter’s Choice Gun Hunts (including archery) will be issued Daily from the checking 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.**
Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Dec. 30-Jan. 3, Jan. 15-17, and Jan. 30-31. **(Jan. 2 Bonus Buck Day, must be validated by WFF personnel at the check station prior to leaving the Area.)** One antlered buck a day. All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App. ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.**
(Primitive Weapons) Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 16-20 and Nov. 30-Dec. 5. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.** All deer harvested must be recorded at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
(Archery) Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.**
Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. ***Antlered buck restrictions apply.** No hunting on days of youth gun deer hunt. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunt regulations when hunting on days of gun deer hunts. Antlered bucks only during buck only gun 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. 20 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in each day at a kiosk or check station prior to hunting. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
(Physically Disabled) Mar. 26 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. Hunters must sign in at the kiosk or check station prior to hunting. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
(Regular) Mar. 27 – May 2 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station, kiosk, contact area biologist or by WMA App.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL: Sept. 12 – Mar. 7. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February and March.
QUAIL: Nov. 7-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
SNIPE: State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
WOODCOCK: State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
CROW: Sept. 1 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
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.
DOVE: State seasons (12:00 noon until sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, primitive weapons, and gun deer hunts.
WATERFOWL: State seasons (½ hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon). Saturdays, Mondays and Wednesdays only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapon deer hunts.
FERAL SWINE (Special Season): Sept. 1-10 and Feb. 23 - Mar. 7. Permitted firearms and archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts on the WMA. No buckshot. No dogs allowed. Daylight hours only.
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.

BAG LIMITS: *Deer (antlered bucks only hunts)* – minimum of three (3) points, 1-inch or longer, on at least one antler – 1 a day; *deer (hunter’s choice gun hunts)* - either-sex (except spotted fawns) – one deer per day-one unantlered deer or one antlered buck (antler restrictions apply); *turkey (gobblers only)* – 1 a day (5 per season); *squirrel* – 8 a day; *rabbit* – 8 a day; *quail* – 8 a day; *raccoon & opossum* – no limit; *mourning dove* – 15 a day; *crow* – no limit; *feral swine* – no limit; *coyote* – no limit; *bobcat* – no limit; *fox* – 1 a day; *waterfowl* – State and Federal regulations apply.

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:

1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow without a valid permit.
2. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer, turkey hunting, or feral pigs.
3. To conduct organized man drives for deer hunting.
4. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on any WMA unless accompanied by a licensed hunter, at least 21 years of age, at all times.
5. For any person to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearms [including pistols/handguns, except as described in (23)] 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 \(23\) for limited exception](#))
6. To camp on any WMA except in designated sites. 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.
7. To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to coyote or feral swine, which may be killed during all scheduled WMA hunts, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts during daylight hours only.
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, 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.
11. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas.
12. For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with bow and arrow or crossbow, except on days of either-sex gun deer hunts.
13. To transport deer killed during the gun hunts from the WMA before being checked/ recorded at the designated checking station, or kiosk otherwise for scientific data. Also Game Check required for deer and turkey.
14. 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.
15. For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE (2, 3, 4, or 6 wheel) on Lowndes WMA.
16. For any unauthorized person 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 Lowndes WMA.
17. 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.
18. For any person except authorized personnel to park in front of a closed gate, block or otherwise stop traffic on any road in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
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.
21. 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.
22. To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
23. 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 provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.

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 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Forever Wild Land Trust.