

## BARBOUR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Barbour and Bullock Counties) ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 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 in accordance with season, species, bag limit, firearms and rules applicable to the WMA. Season WMA map permits for small game, deer, and turkey may be obtained from self-service box at checking station. Permits requested by mail should be made to Area Manager Carl Childree, 188 Christa Drive, Midway, AL 36053 (Telephone [334] 529-3222). Request must include current hunting license number and large self-addressed, stamped envelope. All deer hunters (including archery) during, gun and primitive weapons deer hunts shall be issued a hunting permit at the check station located at the area headquarters or use the WMA App. All deer, turkey and small game hunters must record their harvests by using the WMA App or at the check station before leaving the area. Trapping permits may be obtained only from area manager. Roads are

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. A WMA License and WMA map permit are required for horseback riding.

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 specific 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 deer harvests on all gun deer hunts must be brought to the check station to be recorded or biological data collected.

#### **HUNTING DATES:**

DEER:

DOVE:

Zones A & B

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 14. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. (Youth)

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 21-22 and Jan. 7-9 Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. \*Antlered buck restrictions apply.

Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Jan. 21-23 and Feb. 4-7. (Feb. 6 Bonus Buck Day must be validated by WFF personnel). One antlered buck a day. \*Antlered buck restrictions apply.

(Primitive Weapons) Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 16-20. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. \*Antlered buck restrictions

(Archery) Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only. Oct. 15-24. One antlered buck a day. \*Antlered buck restrictions apply.

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 25 – Feb. 10. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. \*Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting. Archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun hunts if hunting in zone open to gun hunt and abide by all gun deer hunt regulations. No archery hunting on

day(s) of Youth Deer Hunt. Zone A

Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Nov. 30-Dec. 6 and Dec. 14-20. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. \*Antlered (Gun)

buck restrictions apply. Small game hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting.

<u>Zone B</u> (Gun) Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice: Dec. 7-13 and Dec. 21-27. Two deer a day, one unantlered deer and one antlered buck. \*Antlered buck

restrictions apply. Small game hunting is permitted in zone closed to gun deer hunting.

### \*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. 13-14 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station or WMA App.

Mar. 26 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station or WMA App. (Physically Disabled) (Regular)

Mar. 27 - May 2 (daylight until 1:00 p.m.). Gobblers only. All hunters must record their harvest at the check station or WMA App. State seasons (opening day - 12:00 noon to sunset; remainder of season - 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset). Saturdays and Wednesdays

only. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

Nov. 7-Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. **RABBIT & SQUIRREL:** Sept. 12 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during February.

RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & FOX: Sept. 12 - Feb. 28 (nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding or nights of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

Fox hunting - dogs only, no weapons.

& 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.

Sept.12 – Feb. 28. No hunting on days of gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.

CROW: SNIPE: State Season. No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog, and primitive weapons deer hunts. WOODCOCK: State Season. 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. All trappers must wear hunter orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

# PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

Refer to 220-2-.55 at www.outdooralabama.com/wildllife-management-areas/wma-rules-and-regulations

BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL SWINE,

- To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or bow and arrow without a valid permit (except for legally licensed handguns). A permit is valid only during scheduled WMA seasons during legal hunting hours and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit.
- To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting; or to use dogs for hunting, training, or any purpose from March 9 until August 31.
- For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the WMA unless accompanied at all times by an adult who is 21 years old or older or the parent and a properly licensed hunter. 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 (except for legally licensed handguns).
- To camp in the WMA except in designated sites. Campers using generators must camp in site designated for generator use. 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
- To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to bobcat, feral swine, and coyote which may be killed during all scheduled WMA hunts, during daylight hours only, that occur during the dates of the gun deer and turkey seasons for the county or counties in which the management area is located, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts.
- To discharge fireworks at any time.
- To discharge firearms for target practice except on the designated range. Shooting range is posted as closed outside the hours of 10 am 2 pm on all stalk deer hunts. To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, or within 100 yards of any 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 (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas.
- To transport deer killed during the youth, gun and primitive weapons hunts from the WMA before being examined at the check station for scientific data; all deer killed during archery hunting and all turkey killed during turkey season shall be reported at the self-service check station, or by WMA App as described above.
- 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
- For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on the WMA, except when engaged in hunting or retrieving deer. Any 13. other recreational use of ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE on the WMA is prohibited. Motorized vehicles may not be operated on fire-lanes, boundary line ROWs or on any other area not designated as a regularly used road.
- 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. For any person, except authorized personnel, to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
- To possess, deposit, distribute or scatter corn, grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on WMA.
- For any person to damage or remove any trees, crops or other plants, dirt, gravel, artifacts, or sod from WMA without legal authorization.
- To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold on WMA without written permission from the landowners. 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.
- To conduct man-drives during gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
- To bring campers to the WMA before September 1 unless approved by special permit issued by the WMA Manager and/or to leave campers on the area after sundown on the first Sunday following April 30th. All campers left unattended overnight must display owner's name, address, and telephone number.
- Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.