It shall be unlawful for any person to possess and/or operate any unlicensed motorized vehicle (ATV, UTV or other) as per regulation 220-2-.55 (s)

This AREA Permit is your 2021-2022 annual permit to hunt all game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed herein (See Daily Permit requirements on back). This AREA Permit must be signed and in your possession along with the appropriate license(s) in order to be valid.
LICENSE/PERMIT REQUIREMENTS:

- In compliance with 220-2-55, a Wildlife Management Area License (required for deer, turkey and waterfowl), the Applicable Resident or Non-Resident Hunting License (for Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age and non-residents in years of age and 16 or older), are required for hunting on WMA’s; provided however that the WMA’s are打猎 may legal hunt small game, except waterfowl, on WMA’s except those other licenses described herein. In order to hunt waterfowl on WMA’s, all persons must have, in addition to the otherwise required licenses and permit, a HIP and valid State (ages 16 through 64) and Federal (ages 16 and over) Waterfowl Stamp.

- In addition to license and stamp requirements, an Area Permit and a WMA daily permit are required unless using the Outdoor Alabama WMA Check-In application to check in and out each hunt day.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For information and questions regarding regulations or use of the WMA, please contact Biologist – Chas Moore at the District III Office at (205) 339-5776.

NOTES:

- Statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies to all WMAs.
- 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 supervisor at all times.
- 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 are not responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur.

DATA COLLECTION:

All deer harvested must be submitted at check station for collection of biological data on mandatory days specified below. The results of all hunts must be recorded using the Outdoor Alabama App or Daily Permit and submitted at kiosk at the conclusion of each hunt day.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:

(Archery)
- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Oct. 15 – Feb. 10. One deer per day, either one unantlered or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. Archery deer hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. Archery hunters must harvest antlered bucks on days of antlered buck only gun deer hunts. No hunting on days of youth deer hunts. Archery hunters must abide by all gun deer hunting regulations when hunting on days of antlered buck hunting and MANDATORY check station days.
- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 13-14. One deer per day, either one unantlered or one antlered buck. *No antler restrictions apply.

(Primitive Weapons)
- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 13-14. One deer per day, either one unantlered or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. It is MANDATORY to bring all deer harvested on Dec. 11 (including archery) to the check station for analysis and data collection. Check station will be open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.

(Gun)
- Stalk Hunting Hunter’s Choice: Nov. 20-21. One deer per day, either one unantlered or one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. It is MANDATORY to bring all deer harvested on Nov. 20-21 (including archery) to the check station for analysis and data collection. Check station will be open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.
- Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 26-28, Dec. 17-19, Dec. 24-26, Dec. 31 - Jan. 2, Jan. 14-16 and Jan. 28-30. (Jan. 29 Bonus Buck Day, Must be validated by WFF personnel at check station prior to leaving Area). One antlered buck per day. *Antlered buck restrictions apply. It is MANDATORY to bring all deer harvested on Nov. 27, Jan. 15 and Jan. 29 (including archery) to the check station for analysis and data collection. Check station will be open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Archery hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.

*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. 26 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

(Regular)
- Mar. 31 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

APR. – May 8 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

Bag Limit - No more than 2 gobblers total per season from William R. Ireland-Cahaba River WMA.

CROW:

- RACCOON & OPOSSUM:

DOVE:

Raccoon & Opossum:

- No more than 2 gobblers total per season from William R. Ireland-Cahaba River WMA.

(PHYSICALLY DISABLED)

TURKEY:

(Youth)

1. *Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2-.55 for the complete list of WMA regulations.

All WMA Seasons:

- Weapons and ammunition defined in 220-2-.55 (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.

BAG LIMITS:

DEER:  (Archery)

Data Collection:

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Contact Information:

License/Permit Requirements:

1. To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow, except on designated target ranges and except bow fishing, required to hunt the WMA, or by using the Outdoor Alabama App. An Area permit to Outdoor Alabama App Check-in application is valid only during scheduled WMA seasons during legal hunting hours and only with the required license. Possession of other ammunition is prohibited for hunting the wildlife listed on permit.

2. For any person to possess or to carry in or on a vehicle, for any purpose other than on open designated target ranges and except bow fishing, required to hunt the WMA, the WMA check station for data collection if the hunt date is indicated as a mandatory check day, must present the applicable Outdoor Alabama App or Area Permit. All other harvested game must be recorded on Outdoor Alabama App or Area Permit.

3. To discharge firearms for target practice except on the Outdoor Alabama App or Area Permit. All other harvested game must be recorded on Outdoor Alabama App or Area Permit.

4. To discharge firearms for target practice except on the designated target ranges.

5. To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any of the following: any firearm including pistols/handguns with ammunition in the magazine, beam or attached on a firearm, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or black powder in place, or loaded in a container. Violation of this regulation prohibits or requires an Area Permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully licensed persons for personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or to attempt to take deer that are outside or except as otherwise provided by regulation.

6. To use dogs for hunting of deer, turkey, or feral swine. (excluiing feral swine) and check station to verify deer harvest. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.

SEASON:

- Mar 11 – Mar 6. No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.

- Nov. 6 - Feb. 28, No hunting on days of youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.

- Nov. 26 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

- Mar. 31 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

- APR. – May 8 (Daylight until 1:00 PM). Gobblers only.

**NOTE:** Fishing equipment, without a valid Area Permit, or by using the Archery Hunting only on Cahaba River Refuge. No gun deer hunting permitted on Cahaba River Refuge.

- Statewide season for gun deer hunts and MANDATORY check station days.

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

- No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.

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- No open season on the Cahaba River Refuge.

- State data collection.

- Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed. Daylight Hours Only.

- For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY motor driven vehicle behind, under, or around any locked gate, For any person, except authorized personnel, to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under, or around any locked gate, For any person to possess, deposit, distribute, or scatter garbage, waste, debris, or any other materials on WMA without receiving approval from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.

- For any person to hunt or trap any wildlife species (except turkey, migratory birds, and while hunting legally designated species (those legal nighttime hours) except on the Cahaba River Refuge, minimum of 444 square inches of hunter orange and/or hunter orange hat; otherwise, hunter orange commonly called blaze orange, ten mile cloth, etc., is legal. The various shades of red as a well as camo red are not legal.

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