

This map is your ANNUAL permit to hunt all game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon,
EXCEPT for the Dec. 8-9 gun deer hunts.

A separate gun deer hunting permit will be issued at the checking station on the dates of these hunts. This permit must be signed and in your possession to be valid.

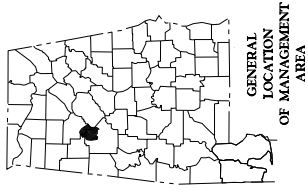
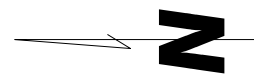
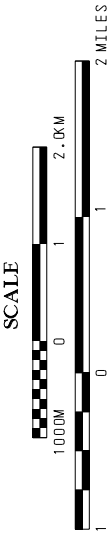
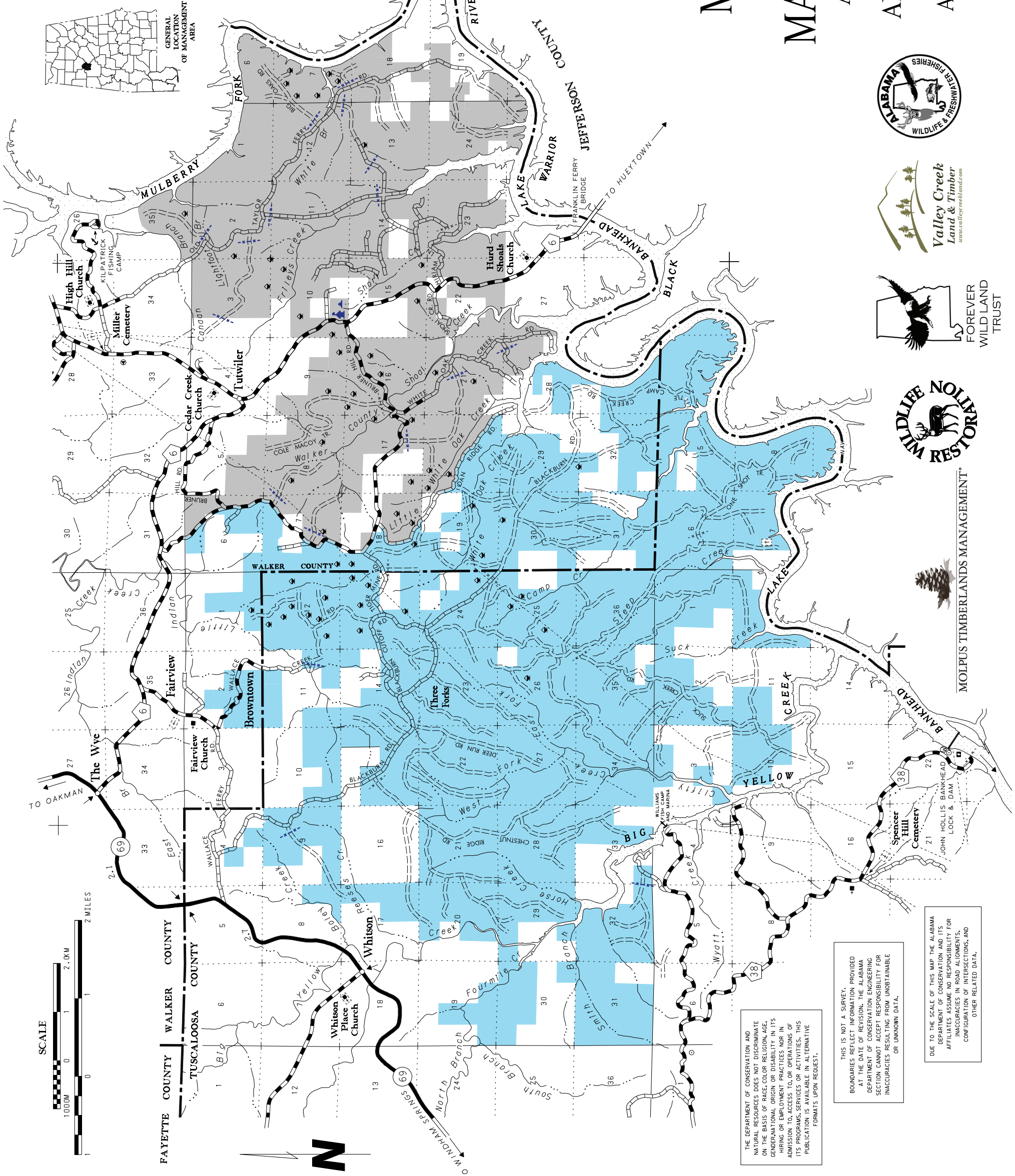
Signed _____
Date _____
A separate trapping permit will be issued by the area manager.

ZONE A

ZONE B

LEGEND

- POWER LINE
- PRIMITIVE ROAD
- UNIMPROVED ROAD
- GRADED AND DRAINED ROAD
- GRAVEL, STONE OR SOIL ROAD
- PAVED STATE ROUTE
- OTHER PAVED ROADS
- CAMP OR LODGE
- CHECKING STATION (HEADQUARTERS)
- TOWER (SEASONAL)
- GATE (OPEN OCT 1 - APRIL 30)
- GATE (PERMANENTLY CLOSED)
- OBSERVATION OR LOOKOUT TOWER
- POWER PLANT
- WILDLIFE OPENING
- YACHT CLUB, MARINA OR FISH CAMP
- WATER TANK OR STAND PIPE
- CHURCH
- CEMETERY
- CHURCH AND CEMETERY
- DOCK, PIER OR LANDING



MULBERRY FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
A WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROJECT



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MULBERRY FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Tuscaloosa & Walker Counties)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
Hunting Regulations – September 2017 – August 2018

PERMITS: Gun deer permits will be issued daily from the checking station only for the Dec. 8-9 gun deer hunts. This map shall serve as a season permit for all other deer hunting, small game hunting, and turkey hunting. Map permits are available at the self-service box located at the checking station; locally at the Mini Mart, Hwy 69, Oakman; Fast Break Shop, Hwy 269, Goodsprings; Wal-Mart, Hwy. 118, Jasper; Pat's Archery and Outdoors, Hwy. 118, Jasper; and Quinn's Marina, Franklin Ferry Rd., Parrish; or via the internet at 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 (office phone (205) 339-5716). Include a large, self-addressed stamped envelope and current hunting license number. All deer killed on **Dec. 8-9** gun deer hunts must be checked in at the checking station on the day of the hunt. All deer killed during youth, primitive weapons, and archery hunts, all turkeys killed during any turkey season, and all feral swine killed during any hunt must be reported 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. On each gun deer hunt, all hunters less than 16 years of age and all female hunters will be allowed to harvest deer of either sex.

LOCATION OF CHECKING STATION: 12 miles north of Oak Grove, Alabama at 1544 Franklin Ferry Road, Oakman, AL 35579. **Checking station will be open one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset on the Dec. 8-9 gun deer hunts only.**

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.**
- **Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A, antlered bucks must have at least 3 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 areas. 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.**

HUNTING DATES:

DEER: Zones A & B

(Youth)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 11-12. Two deer per day - One unantlered deer and one antlered buck.
(Gun)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Dec. 8-9. Two deer per day - One unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.
	Stalk Hunting Antlered Bucks Only: Nov. 18-19, Nov. 24-26, Dec. 22-24, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 19-21 and Feb. 10. One antlered buck per day. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.
(Primitive Weapons)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Nov. 13-15 and Jan. 22-28. Two deer per day. One unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A.
(Archery)	Stalk Hunting Hunter's Choice (except spotted fawns): Oct. 14 – Feb. 10. Two deer per day. One unantlered deer and one antlered buck. *Antlered buck restrictions apply for Zone A. Antlered bucks only during buck only gun hunts.

***To be legal for harvest all antlered bucks must have a minimum of at least 3 points (1-inch or longer) on at least one main beam.**

Zones A & B

TURKEY:	(Youth) Mar. 10-11 (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only. Sign in each day at check station to hunt and record harvest.
	(Physically Disabled) Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only.
	(Regular) Mar. 15 - Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 pm). Gobblers only.
RABBIT & SQUIRREL:	Sep. 16 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox squirrel season closed during Feb. & Mar.
QUAIL:	Nov. 4 - Feb. 28. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
RACCOON & OPOSSUM:	Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. (Nighttime hours only). No hunting on nights preceding days or nights of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts. Fox hunting - Dogs only- No weapons.
DOVE:	State season. (12:00 noon until sunset). No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
CROW:	Sep. 1 – Mar. 4. No hunting on days of scheduled youth, gun, and primitive weapons deer hunts.
WATERFOWL:	State season (1/2-hour before sunrise to noon). No hunting on days of scheduled gun and primitive weapons deer hunts.
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.
FERAL SWINE (Special Hunt)	Sep. 1-3 and Mar. 1-3. Permitted firearms & archery equipment and hunter orange requirements same as for gun deer hunts. No buckshot. Daylight hours only.
FURBEARER TRAPPING: (excluding feral swine)	Nov. 4 - Feb. 28. All trappers must wear hunter's orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.

BAG LIMITS: Deer (antlered bucks only hunts) – Zone A: minimum of three (3) points, 1-inch or longer, on at least one antler – 1 a day (statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies), Zone B: antlers visible above the natural hairline – 1 a day (statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies; deer (archery, primitive weapons, hunter's choice gun hunts) - either-sex (except spotted fawns) – Zone A: two deer per day-one unantlered deer and 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), Zone B - two deer per day-one unantlered deer and one antlered buck with antlers visible above the natural hairline (statewide antlered buck season bag limit applies); squirrel – 8 a day; rabbit – 8 a day; quail – 8 a day; raccoon& opossum – no limit; fox – 1 a day; bobcat – no limit; mourning dove – 15 a day; crow – no limit; waterfowl – State and Federal regulations apply; turkey (gobblers only) – 1 a day (5 per season); feral swine – no limit; coyote – no limit.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & FALCONRY:

Deer:Stalk Hunts:	As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2-.02(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
Primitive Weapons:	Using only muzzle loading rifles (.40 caliber or larger), muzzle loading shotguns, air-powered guns (.30 caliber or larger) or archery equipment as defined in 220-2-.03.
Turkey:	As defined in 220-2-.02(3), except no center-fire pistols or crossbows allowed.
Special Feral Swine Hunts:	Same as Stalk Deer Hunts (Hunter Orange Requirements Apply).
Remainder of Seasons:	Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2-.02 and archery equipment in 220-2-.03.
Trapping:	As Defined in 220-2-.30(2), except no .22 magnums are allowed.

Falconry will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falcons; following the dates those seasons are open on each AREA.

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 from March 5 – August 31, 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 for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
2. To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
3. To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 1 until the opening of the following fall gun season.
4. For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on any WMA unless accompanied by a licensed hunter 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 (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.
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. 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. 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 grounds.**
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. See (24) for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
13. To transport deer killed during the gun hunts from the WMA before being checked at the designated checking station during the mandatory checking station operation dates above, or kiosk for scientific data.
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 at any time to possess and or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE (2, 3, 4, or 6 wheel) on **Mulberry Fork WMA.**
16. For any unauthorized person at any time to operate any licensed motor scooter, motorcycle, trail bike, ATV, or other motor driven vehicle on the **Mulberry Fork WMA.** Utility right-of-ways are not open to vehicular traffic.
17. 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, (except for raccoon hunters during the legal nighttime raccoon season where authorized). **A valid WMA license and a valid WMA permit are required to ride and/or possess horses on Mulberry Fork WMA.**
18. For any person to hunt deer or feral swine on days of scheduled youth, gun, or primitive weapons deer hunts without wearing an outer garment above the waist containing a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange color or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. Hunters are not required to wear hunter orange when hunting from a stand elevated twelve (12) feet or more above the ground. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo and/or printing on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
19. For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
20. For any person to deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on any WMA maintained by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources prior to receiving approval from said Department.
21. To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal authorization.
22. 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.
23. Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area 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.
24. 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.
25. **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, Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, in cooperation with the USX Corporation and TC&I Corporation managed by Molpus Timberlands, LLC and the Forever Wild Land Trust.