

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission  
Proclamation 12-07  
Wildlife Management Areas  
Hunting Seasons, Limits and Miscellaneous Regulations

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the wildlife management areas hunting seasons, limits and miscellaneous regulations, effective August 1, 2012.

Note: Migratory Bird Season Dates and Limits are pending in lieu of Federal Frameworks.

Section 1. General

A. Hunting Season

1. On WMAs open with statewide seasons, the season dates, bag limits, weapon types, and ammunition types that pertain to the county where the WMA is located apply to that WMA. Special regulations listed specifically for those WMAs still apply.
2. Small Game: All species identified in the current Small Game, Furbearer, Early Migratory Bird, Late Migratory Bird, and Dove hunting seasons proclamations.  
Big Game: All species identified in the current Big Game Proclamation.
3. Small game hunting and dog training closed at sunset on the day before and during scheduled big game hunts on the following wildlife management areas, unless special exception indicated: AEDC, Bridgestone-Firestone Centennial Wilderness, Catoosa, Chuck Swan State Forest, Hiwassee Refuge, Laurel Hill, Prentice Cooper State Forest, the Thief Neck Island Unit of Watts Bar, WilliamSPORT, and Yuchi Refuge.
4. Crow may be taken on scheduled small game hunt days that coincide with statewide crow season.
5. Red fox may be taken during the statewide trapping season except where regulated by legislative act or unless otherwise specified.
6. Falconry open with statewide falconry seasons.
7. Small game (except raccoon) and retriever field trials permitted year-round with 30-day advanced approval of the area manager unless otherwise specified.
8. Raccoon hound field trials permitted Sep. 1-Apr. 30 unless prohibited.
9. Dog training is year-round unless otherwise indicated.
10. On all WMAs open to the late duck season, the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season is open, unless exception is noted. On all WMAs, the legal hunting hours during the Youth Waterfowl Season comply with federal regulations for migratory birds (30) minutes before official sunrise to sunset), unless exception is noted.
11. All game killed or crippled shall be retrieved if possible and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field. No game may be discarded on the premises of the management area.
12. Persons participating in a sanctioned field trial on a WMA, as authorized by the TWRA, may shoot to retrieve mallards. Mallards used in these trials must be held and released in accordance with all state laws, rules and regulations governing captive wildlife.
13. All refuges are closed Nov. 15-last day of Feb. to all forms of use and trespass unless otherwise indicated. Designated observation areas will be open year round.

B. Bag and Possession Limits

1. Statewide bag and possession limits shall apply unless special exception is indicated.
2. One deer may be taken on each managed hunt where a permit is required except as otherwise indicated. Deer taken on buck-only hunts must have antlers a minimum of three inches (3") in length.
3. For the spring turkey season, one bearded turkey per day, not to exceed four per season, except as otherwise indicated. Turkeys taken on quota hunts are bonus turkeys.

C. Miscellaneous Regulations

1. Small game WMA permit is required to trap on all areas that require a small game hunt permit.
2. Possession of shotgun ammunition loaded with more than one solid ball is specifically prohibited while hunting deer, elk, or bear.
3. Dogs permitted for small game hunting unless otherwise indicated. Special regulations apply where

indicated.

4. On all "Young-Sportsman Hunts," youths, ages 6–16, may participate but must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device. Adults cannot hunt except as indicated otherwise. Adults must comply with fluorescent orange regulations, as specified for legal hunters when accompanying Young Sportsmen on "Young-Sportsman Big Game Hunts," except as indicated.
5. Youths, ages 6–16, may participate on other WMA hunts (big game, small game, waterfowl, etc.) but must be accompanied by an adult, 21 years of age or older, who must remain in a position to take immediate control of the hunting device except as otherwise noted.
6. During the Youth Waterfowl Hunting Season, youth hunters must be 15 years of age or younger. Those, who are 16 years of age or older and are accompanying these youths, cannot duck hunt during the Youth Waterfowl Season but may participate in other open seasons. On WMAs, an adult at least 21 years of age must accompany youth hunters, ages 6–15, into the field. This adult cannot duck hunt but may participate in other open seasons.
7. The placement or depositing of any type of food to feed or attract wildlife on WMAs is prohibited.
8. Where persons are required to wear fluorescent orange, they must wear on their upper body and head a minimum of 500-square inches of daylight fluorescent orange visible front and back.
9. Wheelchair-bound hunts, zones, or blinds are open to hunters who are totally and permanently confined to a wheelchair as certified by a physician.
10. On wheelchair-bound deer hunts, each wheelchair-bound hunter must be accompanied by a non-hunting assistant (age 16 years or older) except on Cordell Hull Refuge and Yuchi Refuge where the assistant may also participate in hunting. On wheelchair-bound waterfowl hunts, each wheelchair-bound hunter must be accompanied by at least one, but not more than three assistants (at least one of whom must be age 16 years of age or older), who may also participate in hunting.
11. Persons already holding a blind permit may not participate in wheelchair-blind permit drawings. If a wheelchair-bound blind is not occupied by legal shooting hours, it may be occupied by another wheelchair-bound hunter for that day. Applications for wheelchair-bound waterfowl blind permits must be received by the appropriate regional office by noon on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Oct.
12. Release or possession of pen-raised game birds is prohibited unless otherwise specified.
13. Waterfowl hunting from temporary blinds: no blinds, blind materials, boats, or decoys left overnight unless otherwise specified by rule or proclamation. A temporary blind is either a structure assembled or placed for a hunt or boat that is used for hunting; or a site consisting of the use of natural vegetation or conditions for concealment for a specified hunt.
14. Treestands must be marked with the hunter's TWRA identification number.

## Section II. Wildlife Management Areas and Refuges – Seasons and Bag Limits

### AEDC and Woods Reservoir Refuge

#### Unit 1 (Previously the TNARNG Maneuver Area)

Public access only through gate on Rifle Range Road north of railroad tracks

Turkey	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. The area will be open to hunting as military training allows. Turkey hunt dates will be posted on the TWRA website and at the sign-in stations.
Small Game	Closed to small game hunting.
Trapping	Closed to trapping.
Deer (Special Regulations)	All deer hunting season dates are subject to coordination with military training mission. Hunt dates will be confirmed a month in advance and advertised on the TWRA website and posted at the sign-in stations. Special quota permits will be sold by REAL system license agents or purchased on-line through the TWRA website.

Deer (Shotgun–Muzzleloader)	Seven hunts. Potential hunt dates: Nov.3 -4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Nov.30 – Dec. 2, 8-9, 15-16. 100 hunter quota. Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer(Young-Sportsman)(Shotgun-Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Potential Hunt Dates: Oct. 6-7. No hunter quota. Two deer, either sex only one may be antlered (bonus deer).

**Unit 2**

(Old Camp Forrest area from golf course to UTSI Road and Wattendorf Memorial Hwy. to southern property boundary)

Public access only through gate west of fire tower field.

Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. The area will be open to hunting as military training allows. Dates will be posted on the TWRA website and at sign-in stations. Hunting closed during deer hunts.
Trapping	Closed to trapping.
Deer (Special Regulations)	All deer hunting season dates are subject to coordination with military training mission. Hunt dates will be confirmed a month in advance and advertised on the TWRA website and posted at the sign-in stations. Special quota permits will be sold by REAL system license agents or purchased on-line through the TWRA website.
Deer/Turkey (Archery)	Three hunts. Potential hunt dates: Oct. 12-14, 19-21, 26-28. No hunter quota, Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.
Deer(Young-Sportsman)(Shotgun-Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Potential hunt dates: Oct. 6-7. No hunter quota. Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader)	Six hunts. Potential hunt dates: Nov,3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Nov.30 – Dec. 2, Dec. 8-9. 200 hunter quota. Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered. Bonus deer).
Turkey (Fall)	One hunt. Dec. 10-16. No hunter quota, Three turkeys, either sex.
Turkey	Eight hunts. Mar. 23-24 (Young-Sportsman Hunt), Mar. 30-Apr. 1, 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 26-28, May 3-5, 10-12. One bearded bird per hunt, not to exceed four per season.

**Units 3, 4, 5, and 6 (Remainder of WMA)**

Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting closed during deer hunts.
Deer/Turkey (Archery)	Three hunts. Oct. 12-14, 19-21, 26-28. No hunter quota, Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.
Deer (Young-Sportsman)(Shotgun-Muzzleloader)	One hunt.Oct. 6-7. No hunter quota, Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Shotgun-Muzzleloader)	Two hunts. Nov. 23-25, Nov. 30-Dec 2. 600 quota, Two deer, either sex, only one may be antlered (bonus deer).

Turkey (Fall)	One hunt. Dec. 10-16. No hunter quota. Three turkeys either sex.
Turkey	Eight hunts. Mar. 23-24( <i>Young-Sportsman Hunt</i> )-Mar. 30-Apr 1, 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 26-28, May 3-5, 10-12. One bearded bird per hunt, not to exceed four per season. Turkey hunting in Unit 3 closes at noon each day.
Waterfowl	Same as statewide season, except open on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday of the late duck season and the first and last day of each segment. Hunting from registered blind sites only on Woods Reservoir. During the early duck and goose season hunting is allowed outside of registered blind sites, except 150 yards from the bank starting at the pumping station going west to the Rowland's Creek causeway. Waterfowl hunting is allowed from drawn blind sites during big game deer hunts.
Dog Training	Sep. 1– Feb. 28.
Woods Reservoir Waterfowl Refuge	Dec.1– Jan 31. All forms of trespass are prohibited.
Special Regulations	<p>All access will be strictly controlled. Big Game and Small Game hunters are required to sign in at one of the three hunter sign-in stations.</p> <p>All hunters must fill out a sign-in card and keep a portion of the card on their persons while hunting.</p> <p>Deer hunters will be required to fill out an observation card at the end of each hunt and deposit it at one of the sign-in stations.</p> <p>Certain areas may be closed due to military training. The barricades at the designated entry points will be closed and appropriate signs will be displayed. If the barricades are locked, the area is closed to all public activity, including hunting.</p> <p>Deer-Archery Zones may be hunted on any deer hunt with archery equipment only. These areas are closed to Small Game hunting and Spring Turkey hunting.</p> <p>ATVs are prohibited on the AEDC WMA.</p> <p>The use of metal detectors is prohibited.</p> <p>Digging is prohibited.</p> <p>Buried and unexploded ordnance (UXO) could be encountered and unauthorized ground disturbance is a violation of federal law.</p> <p>Rifles, center fire and rim fire, are prohibited. All handguns, including muzzleloading pistols are prohibited. Air rifles are allowed for small game hunting, except for migratory birds.</p> <p>Camping and fires are prohibited outside of designated campgrounds.</p>
<b>Alpine Mountain</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

**Arnold Hollow**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons

**Bark Camp Barrens**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

**Barkley Unit I**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

During the late duck season, all activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments when waterfowl hunting is closed. Duck seasons 45 days or longer:

Hunting of waterfowl during the late duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck and goose seasons.

Duck seasons under 45 days: Hunting of waterfowl during the late duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck and goose seasons.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season(s).

Deer and Small Game hunting is only allowed on days waterfowl hunting is closed during the late duck seasons.

**Barkley Unit II**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons

**Bean Switch Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove and waterfowl hunting.

**Bear Hollow Mountain**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons and bag limits, except as noted. Only one antlerless deer per day.

Special Regulations

ATVs may be used only on existing roads and only to retrieve harvested deer.

No littering. Hunter camping allowed only at designated

campground (Lakeview). Fires permitted only in designated campground. Bear Hollow, Cave Springs, Keith Springs, Poplar Springs, and Rock House Roads will be opened for scouting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in Aug.

During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and muzzleloader seasons.

Horseback riders must stay on designated trails and park their vehicles in designated parking areas at all times.

Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited while horseback riding. No tying horses to trees.

**Beaver Dam Creek**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

**Big Sandy and Gin Creek**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck and goose seasons permitted only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck and goose seasons.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season.

During the late duck season, all activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments when waterfowl hunting is closed.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season(s).

**Black Bayou Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service only.

Archery equipment only during the muzzleloader season.

Closed to Young Sportsman deer hunts.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Nov. 14.

**Bogota**

Deer, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Areas within 150 yards of draw waterfowl pools are closed during small game, trapping and statewide deer gun season(s).

Special Dove (Youth)

First Sat. in Sept. Noon until sunset. Each youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Designated fields only.

Dove

First Sun. in Sept. - the remainder of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>

Waterfowl (Designated Pools Only)

segments of the season. Designated fields only.

Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck season permitted only on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck season; and the youth waterfowl season. Goose seasons to coincide with statewide season after the youth waterfowl season, no pool restrictions or drawings.

All hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of each season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset.

Special Regulations

Designated pools (except Pool 1) will be allocated by computer draw. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary blind sites.

Hunters are restricted to pools or numbered stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually.

Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out over the specified hunt but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day.

Motorized vehicles are allowed only on designated roads, trails, and parking areas.

No vehicles are allowed in fields, woods, or on levees.

Turkey

Same as statewide spring turkey season.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Oct. 31.

**Bridgestone-Firestone Centennial Wilderness**

Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting. Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except during turkey and spring squirrel seasons.

Big Game

Same as statewide seasons, except deer season is closed Nov. 10-16 and after Dec. 14.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Special Regulations

No ATV, motorcycle, or horseback riding permitted.

Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside antler spread on all hunts.

**(Big Bottom Unit)**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Special Regulations

Unauthorized entry is prohibited between sunset and

sunrise.

Motorized vehicles and ATVs restricted to designated roads.

Camping in designated areas only.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

**Browntown**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

**Buffalo Springs**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Special Regulations

Waterfall parking area closed one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise.

Use or possession of alcohol is prohibited in the waterfall area.

Quail hunting closed. Quail training only during statewide quail season.

**C. M. Gooch**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except Units A and E are closed during the waterfowl seasons and are closed to all activities five days before the first opening of the late duck season.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except Gooch waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. on Units A and E.

Waterfowl hunting on the last day of each segment of the duck and remaining goose seasons closes at sunset.

Fishing and trapping is prohibited in Units A and E during the waterfowl season. On Gooch Unit E, no waterfowl hunters permitted on the unit or access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s).

No permanent blinds. All decoys, temporary blinds, blind materials, and boats must be removed from Unit E daily.

**Camden Unit I**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting shall close at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of each segment of the late duck season and remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited during the late duck season(s).

### Camden Unit II

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during late duck season.

Special Regulations

No deer hunting during the waterfowl season.

### Catoosa

Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Raccoon and opossum season is Nov. 1 to sunrise Dec. 31. Dogs are not permitted during the spring squirrel season. Trapping and small game hunting closed during wild hog control season.

Deer (Archery)

Three hunts. Oct. 13-15, 16-18, 19-21. Archery equipment only. Area checking stations operated. Entire area open. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One hunt. Nov. 15-17. Station quota: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)

Two hunts. Nov. 8-10, Dec. 6-8. Station quota: Genesis 1,000; Bicolor 1,000. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

One hunt. Oct. 27-28. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).

Wild Hog (Control Season) (Dogs Permitted)

Jan. 7-16. Entire area open. No limit, either sex.

All participants in the hog control season must wear on the upper portion of their body and head a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange, viable front and back.

Participants may use any legal weapon and ammunition that is legal for taking Deer, Bear or Elk.

Legal hours—One-half hour before sunrise and to one-half hour after sunset.

Checking stations open on Catoosa—all hogs must be transported whole to the checking stations for data collection.

Deer (Gun)

One hunt. Dec. 13-15 Entire area open. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).

Bullfrog

Apr. 1–Sep. 1. No hunting during turkey hunts.

Turkey

Six hunts. Apr. 5-7, 12-14, 16-18, 23-25, Apr. 26-28, Apr 30 –May 2. One turkey per hunt, not to exceed four per season.

Turkey (Young-Sportsman)

One hunt. Apr.20-21. One turkey (bonus bird).

Trapping

Dec. 16- Feb. 28.

Dog Training

Dog training is closed.

Special Regulations

Hunters required to check out big game and wild hogs at WMA check stations when stations are in operation.

Walk-in hunting and trapping only from Feb. 1–last day of Feb.

Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except during turkey and spring squirrel seasons.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15-inch minimum outside antler spread on all hunts.

Catoosa WMA will be closed to all users Feb. 1–last Friday in Mar., except walk-in hunters and trappers will be permitted Feb. 1–last day of Feb.

Guides prohibited on all hunts.

ATVs and motorized bikes are permitted only by individuals possessing a valid hunting and fishing license and WMA permit from the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in Aug. through the spring squirrel season. No entry onto the area except through gated TWRA access points.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Rifles and handguns using center-fire ammunition are legal for hunting beaver, bobcat, foxes, coyotes, groundhogs, and crows only during big game seasons and the hunter must be a licensed legal big game hunter.

Firing Range (Genesis Checking Station)

During big game hunts coyotes may be taken with any weapon legal for that hunt.

Firing Ranges (Peavine Campground)

Chasing fox, coyote, or bobcat with dogs is not permitted.

Open daily except during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only.

Open Apr. 1 – Jan. 31, except closed during deer archery hunts and turkey hunts. Daylight hours only.

**Cedar Hill Swamp**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Archery equipment only for Big Game.

**Charlotte Ann Finnell Neal**

Deer, Turkey, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season closes Dec.14 . Archery equipment only for deer.

Small Game

Dec. 15–last day of Feb, except as noted. Squirrel season open from last Saturday in Aug. to Sep.21, and during spring squirrel season. Dogs are not permitted during spring squirrel season.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Special Regulations

Use of motorized vehicles prohibited.

**Cheatham**

Deer, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Buck only during muzzleloader and gun seasons.
Turkey	One hunt. Oct. 15-26. Hunter quota 150. Two turkeys, either sex.
Turkey	Same as statewide spring season.
Dog Training	Daylight hours only.
Firing Range	Open 12 noon until one hour after sunset daily. Automatic weapons prohibited.
Archery Range	Open daily. Field points only.
<b>Cheatham Lake</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	<p>Same as statewide seasons on Sycamore Creek upstream from railroad trestle, Harpeth River upstream from Highway 49, and on Johnson Creek upstream from Johnson Creek Bridge.</p> <p>Hunting on remainder of Cheatham Lake WMA same as statewide season, except during the late duck season when hunting is open only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and the last day of each segment of the late statewide duck season.</p> <p>Waterfowl hunting is permitted only from registered blind sites and from staked temporary blind sites during the late duck season.</p> <p>Hunting on Harpeth Island, Marks Creek, and Bluff Creek wade-in areas is not restricted to registered or staked temporary sites.</p> <p>Night hunting, trapping, and fishing prohibited in waterfowl impoundments during the waterfowl season.</p> <p>The sub-impoundment units as posted are closed to all types of activity five days before the opening of the first segment of the late duck season.</p>
Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind site)	Applications must be received by the TWRA Region II Office by noon on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday in October. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible.
Dove	Same as statewide. Hunting permitted from designated fields only.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during duck seasons.
<b>Cheatham Lake – Pardue Pond Refuge and Dyson Ditch Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only for deer.
Turkey	One hunt. Oct. 15-26. Hunter quota 50. Two turkeys, either sex.
Special Regulations	Access by boat only.
<b>Cherokee</b>	
Special Regulations	Horseback riding on properties owned by the U.S. Forest Service shall be the same as U.S. Forest Service regulations. On those properties owned or leased by the

TWRA, horseback riding is only permitted upon roads opened for vehicle travel: no riding off roads into openings, fields, trails, or through streams.

Bobcat hunting with dogs prohibited. Dog training prohibited, except for Bear Dog Training Season in Carter, Cocke, Greene, Johnson, Monroe, Polk, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington counties, or as otherwise specified.

The use of and/or possession of any tracking device for dogs from Mar. 1–Aug. 15 is illegal. Hunting of coyotes with dogs prohibited.

North Cherokee

That portion of the Cherokee WMA lying north of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

South Cherokee

That portion of the Cherokee WMA lying south of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

**North Cherokee**

Special Regulations

On property that is owned or leased by TWRA, ATV, and OHV operation is prohibited at all times at any location inside the boundaries of these properties.

Only pointing breed dogs are permitted in the bear reserve one day before and during bear hunts.

Wild hogs may be taken on any big game hunt with the weapon legal for that hunt, except wild hogs may not be taken in the bear reserves during bear season.

Dove, Grouse, Quail, Rabbit, Snipe, Squirrel, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Small game hunters (except raccoon and opossum hunters between sunset and sunrise) must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.

Groundhog, fox, and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with weapon legal for that hunt. Fox closed in Washington County.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapons legal for the scheduled hunt. No dogs allowed.

Spring squirrel season is closed.

Deer, Turkey

Same as statewide seasons, except closed to special county antlerless hunts.

Opossum, Raccoon

Oct. 12–last day in Feb. Season closed Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, Nov. 22 – 25, Nov. 29 – Dec. 23. in all bear reserves.

Bear Dog Training Season

Sep. 5-30. No bears may be harvested. No weapons may be possessed. No training in bear reserves.

Bear

Same as statewide season, except closed Sep. 22–Oct. 12

**South Cherokee**

Dove, Grouse, Quail, Rabbit, Snipe, Squirrel, Waterfowl, Woodcock

Same as statewide, except as noted.

Small game hunters, except raccoon and opossum hunters, must wear 500-square inches of fluorescent

	orange during big game muzzleloader and gun hunts.
	Spring squirrel season is closed.
	Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 – 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except during turkey season.
	Small game hunting in bear reserves and party hunt area during scheduled party hunts prohibited one day before and during bear hunts.
	Dogs permitted for squirrel hunting outside of Bear Reserves Jan. 1–last day of Feb.
	It is illegal to possess firearms with any breed of dog other than pointing breeds during daylight hours, excluding bear season, except as provided.
	Season open on groundhog, fox and skunk during any small game hunt with weapons legal for that small game hunt. Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for that scheduled hunt. Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Sep.15-21. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Oct. 26-28. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Nov. 3-4. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer-(Gun)	Two hunts. Nov. 17-27, Dec.14-28. Two deer, buck only (bonus deer).
Bear (Gun)(Dogs Permitted)	Four hunts. Sept. 29- Oct. 7, Oct. 29-Nov. 2, Nov.29- Dec 12, Dec. 29-Jan. 1. One bear, either sex. Hunting confined to that area outside the Ocoee and Tellico Bear Reserves.
Bear Party-Dog Hunts (Gun)(Dogs Permitted)	Four hunts. Sept. 29-30, Oct.6-7, 29-30, Nov. 29-30. Quota party dog hunts, 75 permits per party. One party permitted in each of the following areas: Upper Tellico, Lower Tellico, Upper Bald River, and Lower Bald River. One bear, either sex. Party-Dog Area closed during scheduled quota party-dog hunts. Non-hunting juveniles under the age of 13 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid party-hunt permit. Juveniles must also comply with all regulations specified for permitted hunters.
Opossum, Raccoon	Outside of Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Nov. 5-14, Jan. 1-last day of Feb. Inside Tellico and Ocoee Bear Reserves Jan. 1-31, limited to a maximum of two dogs per vehicle.
Bear Dog Training Season	Sep. 5-14. No bears may be harvested. No weapons may be possessed. No training in bear reserves.
Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Trapping	Jan. 1– Feb. 28.
Special Regulations	Bear reserves are closed to all big game hunting when the bear season is open on the South Cherokee. 22 caliber short, and long rifle are the only legal weapons on a raccoon hunt.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer or bear hunt with no limit. All hogs harvested must be checked in at wma check station if check station is in operation. If wma check station is not in operation hogs must be checked in at a county check station or through the internet and designated as South Cherokee hogs.

### Chickamauga

(Shelton Bottoms, Mud Creek, New Bethal, Moon Island, Cottonport, Washington Ferry, Goodfield Creek, Gillespie Bend, Agency Creek, Ledford Island, Sugar Creek, South Mouse Creek Units).

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide hunting and trapping seasons. No waterfowl hunters permitted on Units from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the duck season(s).

(Candies Creek, Rogers Creek, Yellow Creek, Johnson Bottoms Units)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except units closed to all forms of trespass including fishing, trapping and hunting for all species except waterfowl during the entire late waterfowl seasons.

Waterfowl

Designated blind sites will be allocated by computer draw. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary blind sites. Hunters are restricted to blind sites or numbered stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually.

All hunters in a party are required to hunt in the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn.

Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out over the specified hunt but decoys must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day.

Only waterfowl hunting permitted on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and the opening and closing day of the duck season.

Waterfowl hunting ends at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

No waterfowl hunters or other activities permitted on Units from two hours after the end of the waterfowl hunting hours until 4:00 a.m. the following day during the duck season(s).

Youth hunters during the Youth Waterfowl season must enter the hunting area only from established TWRA parking areas.

Dog Training

Sep. 1-Mar. 15, except closed during late duck season.

(Soddy and Sale Creek Units)

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Deer hunting with archery equipment only and archers must comply with big game gun hunter orange requirements during the statewide deer gun or muzzleloader seasons.

Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only (except waterfowl). Waterfowl hunting restricted to use of shotguns

Special regulations	loaded with No. 2 shot or smaller.
<b>Chickasaw State Forest</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Chuck Swan State Forest</b>	
Dove, Rabbit, Squirrel, Waterfowl	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl hunting is closed as posted.
Raccoon	Seven 1-night hunts. Nov.3-9. Hunters must check out by 1:00 a.m. All raccoons must be checked out. One raccoon per party. A party is defined as all the occupants of a single vehicle.
Deer (Archery)	One hunts. Oct. 19-20. Hunter quota 40.0 One deer, either sex. Deer counts toward statewide bag.
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Oct. 27-28. Hunter quota 200. One deer, either sex. Deer counts toward statewide bag.
Deer (Gun)	Two hunts. Nov. 30- Dec. 1, Dec. 7-8. Hunter quota 650. One deer, buck only. Deer counts toward statewide bag.
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Nov. 23-24. Hunter quota 650. One deer, buck only. Deer counts toward statewide bag.
Turkey	Seven hunts: Mar. 28-30, Apr.4-6, 11-13, 18-20, 25-27, May 2-4, 9-11. Hunter quota 125. One turkey per hunt (bonus bird). Hunting ends at noon each day. Hunter must sign in and out at check station and be out by 1:00 p.m.
Trapping	Jan.8-31. No raccoons. Quota is one party per compartment. Trappers must apply at WMA office. No snares or conibear traps. Trappers must report catch annually.
Dog Training	Sep. 1-Mar. 15, daylight hours only. Pointing breed dogs prohibited.
Special Regulations	<p>Guides, deer driving, loud noises, and harassment on all deer hunts, and entering the wildlife management area from Norris Lake during the deer and turkey hunts prohibited.</p> <p>Horses, ATVs, ORVs, bicycles, non-licensed passenger vehicles, and motorcycles are prohibited on the Main Forest Road. The Main Forest Road is defined as the road beginning at the big game checking station and ending at the intersection of the Back Valley, Forks of the River, and Big Loop roads.</p> <p>A licensed vehicle is defined as a vehicle that is tagged, registered, and insured and is legal to operate on county, state, and federal highways.</p> <p>Organized competition events for motorized/non-motorized vehicles prohibited. The maximum noise limit for all motorized vehicles is 86 dBa, as measured 50 feet from the exhaust, except as otherwise permitted.</p> <p>Reckless operation of motorized and non-motorized</p>

vehicles prohibited. Reckless operation is defined as operating a vehicle in a reckless or negligent manner as to endanger the life and limb of others, or property or developments of the State, or property of any person. The maximum speed limit is 25 mph or less if otherwise posted.

Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.

Groundhog, fox, and skunk may be taken on any small game hunt with weapon legal for that hunt.

Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season with weapon legal for the scheduled hunt.

**Cordell Hull**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except deer hunting ends Dec. 14. Wheelchair-bound hunter zone open to wheelchair-bound hunters only. Deer bag limit is two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer) in the wheelchair-bound zone on Nov.17-19.

(Defeated Creek Unit)

Same as statewide seasons except as noted. Archery equipment only for deer hunting. Shotguns only for small game hunting. Defeated Creek Unit is that area of Defeated Creek that extends from the main river channel to the corps of Engineers boundary along Defeated Creek.

Turkey (Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only Zone)

Mar. 30-May 12. Wheelchair-bound hunters only. Two turkeys, either sex (bonus bird).

Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only Zone

That area in the old "Corps of Engineers Roaring River Campground" area of Cordell Hull WMA (north of Hwy. 135, north of Roaring River, south and east of Hwy. 85, and west of Old Roaring River Iron Bridge Road.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

**Cordell Hull Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer season is Sep.24- Oct. 26.

Closed to quail hunting.

Deer (Archery)(Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only)

One hunt. Sep. 22-23. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Wheelchair-bound Hunter Only)

One hunt. Nov.3-4. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

Special Regulations

Fishing by boat allowed during refuge closure in marked river channel only.

**Cove Creek**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

**Cummings Cove**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
<b>Cypress Pond Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to waterfowl hunting.
Dog Training	Closed.
<b>Dry Creek</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Eagle Creek</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Eagle Lake Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons and bag limits, except as noted. Hunting allowed Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday only. Waterfowl season is closed.
Turkey	Hunting to coincide and be included with drawn quota hunts on Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park and Natural Area (bonus bird).
Dog Training	Closed.
Special Regulations	Except for the Bomprezzi Unit, Eagle Lake Refuge is closed to all hunting Nov. 15–last day of Feb. Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting. Access to the south end of Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park and Natural Area WMA through Eagle Lake Refuge will be permitted during hunting seasons.
<b>(Bomprezzi Unit of Eagle Lake Refuge)</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. No Antlerless deer may be taken during the statewide deer gun season.
Special Regulations	Shotgun only for small game. Center-fire rifles prohibited for deer. No antlerless deer may be taken during the statewide deer gun season.
<b>Edgar Evins State Park</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to spring squirrel hunting on north side of Center Hill Lake.

Dog Training	Same as statewide seasons, except closed on north side of Center Hill Lake.
<b>Ernest Rice, Sr.</b>	
Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide season, except small game hunting is closed during the big game gun hunts except as noted.
Waterfowl, Raccoon, Opossum	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl, raccoon, and opossum seasons are not closed during the big game hunts.
Deer	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only. Bucks must be spike or nine antler points or better.
Deer (Gun)	One hunt. Third Sat. of Dec. to Jan. 1. One deer, antlered only. Bucks must be spike or nine antler points or better.
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	Open with statewide seasons. No antler requirement on this hunt
Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Dog Training	Closed.
<b>Fall Creek Falls State Park</b>	
Squirrel	Dec. 1–last day of Feb. Shotguns only. Spring squirrel season is closed.
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Nov.3-5. Hunter quota 300. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Nov.6- 11. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Turkey (Archery)	One hunt. Apr.6-14. One turkey per day, not to exceed two turkeys (bonus bird).
Dog Training	Closed.
Special Regulations	Vehicle parking restricted to designated parking areas only during the hunting season. No parking permitted at all on roadside grass. All deer and turkey hunters must sign register at horse stables before hunting.  Coyotes may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt.
<b>Flintville Hatchery</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only for deer. Guns may be used on Young-Sportsman hunts and during fall turkey season.
Dog Training	Daylight hours only.
<b>Foothills</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Opossum, Raccoon	Jan. 1-Feb. 29.
Dog training	Closed.

Special Regulations	<p>Motorized vehicles and horseback riding prohibited.</p> <p>The use of and/or possession of any tracking device for dogs from Mar. 1 to Aug. 31 is not permitted.</p> <p>Wild hogs may be taken during any hunt.</p>
<b>Forks of the River</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	<p>Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.</p> <p>All hunting is closed from Mar. 1 through 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except for spring squirrel and spring turkey season.</p> <p>Pigeon is open with dove season.</p> <p>Sep. waterfowl seasons closed.</p>
Dove	<p>Sep. 1, 3, and the remainder of the statewide season.</p> <p>Designated youth field will be closed until Sep. 4.</p>
Dove (Youth/Adult)	<p>Youth/Adult field will be open Sep. 3 to youths who must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt this field.</p>
Special Regulations	<p>Shotguns, Muzzleloader, and Archery equipment only.</p> <p>Area closed one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, except for raccoon and opossum hunters and scheduled events.</p> <p>Bicycles are restricted to greenway-Sep.22-23, Nov.3-18, Dec. 22-23.</p> <p>Paintball guns and accessories prohibited.</p> <p>All animals accompanied by a non-hunting person are required to be leashed.</p>
<b>Fort Loudoun</b>	
Waterfowl	<p>Same as statewide seasons, except open only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, one-half hour before sunrise until noon. Size BBB or smaller required.</p>
Dog Training	<p>Closed.</p>
<b>Fourth Fractional Township</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	<p>Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only for big game.</p> <p>Small game hunting with shotguns only, using No. 6 shot or smaller.</p> <p>Beagles and pointing breeds only. Dogs are not permitted during spring squirrel season.</p>
Dog Training	<p>Beagles and pointing breeds only.</p>
Special Regulations	<p>ATVs and motorcycles prohibited.</p>
<b>Gallatin Steam Plant (*Free Gallatin Steam Plant Permit required in addition to WMA Permit)</b>	
Deer/Turkey	<p>Same as statewide season, except as noted. Archery equipment only.</p>
Dog Training	<p>Closed.</p>

Special Regulations	Parking in designated areas. No camping. Scouting begins one week prior to opening day.
<b>Haley–Jaqueth</b>	
Deer, Turkey	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only for deer.
Dove	Sep. 8 Youth only (6-16) accompanied by a non-hunting adult and shooting is from staked positions only. Sep. 10 and every Saturday thereafter of the 1 <sup>st</sup> segment open to all ages. All hunting is on designated field only. Designated field only for dove.
Dog Training	Daylight hours only.
<b>Harmon Creek</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Haynes Bottom</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. During the late duck season, waterfowl and small game hunting is open only on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late statewide duck season.
Waterfowl	Waterfowl hunting permitted only from registered blind sites beginning with the first day of the late duck season.
Special Regulations	Night hunting, trapping, dog training, and fishing prohibited in the waterfowl impoundment from Oct. 15-May 31. Participating waterfowl hunters only in the bottoms during waterfowl seasons.  No horseback riding during big game hunts.
Dog Training	Open year round.
<b>Henderson Island Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide, except as noted.
Rabbit, Quail	Nov. 1–14.
Dog training	Rabbit and quail: Sep. 1–Oct. 31. All other: Mar. 1–Oct. 31.
Special Regulations	Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted. All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt. Public entry and fishing permitted while on the main river channel passing through the refuge. Horses prohibited.
<b>Hick Hill</b>	

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Hickory Flats</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Hiwassee Refuge</b>	
Dove	Sep. 1, 3. Noon to sunset only on Sep. 1. No access permitted by boat.
Dove (Youth)	Sep.8. Noon to sunset only. No access permitted by boat.
Squirrel	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday in Aug. through 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in Sep. Spring squirrel season same as statewide.
Opossum, Raccoon	Sep. 8-Nov. 10. Hunting will be limited to Tuesday and Wednesday nights only.
Canada Goose	Sep. 1–15. No goose hunters permitted on refuge from two hours after shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day.
Wood Duck/Teal	Same as Sep. Wood Duck/Teal season. No duck hunters permitted on the refuge from two hours after shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day.
Deer (Shotgun–Muzzleloader)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Sep. 15-16. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Sep. 21-23. Hunter quota 250. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Oct. 5-7. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Oct. 19-21. Hunter quota 200. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Nov. 9-11. Hunter quota 150. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.
Retriever Dog Field Trials	Pre-approved by Area Manager at least 30 days in advance of trial dates.
Special Regulations	During refuge closure, public entry and fishing is permitted while on the main river channel passing through the refuge. Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting.  Bobcat may be taken on any scheduled big game or small game hunt that coincides with the statewide bobcat season. Beaver and coyote may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt. Season open on groundhog, fox and skunk during any scheduled small game hunt
<b>Holly Fork</b>	Closed to hunting, trapping, and dog training.
<b>Hop–In Refuge</b>	

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove and waterfowl hunting.

Special Regulations

Closed Nov. 1–last day in Feb. to all forms of use and trespass unless otherwise indicated.

**Horns Bluff Refuge**

Deer, Turkey, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.  
Deer is archery equipment only.

**Jackson Swamp**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except closed to quail hunting.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

**Jarrell Switch Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to waterfowl hunting.

**John Tully**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.  
Antlered deer must be spikes or must have 9 points or more.

Dove

Open 12:00 p.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. in Sept through the remainder of the statewide seasons. One youth-only field and one adult field.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except hunting ends at 3:00 p.m.

**Keyes-Harrison**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Dogs are not permitted during the spring squirrel season.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

**Kingston Refuge**

Closed to trapping and dog training.

Deer (Archery)

One hunt. Oct. 13-14. Hunter quota 30. Two deer no more than one antlered (bonus deer). Scouting day: Sept. 29, 7:00 am to noon. Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check station when station is in operation.

**Kyker Bottoms Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.  
Deer hunting is archery and muzzleloader only.  
Turkey is Youth/Adult only. Open Friday-Sunday only.  
Youth must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may

also hunt.

Rabbit, Quail Nov. 1–14. Quail bag limit 2/day, rabbit and quail hunting closes at 4pm.

Dog training Rabbit and quail: Sep. 1–Oct. 31.  
All other: Mar. 1–Oct. 31, daylight hours only.  
Raccoon: Sept. 14-15, 21-22.

Special Regulations Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted.  
All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.

Wild hogs may be taken on any deer and turkey hunt with hunting devices legal for those hunts.

**Kyles Ford**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted..

Quail Quail- Open to training only.

Rabbit Hunting ends at 4pm.

Quail/Rabbit dog Training Sept. 1 – Oct. 31. Training ends at 4 pm.

**Land Between the Lakes**

Squirrel The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Aug.–the Friday before the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in Sep., Oct. 1–14, and Dec. 1–last day of Feb. Spring season same as statewide season.

Dove, Snipe, Woodcock According to state and federal regulations, open on small game hunt dates that coincide with state seasons.

Fox, Quail, Rabbit Dec. 1–last day of Feb., except quail to close on same day as statewide season.

Bobcat/Otter Dec. 1-- Last day of February.

Coyote, Wild Hog May be taken during daylight hours only by legally licensed hunters during any open season with weapons specified for that season.  
Also may be hunted with centerfire rifles, handguns, and shotguns with shot size T or smaller during the month of Feb. Wild hog hunting with dogs is prohibited.

Opossum, Raccoon Sunset Dec. 1– sunrise the last day of February. Two raccoons per person per night.

Crow Open during any LBL small game season that coincides with the statewide crow season.

Fox Chasing From sunset to sunrise, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Aug. through the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Sep. LBL Hunter Use Permit required.

Geese Same as the statewide goose season, except closed on LBL deer quota hunt dates.

Ducks Early duck season same as statewide season.

Waterfowl Hunting Waterfowl hunting will be permitted during the statewide season throughout the Tennessee portion of LBL, except

	on designated, signed, refuge areas and public use areas, and on deer quota hunt dates. Permanent blinds are not allowed on LBL.
Trapping	Fourteen consecutive days beginning the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday in Jan. LBL hunt areas as designated in LBL. Designated problem areas as assigned. All species equipment and methods to conform with statewide regulations. Trappers must obtain a trapping permit in advance at the Golden Pond Administration Office, and report their harvest in accordance to LBL instructions. Additional beaver trapping season: Feb. 1–last day of Feb. All areas open, except Nature Watch Area, wildlife refuges, safety zones around facilities, and other areas posted as closed to hunting.
Dog Training	Quail, rabbit and raccoon chasing only. Oct. 1–31. Except closed from sunset Friday until sunrise Monday of the youth deer hunt weekend. LBL Hunter Use Permit required. Training permitted only in designated areas.
Bullfrog	May 15–Aug. 31. Gigs only. Bag limit 15.
Small Game (Archery Only)	Squirrel, groundhog, and fox may be taken during deer archery season only by legally licensed and equipped deer archery hunters. Statewide limits apply. Arrows must be equipped with broad-heads according to deer regulations or small game points.
Deer	During the September through January deer seasons, there is an LBL-wide one antlered buck limit per hunter, whether by gun, bow, quota, or non-quota, TN or KY hunt.
Deer/Turkey (Archery)	The 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday in Sep. through the end of the statewide season, except for quota hunt days and one day immediately before each quota hunt. Archery equipment to conform to state regulations. One turkey, either sex (bonus bird). Two white-tailed deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	One two-day hunt, beginning the third Saturday in October. Hunter quota 800. One white-tailed deer, either sex (bonus deer). Youths must be accompanied by an adult, and all youths must have received hunter safety instructions (see LBL website at <a href="http://www.lbl.org">www.lbl.org</a> ).
Deer (Gun)	One two-day hunt, beginning two Fridays before Thanksgiving Day. Hunter quota 1,000. One white-tailed deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)	One two-day hunt, beginning on Saturday after Thanksgiving Day. Hunter quota 1,000. One white-tailed deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Deer (Other)	Up to 100 permits may be issued for special hunts.
Turkey (Young-Sportsman)	One two-day hunt, beginning on Saturday after the Saturday closest to April 1. Hunter quota 300. One turkey (bonus bird).
Turkey	One two-day hunt on Tuesday and Wednesday before the Saturday closest to April 15. Hunter quota 350. One two-day hunt beginning on the Saturday closest to April 15. Hunter quota 300. One turkey (bonus bird).

Turkey	One seven-day non-quota hunt, beginning Monday following the Saturday closest to April 15. One turkey (not bonus).
Turkey	One seven-day nonquota hunt beginning the second Monday following the Saturday closest to April 15. One turkey (not bonus).
Baiting	The placement of any bait to attract wildlife, including food or mineral substances is prohibited on LBL.
Areas open to hunting	All areas lying in Tennessee portion are open to hunting except: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nature Watch Area, wildlife refuges, safety zones around facilities, and areas posted as closed.</li> <li>2. The back half of Rushing Bay is closed to all activity Nov. 1–Mar. 15.</li> </ol>
Field Trials:	
Raccoon Field Trials, Bird Dogs, Beagles and Retriever Field Trials	July 1–Mar. 31. Forest Service Special Use permit required.
<b>Laurel Hill</b>	
Small Game	Same as statewide season. Coyote may be taken on Big Game hunts with the weapon legal for that hunt. The remainder of the season is rimfire only during daylight hours only.
Dove	Same as statewide dove season. All fields open.
Quail	Nov. 10 –Jan. 31.
Fox Chasing	No fox chasing permitted.
Deer/Turkey	One hunt. Sep. 15–Oct.5. Archery equipment only. Three deer, either sex (bonus deer). Three turkeys, either sex.
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Oct. 6-7. One deer, either sex (bonus deer), no antler restrictions.
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Oct. 18-21. Hunter quota 500. One deer, Buck only (bonus deer).
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Dec 14-16. Hunter quota 500. One deer, Buck only (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)	Two hunts. Nov. 9-11, 23-25. Hunter quota 500. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).
Turkey	One hunt. Dec. 7-9. Two turkeys, either sex.
Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Trapping	Dec. 3–Feb. 13.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.
Special Regulations	Special buck regulations apply on all deer hunts. Bucks must have at least five antler points on one side or a 15 inch minimum outside spread. All horses must be ridden on designated trails or roads open to motorized vehicles. Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited while

	horseback riding.
Shields Farm Unit	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Centerfire rifles and handguns prohibited.
<b>Lick Creek</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Lick Creek Bottoms</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted..
Quail	Quail- Open to training only.
Rabbit	Hunting ends at 4pm.
Quail/Rabbit dog Training	Sept. 1 – Oct. 31. Training ends at 4 pm.
Dove	Sept. 1, 3 and the remainder of the statewide season. Sept. 8 Youth/Adult only, from sunrise to noon then open to all hunters.
Special Regulations	Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted.
<b>Joachim Bible Waterfowl Refuge Unit (that portion of Lick Creek WMA between Murray Bridge Road, Bibles Chapel Road, and South Mowhawk Road)</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide, except as noted.
Dove	Sept. 3 and everyday thereafter during the first and second segments.
Rabbit, Quail	Nov. 1–14. Bag limit 2 quail/day. Hunting closes at 4pm.
Dog training	Rabbit and quail: Sep. 1–Oct. 31. All other: Mar. 1–Oct. 31.
Special Regulations	Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted. All small game hunting is Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt.
<b>Luper Mountain</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Dogs are not permitted during the spring squirrel season.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
<b>Maness Swamp Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Special Regulations	Closed Nov. 1–Feb. 14 to all forms of use and trespass unless otherwise indicated. Designated observation areas will be open year round.
<b>Maple Springs</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.

**Meeman-Shelby Forest State Park and Natural Area**

Special Squirrel Hunt (Youth)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Aug.
Big Game, Small Game	Open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday within statewide seasons, except as noted. No antlerless deer may be taken during the statewide deer gun season. Spring Squirrel season is closed.
Waterfowl	Open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday within the statewide duck season and the last seven days of the statewide duck season, except Sunday.
Waterfowl ( Youth)	Saturday(s) of the Statewide Youth Waterfowl season.
Turkey (Young-Sportsman)	One hun. The Sat. of the Statewide youth turkey season. One bearded turkey.
Turkey	Three hunts. Apr.1, 3, 6; Apr. 8, 10,13; Apr 15, 17, 20. Hunter quota 50. One turkey (bonus bird). Successful hunters must check out at nearest county checking station.
Trapping	Beaver trapping by special permit only. Trapping of all other species prohibited.
Dog Training	Open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
Field Trials	Sep. 1–Apr. 30.
Special Regulations	Shotgun, muzzleloader, and archery equipment only. Rifles and handguns prohibited. Small game hunters must meet hunter orange requirements. All hunters are required to register and obtain a free permit at the park headquarters (901)876-5215.
<b>Mingo Swamp</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Moss Island</b>	
Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except small game hunting is closed during the big game gun hunts except as noted.
Waterfowl, Raccoon, Opossum	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl, raccoon, and opossum seasons are not closed during the big game hunts.
Deer	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Archery equipment only. Bucks must be spike or nine antler points or better.
Deer (Gun)	One hunt. Third Sat. of Dec. to Jan. 1. One deer antlered only. Bucks must be spike or nine antler points or better.
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	Open with statewide seasons. No antler requirement on this hunt.

Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Dog Training	Closed.
<b>MTSU</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Mt. Roosevelt</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide Unit A deer season. Closed to special antlerless deer hunts.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
Special Regulations	Closed to all non-hunting activities during big game hunts.  ATVs and motorized bikes are permitted only by individuals possessing a valid hunting and fishing license and WMA permit.
<b>Natchez Trace State Forest</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>New Hope</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>Nolichucky</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons except as noted.
<b>Normandy</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
<b>North Chickamauga Creek</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting only allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Closed to quail hunting. Bag limit for rabbits is three per day. Waterfowl hunting also open on the first and last day of the statewide season. Hunting ends at noon each day. Rogers and Vandergriff Units closed to all forms of trespass except hunting and trapping during the late waterfowl seasons.  Deer hunting with archery equipment only and archers must comply with big game hunter orange requirements during the statewide deer gun or muzzleloader seasons. Turkey hunting ends at noon each day.
Dove	Sep. 1 and every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of the statewide dove season. Dove hunting from noon to sunset only. No dove hunters or

Trapping

dove hunting equipment on dove fields prior to 7:00 a.m. on opening day of the first segment on the dove season.

Friday before Thanksgiving–Jan. 31. Traps must be checked each day.

Dog Training (all breeds)

Sep. 1–Jan. 31.

Special Regulations

Trespass prohibited by non-hunters on hunt days.

No motorized vehicles outside parking areas.

Units closed after sunset, except to opossum and raccoon hunters.

All hunting ends on Jan. 31, except spring squirrel season and spring turkey season.

Shotguns loaded with No. 4 shot or smaller only (except waterfowl). Waterfowl hunting restricted to use of shotguns loaded with #2 shot or smaller.

**Patton Unit**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide season, except as noted.

Special Regulations

All motorized vehicles must stay on main road while transiting the area.

Possession of alcoholic beverages prohibited.

**North Cumberland**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to hunting Mar. 1 through 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except for spring turkey. Coyote hunting with centerfire weapons only allowed during deer gun seasons by licensed deer hunters. Spring squirrel season is closed.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Ginseng

Same as statewide season.

Special Regulations

All users should be aware that hazards associated with mining (deep and strip) exist on this area. Public use is permitted during all hunts. During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and muzzleloader seasons.

No person shall remove minerals, including coal, trees, plants (including vines), or building stone from the area without specific authorization.

Camping is permitted on the entire area.

ORV, horseback riding, bicycles, and all other vehicles are restricted to roads marked "open to vehicular traffic."

Night-time use by the general public and raccoon hunters is permitted area-wide.

Organized competition events for motorized/non-motorized vehicles prohibited.

Maximum noise limit of 86 dBa for all motorized vehicles, as measured 50 feet from the exhaust.

Reckless operation of motorized and non-motorized vehicles prohibited. Reckless operation is defined as

operating a vehicle in a reckless or negligent manner as to endanger the life, limb, or property of any person or damage TWRA property on developments. Speed limit is 25 mph.

Wild hogs may be taken on any hunt.

**Oak Ridge**

- Deer (Shotgun–Muzzleloader)(Gun zones only) Three hunts. Oct. 20--21, Nov. 10-11, Dec. 8-9. Hunter quota 450. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
- Deer (Archery)(Park City Road, Chestnut Ridge Zone) Three hunts. Oct. 20-21, Nov. 10-11, Dec. 8-9. Hunter quota 250. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.
- Deer (Archery)(Poplar Creek Road Zone) Three hunts. Oct. 20-21, Nov. 10-11, Dec. 8-9. Hunter quota 175. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.
- Deer (Archery)(Tower Shielding) Three hunts. Oct. 20-21, Nov. 10-11, Dec. 8-9. Hunter quota 250. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.
- Canada Goose Sep. 1, 8, 9, 15, and Saturdays during the Oct. Canada goose season (not open to Canada Goose hunting on scheduled deer scout or hunt days in October). One-half hour before sunrise to noon. Hunting on Solway and Freels Bend only from the shoreline to Solway Bend Farm Road and from shoreline to Freels Bend Farm Road. Boat access only. Hunting from temporary blinds only.
- Wood Duck/Teal Sep. 8-9. One-half hour before sunrise to noon. Hunting on Solway and Freels Bend only from the shoreline to Solway Bend Farm Road and from shoreline to Freels Bend Farm Road. Boat access only. Hunting from temporary blinds only.
- Turkey Two hunts. Apr. 13-14, 20-21. Hunter quota 225. One turkey (bonus bird). Hunting ends at noon daily. Successful hunters must be at the check station by 1:00 p.m.
- Dog Training Closed.
- Special Regulations: Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check stations when stations are in operation.  
 On big game quota hunts and on approved scouting days for all zones, except Tower Shielding and Chestnut Ridge/Park City Road Zone, one non-hunting juvenile under the age of 16 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid WMA quota permit.  
 During deer hunts, non-hunting juveniles must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations specified for legal hunters.  
 Scouting dates: 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Oct. 13 -for the Oct. 20-21 permit holders and approved youths only; Nov.3 for the Nov. 10-11 permit holders and approved youths only; Dec. 1 for the Dec. 8-9 permit holders and approved youths only.  
 For deer hunts those hunters who have a DOE security

badge for Oak Ridge and have been drawn for an Oak Ridge quota hunt may hunt in Oak Ridge Security Areas as designated on the current Deer Hunt Map during the hunt date for which they have a permit.

Turkey scouting date: 7:00 a.m. to noon Apr. 6 for the Apr. 13-14, and Apr. 20-21 permit holders and approved youths only.

No boat access, except for Haw Ridge Park, during deer hunts and waterfowl hunters accessing Solway and Freels Bend on Sep. 1, 8, 9, 15, and Saturdays during the Oct. Canada goose season.

During big game hunts, all hunters, except turkey hunters, must wear fluorescent orange including archery hunters in the Archery-Only zones.

Hunters must carry, at all times, hunting license and permit, valid picture identification (youth excluded), and signed current hunt map.

Coyotes may be taken on any hunt with weapons legal for that hunt.

**Obion River**

**All Units** (special regulations apply to Maness Swamp Hunting Unit)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

**Maness Swamp Hunting Unit** (North of State Hwy. 445 bordered by the South Fork and Middle Fork of the Obion Rivers as marked)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Waterfowl Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck season permitted only on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck season. All hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of the season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting closes at sunset.

Special Regulations Closed to all activities five days before the first opening of the late duck season. All hunting other than waterfowl is prohibited during the late duck season.

No waterfowl hunters permitted on Unit or Access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4 a.m. the following day during the late duck season(s).

**Old Hickory**

**Unit I** (Hwy. 109 upstream to River Mile 267)

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove (Youth/Adult) Youth/Adult only hunt is Sep. 8 on Barton's Creek. Hunting begins at 6 am

Dove Same as statewide season, except for Barton's Creek. Barton's Creek opens Sep. 12 and every Saturday and Wednesday thereafter during the first segment of the statewide season.

Waterfowl	Hunting is permitted only from registered blind sites and staked temporary blind sites during the late duck season. Same as statewide season, except waterfowl hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season, except hours same as statewide on the last day of each segment of the late duck season.
Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind site)	Applications must be received by the TWRA Region II Office by noon on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during duck seasons.
Special Regulations	Small game hunting is closed after 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season.  The sub-impoundment units as posted are closed to all types of activity five days prior to the opening of the first segment of the late duck season.  Raccoon and opossum hunting, trapping, and fishing are prohibited in sub-impoundments during the late waterfowl season.
<b>Unit II – (Hwy. 109 downstream to Old Hickory Dam)</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Waterfowl	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting from registered blind sites only, except during the early duck season. All goose hunting is from registered blinds only.
<b>Unit III – (River Mile 267 upstream to River Mile 281)</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Waterfowl	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Hunting from temporary blinds only. Decoys must be picked up each day.
<b>Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge</b>	
Special Regulations	Public entry and fishing permitted while on the main river channel passing through the refuge.
Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge (North of the Cumberland River)	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Old Hickory Lock 5 Refuge (South of the Cumberland River)	
Deer, Turkey (Young Sportsman Only)	Sep. 22-23, Sept. 29-30, Oct. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28. Archery equipment only.
Deer, Turkey (Young Sportsman Only)	Nov. 3-4, 10-11 Archery and muzzleloader equipment only.
Turkey (Young Sportsman Only)	Same as statewide spring turkey season.
Special Regulations	Boat access only.
<b>Owl Hollow Mill</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove (Youth Only)	Sep. 3 Youth only (6-16) must be accompanied by a licensed non-hunting adult. Maple Bend Road field only. Rest of WMA closed.
Dove	Sep. 4 Entire WMA open to all ages for the remainder of the statewide dove season.
<b>Paint Rock Refuge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game	Same as statewide, except as noted. Archery equipment only for deer. Small game hunting restricted to shotguns only. Non-toxic shot only for small game.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
Special Regulations	During refuge closure, public entry and fishing permitted while on the main river channel through the refuge.
<b>Pea Ridge</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide Unit A seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15
<b>Percy Priest</b>	
<b>Unit I</b>	
Dove	Sep. 1, and each Saturday and Sunday thereafter, and Labor Day during the statewide season. Shooting from staked positions only. On Sep. 1, staked positions will be assigned by a drawing held on site at 10:00 a.m. and hunters must check out at the conclusion of their hunt. Successful applicants must be at their staked position at the start of shooting hours.
Squirrel	Same as statewide season, except as noted.
Quail, Rabbit (Youth)	Same as statewide seasons, except Monday through Thursday only. Shotguns only. Each Youth must be accompanied by an adult who may not hunt or carry weapons. Each adult must possess a valid hunting license and an area permit.
Deer/Turkey (Archery Only)	Same as statewide seasons.
Deer (Muzzleloader Only)	Nov. 5-6, 12-15, except open Monday through Thursday only. Remainder of deer season is archery only.
Turkey	Same as statewide spring turkey season, except closed Friday–Sunday until Apr. 30.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Apr. 30. Small game permit required. Training from horseback prohibited before Oct. 1. Participants of sanctioned field trials may train 72 hours prior to and after scheduled dates without a small game permit. Blank ammunition only. Night time dog training permitted.
Retriever Dog Training and Trials	Year-round in designated areas only. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and special field trial permits must be obtained from the TWRA Region II Office at least

Bird and Rabbit Dog and Fox Hound Trials	30 days in advance of trial dates. Participants of sanctioned field trials may train 72 hours before and after scheduled dates without a small game hunt permit.
Special Regulations	<p>Sep. 1–Apr. 30. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and special field trial permits must be obtained from the Region II Office at least 30 days in advance of trial dates. Field trial gallery must be kept out of standing or planted crops by Marshals provided by sponsoring club. Fox hound trials subject to special regulations</p> <p>Unit I closed to all activity from sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, except as noted.</p> <p>All activities, except dove hunts on designated fields and scheduled field trials, prohibited on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from Sep. 12–Apr. 20.</p> <p>Horses permitted on all areas, except freshly planted and standing crops, and special areas as posted.</p> <p>Additional WMA closures for special field trial dates are Nov. 7, 8, 22, 29, Dec. 27, 2012, Feb 21, 27, 28, Mar. 25-28, 2013</p>
<b>Unit II</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer is shotgun–muzzleloader–archery only.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Apr. 30. No hunting or training from horseback.
Archery Practice	Open year–round designated range site (Poole Knobs) only. Target arrows only.
<b>Pickett State Forest</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
<b>Prentice Cooper State Forest</b>	
Small Game	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to quail hunting.
Fox, Opossum, Raccoon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Oct.–Jan. 31, except hunting will be limited to Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday nights only. All hunting ends Jan. 31. Bag limit is one per party per night.
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Sep. 15-17. Hunter quota 500. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Archery)	One hunt. Sep. 18-23. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). No area checking station operated.
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Oct. 11-13. Hunter quota-350. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Oct. 27-28. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)	One hunt. Nov. 2-4. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)	One hunt. Nov. 24- Nov. 29. Two deer, buck only (bonus

	deer).
Turkey	Six hunts. Apr. 2-4, 5-7, 10-12, 18-20, 23-25, 26-28. One turkey per hunt, not to exceed four turkeys.
Trapping	Dec. 16-28.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
Special Regulations	Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check stations when stations are in operation. Off-road vehicles, horseback riding, bicycles, and all other vehicles are restricted to those roads, trails or routes designated for their use. Organized competition events for motorized vehicles prohibited. The maximum noise limit for all motorized vehicles is 86 dBa, as measured 50 feet from the exhaust, except as otherwise permitted. Reckless operation of motorized and non-motorized vehicles prohibited. Reckless operation is defined as operating a vehicle in a reckless or negligent manner as to endanger the life and limb of others, or property or developments of the State, or property of any person. The maximum speed limit is 25 mph or less if otherwise posted. All side roads and trails will be closed to motorized vehicles Dec. 20–Mar. 15.  Closed to all hunting Mar. 1 through 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday in Aug., except during turkey and spring squirrel seasons.
Firing Range	Open Thursday, Friday, Saturdays only, during daylight hours. Closed during big game hunts.
<b>Presidents Island</b>	
Deer (Archery)(Excluding Ensley Unit)	Two hunts. Oct. 12-14, 19-21. Hunter quota 150 each hunt. Bag limit two deer (bonus deer), which may be antlerless or spike bucks. Scouting dates: Oct. 11 for the Oct. 12-14 permit holders only; Oct. 18 for the Oct. 19-21 permit holders only.
Deer (Archery)(Excluding Ensley Unit)	One hunt. Dec. 7-9. Hunter quota 50. Two deer, one antlered buck, and one antlerless (bonus deer). Bucks must have at least nine antler points. Scouting date: Dec. 6 for the Dec. 7-9 permit holders only.
Special Regulations (Excluding Ensley Unit)	Hunters must check in at hunter check station before hunting and check out at completion of each day's hunt. Permit will be held while hunters hunt. Access permitted from Farm Road only. No access permitted from Mississippi River, McKellar Lake, or from the Causeway. Access permitted only to TWRA authorized personnel and permit holders.
Deer (Archery)(Ensley Unit)	One hunt. Dec. 7-9. Hunter quota 30. One deer, buck only (bonus deer). Bucks must have at least nine antler points. Scouting date: Dec. 6 for the Dec. 7-9 permit holders only.

## Special Regulations (Ensley Unit)

Access permitted from Shelby Drive only. Access permitted only to TWRA authorized personnel and permit holders.

**Rankin**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping  
Special Regulations

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Small game hunters (except waterfowl) must wear fluorescent hunter orange during Big Game hunts.

**Reelfoot**

Small Game, Trapping  
Opossum, Raccoon

Same as statewide, except as noted.

Sunset, last Friday in Aug. –last day of Feb. No limit. No limit.

Deer (Archery)

Three hunts. Third Sat. in Sept thru last Friday in Oct., Last Mon. of Oct. thru first Fri. of Nov., Second Sat. in Nov. thru third Sun. in Dec. Three deer, either sex per segment (bonus deer).

Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)

Same as statewide seasons.

Deer (Muzzleloader)

One hunt. First Sat. in Nov. for seven days. One deer, buck only (bonus deer).

Turkey (Young Sportsman)

Open with statewide season.

Waterfowl

Same as waterfowl zone seasons. Waterfowl hunting closed at 3:00 p.m. (CST), except for last day of each segment of the late duck and the remaining Reelfoot goose seasons when hunting ceases at sunset.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound only blind sites)

Application must be received by the TWRA Region I Office by noon on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in Oct. Persons holding a permit for another blind are not eligible to compete in the wheelchair-bound blind drawing. If blind is not occupied by shooting time, another wheelchair-bound hunter and 1 to 3 assistants (at least one assistant must be age 16 or older) may occupy the blind for that day. Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair-hunting zone at designated blinds.

**Shelton Ferry**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Deer is archery equipment only, except during Young-Sportsman hunts.

**Skinner Mountain**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons. Trapping and small game hunting closes at sunset the day before hog control season. Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Wild Hog (Control Season)(Dogs Permitted)

Jan. 18-20. No limit, either sex.

All participants in the hog control season must wear on the upper portion of their body and head a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange, viable front and back.

Participants may use any legal weapon and ammunition that is legal for taking Deer, Bear or Elk.

Legal hours—One-half hour before sunrise and to one-half hour after sunset.

**Special Regulations**

ATVs and motorized bikes are permitted only by individuals possessing a valid hunting and fishing license and WMA permit from the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in Aug. through the spring squirrel season

**South Fork Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except closed to all activities five days before the first opening of the late duck season. All hunting other than waterfowl is prohibited during the late duck season. Fall turkey season closed.

Waterfowl

Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck season permitted on Saturday and Sunday and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck season. All hunting ceases at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day, except the last day of the season when hunting closes at sunset. Walk-in only. No waterfowl hunters permitted on the area or access areas before 4:00 a.m. opening day, and from 5:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. the following day during the late duck season.

**Standing Stone State Forest**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to special season antlerless season. Buck only during statewide muzzleloader seasons.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.

**Tellico Lake (including Wear's Bend) (That portion of Tellico Reservoir Development Agency Industrial Park at LTRM 18.0)**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide season, except as noted. Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters

Special Regulations

No blinds or decoys left overnight.

**McGhee-Carson Unit – (That peninsula of Ft. Loudoun State Historic Park at LTRM 21.0)**

Dove

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Sep. 3. Opens at noon.

Same as statewide seasons, except Monday through

Rabbit, Squirrel	Thursday only. Shotguns only.
Deer (Shotgun only)(Young-Sportsman)	One hunt. Dec. 15. Hunter quota 35. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).
Dog Training	Closed during field trials and big game hunts. Daylight hours only.
Dog Field Trials	Field Trial Permit Required. Sep. 1–Apr. 30. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and special field trial permit must be obtained from the TWRA Region III Office at least 30 days before trial dates.
Special Regulations	All hunting is Youth only. Each youth must be accompanied by an adult who may not hunt or carry weapons. Each adult must possess a valid hunting license and an area permit  Horses permitted, except in freshly planted and standing crops and special areas as posted.
<b>Chota Refuge Unit –(That portion from LTRM 26.0 upstream to the Hiwassee – Alcoa Powerline at LTRM 29.7)</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide, except as noted. Wild hogs may be taken during any deer or bear hunt by legal deer or bear hunters.  No deer hunting Nov. 5-14.  Steel shot is required for dove.
Rabbit, Quail	Nov. 5–14.
Dog Training	Mar. 1–Oct. 31
Dog Field Trials	Mar 1–Oct. 31. Field Trial Permit Required. Trials must be scheduled with Area Manager and special field trial permit must be obtained from the TWRA Region IV Office at least 30 days before trial dates.
Special Regulations	Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting as posted.  Wild hogs may be taken during any deer hunt by legal deer hunters.
<b>The Boils</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except closed to quail hunting.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15.
<b>Thorny Cypress</b>	
Big Game, Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except areas within 150 yards of draw waterfowl pools are closed during small game, trapping and statewide deer gun season(s).
Waterfowl	Same as statewide season, except hunting of waterfowl during the late duck season permitted only on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and the first and last day of each segment of the late duck season and the youth waterfowl season. Goose season to coincide with statewide season after the youth waterfowl season, no pool restrictions or drawings. All hunting shall cease at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each

Special Regulations:

day, except the last day of each season and the remaining goose seasons when hunting shall close at sunset.

Designated pools will be allocated by computer draw. Waterfowl hunting is restricted to temporary blind sites. Hunters are restricted to pools or number stakes as specified by special instructions supplied by TWRA annually. All hunters in a party are required to hunt in the same temporary blind site for which they are drawn. Decoys and temporary blinds may be left out over the specified hunt but must be removed upon completion of the hunt on the last day. Motorized vehicles are allowed only on designated roads, trails, and parking areas. No vehicles are allowed in fields, woods, or on levees.

**Three Rivers (East and West Units)**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping  
Waterfowl

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

No waterfowl hunters permitted on unit or access area from two hours after legal shooting hours have ended until 4:00 a.m. the following day during late duck season(s).

**Tie Camp**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

**Tigrett**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

All small game hunting (excluding waterfowl hunting) closed on this area during the Young-Sportsman hunts.

Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of duck seasons and remaining goose seasons when hunting closes at sunset.

**Tumbleweed**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons.

**Volunteer Army Ammunition Plant**  
(a.k.a. Enterprise South Park)

Closed to hunting, trapping and dog training, except as noted.

Deer/Turkey (Archery)

One hunt. Oct 8-9. Hunter quota 80. Two deer, either sex, (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.

Deer (Shotgun)(Wounded Warrior)

One hunt. Oct. 22-23. Hunter quota 25. Two deer, either sex (bonus deer). Hunters selected by U.S. Armed Services.

Special Regulation

Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check stations when stations are in operation.

**Watts Bar**

Deer, Turkey, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide season, except as noted.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15.

**Iron Hill Island, Long Island, and Thief Neck Island Units**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.  
 Archery equipment only for deer except juveniles may use shotguns or muzzleloaders during statewide Young-Sportsman hunts. Deer and Small Game are Shotgun-Archery.  
 Nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service required for small game hunting on Long Island Unit.  
 No Trapping during the duck season on the Long Island Unit.

**West Sandy**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons,

Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day of the regular statewide waterfowl seasons, except the last day of duck seasons and remaining goose seasons when hunting closes at sunset.

Waterfowl (Wheelchair-bound blind)

Wheelchair-bound blind provided – first come, first serve.  
 Hunting restricted to wheelchair hunters and assistants only within the marked wheelchair hunting zone.

Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during the late duck season.

Special Regulations

All activities are prohibited in the sub-impoundments five days before each opening day of the statewide duck season.

Fishing, trapping, and hunting of all species other than waterfowl prohibited in the sub-impoundments during the late duck season.

**White Lake Refuge**

Big Game, Small Game

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Closed to dove, fall turkey, and waterfowl.

**White Oak**

Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Dove

Sep. 1, 3 and every day thereafter during the remainder of the statewide seasons.

Quail

Dec. 3 - Jan. 1

Deer

Same as statewide seasons, except archery-only deer hunting after Dec – 2 , archers must meet legal blaze orange requirements during this period. Closed to January Young-Sportsman deer hunt.

Turkey

Fall turkey season closed.

Waterfowl	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted. Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) during the late duck season(s) and all types of water traffic prohibited after 5:00 p.m. No waterfowl hunters permitted on the area or access areas before 4:00 a.m. opening day(s), and from 5:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. the following day during the late duck season.
Special Regulations	All small game hunting closed during Young-Sportsman deer hunts. All water traffic prohibited five days before the opening day(s) of the statewide duck season.
<b>Whites Mill Refuge</b>	
Waterfowl	Youth/Adult only. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed adult who may also hunt. Saturdays only from staked positions.
Bullfrog	Mar. 1–Nov. 14, gigs only.
<b>Williamsport</b>	
Small Game, Trapping	Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.
Dove	Same as statewide season, except open only on Sep. 1 and every Saturday during the first segment. Designated fields only. Shooting from staked positions only on Sep. 1. On Sep. 1, staked positions will be assigned by a drawing held on site at 10:00 a.m. Hunters must be present at drawing and must check out at the conclusion of the hunt. Successful applicants must be at the staked position at legal shooting hours.
Deer (Archery)	Three hunts. Sep. 22-24, Sep. 28-Sep 30, Oct. 5-7. Two deer, either sex but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)	Two hunts. Oct. 13-14, 20-21. Two deer, either sex but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Muzzleloader)	One hunt. Oct. 26-28. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, either sex but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).
Deer (Gun)	Four hunts. Nov. 2-4, 9-11, 16-18, Nov.30-Dec 2. Hunter quota 100. Two deer, either sex but only one can be antlered (bonus deer).
Turkey (Young Sportsman)	One hunt. Mar. 23-24. One bearded bird.
Turkey	Two hunts. Mar. 30-Apr.2, Apr. 12-15. One bearded bird per hunt-
Crow	Sep. 1–Feb 28. All crow hunting is limited to Saturdays during the month of September during the first segment of dove season, thereafter on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
Dog Training	Sep. 1–Mar. 15, daylight hours only.

## Special Regulations

Open one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset on hunt days.

All horses must be ridden on designated trails only. No riding during scheduled Big Game hunts.

Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

**Wolf River**

## Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

## Dove

Sep. 1 **at noon** and everyday thereafter during the remainder of the statewide dove seasons.

## Quail

Dec. 1 – Dec. 31

## Rabbit

3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. in Nov - Jan. 31.

## Deer

Deer hunting is archery equipment only after the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri. in Nov. through the end of statewide deer seasons. Archers must meet legal blaze orange requirements during this period. Closed to January Young-Sportsman deer hunt.

## Turkey

Closed to fall turkey season. Two hunts. 1<sup>st</sup> Friday–Sunday of spring season. Hunter quota 25. 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday–Sunday of spring season. Hunter quota 30. One turkey (bonus bird). Hunting ends at noon each day. Successful hunters must check birds at Wolf River Check Station by 1:00 p.m.

## Waterfowl

Waterfowl hunting closes at 3:00 p.m. (CST) each day during the late duck season(s), except the last day of each segment of the season(s) when hunting closes as sunset. Temporary blinds only.

## Dog Training

Sep. 1–Mar. 15, except closed during deer gun hunts.

## Special Regulations

Adjacent Ghost River State Natural Area open same as Wolf River WMA. Hunting or access to hunt from the boardwalk structure is prohibited.

All small game hunting is closed during Young-Sportsman deer hunts.

No centerfire rifles, except on Young-Sportsman deer hunts.

## Firing Range

Rifle Sight-In Range open the first 2 weeks in Oct.

**Yanahli**

## Big Game, Small Game, Trapping

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

## Firing Range

Automatic weapons prohibited.

## Special Regulations

All horses must be ridden on designated trails only.

Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

During daylight hours, all users outside of an enclosed vehicle or out of camp must wear fluorescent orange during the deer gun and muzzleloader seasons.

**Yuchi Refuge**

**Small Game**

Same as statewide seasons, except as noted.

Closed to quail hunting.

Small game seasons closed in Wetland Zone from Nov. 15--last day of Feb.

Dove season Sep. 2-22, except Youth hunt on Sep.1.

Raccoon, opossum hunting permitted on Wednesday and Thursday only, sunset to sunrise. Closed after Nov. 8. All dogs need to be removed from the area before sunrise on Friday. Bag limit on raccoons, one per party per night.

**Rabbit**

Nov. 5-last day of Feb. Bag limit on rabbits is three per day.

**Deer/Turkey (Archery)**

Two hunts. Sep.29-30, Oct.13-14. Hunter quota 100 each hunt. Two deer, no more than one antlered (bonus deer). One turkey, either sex.

**Deer (Gun)(Young-Sportsman)**

Two hunts. Oct. 6-7, 27-28. Hunter quota 75 each hunt. Two deer, only one antlered (bonus deer).

**Deer (Muzzleloader)**

One hunt. Oct. 20-21. Hunter quota 50. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).

**Deer (Gun)**

One hunt. Nov.3-4. Hunter quota 50. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).

**Deer (Wheelchair-bound Only)**

One hunt. Nov. 10-11. One deer, either sex (bonus deer).

**Turkey**

Five hunts. Apr. 5-7, 12-14, 19-21, 23-25, Apr. 30-May 2. Hunter quota 10. One turkey (bonus bird). Hunting ends at noon. Walk-in only.

**Retriever Dog Field Trials**

Pre-approved by Area Manager at least 30 days in advance of trial dates.

**Dog Training**

Sep. 1--Mar. 15 in Upland Zone.

Sep. 1--Nov. 14 and Mar. 1--15 in Wetland Zone. Daylight hours only. No fox or coyote chasing.

**Special Regulations**

Hunters required to check out big game at WMA check stations when stations are in operation.

Nontoxic shot only in Wetland Zone.

No boat access.

No ATV, ORV, or horseback riding permitted.

Wetland Zone closed to all forms of public use, including all forms of trespass from Nov. 15--last day of Feb.

Antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points on one antler or a 15--inch minimum outside antler spread on all hunts.

On big game quota hunts one non-hunting juvenile under the age of 16 may accompany an adult hunter (18 years old or older) who has a valid WMA quota permit. During deer gun hunts non-hunting juvenile must also comply with fluorescent orange regulations specified for legal hunters.



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SECTION III. REPEAL OF PRIOR PROCLAMATIONS

This proclamation repeals Proclamation No. 11-09

TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY

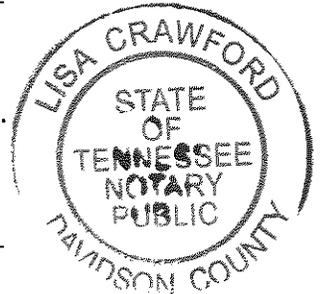
William L Brown  
Chairman

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the 18 day of May, 2012.

Ed Carter  
Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 7 day of June, 2012.

Lisa Crawford  
Notary Public



My commission expires: 5-5-15

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