

Notice of Rulemaking Hearing
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission

There will be a hearing before the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission to consider the promulgation of rules, amendments of rules, or repeals of rules pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-206. The hearing will be conducted in the manner prescribed by the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-204 and will take place in the Region II Conference Room of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Ray Bell Region II Building, 5105 Edmondson Pike, Nashville, Tennessee, at 9:00 a.m., local time, on the 18th day of August, 2005.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (to review these filings) should contact the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Such initial contact may be made no less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled meeting date (the date the party intends to review such filings), to allow time for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to determine how it may reasonably provide such aid or service. Initial contact may be made with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency ADA Coordinator, Carolyn Wilson, Room 229, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Building, Ellington Agricultural Center, Nashville, Tennessee 37204, telephone number (615)781-6594.

For a copy of this notice of rulemaking hearing, contact: Sheryl Holtam, Attorney, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, P.O. Box 40747, Nashville, TN 37204, telephone number (615)781-6606.

Substance of Proposed Rules

Amendment

Chapter 1660-1-8
Rules and Regulations for Hunts

Rule 1660-1-8-.03 Permit Requirements – Wildlife Management Areas, Refuges and Other Agency Controlled Lands, Paragraph (1)(b) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and inserting the following language so it shall read:

- (b) Hunt applicants or participants must be seventeen (17) years of age or over for hunting turkey, deer, bear and hog, except that youths, ages 6-16, may apply and participate if they are accompanied on the hunt by an adult, twenty-one (21) years of age or older. Youths under sixteen (16) years of age are exempt from purchasing an area hunt permit on all wildlife management areas and refuges when hunting any species except big game, but they must be accompanied on the hunt by an adult who possesses a valid hunt permit.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-4-107

Rule 1660-1-8-.03 Permit Requirements – Wildlife Management Areas, Refuges and Other Agency Controlled Lands, Paragraph (3) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and inserting the following language so it shall read:

(3) Before any person, except those under 16 years of age hunting small game and waterfowl, may hunt on a wildlife management area or refuge, he must possess a permit as outlined below.

(a) A WMA Small Game permit is required on the following wildlife management areas and refuges:

AEDC	Eagle Creek	North Chickamauga
Alpine Mountain	Eagle Lake Refuge	Creek
Arnold Hollow	Ernest Rice Sr.	Oak Ridge
Bark Camp Barrens	Foothills	Obion River
Barkley Units I & II	Forks of the River	Old Hickory (Unit I)
Bean Switch Refuge	Haley-Jaqueth	Old Hickory Lock 5
Bear Hollow Mountain	Harmon Creek	Refuge
Beaver Dam Creek	Haynes Bottom	Pea Ridge
Big Sandy (including	Henderson Island	Percy Priest (Units I &
Gin Creek)	Refuge	II)
Black Bayou Refuge	Hick Hill	Perryville
Bogota	Hickory Flat	Prentice Cooper
Bridgestone/Firestone	Hiwassee Refuge	Rankin
Centennial Wilderness	Holly Fork	Royal Blue
Browntown	Hop-In Refuge	Shelby Forest
Buffalo Springs	Jackson Swamp	Shelton Ferry
Camden Units I & II	Jarrell Switch Refuge	Sundquist
Catoosa	John Tully	Tellico Lake
Cheatham	Kingston Refuge	Tie Camp
Cheatham Lake	Kyker Bottoms Refuge	Watts Bar (Long Island
Chickamauga (Candies	Kyles Ford	Unit)
Creek, Johnson	Laurel Hill	West Sandy
Bottoms, Rogers Creek,	Lick Creek	White Lake Refuge
Yellow Creek Units)	Lick Creek Bottoms	White Oak
Chuck Swan	Maness Swamp Refuge	Williamsport
Cold Creek	Maple Springs	Wolf River
Cordell Hull	Mingo Swamp	Woods Reservoir
Cordell Hull Refuge	Moss Island	Refuge
Cove Creek	MTSU	Yanahli
C. M. Gooch	Natchez Trace	Yuchi Refuge at Smith
Cypress Pond	New Hope	Bend
	Nolichucky	

A WMA small game permit is required for individuals participating in dog training. A field trial permit is required on Percy Priest WMA and the Tellico Lake – McGhee-Carson Unit.

(b) A WMA Small Game and Waterfowl permit is required for hunting waterfowl on the following wildlife management areas and refuges:

AEDC	C.M. Gooch	North Chickamauga
Barkley Units I & II	Ernest Rice Sr.	Creek
Big Sandy (including Gin Creek	Harmon Creek	Oak Ridge
Bogota	Haynes Bottom	Obion River
Camden Units I & II	Hiwassee Refuge	Old Hickory (Unit I)
Cheatham Lake	Holly Fork	Shelby Forest
Chickamauga (Candies Creek, Johnson Bottoms, Rogers Creek, Yellow Creek Units)	Jackson Swamp	Tigrett
Cold Creek	Jarrell Switch Refuge	Watts Bar (Long Island Unit)
Cordell Hull	Moss Island	West Sandy
Cordell Hull Refuge	Lick Creek	White Oak
	Lick Creek Bottoms	Yanahli
	Mingo Swamp	Yuchi Refuge at Smith Bend
	Moss Island	
	New Hope	
	Nolichucky	

(c) A WMA big game permit is required for hunting deer, bear, boar, feral hogs, and turkey on the following wildlife management areas and refuges:

AEDC	Catoosa	Fall Creek Fall State
Alpine Mountain	Cheatham	Park
Arnold Hollow	Cheatham Lake	Foothills
Bark Camp Barrens	Cherokee	Forks of the River
Barkley Units I & II	Chickamauga (Candies Creek, Johnson Bottoms, Rogers Creek, Yellow Creek Units)	Gallatin Steam Plant
Bear Hollow Mountain	Chuck Swan	Harmon Creek
Bean Switch Refuge	Cold Creek	Haynes Bottom
Beaver Dam Creek	Cordell Hull	Henderson Island
Big Sandy (including Gin Creek	Cordell Hull Refuge	Refuge
Bogota	Cove Creek	Hick Hill
Bridgestone/Firestone Centennial Wilderness	Cypress Pond	Hickory Flat
Browntown	Eagle Creek	Hiwassee Refuge
Buffalo Springs	Eagle Lake Refuge	Holly Fork
C. M. Gooch	Ernest Rice Sr.	Hop-In Refuge
Camden Units I & II		International Paper
		Jackson Swamp
		Jarrell Switch Refuge
		John Tully

Kingston Refuge	Oak Ridge	Tellico Lake
Kyles Ford	Obion River	Tie Camp WMA
Laurel Hill	Old Hickory (Unit I)	Tigrett
Lick Creek	Old Hickory Lock 5	Watts Bar (Long Island
Lick Creek Bottoms	Refuge	Unit)
Lovell Field	Pea Ridge	West Sandy
Maness Swamp Refuge	Percy Priest (Units I &	White Lake Refuge
Maple Springs	II)	White Oak
Mingo Swamp	Perryville	Williamsport
Moss Island	Prentice Cooper	Wolf River
MTSU	President's Island	Woods Reservoir
Natchez Trace	Rankin	Refuge
Nathan B. Forrest State	Royal Blue	Yanahli
Historical Area	Shelby Forest	Yuchi Refuge at Smith
New Hope	Shelton Ferry	Bend
Nolichucky	Sundquist	
North Chickamauga Creek		

(d) A WMA Small Game or WMA Small Game and Waterfowl permit is required to trap on all areas that require a small game hunting permit.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-4-107

Rule 1660-1-8-.05(1)(b) Permit Applications and Drawings, is amended by deleting it in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new paragraph:

(b) Applicants may submit only one application, except youths six (6) through sixteen (16) years of age may apply for one additional young sportsman hunt on management areas. If an individual's name (except youths applying for one additional young sportsman hunt as noted above) appears on more than one application, that individual will be rejected, his permit fee forfeited, and will be subject to prosecution.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-4-107

Rule 1660-1-8-.05(1)(c) Permit Applications and Drawings, is amended by deleting it in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new paragraph:

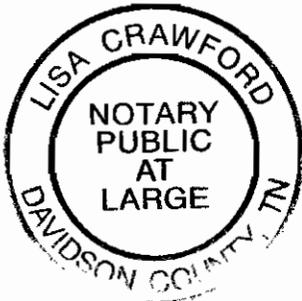
(c) For quota big game hunts on wildlife management areas, applicants must be at least six (6) years of age prior to the date of the hunt.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-4-107

I certify that this is an accurate and complete representation of the intent and scope of rulemaking proposed by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission.

Gary T. Myers
Gary T. Myers, Secretary
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 22 day of June, 2005.



Lisa Crawford
Notary Public

My commission expires: 1-26-08

The notice of rulemaking set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State on the 30 day of June, 2005.

Riley C. Damell
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Secretary of State

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