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For as long as I can remember, hunting has played an important role in my life. My childhood growing up in the Georgia backwoods has shaped me and made me the person I am today. A hunting trip has always provided me with more than I could have ever imagined—it’s provided an opportunity to bond with friends new and old, to teach and preserve the hunting heritage, to unwind in the beauty of nature, and to put meat on the table.

As one of Georgia’s half a million resident hunters, you play a significant role in supporting Georgia’s conservation efforts. Each time you purchase a license, 100% of these funds are reinvested to support programming, education, law enforcement, conservation, and more. These funds are essential to ensure our children and their children can enjoy the same hunting and outdoor recreation opportunities we do today. Thank you for being as passionate about Georgia’s hunting opportunities and wildlife resources as I am.

With recent discoveries of chronic wasting disease in several of our neighboring states and a declining turkey population, adhering to Georgia’s hunting regulations is as important as ever. Without your dedication to protecting these resources, it would be impossible to ensure they remain plentiful and accessible for all people for decades to come.

I look forward to continuing to pass down my love for the outdoors to my grandchildren, as I have with my daughters. I have begun teaching archery to my grandchildren in our backyard, and I can not wait to get them in a tree stand with me. It’s our collective responsibility to be good stewards of our resources to preserve priceless experiences like these for the next generation.

Doing your part is as easy as it is important—have fun and take someone new hunting this year.

Mark Williams
Commissioner, Georgia Department of Natural Resources
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HUNTING LICENSES

RESIDENCY

RESIDENT means any person who has been domiciled within the State of Georgia (declared Georgia their only state of legal residence) for a period of at least three months. A valid Georgia driver’s license or Georgia ID is required to show residency. Nonresident full time Georgia college students with a valid college ID living in Georgia, and active duty military personnel with a valid U.S. DOD Common Access Card with Uniformed Services affiliation and the dependents of such military personnel may obtain resident hunting and fishing licenses other than resident lifetime, disability and honorary licenses. Nonresident landowners must purchase a nonresident license.

HUNTER EDUCATION

All hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1961 must successfully complete a hunter education course before purchasing a hunting license. All hunter education courses certified or mandated by any state wildlife agency or Canadian province are accepted. Residents may sign up for online or classroom courses at GoHuntGeorgia.com or by calling 1-800-366-2661.

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Reliable identification and a Social Security Number (SSN) are required to purchase a license (OCGA § 19-11-9.1). Game Wardens may require positive identification when checking licenses. All required hunting licenses and stamps must be in possession while hunting or while assisting another hunter (electronic copies are acceptable). It is unlawful to obtain, possess, or use multiple licenses for the purpose of circumventing season bag limits.

Hunter education is not required to purchase an Apprentice Hunting License or short-term license. Persons purchasing a Lifetime License must have hunter education before hunting, unless exempt by age or supervision. Hunter education is not required to hunt on one’s own land or land of a parent or guardian (blood or dependent relationship) residing in the same household, or to hunt pen raised game birds on licensed shooting preserves that provide specified hunter education instruction (see Shooting Preserve License page 12).

To obtain a replacement hunter education card visit GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com or call 1-800-366-2661 Monday–Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

AGE REQUIREMENTS

HUNTERS UNDER AGE 16 are not required to complete a hunter education course. A child under age 16 must be under “direct supervision” or “directly supervised,” which means uninterrupted, unaided visual contact and auditory communication with the child by a licensed adult. It is unlawful for an adult to permit their child or ward (under age 16) to hunt without adult supervision.

Exception: Hunters 12–15 years old may hunt unsupervised after successfully completing a hunter education course. Special restrictions may apply on WMAs and Federal Areas (see pages 46-70).

HUNTERS AGE 16–25 are required to have a hunter education card when purchasing a season hunting license and must be in possession while hunting.

HUNTERS OVER AGE 25 and born after Jan. 1, 1961 must successfully complete a hunter education course but are not required to present their Hunter Education Card when buying a season hunting license or possess it while hunting.

APPRENTICE HUNTER is any person who has not successfully completed a hunter education course or does not possess a hunter education certificate. Apprentice hunters may purchase a short-term Apprentice Hunting License to hunt and fish in Georgia.

LANDS PASS

Any person age 16 and older, entering any WMA or PFA must have a valid Georgia license that allows hunting or fishing on state land or a Lands Pass (exclusions apply, visit georgiawildlife.com/LandAccess). WMAs and PFAs that require a license to hunt or fish or a Lands Pass are marked with a sign at the site or area entrance. See page 40 for more information.

FREE LICENSES

SENIOR CITIZENS: Georgia residents born on or before June 30, 1952 may obtain a Lifetime Sportsman’s License free of charge. An optional Lifetime Sportsman’s Plastic Card may be purchased for $10. Reduced cost senior annual and lifetime licenses are available to residents age 65+ born July 1, 1952 and after.

RETURNING GEORGIA VETERANS (ONE TIME ONLY): Georgia resident military veterans who were on active duty for 90 or more consecutive days and were honorably discharged on or after July 1, 2005 may obtain one annual Honorar License free of charge. Such veterans may obtain this license by providing a copy of their DD Form 214 and a completed DNR application.

TYPES OF LICENSES

RESIDENT HUNTING, COMBO OR SPORTSMAN’S LICENSE is required for all resident hunters 16 years of age or older, except when hunting or fishing on one’s own land or land owned by immediate family (blood or dependent relationship) residing in the same household.

NONRESIDENT HUNTING, COMBO OR SPORTSMAN’S LICENSE is required for any nonresident hunters, except nonresident small game hunters that are under 16. All nonresident big game hunters must obtain a Harvest Record and those 16 and older must possess a big game license (included in Sportman’s License).

HARVEST RECORD is required for any person who hunts alligator, bear (Northern Zone only), deer or turkey, regardless of age. The Harvest Record is only valid for a single year and may be obtained on or after March 1 for the upcoming season. Harvest must be recorded before moving the animal from the site of the kill, and reported online or by telephone within 24 hours. See page 14.

RESIDENT HUNTERS UNDER AGE 16 must possess a Harvest Record to hunt alligator, bear (Northern Zone only), deer and turkey. They are not required to possess any of the following: Hunting, Big Game or Georgia Migratory Bird License.

ALLIGATOR HARVEST PERMIT is required to harvest an alligator (permittee must also be selected through the alligator quota hunt process). All persons accompanying or assisting an alligator permit holder need a valid hunting license. A free permit is available for Lifetime Sportsman’s License, Disability Sportsman’s License, Disability Hunting License, Honorary License, and Resident Optional Youth Sportsman’s License holders selected for an Alligator Quota Hunt.

BIG GAME LICENSE is required, in addition to a valid Hunting License, for hunting bear, deer, or turkey. The Big Game License is not required by resident hunters hunting one’s own land or land owned by immediate family (blood or dependent relationship) residing in the same household, resident or nonresident persons under the age of 16, or anyone who possesses an Honorary, Sportman’s, or Lifetime Sportman’s License. A Harvest Record is also required to hunt bear (Northern Zone only), deer or turkey.

GEORGIA MIGRATORY BIRD LICENSE is required for any person who hunts migratory birds (ducks, geese, woodcock, snipe, coots, rails, or gallinules) and is required by age to have a hunting license to hunt. A free Georgia Migratory Bird License is available for all resident Landowners hunting their own land and hunters with a valid Sportsman’s License, Youth Sportsman’s License, Disability Sportsman’s License, Disability Hunting License, Honorary License or Lifetime Sportsman’s License.
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FEDERAL DUCK STAMP is required for all waterfowl hunters 16 years of age or older including resident landowners and their immediate family. The stamp is valid from July 1–June 30 and must be signed in ink across the face. The Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp is available at US Post Offices, 1-800-STAMP24, www.GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com, or usps.com.

SPORTSMAN’S LICENSE includes Hunting, Big Game, Fishing and Trout Licenses. Duck hunters must obtain a Federal Duck Stamp. Migratory Bird hunters must obtain a Free Georgia Migratory Bird License. Saltwater anglers must obtain a Free SIP license. Alligator, bear (Northern Zone only), deer and turkey hunters must obtain a Free Harvest Record.

RESIDENT OPTIONAL YOUTH SPORTSMAN’S LICENSE: this optional multi-year license can be purchased by resident youth through age 15 and does not expire until the sportsman’s 17th birthday. The license includes privileges for all hunting and fishing including big game and trout. A Harvest Record, Migratory Bird License (16+), Quota Alligator Harvest Permit if selected, and SIP (16+) are free but must be obtained each year. Hunter education is required at age 16.

NONRESIDENT YOUTH SPORTSMAN’S LICENSE: this annual license can be purchased by nonresident youth through age 15. The license includes privileges for all hunting and fishing including big game and trout (except for the Quota Alligator Harvest Permit). A harvest record, Migratory Bird License (16+), and SIP (16+) are free but must be obtained at age 16.

DISABILITY HUNTING LICENSE: Georgia residents who are permanently and totally disabled may obtain a Disability License. A qualifying disability is an impairment of a permanent and total nature and is certified as such by the Department of Veterans Affairs, Social Security Administration, Medicaid, Medicare, or Railroad Retirement System.

LIFETIME SPORTSMAN’S LICENSES: cover all state paid hunting and fishing privileges (free required state licenses and the Federal Duck stamp are not included) and are valid for the life of the license holder. These privileges specifically include Hunting, Big Game, Fishing, and Trout Licenses. Lifetime License applications may be obtained at GoHuntGeorgia.com, by calling 1-800-366-2661, or by visiting any WRD office. For identification and proof of residency requirements see information on page 10.

Excluded from Lifetime Sportsman’s License: Free Georgia Migratory Bird License, Federal Duck Stamp, Free SIP permit, and a Free Alligator Harvest Permit, Bear (Northern Zone only), Deer, and Turkey Harvest Record. Lifetime license holders will need to obtain these annually.

RESIDENT / NONRESIDENT SHOOTING PRESERVE LICENSE: Persons with an active Georgia hunting license do not additionally need a shooting preserve license. A 2-year ($12) or lifetime ($75) shooting preserve license is available to residents and nonresidents. This license covers hunting pen-raised game birds and fishing in any private or state waters located within the boundaries of licensed private or commercial shooting preserves. Hunter safety requirements for hunting pen-raised game birds on properly licensed shooting preserves may be met by hunter education instruction that, at minimum, demonstrates techniques for proper firearm handling, unloading, and safety. Appropriate licenses, hunter safety certification requirements, and state seasons and regulations apply when hunting wild game birds or other wildlife on shooting preserves. Exception: it shall be lawful to hunt bobwhite quail between October 1 and March 31 of the following year on licensed shooting preserves.

LEGAL EQUIPMENT FOR HUNTING

“Hunting” means pursuing, shooting, killing, taking, or capturing wildlife or feral hogs. This term also includes acts such as placing, setting, drawing, or using any device used to take wildlife or feral hogs, whether any such act results in taking or not, and includes every act of assistance to any person in taking or attempting to take such wildlife or feral hogs.

RESTRICTIONS

- Convicted felons may not possess any firearm or muzzleloading firearm while hunting unless that individual’s right to carry has been restored (O.C.G.A § 16-11-131). This does not apply to archery equipment, air bows or air rifles.

- Loaded Weapon: A firearm is considered loaded if a shell is in the chamber or magazine, a percussion cap is on the nipple, or powder is present on the frizzed pan. A crossbow is considered loaded if it is cocked.

- Plugged Shotguns: For hunting migratory game birds, shotguns shall be limited to a capacity of not more than 3 shells in the magazine and chamber combined. If a plug is necessary to so limit the capacity, the plug shall be of 1 piece and incapable of being removed from the loading end of the magazine.

- Suppressors: Lawfully possessed suppressors may be used for hunting, unless otherwise specified. Permission of the landowner is required on private land.

ARCHERY EQUIPMENT

Crossbows, longbows, recurve bows, and compound bows are allowed for hunting any game or feral hog. Arrows for hunting deer, bear or feral hog must be broadhead type. Draw weight, let-off, arrow-length, and sights are not restricted.

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PRIMITIVE WEAPONS
Archery equipment, air bows, .30-cal. or larger air rifles and muzzleloaders or muzzleloading shotguns are legal during primitive weapons season. Scopes are legal.

FIREARMS
Deer & Bear
• Modern Rifles and Handguns: Centerfire only, .22-cal. or larger with expanding bullets. There is no restriction on magazine capacity for rifles.
• Shotguns: 20-gauge or larger loaded with slugs or buckshot.
• Muzzleloaders: .30-cal. or larger, or muzzleloading shotguns 20 gauge or larger. Scopes are legal.
• Air Guns: Any air rifle of at least .30 caliber or air bow utilizing unignited compressed gas or air is legal during primitive weapons and firearms seasons.

Turkey
Shotguns with No. 2 or smaller shot, any muzzleloading firearm, any air rifle of at least .30 caliber or air bow utilizing unignited compressed gas or air. Hunters are not required to plug shotguns for turkey.

Small Game & Furbearer
• Rifles and Handguns: Any .22-cal. or smaller rimfire, air rifle, or any muzzleloading firearm. For fox & bobcat, centerfire firearms of .17 caliber and larger may be used. There is no restriction on magazine capacity for rifles.
• Shotguns: Any having shot shell size 3.5 inches or smaller in length with No. 2 or smaller shot.
• Shotguns (Waterfowl): Any 10-gauge or smaller loaded with federally approved nontoxic shot of size “F” or smaller. Lead shot may not be in possession while hunting waterfowl.

GEORGIA GAME CHECK
All alligator, bear (only those harvested in the Northern Zone), deer, and turkey harvests must be reported through Georgia Game Check within 24 hours. For reporting requirements on certain WMA, VPA, and State Park hunts see page 42.

HOW TO REPORT YOUR ALLIGATOR, BEAR, DEER, OR TURKEY:

Cell Phone Handy?
If you have a cell phone, enter the harvest date and county on the Harvest Record through the Go Outdoors GA App, online at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com, or by calling 1-800-366-2661 before moving your harvest from the site of the kill.

You can report your harvest through the GA Outdoors App when your phone has no service. Enter your harvest date and county on the Harvest Record through the App. When you get to a location with service, access the App and sync to receive your confirmation number.

No Phone? No Problem!
Log It—Enter the harvest date and county on your paper Harvest Record before moving the harvest from the site of the kill.

Report It—Within 24 hours of the kill, report your harvest by going online to GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com or calling 1-800-366-2661.

Record It—Copy the confirmation number received onto your paper Harvest Record.

TRAINING DOGS ON PRIVATE LAND
Persons training dogs for hunting must have a valid Hunting License unless they are on their own land or land of an immediate relative. There is no closed season for training dogs on private lands. It is unlawful to possess firearms (except handguns with blank or shot cartridges), axes, climbers, or other equipment for taking game while training hunting dogs, except that shotguns with No. 6 or smaller shot may be used while training pointing, flushing, and retrieving dogs using pen-raised quail and pigeons provided that the dog trainer maintains proof of purchase of pen-raised quail. It is unlawful to run deer with dogs, except during open seasons.
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for hunting deer with dogs, or to take game by any means while training hunting dogs, except during open seasons for such game. For specific rules & regulations for dog training on WMAs & Chattahoochee National Forest see page 71.

CLOSED AREAS
Hunting for all species of wildlife is prohibited on the portion of Morgan Falls Lake (Bull Sluice) lying within Fulton Co. and in Willeo Creek. Counties, or parts of counties, not specifically open by law or regulation are closed to hunting. Counties open for hunting do not include lands within WMAs, PFAs, State Parks, or other State/Federal lands, except when those lands are specifically open.

PROTECTED SPECIES
For information on protected species, please visit georgiawildlife.com.

HUNTER ORANGE REQUIREMENTS
A hunter, and anyone accompanying the hunter, must wear an outer garment at least 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange above the waist (which may include a head covering) when hunting:

- deer during the primitive weapons or firearms deer season
- bear during the primitive weapons or firearms bear seasons
- feral hogs during firearms deer or bear seasons

Hunter orange is required during primitive weapons and firearms hunts for deer, bear, and special opportunity coyote and feral hog hunts on WMAs, VPAs, and federal lands. Hunter orange is not required on WMA, VPAs, or Corps of Engineers tracts designated “archery-only”, nor during archery deer hunts held on a WMA during the statewide primitive weapons or firearms seasons (unless otherwise indicated). Hunter orange is required on WMA and VPA small game hunts that are concurrent with firearms deer or bear hunts (see more information on page 42).

LEGAL HOURS
Legal hours for hunting are 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset, except alligators, raccoons, opossums, foxes, coyotes, bobcats and feral hogs which may be hunted at night. Any light used to hunt raccoons, opossums, foxes, or bobcats must be carried on the body of the hunter, affixed to a helmet or hat worn by the hunter, or be part of a belt system worn by the hunter. There is no voltage restriction on such lights.

Legal hours for migratory bird are 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset (see page 36). Sunset and sunrise times are available on the Go Outdoors GA App.

UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES
- Hunting without landowners’ permission, including power line, gas line, railroad and other rights-of-way. Written permission must be obtained if land is so posted.
- Hunting while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Holding, possessing, releasing, or importing wildlife without a permit from the DNR.
- Concealing the taking or possession of wildlife (or parts) which the person in possession reasonably should have known was obtained illegally.
- Killing or crippling game without reasonable efforts to retrieve.
- Hunt, shoot, kill, or wound any farmed deer (e.g. elk, red deer, fallow deer, sika deer, or axis deer) or exotic wild animal (e.g. farmed deer, mouflon sheep, Barbary sheep [aoudad], antelope, etc.) held under a wild animal license for enjoyment, gain, amusement, or sport.
- Hunting or shooting from or across a public road.
- Hunting from a vehicle, plane, or boat under power.
- Selling or purchasing any game species or parts thereof, except antlers, hides, and tails of legally taken deer, tails of legally taken squirrels, hides of legally trapped furbearers, and legally taken alligator products.
- Use of a computer or any other device to remotely discharge a firearm for the purpose of hunting.
- Use of drugs, poisons, chemicals, smoke, gas, explosives, or electronically-amplified sounds to hunt any game species.
- Use of any pitfall, deadfall, snare, catch, net, live decoy, or baited hook to take game species.
- Use of electronic communications equipment to aid in the pursuit of game.
- Disturbing wildlife dens, holes, or homes, or driving wildlife from their dens, holes, or homes.
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S.H.A.R.P. Program
https://georgiawildlife.com/sharp-program
Are you an adult hunter with limited experience or success? The new “Safe Harvest and Responsible Practices” (S.H.A.R.P.) program at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center provides new hunters with the basic knowledge and skills required to confidently pursue Georgia’s wild game on their own.

Give It a Shot Program
georgiawildlife.com/give-it-a-shot
Would you like a hands-on approach to firearms and shooting? The new and improved Give It a Shot Program is designed to help those who are new to shooting learn the basics.

Buck Shoals WMA & Clybel WMA
georgiawildlife.com/buck-shoals-wma
georgiawildlife.com/clybel-wma
Buck Shoals WMA and Clybel WMA offer a variety of youth and adult hunt and learn programs and youth quota hunt opportunities.

Scholastic Clay Target Program
georgiawildlife.com/sctp
The Georgia Independent Schools Association and the Georgia Association of Private and Parochial Schools offer SCTP as a varsity team sport. Students who have completed hunter education have the opportunity to shoot trap, skeet and sporting clays with the help and support of trained coaches focused on firearm safety.

National Archery in the Schools Program
georgiawildlife.com/NASP
NASP is an in-school archery program for students in grades 4th–12th.

Summer Camps
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*These hunts are Specialty Hunts (Returning Georgia Veterans, Honorary License holders, Ladies and Youth)*

### YOUTH HUNTS: SMALL GAME

**QUOTA APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCT. 15**  
for designated quota hunts only

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### YOUTH HUNTS: TURKEY

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Archery may not possess any firearms while hunting during archery deer season and primitive weapons hunters may not possess any centerfire or rimfire firearm while hunting during the primitive weapons season unless the person is a lawful weapons carrier as defined in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-125.1, subject to the limitations of O.C.G.A §§ 16-11-126 and 16-11-127, except where prohibited by federal law.

ARCHERY

- **Archery Only Counties**: Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb and Fulton (north of GA Hwy 92) Counties in accordance with statewide bag limits and other regulations.
- **Extended Archery Season**: Barrow, Bibb, Chatham, Cherokee, Clarke, Clayton, Cobb, Columbia, Decatur, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Muscogee, Paulding, Rockdale and Seminole Counties only in accordance with statewide bag limits and other regulations.
- **Chattahoochee NF & Oconee NF**: During firearms deer season, archers must follow firearms either-sex dates on the National Forest. All Chattahoochee National Forest land east of I-75 is closed to antlerless deer hunting. Antlered bucks only.

Archery hunting is allowed during primitive weapon and firearm deer seasons. Deer of either sex may be taken, except as otherwise specified on WMAs. Hunting on the Chattahoochee & Oconee National Forests is buck-only except as otherwise specified, see pages 25 and 68-69 for details. Archery hunters must wear at least 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange during primitive weapons and firearms deer seasons, except in archery-only counties or WMAs.

PRIMITIVE WEAPONS

Statewide, excluding archery-only counties. Scopes are legal. Air rifles of .30 cal or larger and air bows are legal. During the statewide primitive weapons deer season and WMA primitive weapons hunts, youth under 16 years of age may hunt deer with any legal firearm.

SEASON LIMIT

10 antlerless deer and 2 antlered deer. One of the two antlered deer must have a minimum of 4 points, 1-inch or longer, on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread to be legal. (Special county antler restrictions noted in next section).

COUNTY-WIDE ANTLER RESTRICTIONS

Dooly & Macon: antlered bucks must have a minimum outside antler spread of 15 inches to be legal.

Hancock, Harris, Meriwether, Montgomery Randolp, Talbot & Troup: antlered bucks must have a minimum of 4 points, 1-inch or longer, on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread to be legal.

CHECKING YOUR DEER

All deer hunters are required to have a Harvest Record for the current season. Additionally, harvested deer must be reported through Georgia Game Check within 24 hours (see Georgia Game Check on page 14).

ANTLERS

Antlerless deer are those having no visible antlers above the hairline (including “button bucks”) and may only be taken during either-sex or antlerless seasons or hunts. During “buck-only” hunts or seasons, a deer must have antlers visible above the hairline to be legal for harvest.

HEAD OF DEER

It is unlawful to remove the head of a deer until the deer is processed or surrendered to a storage facility for storage or processing.

TRANSPORTING DEER HARVESTED BY ANOTHER HUNTER

Persons transporting deer harvested by another hunter must possess, in writing, the complete

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name, address, telephone and hunting license number of the person who harvested the deer, and the Game Check confirmation number.

**COOLER LOCKERS**
Whole or field-dressed deer received by a cold-storage or meat processing facility must be marked with the hunter’s name, date, county of harvest and sex of deer. Hunters must provide the Game Check confirmation number to the facility when dropping off a deer. A list of processors is available at [GoHuntGeorgia.com](http://GoHuntGeorgia.com).

**LAKES, STREAMS AND PONDS**
It is unlawful to take a deer by any means while it is in a lake, stream, or pond.

**RIGHTS-OF-WAY/TRANSMISSION TOWERS**
Hunting from a stand or platform attached to a transmission tower is trespassing and is prohibited. Written permission must be obtained from the landowner to hunt on power line, gas line, railroad, or other rights-of-way.

**CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE PREVENTION**
If you harvest a white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, moose, caribou, or any other species of deer outside the state of Georgia, you may bring back only the following carcass parts:
1. boned-out meat or products thereof;
2. hides with no heads attached;
3. antlers, skulls, skull plates, teeth or jawbones with no soft tissue attached (velvet antlers are okay);
4. finished taxidermy products.

**CWD TESTING**
Georgia Wildlife Resources Division has conducted statewide surveillance for CWD since 2002. Because the disease has not been found in Georgia to date, there is no recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control to test deer before consuming them. However, should you still want to test a deer for CWD you may contact your local Game Management office (see page 4) to make an appointment to bring the head in for testing. The fee for testing a deer head for CWD is $40 per deer. When removing the head from the deer be sure to leave at least 4 inches of neck attached and store it refrigerated, not frozen. For more information please visit [https://georgiawildlife.com/cwd](https://georgiawildlife.com/cwd).

**CARCASS DISPOSAL**
Although CWD has not been detected in Georgia, hunters can help minimize the spread of disease by following these guidelines on carcass disposal:
- Field dress deer on the property where they were killed.
- Return any unused carcass parts (bones, hide, trimmings, etc.) to the property where the deer was killed or bag them and send them to a landfill as you would handle household waste.
- Never dispose of carcass parts in a lake, stream, or river or on a road side or property other than where the deer was killed.

**DEER URINE AND CWD**
Hunters are strongly encouraged to only use synthetic urine products or natural urine products bearing the Responsible Hunting Scent Association’s Deer Protection Program Checkmark.

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**LEARN MORE ABOUT CWD AT:**
[georgiawildlife.com/cwd](http://georgiawildlife.com/cwd) or scan the QR code below.
REFERENCE THE TABLES ON THE RIGHT TO SEE YOUR AREA’S EITHER-SEX DEER HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES ON PRIVATE LAND.
DEER HUNTING
CHATTAHOOCHEE & OCONEE NATIONAL FORESTS

- Chattahoochee National Forest (outside of WMAs) firearms deer season
  Oct. 22, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023
  Buck Only except as noted below.

- Chattahoochee National Forest (outside of WMAs) firearms either-sex days
  West of I-75
  Buck only (except during county either-sex days)
  East of I-75
  Closed to antlerless deer hunting.

- Oconee National Forest (outside of WMAs) firearms deer season
  Oct. 22, 2022 - Jan. 8, 2023
  Buck Only except as noted below.

- Oconee National Forest (outside of WMAs) firearms either-sex days
  Nov. 5-6, Nov. 26-27, Dec. 31 - Jan. 1

Refer to pages 68 & 69 for more information.
DOG-DEER SEASONS

Hunting deer with dogs is allowed in select counties by permit only. Hunting deer with dogs is allowed on leased properties of at least 1,000 contiguous acres or privately-owned properties of at least 250 acres that are permitted by DNR. Permits are specific to only one piece of property and only one permit application per property should be submitted. Applications for a permit must be received at least 30 days prior to hunting deer with dogs. Applicants wishing to hunt on opening day must submit an application by September 22, 2022. Applications are available at gadnrle.org/special-permits. The permit number must be clearly marked on all dogs and all vehicles being used during the hunt. Call (770) 918-6408 for specific rules and regulations.

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BAITING

Bait: corn, wheat, other grains, salts, apples, and other feed that has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered so as to constitute a lure, attraction, or enticement to game animals or game birds.

IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO:
• Hunt any game animal (except as noted below) or game bird upon, over, around, or within 200 yards of bait.
• Hunt any area for a period of 10 days following complete removal of all bait.
• Hunt any game or feral hog over bait, or place bait, on any State or Federal managed lands.
• Place bait in a manner that will cause hunting on an adjacent property to be prohibited.

Taking of any big game, other than deer, over bait is subject to a fine of $5,000 and/or imprisonment up to 12 months.

EXCEPTIONS FOR DEER AND FERAL HOGS:
• Deer and feral hogs may be hunted over or near any bait on private lands in all counties, provided the hunter has written permission from the landowner. It is unlawful to hunt deer over bait, or place bait, on any state or federally managed lands.
• Placing bait for deer or hogs may make a property (or portion of a property) un-huntable for other species, such as turkeys. Hunters are urged to communicate with others who may hunt other species on or near an area where baiting for deer or hogs is being considered.

Prescribed burning is one of the most cost-effective and efficient tools available for managing wildlife habitat. By improving ground vegetation structure to enhance nesting cover, brood range, and insect and seed foraging conditions, a regular burn regime provides wildlife with the essentials they need to not just survive but thrive!

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The target shooting and hunting community prides itself on being safe and responsible with firearms in all situations—from using them outdoors to storing them safely at home. Sometimes, however, unusual conditions such as extremely dry environments require an extra level of awareness and safety on the part of shooters.

Wildfires have many possible causes. The National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms and ammunition industry, reminds all shooters that during dry and hot weather conditions their use of certain ammunition and targets could accidentally ignite a wildfire. NSSF reminds all target shooters and hunters, as well as other outdoor enthusiasts, to consider the potential consequences of their activities in fire-prone environments.

**Shooters & Hunters: Help Prevent Wildfires.**

• Make it a point to know the regulations and rules related to shooting in areas experiencing dry and hot conditions, whether on public or private land or at shooting ranges. Many national forests, for example, do not allow recreational shooting when fire restrictions are in effect.

• Consider the type of ammunition and targets you are using. Minimize the risk of fires by not using steel-jacketed ammunition, ammunition with steel-core components, tracer rounds or exploding targets in fire-prone areas.

• Remember that equipment, such as cars and ATVs, can have extremely hot exhaust systems that could ignite dry vegetation, so park only in designated areas.

• Extinguish and dispose of smoking materials safely.

• Follow guidelines to extinguish campfires.

• Warn others of potential dangers and behaviors for starting wildfires.

• Report any wildfire you see to authorities.

• Spread this message to other target shooters, hunters and outdoor enthusiasts.

Shooters & Hunters:
Help Prevent Wildfires.
DNR provides recreational archery and target firearms shooting ranges around the state. For the convenience of range visitors, rules are posted at all ranges. Hearing and eye protection are required at all firearms ranges. Please visit GoHuntGeorgia.com or call at 706-557-3355 for hours, complete rules, and specific range information. We hope you will enjoy visiting one of our ranges soon.

Land Access: Any person, ages 16 and older, entering a WMA or PFA must possess a valid license for hunting or fishing or a Lands Pass (exclusions apply). Visit www.georgiawildlife.com/LandAccess for a list of all public properties and access requirements.

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BEAR

LIMIT
Two bears per season, however, only one bear may be taken from the Central or Southern Zone.

STATEWIDE RESTRICTIONS
It is unlawful to kill a female bear with cub(s) or bears under 75 pounds. No hunting bears over bait.

Northern Bear Zone
Carroll, Fulton, DeKalb, Gwinnett, Walton, Barrow, Jackson, Madison, Hart and all counties north.

Youth (under 16 years of age) may hunt bear with any legal bear firearm during the Primitive Weapons season.

Restrictions: Hunting bears with dogs is prohibited except as specified for Chattahoochee & Chestatee WMAs (pages 49 & 50).

Reporting:
• Northern Zone bear hunters are required to have a Harvest Record for the current season.
• Harvested bear (Northern Zone only) must be reported through Georgia Game Check within 24 hours (see page 14).
• Bear killed during bonus deer hunts must be reported through Georgia Game Check and are to be taken on day of kill to the check station where agency staff will tag the bear.

BEAR, TURKEY, FERAL HOG, ALLIGATOR & SMALL GAME

LIMIT
Within 3 business days, bears (minimum of hide and skull) must be taken to any Game Management Office (except Fitzgerald) for tagging.

• Harvested bears may also be checked at any WMA check station in the counties listed above that are open for a bear or bonus deer hunt between 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Central Bear Zone
Bibb, Bleckley, Houston, and Twiggs Counties.

Restrictions: No hunting bears with dogs. No hunting bears on WMAs.

Reporting:
• Harvested bears must be checked and tagged at the Oyk Woods WMA check station between noon and 9 p.m. on the day of the hunt.

Southern Bear Zone
Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Echols, Lanier, Lowndes and Ware counties.

Restrictions: Hunting with dogs is allowed, except in Lanier and Lowndes Counties, where only still hunting is allowed.

Reporting:
• Bears (minimum of hide and skull) must be checked and tagged at one of these locations:
  • Fargo Georgia Forestry Commission Office – Thursdays and Fridays 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturdays noon - 9 p.m., all hunt days
  • Folkston Georgia Forestry Commission Office - Thursdays and Fridays 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturdays noon - 9 p.m., all hunt days
  • Dixon Memorial WMA – Sept. 29-Oct. 1; 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
  • After hours, call 1-800-241-4113, or 912-262-3173 on the following business day to report harvested bears and arrange tagging.

TURKEY

LIMIT
Daily: 1 gobbler per hunter
Season: 2 gobblers per hunter
WMAs, VPAs, & National Forest lands: 1 gobbler per area per hunter (see page 42)

CHECK YOUR TURKEY
All turkey hunters are required to have a Harvest Record for the current season. Additionally, harvested turkeys must be reported through Georgia Game Check within 24 hours (see page 14).

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY SEASON
Season is for youth 16 years of age and younger and mobility impaired persons (i.e. confined to wheelchair, hemiplegia, monoplegia, paraplegia, or single-leg amputation above the knee). Such hunters must be accompanied by a licensed adult (18 years or older) who can call but may not take or attempt to take a turkey. This season does not apply to public lands unless otherwise specified.

TURKEY SURVEY
All turkey hunters are encouraged to participate in the Turkey Hunting Population Survey to record turkey observations and hunter success during the spring season. Visit georgiawildlife.com/turkey-info or call (706) 557-3264.

BANDED TURKEYS
Hunters harvesting a banded turkey are asked to report their harvest at georgiawildlife.com/turkeyband or call 706-557-3264.

FERAL HOG

PRIVATE LANDS
Limit: No limit, no closed season.

Feral hogs may be hunted at night on private land. Hunting over bait is allowed. No hunting from a vehicle under power.

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS:
Residents: All residents 16 years of age or older must possess a hunting license to hunt or trap feral hogs except when hunting on land owned by them or their immediate family (blood or dependent relationship) residing in the same household.

Nonresidents: Must possess a nonresident hunting license.

Exemptions to many of these restrictions for agricultural producers are available by permit. Contact your local Game Management Office for details.

LEGAL WEAPONS ON PRIVATE LAND
Any legal weapon. Additional weapon restrictions apply on WMAs and federal lands.

WMAS AND NATIONAL FOREST LANDS
Limit: No limit.

Hogs may be taken with primitive weapons during primitive weapons deer season, archery equipment during archery deer season, with deer weapons during firearms deer season, with turkey weapons during turkey season and with small game weapons during small game season. No night hunting. No hunting over bait. Hunting license requirements must be met.
HUNTING REGULATIONS

Any facility that processes hogs for a fee, and primitive weapons deer and bear hunts. See pages 68-70 for federal lands.

TRANSPORTING & RELEASE

It is unlawful to transport a live feral hog without a permit from the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA). Feral hogs captured alive by a person without a valid GDA permit must be killed prior to transport. Release of any live feral hogs into an area that is not fenced in accordance with GDA regulations is prohibited. Any persons convicted of the transport or release of live feral hogs may be subject to losing hunting privileges for up to three years and a fine up to $5,000.00, but not less than $1,500.00. Transport and possession of live feral hogs are regulated by GDA; contact the Livestock & Poultry Program at 404-656-3665 for more information or visit http://agr.georgia.gov/feral-hogs.aspx.

PROCESSING

Any facility that processes hogs for a fee, including deer processors, must obtain a license to operate from the Meat Inspection Section of the Georgia Department of Agriculture. For more information, deer processors may contact the Georgia Meat Inspection office at 404-656-3673. Licensing requirements do not apply to individuals who process feral swine for their own use.

DISEASE PRECAUTION

Feral hogs can carry infectious diseases that are transmissible to people. To avoid possible exposure: wear plastic gloves when field-dressing feral hogs; wash hands with soap and hot water immediately afterwards; avoid direct contact with blood and reproductive organs; cook thoroughly; and properly dispose of all waste.

ALLIGATOR

Please visit our website, GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com for complete alligator hunting rules and regulations.

Check Your Alligator: Harvested alligators must be reported through Georgia Game Check within 24 hours (see page 14).

Season: August 19 (sunset) - October 3 (sunrise)

Quota Process: Alligator harvest is by permit only. To enter the selection process, log into your account at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com.

Application Period: June 1 - July 15

Legal Weapons: Hand-held ropes or snares, snatch hooks, harpoons, gigs, or arrows with restraining line attached. Lawfully restrained alligators may be killed with any caliber handgun or bangstick.

SMALL GAME

(See page 35 for seasons and bag limits)

BOBCAT & FOX

Bobcats and foxes may be hunted with small game firearms or centerfire firearms of .17 caliber or larger. Manual calls only. Hunting with dogs allowed. Night hunting allowed.

TRAPPING

Complete trapping regulations are available at GoHuntGeorgia.com. See pages 35 & 43 for seasons.

FALCONRY

Valid falconry permit and hunting license required. For season dates and limits for waterfowl see page 37.

- Squirrel (12 per day) Aug. 15 - Mar. 15
- Grouse (3 per day) Oct. 1 - Mar. 15
- Rabbit (12 per day) Oct. 1 - Mar. 15
- Quail (12 per day) Oct. 1 - Mar. 15

UNPROTECTED SPECIES

Coyotes, armadillos, groundhogs, beavers, starlings, pigeons, English sparrows, and nutria are unprotected species. No closed season. No limit. Electronic calls may be used for hunting coyotes.
## BIG GAME HUNTING

### 2022-2023 SEASONS, DATES & LIMITS

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<td>Sept. 10 - Jan. 8</td>
<td>12 per season. Statewide. See pages 24-25 for either sex days. No more than 10 may be antlerless and no more than 2 may be antlered. One of the 2 antlered deer must have at least 4 points, one inch or longer, on one side of the antlers or at least a 15-inch outside spread.</td>
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<td>Extended Archery—Either Sex: Barrow, Bibb, Chatham, Cherokee, Clarke, Clayton, Cobb, Columbia, Decatur, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Muscogee, Paulding, Rockdale &amp; Seminole Counties</td>
<td>Sept. 10 - Jan. 31</td>
<td><em>Firearms deer hunting is not allowed in Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton (north of GA Hwy 92), and that portion of Glynn County lying within Jekyll Island. In the portion of Forsyth County south of GA Hwy 20 only shotguns and muzzleloaders may be used (no other firearms allowed). See page 22 for requirements in counties with antler restrictions.</em></td>
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<td>Oct. 15 - Jan. 8</td>
<td>Two per season, provided, however, no more than one of these may be taken from the Central or Southern Zones. See pages 14 &amp; 32 for bear harvest and reporting requirements. See page 42 for reporting requirements for bears harvested on WMAs.</td>
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<td>Only for youth 16 years of age or younger and mobility impaired persons (see page 32). This season does not apply to public lands unless otherwise specified.</td>
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In addition to State regulations, Federal rules apply to the taking, possession, shipping, transporting, and storage of migratory birds. Each hunter should also consult official Federal Regulations, which may be found in: Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20.

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GA WATERFOWL AND MIGRATORY BIRD LICENSE

A Georgia Migratory Bird License is required for any person age 16 and older who hunts migratory birds (ducks, geese, woodcock, snipe, coots, soras, rails, or gallinules). A free Georgia Migratory Bird License is available for all resident Landowners hunting their own land and also for any Sportsman’s License, Youth Sportsman’s License, Disability Sportsman’s License, Disability Hunting License, Honorary License or Lifetime Sportsman’s License holder.

LEGAL HOURS ALL MIGRATORY BIRDS: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset.

FEDERAL YOUTH, ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY, & VETERANS WATERFOWL DAYS Nov. 12-13, 2022 Youth 16 years of age or younger may hunt waterfowl or geese on these days. An adult at least 18 years of age must accompany the youth into the field but may not hunt. Additionally, active duty military and veterans may hunt waterfowl or geese on these days in accordance with all other license requirements and bag limits.

CROWS

Electronic calls may be used. Crows may be taken outside of these dates only when causing agricultural damage.

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NON-TOXIC SHOT

Any 10-gauge or smaller loaded with federally approved nontoxic shot of size “F” or smaller. No lead shot may be in possession while hunting waterfowl.

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POSSESSION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS HARVESTED BY ANOTHER
Persons possessing migratory birds harvested by another hunter must possess, in writing, the hunter’s signature, address, total number of birds harvested by species and dates of harvest.

BANDED BIRDS
 Hunters harvesting any banded migratory bird should go to the Bird Banding Laboratory website at www.reportband.gov to report the band number and how, when and where it was recovered.

FALCONRY (FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS)
Valid falconry permit and hunting license required.

Limits:
3 per day, 9 in possession

Dates:
Sept. 3-25
Oct. 8-23
Nov. 12-13
Nov. 19 - Dec. 3
Dec. 10 - Jan. 29

CAUTION: More restrictive regulations may apply to National Wildlife Refuges open to public hunting. For additional information on Federal Regulations, contact Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 75 Spring Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 30303 or call 404-679-7057.

LAKE ALLATOONA & LANIER RESTRICTIONS:
No hunting allowed within 600 feet of a dock, house, structure, bridge, road, boat ramp, marina or open recreation area. Contact the local Game Management Region Office for open dates, closed recreation areas open for hunting and other special rules for waterfowl hunting on Lakes Allatoona & Lanier, or visit georgiawildlife.com/migratory-bird-info.

GEORGIA POWER LAKES (IN NORTH GEORGIA):
No hunting allowed within 300 feet of any dock, house, boat ramp, marina or open recreation area without permission from the lease or property owner.

Lakes open for duck and goose hunting: Lake Burton, Lake Seed, Lake Rabun, Tallulah Falls Lake, Lake Tugalo and Lake Yoah. Contact the Game Management Region 2 Office for dates and other special rules for waterfowl hunting on Georgia Power Lakes in North Georgia, or visit georgiawildlife.com/migratory-bird-info.

LAKE WALTER F. GEORGE (LWFG):
No hunting allowed on the portions of LWFG in Georgia within 600 feet of a dock, house, structure, bridge, road, boat ramp, marina, or open recreation area. Waterfowl hunting from land is prohibited outside of the specified “Hunting Areas”. A Corps permit is required to hunt waterfowl on all areas of the lake, except the Eufaula NWR. Information on how to purchase a permit (in person or by mail only): www.sam.usace.army.mil or 229-768-2516.

LAKE BLACKSHEAR, LAKE OCONEE, LAKE SEMINOLE, LAKE SINCLAIR & LAKE OLIVER (SOUTH OF STANDING BOY CREEK):
No hunting allowed within 300 feet of a dock, house, structure, bridge, road, boat ramp, marina or open recreation area.

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Eatonton: The Meat Shed, 235 New Phoenix Rd, 478-258-0019
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Leesburg: Hart’s Deer Processing, 1628 Philema Rd, 229-869-2295
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Upgrade your license plate at any county tag office, with mail-in registration, or online. Learn more about the conservation programs these plates support at GeorgiaWildlife.com/LicensePlates.
Since the late 1930s, hunters, target shooters and the firearms industry have been the nation’s LARGEST contributors to conservation, paying for programs that benefit America’s wildlife and all who love the outdoors.

How Wildlife Is Thriving

Because of Guns & Hunting

How it Works

1. Hunters and target shooters purchase guns and ammunition.
2. Manufacturers pay federal excise taxes on guns and ammunition.
3. Revenue from these excise taxes is distributed to state wildlife agencies.
4. State wildlife agencies use these funds to purchase land for wildlife habitat and to manage wildlife populations.
5. In turn, millions of acres of important habitat have been set aside to help ensure future wildlife abundance.

Quick History

- Early 1900s: As many wildlife species are dwindling in numbers or disappearing, firearms industry steps forward and asks Congress to redirect excise tax on sale of guns and ammo to help fund wildlife conservation.
- 1937: Congress passes and President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the Pittman-Robertson Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act into law.
- 1938 to today: Revenue from this act has purchased millions of acres of prime habitat that is maintained by state wildlife agencies. These lands, where game and non-game species flourish, are purchased with sportsmen’s dollars but used by all Americans.

Where the Money Goes

- Buy, develop, maintain and operate wildlife management areas.
- Research projects focused on wildlife conservation.
- Hunter safety and education programs.
- Construction and maintenance of public target shooting ranges.

This System Has Provided

More than $12.5 Billion
For Conservation So Far

Then & Now

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Other Ways Sportsmen Contribute

- Excise taxes combined with revenue from hunting and fishing license sales fund the majority of state wildlife agency budgets.
- Duck stamp proceeds are used by the government to buy or lease wetland habitat for ducks, geese and hundreds of non-game birds and animals.

Some Heroes of the Most Successful Conservation Model in the World Are:

- Theodore Roosevelt
- Aigo Leopold
- Key Pittman
- Welles Robertson
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS (WMAS)

WMAs, VPAs, and State Parks offer unique hunting opportunities based upon factors such as size, habitat, topography, access, wildlife population dynamics and public desires. Therefore, each area has specific rules and regulations. Being familiar with Unlawful Actions (pg. 43), information that follows, and regulations for a specific area can ensure you have an enjoyable experience.

Land Access: Any person, age 16 and older, entering any WMA or PFA must have a valid GA license that allows hunting or fishing or a Lands Pass (exclusions apply). Visit www.georgiawildlife.com/LandAccess for a list of all public properties and access requirements. Areas that require a valid license to hunt or fish or a Lands Pass are marked with signage at the site or entrance. Passes and licenses may be purchased at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com, by calling 1-800-366-2661, or through license vendors.

Any individual(s) or organization(s) desiring to sponsor or conduct an event, activity, or series of events or activities involving more than eight individuals or are engaged in commercial activities on a WMA or PFA may be required to obtain a “Right of Entry” agreement (ROEA) from the Department. Contact the respective Game Management office for more details (see page 4).

Maps: Interactive maps for all areas are available at georgiawildlife.com/AllWMAs. Maps may also be found at check stations, kiosks, and region offices.

Fees on National Forest Lands: Fees may be charged for camping, ATV/ORV trails, shooting ranges, and boat ramps on the National Forest. These fees apply to all users. For more information, visit www.fs.usda.gov/visit/passes-permits/recreation-fees-passes or contact any U. S. Forest Service Office.

WMA ACTIVITIES

CAMPING is allowed year-round unless otherwise indicated in the area listing. Camping and campfires must be in designated campgrounds unless otherwise posted at the check station. Camping, or establishment of a campsite, is limited to a maximum of 14 consecutive days, after which the campsite must be vacated and all personally owned property or physical features of the camp must be removed for a period of not less than 7 days. During that 7-day period a new campsite may not be established within the boundaries of the same WMA or within 1 mile straight-line radius of the vacated campsite by the same person(s).

Designated DNR-managed campgrounds may have a fee and/or require reservations. Payments and reservations may be made online at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com or by calling 1-800-366-2661.

No musical instruments, radios, televisions, generators or other noise making devices may be used after 10:00 p.m. in a manner that they may be heard by other WMA users. (Note: Medically needed devices or aids to disabled persons are permitted.)

Loaded firearms are prohibited in camping areas, except that any lawful weapons carrier as defined in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-125.1 may carry such firearm subject to the limitations of OCGA §§ 16-11-126 and 16-11-127, except where prohibited by federal law.

No carving, cutting, chopping or damaging of live or standing trees.

NATIONAL FOREST LANDS: Camping is allowed anywhere unless otherwise indicated or signed. Forest Service regulations apply on WMAs located on National Forest lands.

Hiking & Other Recreational Uses are allowed year-round, unless otherwise posted at the WMA check station or at a specific recreation site. All WMA visitors are encouraged to wear daylight fluorescent orange during open hunting seasons. Specific recreation sites may be closed as needed for management purposes.

COLLECTING FIREWOOD: Only trees that are dead and down may be cut and used for firewood on WMAs. Annual firewood cutting permits are issued for personal use by the Game Management Region Office. On National Forests, firewood permits are available from the district U. S. Forest Service offices.

MOTOR VEHICLES, ATVS, HORSES & BICYCLES

All motor vehicles are restricted to roads open for vehicular access. ATVs may only be operated on open roads within WMAs during the period between 2 hours before sunrise and 2 hours after sunset one day prior to and during big game, small game, and hog only hunts by hunters actively participating in the hunt (except where otherwise specified). “Open Roads” are roads not closed with a gate, sign, earthen berm or similar device intended to prevent vehicular access. Motor vehicles (including ATVs, dirt bikes, utility vehicles, golf carts, and other off-road vehicles) must meet applicable safety, licensing, insurance and registration requirements for use on public roads. Vehicle and ATV operators must be at least 16 years old. Roads may be closed at the discretion of DNR. Vehicles may not be parked in such a way as to block an open or closed roadway, or gate.

ON NATIONAL FOREST LANDS: including WMAs on the National Forest, ATVs are restricted to designated ATV trails unless posted otherwise.

HORSES AND BICYCLES

Horses and bicycles are allowed on open roads, designated trails, or designated areas (some specific area restrictions may apply). Bicycles may be used on closed roads for the purpose of hunter access. Electric bicycles (750 watts or less) may be used the same as pedal powered bicycles. Those exceeding 750 watts are restricted to roads open for vehicular access. Horses may be used off roads and trails during permitted field trials.

ON NATIONAL FOREST LANDS: horses and bicycles may be used on lands not otherwise closed. Electric bicycles are restricted to roads open for motor vehicles. Horses, bicycles, and electric bicycles are prohibited on the Appalachian Trail.
WARNING!
COGONGRASS IS CREEPING INTO GEORGIA!

To prevent loss of forestland and wildlife habitat, report sightings to the Georgia Forestry Commission.

In spring - cogongrass produces fluffy white seedheads.

Leaves have finely serrated margins (often light yellow-green in color) and prominent off-center white mid-veins.

Root system is a dense, thick root mat with extremely long, scaly and sharp pointed rhizomes.

Cogongrass may not look dangerous, but it is one of the world’s worst weeds! It grows in full sun or shade, is spread by wind-blown seeds and underground rhizomes and chokes out all native vegetation. Most ground-dwelling animals such as quail, turkey, and deer do not travel through cogongrass.

FOR HELP WITH COGONGRASS IDENTIFICATION AND ERADICATION, REPORT SIGHTINGS ONLINE AT GATREES.ORG, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL GFC FORESTER OR CALL 229-869-8592.
ROAD CLOSURES
There are reasons why roads may be closed to motor vehicles. Some roads are intended for Official Use Only (e.g., timber harvest, habitat management, emergency response). Roads that are typically closed may be open during managed hunts or during certain high-use periods to improve access and evenly distribute hunters. Before visiting a WMA:
- Go to GoHuntGeorgia.com for notices of road closures.
- Obtain a WMA map that denotes area specific access.
- Contact the Game Management Region Office (page 4) regarding questions pertaining to the specific status of roads or access features.

HUNTING, FISHING & TRAPPING
Sign-in is required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area listing. Sign in only once for each hunt segment or season. Sign-in can be done online at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com except for some State Park Hunts and some coastal island WMA hunts. Sign-in available the day prior to the hunt. Bag limits are the same as statewide limits unless otherwise specified below or for a specific area listing. All alligator, bear (Northern Zone), deer, and turkey are to be recorded on your harvest record and reported in Georgia Game Check (pg. 14) except as otherwise specified below.

DEER
All deer hunts or seasons are either-sex unless otherwise noted in the area listing. On areas with antler restrictions in effect, all deer hunts are quality buck and antlerless unless otherwise noted in the area listing.

BONUS DEER HUNTS: No more than two (2) deer may be killed unless otherwise noted in area listing. On areas with antler restrictions in effect, no more than one (1) of the two (2) deer may be an antlered buck. Deer killed on bonus hunts are not to be recorded on your deer harvest record or reported in Georgia Game Check. Instead, deer are to be taken on day of kill to the check station where agency staff will tag the deer. Deer can be brought to the check station whole, field dressed, or quartered along with head.

TURKEY
Bag limit is statewide limit except that no more than one (1) gobbler per season may be taken per a single WMA, department-managed land, or National Forest lands outside of WMAs unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing.

BEAR
All harvested bears must be reported and tagged (See page 32 for specific requirements by bear zone). Bear killed during bonus deer hunts are to be taken on day of kill to the check station where agency staff will tag the bear.

MIGRATORY BIRDS
CROWS, SNPE, SORA, RAILS AND WOODCOCK may be hunted during the statewide seasons (pages 36-37) for each species unless otherwise specified.

DOVE: On managed dove fields on opening day, legal hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset unless otherwise noted in area listing. Dove hunters may not enter the field prior to 1 hour before sunrise.

DUCK hunting on managed impoundments at Altamaha (Butler & Champney Islands), B. F. Grant, Oconee, Rum Creek, and West Point (Glovers Creek) WMAs and Cordele Hatchery is by quota only. Hunters must hunt from assigned areas or ponds. Shooting hours end at noon, except the last Saturday of the season when hunting is allowed until sunset. See page 74 for quota hunt information.

Waterfowl on all other WMA locations may be hunted any day of the waterfowl season or as otherwise specified.

GOOSE hunting is allowed on WMAs when the area is open for small game, except on managed waterfowl impoundments and managed dove fields. On managed waterfowl impoundments, geese may be taken by drawn hunters during the statewide goose season.

SMALL GAME, ALLIGATORS, FALCONRY
Small game and furbearers may be hunted subject to statewide seasons and bag limits (page 35) except as otherwise specified below and noted for a specific area listing.

Small game and furbearer hunting are not allowed during quota hunts unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing.

Daylight fluorescent orange is required on small game hunts (except dove and waterfowl) concurrent with firearms deer or bear hunts.

ALLIGATORS may be taken on small game dates and big game dates, day or night, during statewide alligator season by quota permit holders only, unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing. See page 33 for more information.

COYOTES may be taken anytime a WMA is open to hunting, but hunters may only use weapons legal for the species for which the area is open. During small game hunts and dates, centerfire firearms are not allowed. Additionally, coyote season is May 16-31 on all WMAs with any legal weapon, unless otherwise specified in the WMA specific area listings. On WMAs where feral hogs can be taken during May 16-31, any legal weapon may be used and hunters are required to wear fluorescent orange and no night hunting or baiting is allowed. Electronic calls may be used.

FALCONRY: Small game may be taken on WMAs (including field trial and archery only areas) by permitted falconers during the state falconry season unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing.

FERAL HOGS may be taken anytime a WMA is open to hunting, but hunters may only use weapons legal for the species for which the area is open. During small game hunts and dates, centerfire firearms are not allowed. On some WMAs during the May 16-31 coyote season, feral hogs may be taken unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing. On WMAs where feral hogs can be taken during May 16-31, any legal weapon may be used and hunters are required to wear fluorescent orange. Electronic calls may be used. No night hunting or baiting allowed. Dogs are NOT allowed unless otherwise specified.

FOX SQUIRREL bag limit is one per person per day on all WMAs, VPAs, and department-managed lands.

RACCOONS, OPOSSUMS, FOXES & BOBCATS may be hunted at night unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing but is restricted to small game weapons only (no centerfire rifles). Hunters must pick up their dogs by noon on the day following the hunt. No electronic calls. No centerfire rifles during small game dates, day or night.

AFTER YOUR SUCCESSFUL HUNT
All hunters must make an effort to properly dispose of all portions of their game carcasses after processing (see page 23). Please do not discard carcasses within 1,500 feet of any campground or within 125 feet of any road or trail. Do not dump multiple game carcasses in one spot. Spread carcasses out so scavengers across the WMA can access the carcasses, facilitating quick clean up.

FISHING
Fishing is allowed on WMAs unless otherwise posted. A fishing license is required to fish on all WMAs (a trout license is additionally required to fish in mountain trout waters).

TREE STANDS & HUNTING STRUCTURES
Hunting structure: any portable tree stand, ground blind, stool, chair, bucket, waterfowl blind, or other similar device used for the purpose of hunting.

Hunters may not construct or hunt from any tree stand that is not portable or natural. Tree stands may not be placed on utility poles or other structures supporting utility lines. For big game and feral hog
hunts, hunting structures shall not be placed any sooner than one day prior to the hunt and shall be removed from the WMA no later than noon the day following the hunt. For small game hunts, hunting structures may be placed and shall be removed from the WMA only on the day of the hunt. Exception: Opening day of dove season hunters shall not enter a managed dove field and hunting structures shall not be placed on a managed dove field prior to 1 hour before sunrise.

TRAPPING
Limited opportunities to trap on certain WMAs are available by permit only. Such opportunities are available on: Albany Nursery, B. F. Grant, Big Lazer Creek, Blanton Creek, Bullard Creek, Clayhole, Crockford-Pigeon Mtn, Dawson Forest, Dixon Memorial, Elmodel, Joe Kurz, Penholoway, Rum Creek, Tuckahoe, West Point, and Yuchi WMAs. Contact the appropriate region office (page 4) for further details or to apply for a permit.

YOUTH HUNTS AND SUPERVISION
Youth under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older and “directly supervised,” which means uninterrupted, unaided visual contact and auditory communication with the youth by the adult when hunting on a WMA.

Big Game (bear, deer, turkey) Hunts: One adult shall supervise no more than one child. Only the youth may hunt. The adult may not hunt. All Youth big game hunts are firearms hunts unless specified otherwise.

Small Game Hunts: One adult may directly supervise no more than two children (16 years old and under). Adults and children may hunt, provided that the adult is directly supervising a child who is actively participating in the hunt, unless otherwise noted in the specific area listing.

VOLUNTARY PUBLIC ACCESS (VPA) LANDS
Since 2014, through a USDA grant, the DNR Wildlife Resources Division (WRD) has been able to enhance its WMA program through temporary agreements with private landowners for public hunting opportunities. Some of these VPA opportunities are listed on pages 65-66, but some may not be included due to deadlines. For an up-to-date list of properties, please visit GoHuntGeorgia.com.

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UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES ON WMAs

- Man-drives during deer hunts. A man-drive is defined as an organized hunting technique involving three (3) or more hunters using a coordinated effort to drive deer or feral swine from cover to another hunter for the purpose of shooting.
- Placing bait or wildlife food and hunting any game species or feral hog over bait.
- Target practicing, except on an authorized shooting range.
- Driving a vehicle around any gate, sign, earth berm, or similar device intended to prevent vehicular access.
- Hunting within 50 yards of any road opened for vehicular access (possession of a loaded firearm within 50 yards of a road opened for vehicular access is considered hunting). See pages 68 and 69 for National Forests.
- Hunting within a posted safety zone or no hunting zone.
- Consuming alcohol except at designated camp sites (this regulation does not apply on National Forest lands).
- Operate any motor vehicle, including off-road vehicles, in a reckless and negligent manner, or in a manner that willfully causes damage to roads, ditches, wildlife habitat, berms, firebreaks, campgrounds or parking areas.
- Using motor vehicles, signage, flagging tape, or any other method(s) to close or restrict access to roads, trails or any other access features.
- Using metal detectors or collecting artifacts.
- Using paintball equipment (this regulation does not apply on National Forest lands).
- Trapping except that special permits may be issued for certain WMAs.
- Possessing alcohol while hunting on National Forest lands.
- Possessing a cocked crossbow in a motor vehicle.
- Possessing a firearm other than a handgun during a closed hunting season for that area, except on designated shooting ranges, unless such firearm is unloaded and stored in a motor vehicle so as to not be readily accessible or to possess a handgun during a closed hunting season for that area unless such person is a lawful weapons carrier as defined in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-125.1.
- Possessing a loaded firearm (a gun is considered loaded if a shell is in the chamber or magazine, a percussion cap is on the nipple, or powder is present on the frizzen pan) other than a handgun in a motor vehicle during a legal open hunting season for that area or to possess a loaded handgun in a motor vehicle during a legal open hunting season for that area unless such person is a lawful weapons carrier as defined in O.C.G.A. Section 16-11-125.1.
- Hunt any big game species, feral hogs, or coyotes with dogs unless otherwise specified.
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This section of the 2022-2023 Hunting Seasons and Regulations provides information related to lands managed for hunting by Wildlife Resources Division.

Small game and furbearers may be hunted subject to statewide seasons and bag limits (page 35) except during quota hunts and unless otherwise specified in a specific area listing.

Please review the legend below. Each listing will have a list of applicable symbols located in its header as a quick reference.

### SPECIFIC WMA REGULATIONS

**ALAPAHA RIVER WMA**
- 6,870 acres • 229.426.5267
- **DEER**
  - Archery: **Q** Sept. 10-Oct. 23
- **FIREARMS**
  - *Buck Only: Oct. 29-30*  
  - *Nov. 10-12*  
  - **Q50** Sept. 23-27, Dec. 13-18

**TURKEY**
- **Q15** Apr. 8-14, 15-21  
- Apr. 22-May 15

**DOVE**
- **Q50** Sept. 3  
- Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-31

**Coyote**
- May 16-31

**PUBLIC HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES**

**ALBANY NURSERY WMA**
- 300 acres • 229.430.4254
- **DEER**
  - Archery: **Q** Dec. 4-Jan. 8
- **SHOTGUN ONLY**
  - **Q** Oct. 27-30, Nov. 24-27

**TURKEY**
- **Q1 Mobility Impaired**: Apr. 15-19, Apr. 29-May 3  
- **Q1 Apr. 8-12, 22-26**

**QUAIL**
- Daily bag limit: 3/person. Quail hunting on designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party.  
- **Q1 Nov. 19, Dec. 3**  
- **Q1 Jan. 14**

**DOVE**
- Quota on designated fields only. All other areas open to the public.  
- **Q50** Sept. 3  

**COYOTE**
- No May 16-31 season.

**AREANOTES**
- Physically Disabled hunters applying by letter by Mar. 10 to Albany Nursery Quota Turkey Hunt, Game Management, 2024 Newton Road, Albany, Georgia 31701. Include a phone number. See page 74 for all other quota hunt application instructions. No camping. Dog training in designated area only.

**DIRECTIONS**
- Take GA Hwy 234 west 11 miles; turn right on Tallahassee Rd.; go 1.2 miles to entrance on right.

**ALEXANDER WMA**
- 1,300 acres • 706.595.4222
- **DEER**
  - Archery: **Q** Sept. 10-Oct. 21, Dec. 1-Jan. 8

**FIREARMS**
- Oct. 22-Nov. 30

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**DOVE**
- No dove hunting outside of dove field.  
- **Q50** Sept. 3, 10. Shooting hours end at noon.  

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31

**AREANOTES**
- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Waynesboro take GA HWY 24 east 6 miles; turn right on Harrison Rd.; go 1.5 miles to stop sign; turn left on Lovett Rd for 0.6 mile; Sign-In board is on the left.

**ALLATOONA WMA**
- 6,818 acres • 706.295.6041
- **DEER & BEAR**
  - Archery: **Q** Sept. 10-Oct. 21
  - **Q50** Oct. 22-23  
  - **Q Oct. 24-31**  
  - **Q Nov. 1-1 Jan. 1**

**TURKEY**
- **Q1 Mobility Impaired**: Apr. 15-19, Apr. 29-May 3  
- **Q1 Apr. 8-12, 22-26**

**QUAIL**
- **Q1 Daily bag limit: 3/person.** Quail hunting on designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party.  
- **Q1 Nov. 19, Dec. 3**  
- **Q1 Jan. 14**

**DOVE**
- Quota on designated fields only. All other areas open to the public.  
- **Q50** Sept. 3  

**COYOTE**
- No May 16-31 season.

**AREANOTES**
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**ALTIMAH WMA – WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA**
- 11,402 acres • 912.262.3173
- Area includes Broughton, Butler, Champney, and Rhetts Islands.

**DEER**
- State seasons.

**TURKEY**
- **Q1 Apr. 8-May 15**

**SMALL GAME**
- No furbearer hunting.

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Brunswick: Take I-95 north approx. 6.5 miles to Exit 42 (GA Hwy 99). Turn left (southwest) on Hwy 99 crossing back over I-95 toward Sterling and proceed approx. 0.5 to entrance on right.

**ALTAMAHA WMA—BUFFALO SWAMP, LEWIS ISLAND, AND MCGOWAN LAKE TRACTS**
- 10,987 acres • 912.262.3173
- Area includes Altamaha WMA lands west of Butler & Champney Islands.

**DEER**
- State seasons.

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**DIRECTIONS**
- Buffalo Swamp from Darien: Take HWY 251/Cox Rd west 8 miles to Cox. Left onto Possum Point Rd. Sign In box is 1.5 miles on left. McGowan Lake from Darien: Take HWY 251/Cox Rd west 8 miles to Cox. Left onto Barrington Rd. Entrance is 2.2 miles on left. You may also sign in at Altamaha Regional Park, Champney Island Boat Ramp, and Darien City Docks.

**ALTAMA PLANTATION WMA**
- 3,966 acres • 912.262.3173

**DEER**
- Archery: **Q** Sept. 10-Nov. 9, Dec. 30-Jan. 8
- **Q50** Nov. 10-12, Dec. 1-3
- **Q Dec. 27-29**

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**SMALL GAME**
- No furbearer hunting.

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Brunswick: Take I-95 north approx. 6.5 miles to Exit 42 (GA Hwy 99). Turn left (southwest) on Hwy 99 crossing back over I-95 toward Sterling and proceed approx. 0.5 to entrance on right.

**ALLIGATOR CREEK WMA**
- 3,086 acres • 229.426.5267
- **DEER**
  - State seasons.

**TURKEY**
- **Q1 Apr. 8-May 15**

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31

**AREANOTES**
- Firearms prohibited in U.S. Corps of Engineers developed campsites. Horse and bicycle trails & areas are closed all day during Firearms Specialty Hunt and before 10 am EST during other deer and turkey seasons. No ATVs. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Cartersville Take HWY 20 east from I-75, 5.5 miles to check station.

**1000 Acres**
- **LEWIS ISLAND**
  - **TURKEY**
    - **Q50** Sept. 10-Nov. 9, Dec. 30-Jan. 8
    - **Q Nov. 10-12, Dec. 1-3**
    - **Q Dec. 27-29**

**SMALL GAME**
- No furbearer hunting.

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Brunswick: Take I-95 north approx. 6.5 miles to Exit 42 (GA Hwy 99). Turn left (southwest) on Hwy 99 crossing back over I-95 toward Sterling and proceed approx. 0.5 to entrance on right.
• Snipe: Wed.-Sun, & state holidays during season.

**DOVE**
- Sept. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25

**WATERFOWL**
- Shooting hours end at noon, except last day of season when shooting hours end at sunset.
- **Q25 Butler Island**: Saturday Only; see page 75. Stand selection drawing is held at 5am. Stand-by hunters will be issued unfilled blinds on quota hunts based on drawing the morning of the hunt. Max. 3 persons per quota party. Handicap hunters selected for quota contact Area Manager at 912-282-3173.
- **Q25 Champey Island**: Saturday & Sunday Only; see Page 75. First hunt open only to youth and veterans to apply (other 2 party members don't have to be youth or veteran). No stand-by hunters allowed. Max. 3 persons per quota party.

**COYOTE**
- Mar.-May 31. Small game weapons only. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES**
- Butler Refuge (located on Butler Island east of Hwy 17 on Champey Island) and Ansley Hodges MARSH Project (located west of Hwy 17 on Champey Island) are closed to firearms at all times but open to archery deer & hog hunting seasons and archery rabbit hunting (except the youth hunt) after the last Saturday of waterfowl season. Airboats are prohibited inside managed waterfowl impoundments. Access to Rhett's Island at designated crossover sites only. Boats are restricted to one motor of 25hp or less. Rhett's Island is closed to fishing, shrimping & crabbing during early teal & statewide waterfowl season. Butler Island ponds & impoundments closed to cast netting west of Hwy 17. Drone use prohibited including launching & landing.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Darien Take U.S. HWY 17 south 1.5 miles; check station is on the right.

**ARROWHEAD WMA**
- 400 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR**
- ARCHERY
  - Nov. 1-27
  - Nov. 28-Dec. 4
  - Dec. 5-Jan. 8
- TURKEY
  - Apr. 8-14
  - Apr. 15-May 15

**SMALL GAME**

**WATERFOWL**
- Saturdays during statewide season.

**COYOTE**
- Small game weapons only. May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
- No ATVs except mobility impaired hunters during mobility impaired hunt. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Rome Take U.S. HWY 27 north 9 miles to GA HWY 156; turn right (east) and go 2.3 miles to Floyd Springs Rd; turn left and go 2 miles to area.

**B. F. GRANT WMA**
- 11,400 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
- Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-18, Dec. 1-4
  - FIREARMS
  - Dec. 16-18
- FIREARMS
  - Q300 • Nov. 3-5, 17-19

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter's name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Dublin Take U.S. 441 north 4.5 miles; turn right on Old Toomsboro Rd., go 7.5 miles to WMA sign; turn right on Oconee Church Rd., then at WMA sign.

**BERRY COLLEGE WMA**
- 15,029 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR**
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-Nov. 1, Nov. 6-11
  - FIREARMS
  - Q1000 • Either-Sex Deer Last Day: Nov. 2-5
  - Q1000 • Nov. 30-Dec. 3
- TURKEY
  - Apr. 8-15

**BIG LAZER CREEK WMA**
- 1,343 acres • 706.595.4222

**BARTRAM FOREST WMA**
- Archery Only Area
- 1,343 acres • 706.595.4222

Bartram Forest is a multi-use forest; other users may be present during open hunting seasons. Gates may be open/closed at the discretion of Georgia Forestry Commission. Please see WMA maps for safety zones.

**DEER**
- State seasons.

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**AREA NOTES**
- No firearms hunting is allowed. Legal waterfowl hours end at noon. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Rome Take U.S. 27 north to jct. of Old Summerville Rd.; turn left on Old Summerville Rd and go 1.5 miles to jct with CCC Rd at check station.

**COYOTE**
- No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Milledgeville Take US 441 south 3.1 miles, turn left; continue 2.9 miles on US 441/GA29 and make U-turn to return north; go 0.1 miles to 1st pull-in on right. Kiosk is just down that road.

**BEAVERDAM WMA**
- 5,500 acres • 229.426.5267

**DEER**
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-16, Sept. 24-Oct. 21
  - FIREARMS
  - Sept. 27-29
- TURKEY
  - Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Dublin Take U.S. 441 north 4.5 miles; turn right on Old Toomsboro Rd., go 7.5 miles to WMA sign; turn right on Oconee Church Rd., then at WMA sign.

**BERKLEY COLLEGE WMA**
- 15,029 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR**
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-Nov. 1, Nov. 6-11
- FIREARMS
  - Q1000 • Either-Sex Deer Last Day: Nov. 2-5
  - Q1000 • Nov. 30-Dec. 3
- TURKEY
  - Apr. 8-15

**BIRCH MARK DAY ON FARMING**
- Aug. 15-19, except during firearms deer hunts.

**DOVE**

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 22-May 15

**COYOTE**
- May 16-31 - 200 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-Oct. 14
  - FIREARMS
  - Oct. 15

**BIG DUKES POND WMA**
- 1,692 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-Oct. 14
- FIREARMS
  - Oct. 15

**TURKEY**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**DOVE**
- Wed. & Sat. only during state waterfowl season; legal hours end at noon.

**COYOTE**
- May 16 - 31

**AREA NOTES**
- Camping, ATVs & horses prohibited. Note Safety Zone on map - access prohibited between Feb. 1-July 15.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Millen Take HWY 17 north 0.9 miles; turn right on Old Louisville Rd. Go 7.9 miles to entrance on left.

**BIG HAMMOCK WMA**
- 7,221 acres • 229.426.5267

**DEER**
- ARCHERY
  - FIREARMS
  - Oct. 6-8
- TURKEY
  - Oct. 29-Nov. 13

**COYOTE**
- Apr. 8-May 15

**TURKEY**
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES**
- If the river stage is 9 feet or higher, measured at the Doctortown Gauge, the gates will be closed. Gates will remain closed after river gauge drops below 9 to allow for drying period before traffic is allowed on WMA roads; expect 7-10 days prior to gates opening. Deer hunters may not hunt within 50 feet of the nature trail off Mack Phillips Rd.

**DIRECTIONS**
- From Glennville Take HWY 144 south 12 miles to Altamaha River. Area lies on both sides of HWY 144.
SPECIFIC WMA REGULATIONS

QUALITY BUCK & ANTLERLESS LAST DAY:
- Oct. 13-15, Nov. 10-12
- Nov. 18-20

TURKEY
- Q50 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 22-30
- May 1-15

COYOTE
- May 16-31

SMALL GAME
- Aug. 15-Sept. 23, Sept. 26-Oct. 12, Oct. 16-Nov. 9, Nov. 21-Feb. 28

DIRECTIONS
- From Talbotton take U.S. 80 east 4 miles; turn left on Po Biddy Rd, go 6.5 miles; turn left on Bunkham Rd. and go 1.2 miles to check station.

PREMIER HUNTING CHALET
- 20,900 acres • 770.535.5700

BLANTON CREEK WMA
- 4,800 acres • 229.430.4254

DEER
- Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

ARCHERY
- Sept. 10-Oct. 6, 2020

FIREARMS
- Sept. 10-Oct. 6, Oct. 10-16, Nov. 20-27

TURKEY
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

DIRECTIONS
- From Dahlonega take GA 60 north for 28 miles to jct. with USFS Road #69; turn left and go 1 mile to the check station.

BROAD RIVER WMA
- 440 acres • 770.535.5700

DEER & BEAR
- Sept. 10-Nov. 30; archery only

TURKEY
- May 8-15

COYOTE
- May 16-31. Feral hogs may also be taken. No dogs allowed.

DIRECTIONS
- From Danielsville go north on U.S. 29 for 2 miles; turn right on HWY 281; go 4 miles, cross Broad River; go 0.3 mile; area is on right.

BULLSHOALS WMA
- 582 acres • 770-535-5700

ARCHERY
- Bag Limit: 1 deer

FIREARMS
- Nov. 5-6
- Nov. 19-20, Dec. 3-4

TURKEY
- Apr. 8-9
- Apr. 22-23, May 6-7

SMALL GAME
- No night hunting.

LEGEND

Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

- Sign-in
- Bonus Deer hunt (see pg. 42)
- Youth Hunt (see pg. 20)
- Quota Hunt (see pg. 74)
- Archery Only Area
- Specialty Hunt (see pg. 72)
- Hunt & Learn
- Quality Buck
- Mobility-Impaired Hunt (see pg. 73)
- Bird Dog Training
- Furbearer Dog Training
- Rabbit Dog Training
- Archery Range
- Firearms Shooting Range

2022–2023 GEORGIA HUNTING SEASONS & REGULATIONS
Purchase a License by phone 1-800-366-2661 or online at www.GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 20-22 | Nov. 28-Dec. 11
» Either-sex Last Day: Nov. 10-12
» * * * Nov. 22-27

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

DOVE

COYOTE
May 16-31

area notes
Legal hours for waterfowl end at noon. ATVs prohibited.

DIRECTIONS
From Monticello take HWY 16 east 3/4 mile; take right fork on HWY 212; go 12 miles to check station sign on the right; follow arrow 0.5 mile to check station.

CEDAR CREEK—LITTLE RIVER AREA

1,505 acres • 706.565.4222

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14, Oct. 22-Jan. 8
FIREARMS
» Oct. 15-21

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31

area notes
Legal hours for waterfowl end at noon. No ATVs. No camping.

DIRECTIONS
From Eatonton take GA 16 west 3.6 Miles to Lynchburg Rd.; turn right; go 12 miles to check station.

CEYLON WMA

2,100 acres • 912.262.3173

DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14, Dec. 4-27
FIREARMS
» Oct. 15-21

TURKEY
Q40
Apr. 21-23

area notes
No fox squirrel or quail hunting. Legal waterfowl hours end at noon. No ATVs, horses, or hog dogs. Hunters must check kiosk daily for prescribed burning schedule and location.

DIRECTIONS
From Brunswick take I-95 South to Exit 14 (GA Hwy 25: Woodbine). Turn left onto Lang Road and go 1 mile to WMA entrance on left.

CHATTAHOOCHEE WMA

25,150 acres • 770.535.5700

ARCHERY
» Buck Only: Sept. 10-16, Sept. 24-30, Oct. 10-26

BEAR
FIREARMS
» Q (Bag limit 2/person or 5/party) Dogs: Oct. 1-9 | Sept. 17-23

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-29, Nov. 20-Dec. 9
FIREARMS
» Q50 Oct. 27-29, Nov. 17-19 | Nov. 4-6
» Q50 Nov. 12-13

TURKEY
Q40 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 29-May 7
» Apr. 21-23

WATERFOWL
Wed. & Sat. during statewide season. Waterfowl shooting hours end at noon.

DOVE
» Q35 Oct. 3, 10 (Youth Field Only)

area notes
No fox squirrel hunting. No ATVs or horses. Hunters must check kiosk daily for designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party.

DIRECTIONS
From JCT Hwy 80 and 355, go south 8.1 miles. Take Hwy 352 6.0 miles and entrance to check station is on the right.

CHATTAHOOCHEE FALL LINE WMA—FORT PERRY AREA

2,100 acres • 229.430.4254

DEER
» Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal. Youth Hunt and Learn exempt from antler restrictions.
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-18, Oct. 3-9, Nov. 20-27
FIREARMS
» Q35 Sept. 24-25
» Antlerless Only: Sept. 30-Oct. 2
» Q35 Oct. 27-29, Nov. 10-12
» Nov. 4-6

TURKEY
Q50 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 29-May 7
» Apr. 21-23
» May 8-15

COYOTE
May 16-31

area notes
No fox squirrel or quail hunting. Legal waterfowl hours end at noon. No ATVs, horses, or hog dogs. Hunters must check kiosk daily for prescribed burning schedule and location.

DIRECTIONS
From Geneva travel south on Hwy 240 approximately 2.75 miles, the check station, kiosk and campground are 200 yards east of Hwy 240 on a WMA road.

CHATTAHOOCHEE FALL LINE WMA—HILLIARD

1,600 acres • 229.430.4254

DEER
» Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal. Youth Hunt & Learn exempt from antler restriction.
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-29, Nov. 20-Dec. 9
FIREARMS
» Q50 Oct. 27-29, Nov. 17-19 | Nov. 4-6
» Q50 Nov. 12-13

area notes
No hunting with dogs. Dogs must be marked with the selected hunter’s name and valid phone number.

DIRECTIONS
From Geneva travel south on Hwy 240 approximately 2.75 miles, the check station, kiosk and campground are 200 yards east of Hwy 240 on a WMA road.

CHATTAHOOCHEE FALL LINE WMA—ALMO

6,700 acres • 229.430.4254

DEER
» Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 13, Nov. 19-27
FIREARMS
» Q35 Oct. 20-22, Nov. 10-12

TURKEY
Q50 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 29-May 7
» Apr. 21-23
» May 8-15

COYOTE
May 16-31

area notes
No fox squirrel or quail hunting. Legal waterfowl hours end at noon. No ATVs, horses, or hog dogs. Hunters must check kiosk daily for prescribed burning schedule and location.

DIRECTIONS
From Geneva travel south on Hwy 240 approximately 6.0 miles to Fort Perry Rd (CR49), turn left go approximately 1.0 miles to check station, kiosk and campground on the left.
attend a pre-hunt meeting as directed in their draw notification email. All dogs used in the dog-bear hunt must be marked with the selected hunter’s name and phone number.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Cleveland Take U.S. 129 north 10.5 miles to Turner’s Corner; turn left on U.S. 19; go 0.5 mile; turn right on Dick’s Creek Rd.; go 1 mile to check station driveway on left.

**CLICKASAWHATCHEE WMA**

19,700 acres • 229.430.4254

**DEER ARCHERY**


**PRIMITIVE**

» Oct. 15-21

**FIREARMS**

» Q350 Oct. 2-31, Dec. 20-31

**TURKEY**

Q40 Apr. 8-15, 15-21, 21-22 Apr. 29-May 15

**QUAIL**

Daily bag limit is 3/person. Quail hunting on designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party. Q4 Nov. 12, Dec. 13, Jan. 14, 21, 28 Q1 Nov. 12, Dec. 3, Jan. 14, 21, 28 Generel: Nov. 22, Nov. 29

**DOVE**

Quota on designated fields only. All other areas are open. Q40 Q9 Sept. 3 Sept. 10-Oct. 9, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

**COYOTE**

May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunt- ed with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**LEGEND**

Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

- Sign-in
- Bonus Deer hunt (see pg. 42)
- Youth Hunt (see pg. 20)
- Quota Hunt (see pg. 74)
- Archery Only Area
- Specialty Hunt (see pg. 72)
- Hunt & Learn
- Quality Buck
- Mobility-Impaired Hunt (see pg. 73)
- Bird Dog Training
- Furbearer Dog Training
- Rabbit Dog Training
- Archery Range
- Firearm Shooting Range

**CLAYHOLE SWAMP WMA**

5,242 acres • 912.262.3173

**DEER ARCHERY**

» Sept. 10-14, 19-27, Oct. 2-Nov. 25. Dec. 3-16

**FIREARMS**

» Q27 Oct. 5-10, Nov. 26-30

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunt- ed with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREANOTES**

No fox squirrel hunting. Bird dog training in designated area only.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Albany Take HWY 91 south 4 miles to jct. with HWY 62; turn right and go 15 miles; follow signs to check station.

**CLYBLE WMA**

6,400 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER ARCHERY**

» Sept. 10-30, Nov. 11-13

**FIREARMS**

» Oct. 1-6

» Youth & Adult: Oct. 7-9; Adult: Nov. 14-15

**TURKEY**

Q25 Apr. 8-14, May 1-7

**COYOTE**

Apr. 15-21, May 8-14

**SMALL GAME**

Daily bag limit: 3 rabbits/person.

**AREANOTES**

Daily bag limit: 6 rabbits/person or 12/party. Quail hunting on designated dates only. C Dec. 3, Jan. 17, Jan. 21

**WATERFOWL**

Legal hours end at noon. Youth only on Youth Waterfowl Days. State season during small game dates.

**COYOTE**

May 16-31

**AREANOTES**

Multi-use trail and areas are closed all day during firearms deer hunts and before 10:00 a.m. during archery and turkey seasons. Rules posted at trailhead. Excluding deer quota hunt dates, campground available by reservation through www.georgiawildlife.com/charlie-elliot-wildlife-center.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Mansfield Take HWY 11 south 5.7 miles to Shepherd Rd. turn left and follow signs 1.1 miles.

**COHUTTA WMA**

96,503 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER BEAR ARCHERY**


**FIREARMS**

» Buck Only: Oct. 6-9, Nov. 30- Dec. 4

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunt- ed with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREANOTES**

No ATV’s except on designated ATV trails.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Ellijay to Holly Creek Check Station: Take Hwy 52 west 9.2 miles; turn right at Conasauga Lake sign; go 3.5 miles; turn right on USFS road #68; go 2 miles to check station.

**CONASAUGA RIVER WMA**

338 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER BEAR ARCHERY**

Sept. 10-Dec. 9, 11-16, 18-23, Dec. 25-Jan. 1

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-23

**SMALL GAME**

Aug. 15-Sept. 9, Feb. 1-28

**WATERFOWL**

Q3 Dec. 10, 17, 24. January – Sat. only through last day of season.

**COYOTE**

May 16-31

**AREANOTES**

No ATVs. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Eton to Hwy 286 Tract: Go west on Hwy 282, 5.2 miles. After crossing the Conasauga River, parking area will be on left.

**COPPER CREEK WMA**

30,000 acres • 770.535.5700

**DEER BEAR ARCHERY**

» Buck Only: Sept. 10-Oct. 11-13

**FIREARMS**

» Buck Only: Oct. 26-30

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-May 15

**AREANOTES**

No ATV’s except on designated ATV trails.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Ellijay to Holly Creek Check Station: Take Hwy 52 west 9.2 miles; turn right at Conasauga Lake sign; go 3.5 miles; turn right on USFS road #68; go 2 miles to check station.

From Chatsworth to Holly Creek Check Station: Take US Hwy 41 north to Eton; turn right at traffic light and follow Holly Creek Rd 11.6 miles to check station.

From Cisco to West Coopeun Check Station: Take GA Hwy 2; go 3 miles east to junction with West Coopeun Rd; check station at junction.

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number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Dahlonega Take GA HWY 60 north 26 miles to jct. of Coopers Creek Rd.; turn right and go 0.5 mile to jct. of USFS Road #236; turn left and go 4 miles to jct. of USFS Road #4; turn right and go 0.5 mile to check station. From Blairsville Take Old Blue Ridge HWY west 5 miles to Mulkey Gap Rd.; turn left and travel 8.5 miles to check station.

**COOSAWATTEE WMA**

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 20, Oct. 24-Nov. 9, Nov. 13-Jan. 1

**FIREARMS**
» Oct. 21-23
» Q3S Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Apr. 8-May 15

**DOVE**
Sept. 3-10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8-9, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Lafayette Take HWY 193 west 2.7 miles to Chamberlain Rd.; turn left and go 0.3 miles to Fish Hatchery Rd.; turn right and go 0.3 mile to check station.

**DAWSON FOREST WMA**

**DEER & BEAR**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**DI-LANE PLANTATION WMA**
8,100 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Dahlonega Take GA HWY 60 north 26 miles to jct. of Coopers Creek Rd.; turn right and go 0.5 mile to jct. of USFS Road #236; turn left and go 4 miles to jct. of USFS Road #4; turn right and go 0.5 mile to check station. From Blairsville Take Old Blue Ridge HWY west 5 miles to Mulkey Gap Rd.; turn left and travel 8.5 miles to check station.

**COOSAWATTEE WMA**

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 20, Oct. 24-Nov. 9, Nov. 13-Jan. 1

**FIREARMS**
» Oct. 21-23
» Q3S Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Apr. 8-May 15

**DOVE**
Sept. 3-10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8-9, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Lafayette Take HWY 193 west 2.7 miles to Chamberlain Rd.; turn left and go 0.3 miles to Fish Hatchery Rd.; turn right and go 0.3 mile to check station.

**DAWSON FOREST WMA**

**DEER & BEAR**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**DI-LANE PLANTATION WMA**
8,100 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Dahlonega Take GA HWY 60 north 26 miles to jct. of Coopers Creek Rd.; turn right and go 0.5 mile to jct. of USFS Road #236; turn left and go 4 miles to jct. of USFS Road #4; turn right and go 0.5 mile to check station. From Blairsville Take Old Blue Ridge HWY west 5 miles to Mulkey Gap Rd.; turn left and travel 8.5 miles to check station.

**COOSAWATTEE WMA**

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 20, Oct. 24-Nov. 9, Nov. 13-Jan. 1

**FIREARMS**
» Oct. 21-23
» Q3S Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Apr. 8-May 15

**DOVE**
Sept. 3-10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8-9, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Lafayette Take HWY 193 west 2.7 miles to Chamberlain Rd.; turn left and go 0.3 miles to Rocky Lane Rd.; turn right and go 0.3 mile to check station.

**DAWSON FOREST WMA**

**DEER & BEAR**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**DI-LANE PLANTATION WMA**
8,100 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**
» Sept. 10-Oct. 12

**FIREARMS**
» Q400 Oct. 13-15, 27-29
» Q Nov. 10-12

**TURKEY**
Q20 Apr. 8-14
Q30 Apr. 15-21, 22-28

**COYOTE**
May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**
No ATV's. All non-hunting activities except camping are prohibited during firearms deer hunts. Additionally, horse and bicycle trails and areas are closed before 10:00 a.m. during archery deer and turkey season. Firearms restrictions apply to certain portions of the WMA. Consult WMA map for specific limitations.

**DIRECTIONS**
From Dahlonega Take GA HWY 60 north 26 miles to jct. of Coopers Creek Rd.; turn right and go 0.5 mile to jct. of USFS Road #236; turn left and go 4 miles to jct. of USFS Road #4; turn right and go 0.5 mile to check station. From Blairsville Take Old Blue Ridge HWY west 5 miles to Mulkey Gap Rd.; turn left and travel 8.5 miles to check station.
SPECIFIC WMA REGULATIONS

AREA NOTES
No small game hunting. Hunting in designated area only. Area map posted at office and kiosk.

DIRECTIONS
From Eastman South on U.S. Hwy 23/341 for 3 miles; left on County Rd. 49; go 0.6 miles.

DOERUN PITCHERPLANT BOG WMA
600 acres • 229.430.4254
DEER
State seasons; archery only.
TURKEY
Q1 Apr. 8-9, 15-16
SMALL GAME
No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

AREA NOTES
Doerun Pitcherplant Bog WMA contains rare species and sensitive habitats. To protect these resources, vehicular access is limited. No ATVs or horses allowed. No camping. No fox squirrel, fox, or bobcat hunting.

DIRECTIONS
From Doerun Take HWY 133 south two miles; turn left at Natural Area sign.

ECHOCONNEE CREEK WMA
750 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
State seasons.
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No fox squirrel, fox, or bobcat hunting.

LEGEND
Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

Sign-in
Bonus Deer hunt (See pg. 42)
Youth Hunt (see pg. 20)
Quota Hunt (see pg. 74)
Archery Only Area
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Hunter & Learn
Quality Buck
Mobility-Impaired Hunt (see pg. 73)
Bird Dog Training
Furbearer Dog Training
Rabbit Dog Training
Archery Range
Firearms Shooting Range

EVANS COUNTY PFA
400 acres • 912.285.6094
ALLIGATOR
Q Sept. 2-4. Night hunting only.
COYOTE
May 16-31 coyote & hog season.
AREA NOTES
All hunters must sign-in at PFA office prior to hunting. No small game hunting.

DIRECTIONS
From Claxton Take U.S. HWY 280 east for 8.5 miles; turn right on Old Sunbury Rd.; go 1 mile and turn left on Area Line Rd.; go 0.3 miles, PFA on right.

FISHING CREEK WMA
3,900 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-21
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
» Nov. 5-Jan. 1
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
DOVE
Sept. 3-9, 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31
WATERFOWL
» Nov. 26-Jan. 14

FLAT CREEK PFA
750 acres • 706.595.1502
DEER
State seasons; archery only.
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
COYOTE
May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

DIRECTIONS
From Douglas Take U.S. HWY 441 north 20 miles; turn right onto HWY 107; go 8 miles to WMA sign on left.

FLAT TUB WMA
7,141 acres • 229.426.5267
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-21
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
» Nov. 5-Jan. 1
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
COYOTE
May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

DIRECTIONS
From Doerun Take U.S. HWY 441 south across Flat Creek. Park is on left.

FLINT RIVER WMA
2,300 acres • 229.430.4254
DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or spread are legal.
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10–19, Nov. 20-29
FIREARMS
» Oct. 8-16

Purchase a License by phone 1-800-366-2661 or online at www.GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com
GRAND BAY WMA
8,700 acres • 912.262.3173
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-11, 17-18, 24-25, Nov. 19-20, Dec. 3-4, 17-18, 24-25, Dec. 31-Jan. 1
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 8-9
FIREARMS
» Oct. 1-2
» Oct. 15-16
» Oct. 22-23, Oct. 29-30, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 26-27, Dec. 10-11
TURKEY
» Apr. 8-9, 22-23
» Apr. 29-30
WATERFOWL
Sat. & Sun. during state season. Legal hours end at noon.
COYOTE
No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.
AREA NOTES
No fox squirrel or furbearer hunting. Harvested deer must be removed from the area whole (no field-dressing). No ATVs or motorcycles. A valid Moody Air Force Base Hunting and Fishing Permit may be substituted for WMA license. Hiking trail from check station closed to hikers during firearms deer hunts. Federal lands within WMA may be closed for military training. No firearms hunting within designated archery-only areas.
DIRECTIONS
From Valdosta take U.S. 221 north 8 miles; turn left on Knights Academy Rd.; go 1.5 miles to entrance on paved road; turn right and go 3 miles; turn left and go 1 mile to Moore’s Store Rd. (1st dirt road on right); turn right and proceed to check station.

HANNAHATCHEE WMA
5,095 acres • 229.430.4254
DEER
State seasons.
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
DOVE
COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may also be taken. No dogs allowed.

No dogs allowed.

HART COUNTY WMA
1,000 acres • 770.535.5700
DEER & BEAR
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-21
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 17

HILTONIA WMA
500 acres • 229.426.5267
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Nov. 11
PRIMITIVE
» Nov. 12-Jan. 8
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
DOVE
COYOTE
May 16-31
AREA NOTES
No camping. No furbearer season.

GAITHER WMA
2,129 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
ARCHERY
» Oct. 22-30, Nov. 14-16
FIREARMS
» Q25 Dec. 19-25
» Q25 Nov. 4-6, Jan. 6-8
TURKEY
Q10 Apr. 8-14, 15-21, 22-28
COYOTE
No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.
AREA NOTES
Waterfowl legal hours end at noon. Archery-only area is south of Old Cobbham Rd. Artillery areas.
DIRECTIONS
From Mansfield: Go South on Hwy 111 for 7 miles and turn right onto Henderson Mill Rd. Proceed 3.7 miles on Henderson Mill Rd and turn Right onto Davis Ford Rd. From there travel 0.4 miles to the Kiosk on the left.

GERMANY CREEK WMA
1,200 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-14
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-21
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
» Nov. 5-Jan. 1
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
COYOTE
May 16-31
AREA NOTES
No camping.
DIRECTIONS
From Thomson take Hwy 150/ Cobbham Road 8.9 miles; turn left on Rousseau Creek Road; go 3.3 miles turn left and follow to WMA Kiosk and Parking Area. For access by boat (nearest boat ramp is Raysville Bridge on GA HWY 43 approximately 12 miles north of Thomson). The area is to the east of bridge access.

GRAVENHILL WMA
5,600 acres • 912.262.3173
DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-14, Dec. 3-25
PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-23
FIREARMS
» Oct. 28-30
» Nov. 4-13
TURKEY
Q25 Apr. 8-14
Q25 Apr. 15-21, Apr. 29-May 5, May 6-12
COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.
AREA NOTES
No furbearer season. No ATVs or horses. No vehicles allowed beyond designated parking areas. Camping only at Fountain Hole Camping Area.
DIRECTIONS
From Ludowici take U.S. 301 south 2 miles. The area is on the right (north) of highway. First road south of DOT weigh station.

HANNAHATCHEE WMA
5,095 acres • 229.430.4254
DEER
State seasons.
TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15
DOVE
COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may also be taken. No dogs allowed.

DIRECTIONS
From Hartwell take HWY 77 south 1.5 miles; turn left onto Liberty Rd.; go 4 miles to the end of the pavement at Cedar Creek; the area lies to the south.

GRABBING HUNTING OPPORTUNITY TO ROADS. ROAD CLOSURES PROVIDE LESS DISTURBANCE TO GAME AND HUNTERS, PREVENT DUMPING, RESULT IN FEWER PEOPLE ACCESSING SENSITIVE AREAS AND REQUIRE LESS TIME AND MONEY DEDICATED TO ROAD MAINTENANCE.
**INDIAN FORD FARM DOE FIELDS**

- **ACREAGE:** 100 acres • 229.426.5267
- **DEER ARCHERY:** Sept. 10
- **AREA NOTES:** Hunters must sign-in at check station at 12:00 p.m. Maps and instructions will be provided at sign-in. Hunt is 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. No ATVs. Hunters must use open gates to access fields; DO NOT climb fences. It is of utmost importance to have no litter left behind, including expended shotgun shells. Extra caution should be taken to ensure absolutely no live shells are left behind. No small game or May 16-31 coyote season.

**JOE KURZ WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 3,700 acres • 706.295.6041
- **DEER:** Only bucks with at least four points (1-inch or longer) on either side or a 15-inch outside spread are legal.
- **ARCHERY:** Sept. 10-18, Nov. 6-11
- **FIREARMS:** Oct. 20-22, Nov. 3-5
- **TURKEY:** Q5 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 29-May 7
- **SMALLGAME:** Rabbit daily bag limit: 3 person.
- **COYOTE:** Aug. 15-Mar. 15 in designated area only except during deer and quota gun hunts.
- **DIRECTIONS:** From East Dublin Go east on U.S. Hwy 80 for 10 mi.; left on Keens Crossing Rd.; go 1.4 mi. to PFA entrance on right.

**JOHN’S MOUNTAIN WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 24,849 acres • 706.295.6041
- **FIREARMS:** Oct. 29-30
- **TURKEY:** Either-Sex Last Day: Nov. 17-19
- **COYOTE:** May 16-31
- **AREA NOTES:** No small game or May 16-31 coyote season.
- **DIRECTIONS:** From Woodbury Take Hwy 85 north for 7.5 mi. to Gay; turn right at red light; check station is 2.7 miles on left.

**KEG CREEK WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 800 acres • 706.595.4222
- **DEER:** State seasons; archery only.
- **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15
- **COYOTE:** May 16-31
- **AREA NOTES:** No camping.
- **DIRECTIONS:** From Potters Corner Take Hwy 47 west 2 mi. Area is on left side of HWY.

**LAKE RUSSELL WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 17,300 acres • 770.535.5700
- **DEER & BEAR ARCHERY:** Sept. 10-Oct. 6, Oct. 10-15
- **PRIMITIVE:** Dec. 8-14
- **FIREARMS:** Oct. 7-9
- **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15
- **COYOTE:** May 16-31
- **AREA NOTES:** Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.
- **DIRECTIONS:** From Gainesville Take Hwy 365 north; take Toccoa/Lavonia exit, stay on HWY 365; go 1.8 mi. turn right on Rock Rd.; go 0.7 mi. turn left on Dicks Hill Pkwy.; go 2.4 mi. turn right on Ayersville Rd. by the Milliken plant; go 0.9 mi. turn left on Check Station Rd.; go 0.5 mi. check station on left.

**LAKE SEMINOLE WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 8,635 acres • 229.430.4254
- **DEER ARCHERY:** State season & Jan. 9-31.
- **PRIMITIVE:** State season.
- **FIREARMS:** Oct. 22-Jan. 8
- **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15
- **COYOTE:** May 16-31
- **AREA NOTES:** No camping.
- **DIRECTIONS:** This WMA consists of 9 tracts along Lake Seminole and associated waterways. Maps available at gohunt-georgia.com.

**LAKE WALTER F. GEORGE WMA**

- **ACREAGE:** 923 acres • 229.430.4254
- **DEER:** State seasons; archery only.
- **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15

**LEGEND**

- **Sign-In:** required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.
  - **Sign-In**
  - **Bonus Deer Hunt** (see pg. 42)
  - **Youth Hunt** (see pg. 20)
  - **Quota Hunt** (see pg. 74)
  - **Archery Only Area**
  - **Specialty Hunt** (see pg. 72)
  - **Hunt & Learn**
  - **Quality Buck**
  - **Mobility-Impaired Hunt** (see pg. 73)
  - **Bird Dog Training**
  - **Furbearer Dog Training**
  - **Rabbit Dog Training**
  - **Archery Range**
  - **Firearms Shooting Range**

- **HORSE CREEK WMA**
  - **ACREAGE:** 8,100 acres • 229.426.5267
  - **DEER ARCHERY:** Sept. 10-14, Sept. 18-30, Oct. 3-25, Jan. 1-8
  - **PRIMITIVE:** Sept. 15-17
  - **FIREARMS:** Oct. 1-2
  - **Buck Only:** Oct. 26-29
  - **Nov. 17-19 Dec. 8-10
  - **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15
  - **COYOTE:** May 16-31

- **HUGH GILLIS PFA**
  - **ACREAGE:** 700 acres • 912.285.6094
  - **DEER:** Nov. 3-13; archery only.
  - **TURKEY:** Apr. 14-15, 28-29
  - **AREA NOTES:** No small game or May 16-31 coyote season.

- **JOHN’S MOUNTAIN WMA**
  - **ACREAGE:** 24,849 acres • 706.295.6041
  - **FIREARMS:** Q3 Dec. 10, Jan. 15, Feb. 4
  - **TURKEY:** Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24
  - **COYOTE:** May 16-31

- **KEG CREEK WMA**
  - **ACREAGE:** 800 acres • 706.595.4222
  - **DEER:** State seasons; archery only.
  - **TURKEY:** Apr. 8-May 15
  - **COYOTE:** May 16-31
  - **AREA NOTES:** No camping.
  - **DIRECTIONS:** From Potters Corner Take Hwy 47 west 2 mi. Area is on left side of HWY.

**2022-2023 GEORGIA HUNTING SEASONS & REGULATIONS**

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**2022 FORESTY FOR WILDLIFE PARTNERS**

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources’ Wildlife Resources Division honors our 2022 Forestry for Wildlife Partners for their outstanding accomplishments in incorporating wildlife conservation practices as an integral part of their land management. These partners had a positive impact for wildlife habitat on about 1 million acres. Learn about FWP, including our new focus on partner projects and a lower minimum acreage at [georgiawildlife.com/fwp](http://georgiawildlife.com/fwp).

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**State seasons.**

**WATERFOWL**

- State season. Waterfowl hunting permitted on portions of lake in Georgia, except within 300 yards of a public park, road, cabin, or other developed areas. Areas within Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge have separate regulations.

**COYOTE**

- No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Ft. Gaines This WMA consists of 4 different tracts of land that can be found at various points along the lake shore. Directions to and maps of the various tracts can be obtained from: the Albany Game Management Office, 2204 Newton Rd., Albany, GA 31701; (229) 430-4254 and maps may be printed from gohuntgeorgia.com in addition to the 4 tracts managed by GA DNR, the Army Corps of Engineers manages additional properties which require special permit from their Ft. Gaines office at 229-768-2516.

**LANAHASSEE WMA**

- 4,420 acres • 229.430.4254

**DEER**

- Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**

- » Sept. 10-Oct. 14, Oct. 22-Nov. 6

**PRIMITIVE**

- » Primitive: Oct. 15-21

**FIREARMS**

- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Elberton Take HWY 72 east 11 miles. Turn right on HWY 73; go 7.3 miles to River Rd., turn right. Go 0.75 miles to Kiosk on left.

**LOWER BROAD RIVER WMA**

- 1,500 acres • 706.595.4222

**TURKEY**

- » Oct. 15-21

**FIREARMS**

- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Gainesville Take U.S. HWY 365 north 7 miles from Exit 24; turn left on GA HWY 52; go 3 miles; cross Chattahoochee River; turn right into boat ramp parking lot.

**MAYHAW WMA**

- 6,300 acres • 229.430.4254

**DEER**

- » Archery & Primitive: Oct. 15-21
- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 30
- » Dec. 1-Jan. 8

**TURKEY**

- Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31

**DIRECTIONS**

From Colquitt Take U.S. HWY 278 east for 5.6 miles; turn right on Elgin Avenue Rd.; go 2.8 miles and turn right on Fish Hatchery Rd.

**MCGRAW FORD WMA**

- 2,255 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR**

- » Sept. 10-Jan. 1; archery only.

**TURKEY**

- » Oct. 15-21
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**

- No ATVs.

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**WATERFOWL**

State season. Waterfowl hunting permitted on portions of lake in Georgia, except within 300 yards of a public park, road, cabin, or other developed areas. Areas within Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge have separate regulations.

**COYOTE**

- No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Ft. Gaines This WMA consists of 4 different tracts of land that can be found at various points along the lake shore. Directions to and maps of the various tracts can be obtained from: the Albany Game Management Office, 2204 Newton Rd., Albany, GA 31701; (229) 430-4254 and maps may be printed from gohuntgeorgia.com in addition to the 4 tracts managed by GA DNR, the Army Corps of Engineers manages additional properties which require a special permit from their Ft. Gaines office at 229-768-2516.

**LANAHASSEE WMA**

- 4,420 acres • 229.430.4254

**DEER**

- Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**

- » Sept. 10-Oct. 14, Oct. 22-Nov. 6

**PRIMITIVE**

- » Primitive: Oct. 15-21

**FIREARMS**

- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Elberton Take HWY 72 east 11 miles. Turn right on HWY 73; go 7.3 miles to River Rd., turn right. Go 0.75 miles to Kiosk on left.

**LOWER BROAD RIVER WMA**

- 1,500 acres • 706.595.4222

**TURKEY**

- » Oct. 15-21

**FIREARMS**

- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**AREA NOTES**

- No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Gainesville Take U.S. HWY 365 north 7 miles from Exit 24; turn left on GA HWY 52; go 3 miles; cross Chattahoochee River; turn right into boat ramp parking lot.

**MAYHAW WMA**

- 6,300 acres • 229.430.4254

**DEER**

- » Archery & Primitive: Oct. 15-21
- » Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 30
- » Dec. 1-Jan. 8

**TURKEY**

- Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31

**DIRECTIONS**

From Colquitt Take U.S. HWY 278 east for 5.6 miles; turn right on Elgin Avenue Rd.; go 2.8 miles and turn right on Fish Hatchery Rd.

**MCGRAW FORD WMA**

- 2,255 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR**

- » Sept. 10-Jan. 1; archery only.

**TURKEY**

- » Oct. 15-21
- » Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**COYOTE**

- May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**

- No ATVs.
GEORGIA HUNTING SEASONS & REGULATIONS

2022–2023

MEAD FARM WMA
200 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
Sept. 10–Jan. 1; archery only.
TURKEY
Apr. 8–May 15
WATERFOWL
Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Nov. 26 Sat. & Wed. during state season except Youth hunt dates.

MONTEZUMA BLUFFS WMA
500 acres • 229.430.4254
Deer
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or spread are legal.

MONTEZUMA BLUFFS WMA
contains rare species and sensitive habitats. To protect these resources, vehicular access is limited to boat landing areas.

MOODY FOREST WMA
4,432 acres • 229.426.5267
TURKEY
Nov. 1–Dec. 15
DEER
Apr. 8–9
DEER
Apr. 14–30
SMALL GAME
Squirrel Only; no fox squirrel hunting. Nov. 1–Jan. 20.

MOODY FOREST WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

MOODY FOREST WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No ATVs. Check for prescribed burn info and sign in at kiosk on East River Road.

MORRIS LAKE WMA
1,117 acres • 912.262.3173
DEER
State season.
TURKEY
Apr. 8–May 15
COYOTE
May 16–31

MORGAN LAKE WMA
Archery Only Area
1,117 acres • 912.262.3173
DEER
State season.

MORGAN LAKE WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
Archery Only. No firearms. The operation of a Personal Watercraft (defined in GA Code 52-7-8.2 and commonly known as a “jet ski”) on Morgan Lake and other water bodies within Morgan Lake WMA is prohibited.

MORGAN LAKE WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No ATVs. Check for prescribed burn info and sign in at kiosk on East River Road.

MORGAN LAKE WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No fishing or hunting (other than ducks & geese and archery deer hunting during state wide archery and primitive weapons season) on waterfowl impoundments. Waterfowl hunting on impoundment 1 & 2 open only to hunters selected in quota drawing. Waterfowl hunters are prohibited from entering impoundments before 5:00 a.m. on the day of the hunt and shooting hours end at noon except on the last hunt of the season when shooting hours end at legal sunset. Herndon Pond and Impoundment 2 are closed to hunting. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Oconee River between Wallace Dam and GA Hwy 16. Handicapped quota hunters may request assistance by calling (706) 595-4222.

OCEAN WOODS WMA
12,750 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
Archery
Sept. 10–Oct. 7
FIREARMS
Oct. 8–14
Buck Only: Oct. 27–29 Dec. 22–25
Either-Sex Last Day: Dec. 1–3

OCEAN WOODS WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No熊 hunting. Legal hours for waterfowl end at noon.

OCEAN WOODS WMA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No fishing or hunting (other than ducks & geese and archery deer hunting during state wide archery and primitive weapons season) on waterfowl impoundments. Waterfowl hunting on impoundment 1 & 2 open only to hunters selected in quota drawing. Waterfowl hunters are prohibited from entering impoundments before 5:00 a.m. on the day of the hunt and shooting hours end at noon except on the last hunt of the season when shooting hours end at legal sunset. Herndon Pond and Impoundment 2 are closed to hunting. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Oconee River between Wallace Dam and GA Hwy 16. Handicapped quota hunters may request assistance by calling (706) 595-4222.

OCEANEE WMA
7,400 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
Archery
Primitive
Nov. 15–20
FIREARMS
Oct. 22–Nov. 13
TURKEY
Q10
Apr. 8–14, 15–21
Apr. 22–May 15
SMALL GAME
Sign-in required.

OCEANEE WMA—DAN DENTON WATERFOWL AREA
100 acres • 706.595.4222
DEER
Sept. 10–Oct. 21; archery only.

OCEANEE WMA—DAN DENTON WATERFOWL AREA
Pond 1 & Q2 Pond 3: Nov. 12, 26
Q3 Pond 1 & Q2 Pond 3: Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28
COYOTE
May 16–31
TURKEY
May 16–31

OCEANEE WMA—DAN DENTON WATERFOWL AREA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No bear hunting. Legal hours for waterfowl end at noon.

OCEANEE WMA—DAN DENTON WATERFOWL AREA
May 16–31
AREA NOTES
No fishing or hunting (other than ducks & geese and archery deer hunting during state wide archery and primitive weapons season) on waterfowl impoundments. Waterfowl hunting on impoundment 1 & 2 open only to hunters selected in quota drawing. Waterfowl hunters are prohibited from entering impoundments before 5:00 a.m. on the day of the hunt and shooting hours end at noon except on the last hunt of the season when shooting hours end at legal sunset. Herndon Pond and Impoundment 2 are closed to hunting. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Oconee River between Wallace Dam and GA Hwy 16. Handicapped quota hunters may request assistance by calling (706) 595-4222.

SPECIFIC WMA REGULATIONS

Deer
Purchase a License by phone 1-800-366-2661 or online at www.GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com
**OCONEE WMA—ROCK HAWK TRAILS & EFFIGY**

430 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER** State seasons; archery only.

**TURKEY** Selected Oconee quota turkey hunters only may hunt with firearms during quota hunt dates in this area. **ARCHERY ONLY**archs may hunt with firearms during quota hunt dates in this area. Apr. 22-May 15; archery only.

**NORTH WMA**

5,675 acres • 229.426.5267

**DEER** State seasons.

**TURKEY** Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No ATVs. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS** From Eatonton: Go east 13.8 miles on GA Hwy 16 towards the Oconee River; turn left onto Wallace Rd. then turn left onto Lawrence Shoals Rd.; go 1 mile; parking is on left.

**OSSABAW ISLAND WMA**

9,000 acres • 912.285.6094

**DEER** Archery only: Sep. 10-Oct. 14, Oct. 17-Nov. 18, Nov. 24-Dec. 31, Jan. 1-20

**TURKEY** Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, Nov. 19, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS** From Statesboro: From Veteran’s Memorial Pkwy, and GA 24 intersection go east on GA 24 toward Olivier for approximately 12.5 miles to the WMA entrance on right.

**PARADISE PFA**

1,300 acres • 912.285.6094

**DEER** Dove hunting in designated fields only:

- Sept. 3

**COYOTE** May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS** From Tifton: Take U.S. HWY 82 east for 8 miles to Brookfield. Turn right on Whitley Rd.; take first left on Brookfield-Nashville Rd. and go 1.5 miles to entrance on left.

**PAULDING FOREST WMA**

25,707 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER** Archery only area is archery equipped.

**TURKEY** Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE** May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS** From Swainsboro: Take Highway 80 Tract Ki-skok: from Swainsboro, take Hwy 80 west 6 miles past intersection with Highway 1, kiosk is on the right.

**OLIVER BRIDGE WMA**

1,560 acres • 229.426.5267

**DEER** State seasons.

**TURKEY** Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No ATVs. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS** Directions to Highway 80 Tract Ki-skok: from Swainsboro, take Hwy 80 west 6 miles past intersection with Highway 1, kiosk is on the right.

**OTTING TRACT WMA**

700 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER & BEAR** Archery only: Sept. 10-Jan. 1

**TURKEY** Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No ATVs. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS** From Statesboro: From Veteran’s Memorial Pkwy, and GA 24 intersection go east on GA 24 toward Oliver for approximately 12.5 miles to the WMA entrance on right.

**PAULKS PASTURE WMA**

16,600 acres • 912.262.3173

**DEER** ARCHERY

- Sept. 10-19, Nov. 18-27, Dec. 16-31

**FIREARMS**

- Oct. 16-18

**TURKEY** Oct. 6-18

**COYOTE** Oct. 6-18

**SMALL GAME**

- Sept. 6-8
- Oct. 10-14
- Nov. 24-27

**TURKEY** Nov. 10-13

**COYOTE** Nov. 10-13

**AREA NOTES** No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS** From Brunswick: Take U.S. HWY 341 north 8 miles to check station on left.

**PENHOLOWAY SWAMP WMA**

10,546 acres • 912.262.3173

This area includes the Boyles Island Tract. Access to Boyles Island is by river only. Road access may be provided during bonus deer hunts pending river and road conditions. Call Region Office for details at 912-262-3173.

**DEER** ARCHERY

- Sept. 10-21, Oct. 26-31, Nov. 18-27, Dec. 16-31

**FIREARMS**

- Nov. 6-18

**TURKEY** Nov. 6-18

**COYOTE** Nov. 6-18

**DIRECTIONS** From Brunswick: Take U.S. HWY 341 north 8 miles to check station on left.

**BIRD DOG TRAINING AREA**

Designated in the areas of Redman and Deadend Rds.

**COYOTE** May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES** No furbearer hunting or dog training in Archery Only Areas. No camping. No horseback riding during deer hunts.

**DIRECTIONS** From Brunswick: Take U.S. HWY 341 north 8 miles to check station on left.

**KELNY WMA NORTH WMA**

2,199 acres • 706.295.6041

**DEER** State seasons; archery only.

**TURKEY** Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**DIRECTIONS** From Eatonton: Go east 14.2 miles on GA Hwy 16, look for turn in for Impoundment 1 on left before you reach the bridge over the Oconee River. Sign-in kiosk is located in gravel parking lot.

**OHOOPEE DUNES NORTH WMA**

5,675 acres • 229.426.5267

**DEER** ARCHERY

- Sept. 10-14, Oct. 17-Nov. 18

**FIREARMS**

- Oct. 16-18

**TURKEY** Sept. 10-14, 19-27, Oct. 3-Nov. 18

**COYOTE** Sept. 29-Oct. 1

**BIRD DOG TRAINING**

- Aug. 15-Mar. 19

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No ATVs.

**DIRECTIONS** From Swainsboro: From Brookfield-Nashville Rd. and go north 2.1 miles to parking area on left.

**PAULDS PASTURE WMA**

13,500 acres • 912.262.3173

**DEER** ARCHERY

- Sept. 10-14, Oct. 17-Nov. 18

**FIREARMS**

- Oct. 16-18

**TURKEY** Sept. 10-14, 19-27, Oct. 3-Nov. 18

**COYOTE** Sept. 29-Oct. 1

**BIRD DOG TRAINING**

- Aug. 15-Mar. 19

**COYOTE** May 16-31

**AREA NOTES** No ATVs.

**DIRECTIONS** From Eatonton: Go east 14.2 miles on GA Hwy 16, look for turn in for Impoundment 1 on left before you reach the bridge over the Oconee River. Sign-in kiosk is located in gravel parking lot.
PERRY DOVE FIELD
226 acres • 706.595.4222

DEER
ARCHERY
Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, Jan. 1, 8

DOVE
Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 24, 31, Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28

COYOTE
No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

AREA NOTES
No camping. No small game hunting.

DIRECTIONS
From I-75 take Exit 134 and head East approximately 1.6 miles and field is on the right.

PHINIZY SWAMP WMA
1,500 acres • 706.595.4222

DEER
State seasons; archery only.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

WATERFOWL
Legal hours end at noon. Nov. 13 Wed. & Sat. during state seasons.

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No night hunting. ATV use is allowed.

DIRECTIONS
From Cartersville Take U.S. 41 north to White; turn right on Stambaugh Creek Rd.; go 3.6 miles; check station on left.

RAYONIER CORRIDOR LANDS WMA
41 acres • 912.262.3173

DEER & TURKEY
Area closed to deer & turkey hunting.

COYOTE
No May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

AREA NOTES
WMA consists of 300 ft wide section of non-contiguous property on the Wayne County side of the Altamaha River, extending from mile 61 (Doe Eddy) to 1.2 miles down river.

REDLANDS WMA
37,500 acres • 770.535.5700

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14

PRIMITIVE
» Oct. 15-21

FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4

» Nov. 5-30, Dec. 26-Jan. 31

COYOTE
Apr. 8-May 15

AREA NOTES
No hunting on Dyars Pasture MARSH pond. Furbearers may not be hunted during firearms deer hunt.

DIRECTIONS
From Greensboro Take GA HWY 15 north 9 miles; check station on left.

RICH MOUNTAIN WMA
19,955 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Nov. 30, Dec. 26-Jan. 1

FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 1-2

» Oct. 10-28

» Nov. 9-12, Dec. 1-3

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14, Apr. 15-21

COYOTE
May 16-31

DIRECTIONS
From Ellijay Take Hwy 52E 2.7 miles. Turn right onto Canoe Launch Rd. Go approx 0.2 mile and turn left to archery range parking area and kiosk.

RICHMOND HILL WMA
7,400 acres • 912.262.3173

DEER
ARCHERY & PRIMITIVE
» State seasons.

FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-23

» Oct. 24-Jan. 8

COYOTE
Apr. 8-May 15

AREA NOTES
No furbearer hunting or dog training in archery only areas.

DIRECTIONS
From Richmond Hill Take HWY 144 east to Oak Level Rd. or Kilkenney Rd. and follow signs.

RIVER BEND WMA
3,670 acres • 229.426.5267

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-29, Oct. 3-21

FIREARMS
» Oct. 1-2

» Oct. 10-28

» Nov. 9-12, Dec. 1-3

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14, Apr. 15-21

COYOTE
Apr. 22-May 15

DIRECTIONS
From Dublin Take I-16 east to Exit 58 (HWY 199); turn south and go 0.3 miles; road to check station is on right.
**RIVER CREEK, THE ROLF & ALEXANDRA KAUKA WMA**

3,500 acres • 912.262.3173

- **DEER**

- **TURKEY**
  - April 8-May 15

- **COYOTE**
  - May 16-31

- **AREA NOTES**
  - No camping.

- **DIRECTIONS**
  - From Rome: Take U.S. 27 north 10.4 miles; turn left on Sikes Storey Rd.; go 0.4 miles; turn left on Big Texas Valley Rd.; go 5.4 miles to entrance.

**ROGERS WMA**

3,500 acres • 912.262.3173

- **DEER**

- **TURKEY**
  - April 8-May 15

- **COYOTE**
  - May 16-31

- **AREA NOTES**
  - No camping.

- **DIRECTIONS**
  - From Rome: Take U.S. 27 north 10.4 miles; turn left on Sikes Storey Rd.; go 0.4 miles; turn left on Big Texas Valley Rd.; go 5.4 miles to entrance.

**ROGERS STATE PRISON FARM DOVE FIELDS**

538 acres • 229.426-5267

- **DOVE**
  - Sept. 3, 10, 17

- **AREA NOTES**
  - Dove hunters check in at the Rogers State Prison office prior to entering dove fields. In addition, hunters must sign-in at the kiosks located at the entrance to each field prior to hunting. A map of the fields is located in the kiosks (on our website) with designated parking areas marked on the maps. No ATVs or UTVs allowed on the fields. No hunting within 100 yards of residences or 50 yards of county roads. Hunters must use open gates to access fields; DO NOT climb fences. Please do not litter, including spent shotgun shells. Extra caution should be taken to ensure no live shells are left on the field. No small agme or May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**SANDHILLS WMA - WEST**

2,498 acres • 229.430.4254

- **DEER**

- **TURKEY**
  - April 8-May 15

- **COYOTE**
  - May 6-12

- **AREA NOTES**

- **DIRECTIONS**
  - From Rome: Take U.S. 27 north 10.4 miles; turn left on Sikes Storey Rd.; go 0.4 miles; turn left on Big Texas Valley Rd.; go 5.4 miles to entrance.

- **SANDHILLS WMA - EAST**

892 acres • 229.430.4254

- **DEER**
  - Archery: State seasons; archery only.

- **TURKEY**
  - April 8-May 15

- **COYOTE**
  - May 6-12

- **AREA NOTES**

- **DIRECTIONS**
  - From Rome: Take U.S. 27 north 10.4 miles; turn left on Sikes Storey Rd.; go 0.4 miles; turn left on Big Texas Valley Rd.; go 5.4 miles to entrance.
closed to all users during dog-deer hunts except to hunters with a valid quota permit.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Brunswick: Take U.S. 341 north to Mt. Pleasant, south of Jesup; Turn right on Howard Rd.; Check Station is on left (17 miles from Brunswick).

**SAPELO ISLAND WMA**

9,000 acres • 912.262.3173

Maps of open hunting areas available at the Sapelo WMA sign-in kiosk, Brunswick DNR office, and georgiawildlife.com

ARCHERY

- FIREARMS
  - Oct. 7-9
  - Oct. 25-Nov. 5, Nov. 17-19

**FERAL HOG**

Mar. 1-May 31

COYOTE

May 16-31. Feral hogs may be taken with dogs. Dogs must be marked with the hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

**AREA NOTES**

Reservations for transportation on state boat for quota deer hunts must be made through the Sapelo Island Visitor Center (912) 437-3224. No reservations will be accepted until you receive your selection notice. Visitor Center Hours: Tues.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sat. 8:00 a.m.-5:30 P.M.; Closed Sunday & Monday. Stream anchorage may be required for hunters using their own boats. Hunter access is allowed only at Moses Hammock Dock at head of Duplin River. No motorized vehicles allowed on island. Hunters may check in starting at 9:00 a.m. EST one day prior to hunt. Camps must be removed by noon on the day following each hunt. Departures and returns from deer hunting must be made from Moses Hammock campsite. Hunters are required to stay outside the boundaries of the safety zones.

**Ferry Restrictions:** There is limited space on the ferry, so please limit the amount and size of your gear; propane fuel only; guns must be unloaded and cased for transport on ferry; no folding chairs or tables, ladder stands, bicycles, or excessively large boxes; climbing stands are OK; coolers are limited to one 40 qt. per person or one 96 qt. per two guests. Rolling garbage cans and carts are not allowed on the ferry. For information on local charter options or transportation to the Moses Hammock hunt camp, please contact the Sapelo Island Visitors Center (912) 437-3224. If you do not take the ferry to the island you may not return to the mainland via the ferry.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Savannah: Take I-95 south 1,000 miles. Take Exit 58; turn left on GA HWY 57; go 1 mile to flashing light; continue west of the Flint River. [Magic Forestry Commission. Please see WMA maps for safety zones.]

**SILVER LAKE WMA**

9,200 acres • 229.340.2454

**DEER**

- ARCHERY
  - Sept. 10-Oct. 14, Jan. 9-31
- FIREARMS
  - Oct. 15-23

**TURKEY**

- Q35 Apr. 8-12, Apr. 27-May 1
- May 4-15

**QUAIL**

Daily bag limit: 3/person. Quail hunting on designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party.

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Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10, Jan. 14, 21, 28

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Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10, Jan. 14, 21, 28

**»**

Nov. 28, Dec. 19

**COYOTE**

May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**AREA NOTES**

No fox squirrel, bobcat, or fox hunting.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Bainbridge Take HWY 253 south 2.7 miles; go left on Ten Mile Rd.; travel 6 miles; turn right on Silver Lake Rd.; travel 2.9 miles; turn left onto WMA access road. Check station is 0.8 miles on the right.

**SOAP CREEK WMA**

1,000 acres • 706.595.4222

**DEER**

- FIREARMS
  - Oct. 27-29
  - Q160 Dec. 15-17
  - Buck Only: Nov. 12-25, Dec. 24-25

**TURKEY**

- Q13 Apr. 20-24
- May 4-15

**QUAIL**

Daily bag limit: 3/person. Quail hunting on designated dates only. Hunting party must report harvest at kiosk or online; one survey per party.

**C»**

Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10, Jan. 14, 21, 28

**»**

Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 10, Jan. 14, 21, 28

**»**

Nov. 28, Dec. 19

**COYOTE**

May 16-31 coyote & hog season.

**HUNTING SEASONS & REGULATIONS**

Purchase a License by phone 1-800-366-2661 or online at www.GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com

**SPECIFIC WMA REGULATIONS**

**AREA NOTES**

No camping. No ATVs.

**LEGEND**

Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

- Sign-in
- Bonus Deer hunt (see pg. 42)
- Youth Hunt (see pg. 20)
- Quota Hunt (see pg. 74)
- Archery Only Area
- Specialty Hunt (see pg. 72)
- Hunt & Learn
- Quality Buck
- Mobility-Impaired Hunt (see pg. 73)
- Bird Dog Training
- Furbearer Dog Training
- Rabbit Dog Training
- Archery Range
- Firearms Shooting Range

**SPECIAL REGULATIONS**

Legal waterfowl hours end at noon. Camping in designated areas only.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Augusta: take GA Hwy 56 Mike Padgett Hwy south, turn right onto Old Waynesboro Rd, travel 1.7 miles and turn right onto McCade Rd, travel 1.6 miles and turn right onto Smokey Rd, access road is approximately 0.4 miles on right.

**SPREWELL BLUFF WMA - EAST**

1,330 acres • 706.295.6041

The East Tract includes property east of the Flint River.

**DEER & SMALL GAME**

State seasons. Archery only for deer. Shotgun & archery only for small game; No furbearer dog hunting; No night hunting. Legal waterfowl hours end at noon.

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**

No hunting in park day-use area. No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Thomaston to Sprewell Bluff Tract Take HWY 38 west 6 miles to Roland; turn right on Alabama Rd.; turn left and follow paved road to area.

**SPREWELL BLUFF WMA - WEST**

1,520 acres • 706.295.6041

The West Tract includes property west of the Flint River.

**DEER**

Only bucks with at least four points (1-inch or longer) on either side or a 15-inch outside spread are legal.

**ARCHERY**

- Sept. 10-Oct. 14
- Oct. 15-16
- Buck Only: Oct. 22-Nov. 4
- Nov. 5-Jan. 1

**TURKEY**

Apr. 8-May 15

**COYOTE**

May 16-31

**AREA NOTES**

No camping.

**DIRECTIONS**

From Manchester at JCT of HWY 85 and Hill St (Chalybeate Springs Rd), go east 3.2 miles, turn left on Mitchell Cove Rd, go 0.7 miles and then turn right on Tom Brown Rd. Go 0.8 miles to WMA entrance and kiosk.
TOWNSEND WMA—NORTH, SOUTH AND PINE ISLAND TRACTS

24,024 acres • 912.262.3173


deer
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 4
FIREARMS
» Oct. 6-6, Nov. 3-5 • Nov. 19-25, Dec. 24-25

TOWNSEND WMA—TALLULAH GORGE WMA

April 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

AREA NOTES
Archery only area is archery equipment for all species. Dog-deer hunters must check in at check station. Dog-deer hunting allowed in designated areas only. All dogs must be marked with the hunter’s name and phone number. All vehicles used in the dog-deer hunt must display DNR issued permit on vehicle dash. Hunting area will be closed to all users during dog-deer hunt except to hunters with a valid quota permit.

DIRECTIONS
North Tract from Ludowici Take HWY 57 East 4.2 miles; Turn right onto Old Barrington Rd; go 4.0 miles, kiosk is on the right at the junction of Middleton Lake Rd and Old Barrington Rd. South Tract from Darien Take HWY 251 West; in approx. 3 miles bear left onto Cox Hwy; follow Cox HWY through Cox for 8.5 miles; kiosk is on left. Pine Island Tract from Ludowici Take HWY 57 East 4.2 miles; Turn right onto Old Barrington Rd; go 0.75 miles; kiosk is on right at the junction of Pine Island Rd and Old Barrington Rd.

TUCKAHOE WMA

7,244 acres • 912.262.3173

DEER
State seasons.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

DIRECTIONS
From Ludowici Entrance to Townsend WMA - Buck Island Tract is located off HWY 301 approximately 4.75 miles west of Ludowici.

TALLULAH GORGE WMA

2,689 acres • 706.754.7981

DEER
ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 14
PRIMITIVE
» Buck Only: Oct. 15-21
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Oct. 22-Jan. 1

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

AREA NOTES
Mandatory daily sign in. No furbearer hunting at night on north side of gorge. No ATVs.

DIRECTIONS
From Tallulah Falls Take U.S. 441 north; turn right onto Jane Hurt Yarn Dr.; go ¼ mile past campground, follow WMA signs.

WARWOMAN WMA

15,800 acres • 770.535.5700

DEER
ARCHERY
» Buck Only: Sept. 10-23
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Nov. 10-13, Dec. 1-4

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31.

AREA NOTES
No unleased dogs except for bird dog training and dove hunting purposes. Shotguns Only for hunting small game.

DIRECTIONS
From I-20 At Exit 101, take HWY 278 north 1.7 miles. Area is on left across from Wildlife Resources Headquarters adjacent to the Wildlife Resources Conservation Center. Additional parking on Willow Springs Church Rd.

WEST POINT WMA—DIXIE CREEK AREA

711 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No camping.

DIRECTIONS
From Lagrange Take GA HWY 219 north 0.5 miles past Chattahoochee River Bridge; turn right on Old Whitley Rd. Follow signs to check station and kiosk.

WEST POINT WMA—GLOVERS CREEK AREA

337 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No gasoline engines allowed on waterfowl ponds. No fishing in managed waterfowl impoundments. No fishing from bridges.

DIRECTIONS
From Lagrange Take GA HWY 219 north 4.8 miles. Go left on Cameron Mill Rd., and area is 0.6 miles on the left.

WEST POINT WMA—SPESSARTINE GORGE WMA

24,924 acres • 912.262.3173

DEER
ARCHERY
» Buck Only: Sept. 10-Oct. 7
FIREARMS
» Buck Only: Nov. 17-20, Dec. 8-11 • Dec. 26-Jan. 1

TURKEY
Apr. 8-May 15

COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

AREA NOTES

DIRECTIONS
From Clayton Take Hwy 90 East to west of Lake Talvesta Rd; go 0.5 miles to 1st bridge; go 0.3 miles farther to 2nd bridge. Area is located on right.

TURKEY
Oct. 1-21, 28-31

COYOTE
May 16-31. Feral hogs may be hunted with dogs. Dogs must be marked with hunter’s name and a valid phone number; no night hunting; hogs must be killed immediately upon capture.

AREA NOTES
Camping in designated sites only.

DIRECTIONS
From Sylvania Take E. Ogeechee 2.2 miles to jct. of Buck Creek and Brannen’s Bridge Rd., take Brannen’s Bridge Rd. 3.4 miles to jct. of GA HWY 24, continue on Brannen’s Bridge Rd. 5.2 miles to check station on left.

WALTON WMA

200 acres • 770.535.5700

DEER
State seasons; archery only.

SMALL GAME
Oct. 1-Feb. 28

DOVE
Q80 • Sept. 3

BIRD DOG TRAINING
Oct. 1-Jul. 15

COYOTE
May 16-31, Archery and shotgun only.

AREA NOTES
No unleased dogs except for bird dog training and dove hunting purposes. Shotguns Only for hunting small game.

DIRECTIONS
From I-20 At Exit 101, take HWY 278 north 1.7 miles. Area is on left across from Wildlife Resources Headquarters adjacent to the Wildlife Resources Conservation Center. Additional parking on Willow Springs Church Rd.

DIRECTIONS
From Sylvania Take E. Ogeechee 2.2 miles to jct. of Buck Creek and Brannen’s Bridge Rd., take Brannen’s Bridge Rd. 3.4 miles to jct. of GA HWY 24, continue on Brannen’s Bridge Rd. 5.2 miles to check station on left.

Firearms
» Oct. 14-16
» Antlerless Last Day: Oct. 6-8, Dec. 1-3

Turkey
Q80 • Apr. 8-14
Apr. 15-May 15

BIRD DOG TRAINING
Aug. 15-Mar. 19 except during deer hunts.

DOVE

WATERFOWL
Shooting hours end at noon. Daniels Pond and Pond 1 are only open for Youth Waterfowl Days & Saturdays only during small game dates concurrent with state season. The rest of the WMA is open during small game dates concurrent with state season.

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No gasoline engines allowed on waterfowl ponds. No fishing in managed waterfowl impoundments. No fishing from bridges.

DIRECTIONS
From Lagrange Take GA HWY 219 north 0.5 miles past Chattahoochee River Bridge; turn right on Old Whitley Rd. Follow signs to check station and kiosk.

WEST POINT WMA—DIXIE CREEK AREA

711 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14
Apr. 15-May 15

BIRD DOG TRAINING
Aug. 15-Mar. 15

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No camping.

DIRECTIONS
From Lagrange Take GA HWY 219 north 4.8 miles. Go left on Cameron Mill Rd., and area is 0.6 miles on the left.

WEST POINT WMA—GLOVERS CREEK AREA

337 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal.

TURKEY
Apr. 8-14

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No gasoline engines allowed on waterfowl ponds. No fishing in managed waterfowl impoundments. No fishing from bridges.

DIRECTIONS
From Lagrange Take HWY 219 north 0.5 miles past Chattahoochee River Bridge; turn right on Old Whitley Rd. Follow signs to check station and kiosk.
### Wilson Shoals WMA
- **2,800 acres** • 770.535.5700

#### Deer & Bear
- **Archery**
  - Sept. 10-Oct. 28
- **Primitive**
  - Dec. 17-25
- **Firearms**
  - Either-Sex Last Day: Oct. 29-Nov. 13

#### Turkey
- Q15 Apr. 8-14
  - Apr. 15-May 15
  - Q15 Sept. 3

#### Coyote
- May 16-31

#### Directions
From Gainesville Take HWY 365 north 11 miles; turn right on Mud Creed Rd.; go 1 mile, turn left; go 0.1 mile, turn right on Yonah Rd.; go 2.1 miles, area on left.

### Yuchi WMA
- **7,800 acres** • 706.595.4222

#### Deer
- **Archery**
  - Sept. 10-Oct. 14
- **Primitive**
  - Oct. 15-19
- **Firearms**

#### Turkey
- Apr. 8-May 15

#### Small Game
- Q Aug. 15-Feb. 28

#### Dove
- Q Sept. 3-Sept. 9, Nov. 19-27, Dec. 19-Jan. 31

#### Coyote
- May 16-31

#### Directions
From Waynesboro Take HWY 80 east 8 miles to Shell Bluff Community; turn right on HWY 23; travel 7 miles south; turn left on Ebenezer Church Rd.; go 1 mile to Check Station on right.

### Zahnd WMA
- **1,400 acres** • 706.295.6041

#### Deer & Bear
- **Sept. 10-Jan. 1; archery only.**

#### Turkey
- Apr. 8-May 15

#### Coyote
- May 16-31

#### Area Notes
- No ATVs.

#### Directions
From Cloudland Take HWY 157 north 8.2 miles; turn right on Dougherty Gap Rd. and go 3.5 miles; Dougherty Gap Rd. becomes West Cove Rd.; Continue straight for 3.5 miles; Turn left on S. Cedar Lane to end of road.

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**Legend**

- **Sign-in** required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.
- **Bonus Deer Hunt** (see pg. 42)
- **Youth Hunt** (see pg. 20)
- **Quota Hunt** (see pg. 74)
- **Archery Only Area**
- **Specialty Hunt** (see pg. 72)
- **Hunt & Learn**
- **Quality Buck**
- **Mobility-Impaired Hunt** (see pg. 73)
- **Bird Dog Training**
- **Furbearer Dog Training**
- **Rabbit Dog Training**
- **Archery Range**
- **Firearms Shooting Range**

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**Game Check Compliance**

- **Lowest:** 71% (2019)
- **Highest:** 80% (2021)
- **Grade:** “C”

Georgia hunters can do better. Earn an “A” in 2022—report your harvest to Game Check.
**STATE PARK HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES**

State laws and regulations and WMA Rules (pages 40-43) apply, except as otherwise specified. Hunting opportunities are limited to only those species and dates specified for each State Park property.

**Balls Ferry State Park**

- **4,500 acres • 706.878.3087**
- **Deer**
  - **Archery:** Buck Only: Sept. 16-18
  - **Firearms:** Buck Only: Nov. 9-12
- **Turkey**
  - **Q250** Apr. 16-14, Apr. 28-30, May 12-14

**State Park Hunting Opportunities**

**Archery**

- Hunting by reservation only. Maximum 10 furbearing hunters/25 small game hunters per hunt period. Reservations must be made beginning Nov. 1 by calling (706) 878-3087.

**Directions**

- From Toomsboro, take Hwy 57 east, travel 1.2 miles, follow signs.
- Go 1.5 mi to park entrance.

**Turkey**

- **Q250** Apr. 16-14, Apr. 28-30, May 12-14
- **Small Game** Hunting by reservation only. Maximum 10 furbearing hunters/25 small game hunters per hunt period. Reservations must be made beginning Nov. 1 by calling (706) 878-3087.

**DIRECTIONS**

- From Helen: Take Hwy 75 north to Robertstown, turn left on Alt. GA 75; go 2.2 miles, turn left into Smithgall Woods at Stone Pillars; follow signs to check station.

**Firearms**

- Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered
- **Q250** Nov. 2-3

**Area Notes**

- Main gate on Tsalaki Trail opens at 5:00AM for all hunts. All hunts are restricted to the area east of Alt 75 (75A).

**Directions**

- From Helen, take Hwy 75 north to Smithgall Woods; turn left at (706) 663-4858. All park access is closed to the public during the hunt. No ATVs.

**F.D. Roosevelt State Park**

- **9,049 acres • 706.663.4858**
- **Deer**
  - **Bag limit:** 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Firearms:** Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Q250** Nov. 29-30, Jan. 3-4

**Directions**

- From Pine Mountain: Take Hwy 27 South. 1.0 mile to Hwy; 354; turn left, go 2.5 miles to Hwy 190; turn right; follow signs.

**FORT YARGO STATE PARK**

- **1,816 acres • 770.867.3489**
- **Deer**
  - **Bag limit:** 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Firearms:** Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Q25** Nov. 29-30

**Directions**

- From Welcome Rd. turn left on Spanish Moss Dr. go 1.5 mi to park entrance.

**Turkey**

- **Q250** Apr. 14-16, Apr. 28-30, May 12-14

**State Park Regulations**

- Hunting by special permit only. Interested hunters selected for Zone 5 must call (229) 868-7474 no later than close of business on July 31 to apply. Selected hunters will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. Hunting is permitted Sun.-Thurs. during the state season only between 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.

**Directions**

- From Atlanta: Take I-20 to Exit 71; turn right on Panola Rd; go 3.6 mi to Snapfinger Rd/ GA Hwy 155; go left; go 1.5 mi to park entrance on left.

**Alligator**

- Hunting by special permit only. Interested hunters selected for Zone 5 must call (229) 868-7474 no later than close of business on July 31 to apply. Selected hunters will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. Hunting is permitted Sun.-Thurs. during the state season only between 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.

**Directions**

- From Thomson I-20: Take Exit 39, turn right on HWY 37, follow signs.

**Red Top Mountain State Park**

- **485,000 acres • 706.686.3751**
- **Deer**
  - **Bag limit:** 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Firearms:** Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered

**Directions**

- From Atlanta: Take I-75 North to Acworth exit 285, turn right on Red Top Mountain Rd, follow signs.

**Turkey**

- **Q250** Nov. 9-9. NOTE: Archery option for up to 4 hunters.

**Alligator**

- Hunting by special permit only; open only to hunters selected for alligator zone #4 who apply and are selected for the park hunt. Interested hunters must call 229-896-3551 no later than close of business on July 31 to apply. Selected hunters will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. Hunting is permitted Sun.-Thurs. during the state season only between 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.

**Directions**

- From Thomson I-20: Take Travel East 3.0 miles to Exit 175, Hwy 190; turn left; go 7.9 miles to Mistletoe Rd; turn left; go 3.0 miles to park entrance.

**Panola Mountain State Park**

- **1,635 acres • 706.565.4000**
- **Deer**
  - **Bag limit:** 5, no more than 2 antlered
  - **Firearms:** Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered

**Directions**

- From Tifton: Take I-75 South to Adel exit 39, turn right on HWY 37, follow signs.
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<td>RICHARD B. RUSSELL STATE PARK</td>
<td>2,508</td>
<td>706.213.2045</td>
<td><strong>DEER</strong> FIREARMS: Bag limit: 5, no more than 2 antlered**</td>
<td><strong>TURKEY</strong> Archery Only: Apr. 8-14, 15-21</td>
<td><strong>COYOTE</strong> No May 16-31 hog &amp; coyote season.</td>
<td>Hunters must attend pre-hunt meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Dec. 5. Hunt participants will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. Cabins and campsites (hunters only) may be reserved through the park office at (706) 213-2045. All park access is closed to the public during the hunt. No small game or May 16-31 coyote season. No ATVs. Wheelchair hunters must apply by letter by Oct. 15 to: Wheelchair Hunt RBR State Park, 2650 Russell State Park Drive, Elberton, GA 30635.</td>
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<td>STANDING BOY CREEK RECREATION AREA</td>
<td>1,580</td>
<td>229.430.4254</td>
<td><strong>DEER &amp; SMALL GAME</strong> State seasons. Archery only for deer.</td>
<td><strong>COYOTE</strong> Archery Only: Apr. 22-28</td>
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<td>Hunters must attend pre-hunt meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Dec. 5. Hunt participants will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. All park access is closed to the public during the hunt. No small game or May 16-31 coyote season. No ATVs.</td>
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<td>TUGALOO STATE PARK</td>
<td>393</td>
<td>706.356.4362</td>
<td><strong>DEER</strong> Bag limit: no more than 2 antlered, unlimited antlerless</td>
<td><strong>TURKEY</strong> Archery Only Area: Nov. 29-30</td>
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<td>Hunters must attend a pre-hunt meeting at 7:00 PM on Nov. 28. Hunt participants will be charged a $30 nonrefundable, nontransferable hunt fee and a $5 Park Pass is required. All park access is closed to the public during the hunt. No small game or May 16-31 coyote season. No ATVs.</td>
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**LEGEND**

Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

- Sign-in
- Bonus Deer hunt (see pg. 42)
- Youth Hunt (see pg. 20)
- Quota Hunt (see pg. 74)
- Archery Only Area
- Specialty Hunt (see pg. 72)
- Hunt & Learn
- Quality Buck
- Mobility-Impaired Hunt (see pg. 73)
- Bird Dog Training
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**2022-2023 GEORGIA HUNTING SEASONS & REGULATIONS**

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VOLUNTARY PUBLIC ACCESS (VPA) LANDS

Since 2014, through a USDA grant, the DNR Wildlife Resources Division (WRD) has been able to enhance its public land hunting program through temporary agreements with private landowners to provide public hunting opportunities. Some of these VPA opportunities are listed below, but some may not be included due to deadlines. For an up-to-date list of properties, please visit GoHuntGeorgia.com. State laws and regulations and WMA Rules (pages 40-43) apply. Hunting opportunities are limited to those species and dates specified for each VPA property.

APPLING COUNTY DOVE FIELD VPA
123 acres • 229.426.5267
Dove
Sept. 3, Sept. 10, 17
Area Notes
See Hunting Structures, page 42.
Directions
From Alamo: Take US 1 north to Pat Lewis Rd. on right (1st road on right after crossing over the Appling County line from Bacon County). Go 1 mile to dove fields. From Baxley: Take US 1 south for 9 miles; turn left on Pat Lewis Rd. Go 1 mile to dove fields.

CAMP THUNDER VPA
Archery Only Area
1,527 acres • 706.595.4222
Deer & Small Game
State seasons.
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Coyote
May 16-31
Area Notes
No firearms hunting allowed. No ATVs. No camping.
Directions
From Thomaston take Hwy 74 west approximately 12 miles and go left on Thundering Springs Rd, in approximately 2.4 miles the sign-in kiosk will be on the right.

CARDINAL VPA
161 acres • 912.262.3173
Deer & Small Game
State season. Archery only for deer.
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Directions
From Adel take Hwy. 76 west for 1.47 miles, turn left onto 10th Rd, and right onto Washington Post/airport Rd. Kiosk is 0.6 miles ahead on right. WMA is on both sides of the dirt road.

CEDAR GROVE VPA
294 acres • 229.426.5267
Deer & Small Game
State seasons. Archery only for deer. No furbearer hunting.
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Directions
From Dublin take Hwy 441 South approx. 17 miles, continue straight after intersection with Hwy 46 for 0.5 miles, turn right on Clarence Chappell Road. Take dirt road approximately 0.5 miles and property entrances are on the right.

CHARLES B. HENSEN VPA
750 acres • 706.265.6041
Deer & Bear
Sept. 10-Jan. 8
Turkey
Q16 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 29-May 7
Directions
From Waynesboro: Take GA Hwy 56 North 11.5 miles and turn right onto Collins Rd; travel 0.4 miles and VPA entrance is on the right. From Augusta: Take I-520 (Bobby Jones Expressway) to Exit 9 for GA Hwy 56 South/Mike Padgett Hwy; turn right onto GA Hwy 56 South and travel 13.3 miles; turn left onto Collins Rd; travel 0.8 miles and VPA entrance is on the right.

DUPONT TRACT VPA
349 acres • 912.262.3173
Deer
Sept. 10-Oct. 28, Nov. 14-Jan. 8
Firearms
Oct. 29-Nov. 13
Bear
Archery Sept. 15-17, 22-24, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, Oct. 6-8
Directions
From Dupont Take Hwy. 84 east for 1.8 miles, turn left on Harvest Time Church Rd. and the kiosk is 0.25 miles ahead.

LOLA TRACT VPA
391 acres • 912.262.3173
Deer
Archery Sept. 10-Oct. 28, Nov. 14-Jan. 8
Firearms
Oct. 29-Nov. 13
Bear
Archery Sept. 15-17, 22-24, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 6-8
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Small Game
State seasons.
Directions
From Stockton Take Hwy. 84 west for 1.4 miles. WMA kiosk is on the right. WMA is on both sides of the river.

LOXLEY TRACT VPA
2,492 acres • 229.426.5267
Deer
Only bucks with at least 4 points (1-inch or longer) on either antler or a minimum 15-inch outside antler spread are legal
Small Game
State seasons. No fox squirrel hunting. Waterfowl shooting hours end at noon.
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Directions
From Dublin take Hwy 441 South approx. 17 miles; turn left on Mt. Zion Road approx. 6 miles to dove fields.

LONDON FARMS VPA
111 acres • 770.535.5700
Dove
Q30 Sept. 3, Sept. 10
Area Notes
No ATVs. No camping.
Directions
From Dublin, take Hwy 441 south of I-16 for 2.6 miles to Scotland Road on the left. Proceed down Scotland Road approx. 6 miles and turn left on Anderson Road. Go 0.6 mile, take left on Fountain Drive and go another 0.5 mile to Rozier Lane on the left. Take Rozier Lane to end of road and follow roads around old homestead to property.

LUTHER VPA
356 acres • 706.595.4222
Small Game
Rabbit: Wed. & Sat. during state season
Bird & Dog Training
Sun.-Tues. & Thur.-Fri. year round
Area Notes
No ATVs. No camping.
Directions
Take Rozier Lane to end of road and follow roads around old homestead to property.

MCENTIRE ROAD VPA
95 acres • 706.295.6041
Dove
Sept. 3, 10, 17, Sept. 24-Oct. 2
Area Notes
No ATVs.
Directions
From Calhoun, take Hwy 225 NE to Hwy 136. Turn right (east) on Hwy 136 (Nickiesville Rd). Go 5 miles and turn left (North) on Davis Rd (which turns into McEntire Rd when entering Murray Co). Kiosk is 0.7 miles on right.

PLEASANT VALLEY VPA
934 acres • 706.295.6041
Deer
Other-Sex & Bear
Archery Sept. 10-Oct. 14
Firearms Q4 & Oct. 15-21, 22-28, Oct. 29-Nov. 4, 5-11
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Water/Small Game
Saturdays Only during season.
Water
Aug. 15-Sept. 9, Feb. 1-28
Coyote
May 16-31.
Area Notes
No ATVs.
Directions
From Adairsville, take Adairsville-Pleasant Valley Rd East out of town crossing under I-75. Turn right on East Pleasant Valley Rd. If going to East side sign-in kiosk, continue 0.4 miles and kiosk will be on right. If going to west side sign-in, go 0.25 miles and turn right onto Pleasant Valley Rd. Cross over I-75 and then go 0.25 miles and kiosk will be on left.

SCOTLAND ROAD VPA
190 acres • 229.426.5267
Deer & Small Game
State seasons. Archery only for deer. No furbearer hunting.
Turkey
Apr. 8-May 15
Directions
From Dublin, take Hwy 441 south of I-16 for 2.6 miles to Scotland Road on the left. Proceed down Scotland Road approx. 6 miles and turn left on Anderson Road. Go 0.6 mile, take left on Fountain Drive and go another 0.5 mile to Rozier Lane on the left. Take Rozier Lane to end of road and follow roads around old homestead to property.
VPA REGULATIONS

DIRECTIONS
From Cedartown: Take U.S. Highway 27 south to Felton. In Felton, turn left onto Felton Rockmart Road. Go 0.9 miles and turn right onto Rainey Lake Road. The VPA property begins 0.7 miles down Rainey Lake Road.

TREAT MOUNTAIN VPA
5,087 acres • 706.295.6041

DEER & BEAR
Deer & bear harvested during quota hunts must be checked out at J. Lester WMA.

ARCHERY
» Sept. 10-Oct. 6, Oct. 10-Nov. 24, Nov. 28-Jan. 5

FIREARMS
» Q200 Oct. 7-9, Nov. 25-27, Jan. 6-8

TURKEY
Q10 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 22-30, May 1-15

SMALL GAME
State seasons except during quota hunts.

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No ATVs. Hunter sign-in available at J. L. Lester WMA.

LEGEND
Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

DIRECTIONS
From Cedartown: Take U.S. Highway 27 south to Felton. In Felton, turn left onto Felton Rockmart Road. Go 0.9 miles and turn right onto Rainey Lake Road. The VPA property begins 0.7 miles down Rainey Lake Road.

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FIREARMS
» Q200 Oct. 7-9, Nov. 25-27, Jan. 6-8

TURKEY
Q10 Apr. 8-16, Apr. 22-30, May 1-15

SMALL GAME
State seasons except during quota hunts.

COYOTE
May 16-31

AREA NOTES
No ATVs. Hunter sign-in available at J. L. Lester WMA.

LEGEND
Sign-in required for all bear, deer, and turkey hunts unless otherwise noted for a specific area.

Unlike private property roads, WMA roads are subject to high levels of vehicle traffic. Frequent vehicle traffic requires diligent road maintenance. Each year staff expend significant resources, money, and time, maintaining WMA roads. The summer months are the best time to perform this work because WMA activity diminished as people pursue summer-time recreational activities. Last fiscal year, staff completed major repairs on approximately 500 miles of WMA roads and maintenance activities on an additional 1400 miles. This is equivalent to over 6 trips across the state from the Mountains to the Sea.
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GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Law Enforcement Division
All deer hunts or seasons are either-sex unless otherwise noted in the area listing.

- **BANKS LAKE NWR**
  - 912.496.7836
  - **ALLIGATOR**
    - Aug. 28-29
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - No commercial activities allowed. Open only to quota selected hunters in Alligator Hunt Zone 4. Visit www.fws.gov/refuge/banks-lake for more information.

- **BLACKBEARD ISLAND NWR**
  - 478.986.5441
  - **DEER**
    - Archery: Sept. 10 - Nov. 6
    - FIREARMS: Oct. 1, 15 - Dec. 31
  - **SMALL GAME**
    - Squirrel: Aug. 1 - Sept. 8
    - Rabbit: Sept. 9 - Oct. 1
    - Quail: Oct. 2 - Dec. 3
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Refuge fees must be prepaid ($20 per party/vehicle). All hunters must set up an account and acquire a permits at https://ftsgordon.isportsman.net. Hunting opportunity may vary by area. For more information visit https://www.ftsgordon.isportsman.net.

- **BOND SWAMP NWR**
  - 478.986.5441
  - **DEER**
    - Archery: Sept. 10, 15, 2013
    - FIREARMS: Oct. 1, 15 - Dec. 31
  - **SMALL GAME**
    - Rabbit: Sept. 10 - Oct. 1, Oct. 2 - Dec. 31
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Refuge permits are required for all hunts. Quota deer and waterfowl application deadline is September 21, 2022. Quota turkey application deadline is February 15, 2023. Sign-in required for youth deer hunt. Contact the Piedmont Refuge office to obtain applications, permits and refuge specific hunting regulations. Hunters are required to sign out harvested game at refuge check stations. Feral hogs may only be taken during refuges big game and small game hunts with applicable weapons restrictions. No May 16-31 coyote season. Baiting is prohibited. For more information call 478-986-5441 or email piedmont@fws.gov. Please check the refuge webpage or call the refuge office for updates.

- **CHATTahoochee National Forest (outside of WMAs)**
  - 770.297.3000
  - Hunting bears with dogs is prohibited on the Chattahoochee National Forest lands outside of designated WMAs.

- **DEER WEST OF 75/LEBANON**
  - FIREARMS: Oct. 1-15
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Buck only (except during county either-sex days): Oct. 22-Jan. 1

- **EUFAULA NWR**
  - 334.687.4065
  - **DEER**
    - FIREARMS: Oct. 1-15
  - **SMALL GAME**
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Closed to all quota hunting. Application due Date: Sept. 15 for all quota hunts. User fees must be prepaid ($20 per party/vehicle). Eligible ages for youth hunts are 10-15 years. A waterfowl permit holder may bring up to 2 guests (no more than 3 individuals/blind). All hunters must set up an account and acquire a permits at https://ftsgordon.isportsman.net. For more information go to https://www.ftsgordon.isportsman.net.

- **FORT STEWART & HUNTER ARMY AIRFIELD**
  - 912.767.9040
  - **ALLIGATOR**
    - Aug. 19-Oct. 3
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Hunting opportunity may vary by area. For more information contact the Corps resource manager's office at the appropriate lake project for hunting areas: Hartwell 1-888-693-0678; J. Strom Thurmond/Clarks Hill 912.882.4336 x529

- **HARRIS NECK NWR**
  - 478.986.5441
  - **DEER**
    - FIREARMS: Oct. 1-15
  - **SMALL GAME**
  - **AREA NOTES**
    - Hunting opportunity may vary by area. For more information contact the Corps resource manager's office at the appropriate lake project for hunting areas: Hartwell 1-888-693-0678; J. Strom Thurmond/Clarks Hill 912.882.4336 x529
LAKE SEMINOLE/W.F. GEORGE LAKE/G.W. ANDREWS LAKE/ WEST POINT LAKE/ALLATOONA LAKE/CARTERS LAKE (USACE)

Hunting opportunity may vary by area so please contact the appropriate COE office as provided herein. Some COE properties require a special permit for species-specific hunting; please call or check online well before the season opens as some permits can only be obtained onsite or by US mail. Contact the Corps resource manager’s office at the appropriate lake project for hunting areas: Allatoona 678-721-6700; Walter F. George 229-768-2516; Seminole 229-662-2001; Carters 706-334-2640; West Point 706-645-2937 OR visit the website http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Recreation/Hunting.aspx.

LAKE SIDNEY LANIER (USACE)

DEER

ARCHERY

Buford Dam Unit — Nov. 15-17 (pre-hunt meeting Nov. 14)
Islands Unit — Nov. 11-14, Nov. 25-28, Dec. 9-12

PRIMITIVE

Either sex: Sept. 10-Jan. 1

FIREARMS

Buck Only: Oct. 15-21

TURKEY

Bag Limit: 1 gobbler
Apr. 8-May 15

SMALL GAME

State seasons

AREANOTES

On all National Forest lands, discharging a firearm or any other implement capable of taking human life, causing injury, or damaging property, is prohibited: within 150 yards of a residence, building, campsite, developed recreation site, or occupied area; across or on a National Forest Service road or across a water body; or, into or within a cave. No dog training Mar. 20-July 31 and Sept. 10-Jan. 1. Pursuit of bears with dogs is prohibited. Hogs may be taken only during daylight hours consistent with regulations above. Coyotes may be taken during hunts; weapons are restricted to legal firearms and archery equipment for the game species specified for a particular hunt as indicated heretofore; electronic calls may be used; night hunting is prohibited. Placing, leaving, or depositing any food, bait or refuse in a manner likely to attract or concentrate any wildlife, whether for purposes of hunting or viewing animals, is prohibited. For public health and safety, the transportation of a loaded long gun or cocked crossbow in a motor vehicle is prohibited. NOTE: A firearm is considered “loaded” if a round of ammunition is in the chamber or magazine, a percussion cap is on the nipple, or powder is present in the frizzen pan. A “Long gun” is a firearm with an extended barrel, usually designed to be fired braced against the shoulder. It shall include all rifles, shotguns, carbines, muzzle-loaders, and/or other such weapons.

For public health and safety, the possession of an alcoholic beverage as defined by state law, while hunting, is prohibited.

OKEFENOKEE - COWHOUSE UNIT

DEER

ARCHERY

Either sex: Sept. 28-Oct. 1 Oct. 6-8

FIREARMS

Buck Only: Oct. 15-16, 22-25

TURKEY

Apr. 8-May 15

SMALL GAME

Squirrel Only: Aug. 15-Nov. 11
Quail/Rabbit/Squirrel Only: Nov. 12-Nov. 18, Nov. 20-Dec. 2, Dec. 4-Feb. 28

AREANOTES

Bears and alligators may not be taken. Foot travel only on ONWR portion of Cowhouse Island. No dogs allowed except pointing dogs for hunting quail. Sign-in at Dixon Memorial WMA.

The most up-to-date hunting regulations online.

eRegulations.com
www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee for more information. Feral hogs may be taken May 16-31, no dogs allowed. No coyote hunting.

**OKEFENOKEE - POCKET UNIT**
912.496.7836

**DEER**
ARCHERY
※ Sept. 10-Nov. 6

**AREA NOTES**

**OKEFENOKEE NWR - SUWANNEE CANAL UNIT**
912.496.7836

**DEER**
ARCHERY
※ Sept. 10-Oct. 2

**PRIMITIVE**
※ Q250 ② Oct. 27-29

**FIREARMS**
※ Q250 & Q50 ② Oct. 14-15
※ Q1250 ② Nov. 3-5, 10-12

**TURKEY**
Bag Limit: 1 gobbler
Q300 Apr. 11-15, 25-29, May 9-13

**SMALL GAME**
**Squirrel:** Limit 1 fox squirrel/day Aug. 15-Sept. 9, Oct. 16-17, 23-24, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28

**Raccoon & Opossum:** Dec. 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28

**ARENA NOTES**
Quota applications accepted Aug. 15-Sept. 15 at http://www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee. Youth are those 16 and under and supervised by an adult 21 or older. Hunter Education is required for youth hunters. Shooting hours close at noon; Shotguns and muzzleloaders only; hunters are charged a $15.00 permit fee; check-out required; hunters are not required to tag deer prior to check out — special NWR tags provided for two harvested deer; hunt area zoned: Chesser Island zone is for wheelchair or youth hunters only. No dogs allowed. Feral hogs may be taken: no limit. Visit www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee for more information. No May 16-31 coyote season, no coyote hunting.

**PIEDMONT NWR**
478.986.5441

**NOTE:** Includes Hitchiti Experimental Forest

**DEER**
ARCHERY
※ Sept. 10-Oct. 2

**PRIMITIVE**
※ Q250 ② Oct. 27-29

**FIREARMS**
※ Q250 & Q50 ② Oct. 14-15
※ Q1250 ② Nov. 3-5, 10-12

**TURKEY**
Bag Limit: 1 gobbler
Q300 Apr. 11-15, 25-29, May 9-13

**SMALL GAME**
**Raccoon & Opossum:** Dec. 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, Dec. 30-31, Jan. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28

**ARENA NOTES**
Refuge permits are required for all hunts. Applications for quota deer hunts must be received by August 31. Quota turkey hunts applications must be received by February 22. Permit fee required for all quota hunts. The Hitchiti Experimental Forest is open for hunting only during refuge hunting seasons with a valid Piedmont Refuge hunting permit and in accordance with refuge regulations. Baiting is prohibited. No May 16-31 coyote season. Contact the refuge office to obtain applications, permits and refuge specific hunting regulations (478-986-5441) or email piedmont@fws.gov.

**SAVANNAH NWR**
843.784.2468

All hunters 16 years of age or older must purchase a $25 Savannah Coastal Refuges Complex Annual Hunt Permit at savannahcoastal.recaccess.com. Visit www.fws.gov/refuge/savannah for seasons, dates and more information.

**WASSAW NWR**
843.784.2468

All hunters 16 years of age or older must purchase a $25 Savannah Coastal Refuges Complex Annual Hunt Permit at savannahcoastal.recaccess.com. Visit www.fws.gov/refuge/wassaw for seasons, dates and more information.
TRAINING DOGS ON WMAS
& NATIONAL FORESTS

Unless otherwise specified, training dogs for the purpose to pursue any small game or furbearer on a WMA is allowed when a WMA has an open season for small game.

Except for bears and hogs (dates provided under Training Dogs on Chattahoochee National Forest), the training season for dogs on the Chattahoochee National Forest is Aug. 15-May 31, and the training season for dogs on the Oconee National Forest is Aug. 1-Sept. 8, Jan. 2-Mar. 19.

All dogs must be confined or kept on a leash except when hunting or training during designated seasons or on designated areas. Hunters must remove their dogs upon departure. Review specific area listing for seasons and restrictions.

Restrictions:
• It is unlawful to run deer with dogs unless otherwise specified (see Dixon Memorial, Paulks Pasture, Sansavilla, and Townsend WMAs). Hunters whose dogs are found chasing deer may be appropriately charged.
• Hunters are allowed to hunt raccoons with trail dogs only.
• Trail dogs for rabbits are limited to beagles, basset hounds and dachshunds.

BIRD DOG TRAINING ON WMAS

Some WMAs allow bird dog training year round during daylight hours (see list to right) except as otherwise noted in the area specific listing. All participants must have a hunting license.

• Pigeons and pen-raised quail may be used for the training of pointing, flushing and retrieving dogs in designated areas only.

• Dog trainer must maintain proof of purchase for pen-raised quail used in training.
• Shotguns may be used to harvest released birds during training with No. 6 or smaller shot only.

FURBEARER DOG TRAINING ON WMAS

Some WMAs allow furbearer dog training Aug. 1-14 and Mar. 1-19 (see list to right) except as otherwise noted in the area specific listing.

TRAINING BEAR & HOG DOGS ON
CHATTahooCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

The pursuit of bears and hogs for the purpose of training dogs: Aug. 1 - Sept. 8 and Jan. 2 - Mar. 19 during legal daylight hours.

Requirements for all participants:
• Possess a valid Hunting license and Big Game license, and
• Sign-in once per season at: Rich Mountain WMA, Swallow Creek WMA, or Warwoman WMA check station, and
• Possess a copy of check-in permit at all times when participating.

Requirements and restrictions for dogs:
• Each dog must be marked with hunter’s name, address and telephone number, and
• All dogs must be removed from area upon departure, and
• It is unlawful to allow dogs to pursue bears onto lands not authorized for such activity.

LOOK FOR THESE SYMBOLS IN
A SPECIFIC WMA LISTING:

Bird dog training allowed 🦃
Furbearer dog training allowed 🦌
Rabbit dog training allowed 🐰

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR PURSUING, CATCHING OR KILLING BEARS OR HOGS ON WMAS, UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE.

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SPECIALTY HUNTS

A Specialty Hunt is only for Youth (16 years and younger), Ladies, Disability License holders, Returning Georgia Veterans, Honorary License holders, and hunters over the age of 65. Hunts are sign-in unless otherwise noted.

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### WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT

Georgia, along with 48 other states, is a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact (WVC). This allows Wildlife Officers to treat non-residents hunting in WVC member states as if they were a resident of that state in regards to wildlife violations. All wildlife law violators will be held more responsible due to the fact that their illegal activities in one state can affect their hunting privileges in all WVC member states. For more information visit [gadnrle.org](http://gadnrle.org).

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QUOTA HUNT - A hunt that allows a predetermined number of hunters to participate. A quota is used to conserve the natural resources (wildlife and their habitats) and to provide a quality hunting experience. A list of Youth Quota Hunts is on page 20. A list of Mobility Impaired Quota Hunts is on page 73. A list of General Quota Hunts is on pages 75-76.

PRIORITY POINTS
An applicant is awarded one priority point if not selected for the quota hunt. Each person listed on a group application that is not selected is awarded a priority point. Priority points may be used on an application to increase the likelihood of selection. You may wager as many points as you have when applying for a quota hunt, not exceeding the lowest held by any group member. Only the number of points needed to win the hunt will be taken if you are selected. Visit the quota hunt webpage at GoHuntGeorgia.com to determine how many priority points may be required to get selected for your favorite hunt.

APPLICATION DEADLINES
The official application deadlines are 11:59 p.m. (EST) on the dates listed in the tables below. No applications are accepted after the deadline.

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NOTE: Youth may participate in general quota hunts provided that adult supervision restrictions are followed.

YOUTH HUNT QUOTA APPLICATIONS (see page 20 for a list of hunts)

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Adult = Seventeen years or older / Youth = Sixteen years old and younger

NOTE: ONLY the youth (or youth when group applications are allowed) may submit an application for any Youth Hunt. ONLY youth can hunt on Youth Big Game Quota hunts.
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* Hunt open only to youth and veteran applicants

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