MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER W8 3464

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on May 18, 2005, under authority of Section 25-43-3.103, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent and thirty days thereafter did adopt the following wildlife management area regulations for the 2005-06 hunting year. This was done under authority of Sections 49-1-29, 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W7 3464a is hereby amended, and the following 2005-06 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

2005 - 2006 Regulations for
Sardis Waterfowl Management Area

Lafayette County

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING, PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, DEER WEIGHT LIMIT, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Permit Hunt	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Permit Hunt	Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1	Feb. 28	See Area Manager for permit.

NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed, except hogs during the youth deer seasons.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR SARDIS WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA
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CLOSED AREA: Area is closed to access beyond the public viewing area EXCEPT during special youth hunts.

NO HUNTING ZONE: A zone around the WMA Headquarters and Sardis Lake will be marked with signs/flagging where hunting is not allowed.

BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits.

PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from a self-service permit station. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out before using the WMA. Part A of the permit must be deposited in the return box at a permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle so that the name, address, and date are visible from outside the vehicle. Permits are invalid if not properly dated or if date has been changed. Before leaving the WMA, visitors must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it in the return box at a permit station. It is the responsibility of the Area Manager and other Agency personnel to have permit cards completed.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with four or more antler points. For hunters less than 16 years of age, one of the three buck bag limit may be any antlered buck.

DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters before leaving the WMA.

DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Youth deer hunting is allowed by special permit only. To receive an application, send a self-addressed, stamped, letter size envelope to Sardis Waterfowl WMA Youth Deer Hunting Permit, MDWFP District 2 Office, Post Office Box 100, Enid, MS 38927. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Completed applications must be received by Sept. 15, 2005 to be eligible for drawing. Hunters who are selected will be notified by mail. Tags must be attached to deer immediately after harvest.

DEER WEIGHT LIMIT: All antlerless deer must weigh a minimum of 65 pounds live weight to be legal for harvest. The average live weight of an adult doe on this WMA is 100 pounds. Any harvested antlerless deer less than 65 pounds live weight is an illegal deer.

DOG RESTRICTIONS: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons (as defined by Public Notice 2280.002), and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: Off-road motorized vehicles/ATVs allowed only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. No loaded weapon may be in possession when retrieving harvested game.

HORSES: No horses allowed.

CAMPING: No camping allowed.

BEARS: Black bears may occur on this WMA. They are federally protected as a threatened subspecies. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 563-4531.

This adopted public notice will become effective July 31, 2005. Witness my hand and seal this the 30th day of June 2005.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
Noble Lee, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

I certify this to be a true and correct copy.

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Executive Director

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Notary

Notary Public State of Mississippi At Large
My Commission Expires: May 15, 2006
Bonded Thru Heiden, Brooks & Garland, Inc.

SHARON B. MILLER
NOTARY
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HINDS COUNTY, MS