

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
 DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER W13 3473

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in New Albany, Mississippi on April 2, 2008, 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 2008-09 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 W12 3473 is hereby amended, and the following 2008-09 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

**2008-2009 Regulations for
 Natchez State Park**

Adams County

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, ELIGIBLE HUNTERS, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Gun- Permit Only	Oct. 25 Nov. 1	Oct. 25 Nov. 1	Does and legal bucks.
Handicapped Gun - Permit Only	Nov. 8	Nov. 8	Does and legal bucks.
Archery - Permit Only	Oct. 8 Oct. 15 Oct. 21 Oct. 28 Nov. 4 Nov. 12	Oct. 11 Oct. 18 Oct. 24 Oct. 31 Nov. 7 Nov. 15	Does and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon - Permit Only	Nov. 25 Dec. 2 Dec. 9 Dec. 30 Jan. 6 Jan. 13	Nov. 29 Dec. 6 Dec. 13 Jan. 3 Jan. 10 Jan. 17	Does and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY - Permit Only	Apr. 4 Apr. 11 Apr. 18 Apr. 25	Apr. 4 Apr. 11 Apr. 18 Apr. 25	See YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in Special Instructions.

NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR NATCHEZ STATE PARK
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WMA USER PERMIT: All persons using this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license.

HUNTING AREA: See map.

BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits, EXCEPT: Turkey - one (1) legal gobbler per hunter.

PERMIT STATIONS: All hunters must check-in at the Park office and obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out and Part A of the permit must be deposited at the Park office before hunting. 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 Park, hunters must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it at the Park office.

DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be brought to the check station by the hunter who harvested them for biological data collection. If WMA personnel are not available to check the deer, the hunter is responsible for collecting and legibly recording ALL biological data. Instructions and equipment will be provided.

DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting is allowed by special permit only. Hunters may apply for permitted deer hunts on no more than 3 WMAs statewide during the 2008-09 season. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com, or to receive an application, send a self-addressed, stamped, letter size envelope to Natchez State Park Deer Hunting Permit, MDWFP District 5 Office, 304 South Second Street, Brookhaven, MS 39601. Specify the type application you are requesting – Archery, Primitive Weapon, Youth Gun, or Handicapped Gun. Completed applications must be received by Sep. 1, 2008 to be eligible for drawing. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Hunters who provide an e-mail address will be notified by e-mail if drawn. Hunters who are selected and do not provide an e-mail address will be notified by mail.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS:

Youth: Mississippi resident hunters under the age of sixteen (16).

Handicapped: Any hunter who is quadriplegic, paraplegic, or disabled, requiring mobility support from braces and/or crutches.

Primitive Weapons: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

Archery Hunts: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters less than 16 years of age, one of the three buck bag limit may be any antlered buck.

DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Youth turkey hunting is allowed by special permit only. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com, or to receive an application, send a self-addressed, stamped, letter size envelope to Natchez State Park Turkey Hunting Permits, MDWFP District 5 Office, 304 South Second Street, Brookhaven, MS 39601. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Completed applications must be received by February 15, 2009 to be eligible for drawing. Hunters who provide an e-mail address will be notified by e-mail if drawn. Hunters who are selected and do not provide an e-mail address will be notified by mail. Turkey hunting ends at 12:00 noon for each hunt.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Only archery equipment and shotguns with #2 shot or smaller may be used for youth turkey hunting.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: No ORVs/ATVs allowed.

HORSES: During deer and turkey hunts, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles.

CAMPING: Camping is allowed under State Park regulation.

BEARS: Black bears may occur on this Park. They are federally protected as a threatened subspecies. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings to the Park office.

This adopted public notice will become effective June 23, 2008. Witness my hand and seal this the 6th day of May 2008.

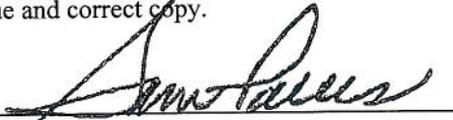
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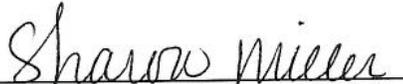
BY: 
John C Stanley IV, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

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

I certify this to be a true and correct copy.


Executive Director


Notary

