

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
POST OFFICE BOX 451
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE NUMBER W15 3517 (I)

TO: The Honorable Delbert Hosemann
Secretary of State
Post Office Box 136
Jackson, MS 39205
AND
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on April 18, 2012, under authority of Section 25-43-3.103, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following wildlife management area regulations. This was done under authority of Sections 49-5-13, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W14 3517 is hereby repealed, and the following wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

**Regulations for
Trim Cane Wildlife Management Area**

Oktibbeha County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER Handicapped and Youth by permit only	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31	See HANDICAPPED and YOUTH DEER HUNTING and LEGAL BUCKS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	Trapping prohibited during area rabbit hunts.
WATERFOWL Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT Permit Only	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	See BAG LIMIT and RABBIT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

Whenever the opening date set above falls on a Sunday, the season shall begin on the preceding Saturday.

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

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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 and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

BAG LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT:

Rabbit - a party limit of 8 rabbits per day.

PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from the 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 by recording the number of animals harvested 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.

WATERFOWL: All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts and the post season light goose conservation order, are draw hunts only. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

Waterfowl hunts will be held on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Youth hunters may apply for a special youth hunt (in addition to applying for the standard waterfowl hunt). Dates for the special youth hunt will be the same as the statewide special youth waterfowl hunt. Each permitted hunter will be allowed two hunting guests. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times. On the morning of area waterfowl hunts, non-permitted hunters may come to the WMA Headquarters and enter a random drawing at 5:00 am for any openings created by permitted hunters not showing up. Shooting hours are one half hour before sunrise until 12:00 noon. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1:00 pm. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

RABBIT: Rabbit hunting will be allowed by special permit only. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts. Selected hunters can bring 4 guests during each hunt.

HANDICAPPED and YOUTH DEER HUNTING: Handicapped and Youth hunting is by special permit only. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts. To be eligible, handicapped applicants must have a physical condition which makes them fully dependent on a wheelchair for mobility. Handicapped and Youth hunts will be held on Saturdays beginning at 1:00pm and all selected participants must check in and out at the headquarters.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

WILD HOGS: Wild hogs are classified as nuisance animals and hunters are encouraged to kill them at every

lawful opportunity. The opportunity to kill hogs on WMAs is provided only for population control purposes and not for sport. Wild hogs may be killed during daylight hours only during any open WMA hunting season with weapons and ammunition legal for that season. Trapping (including snaring) of hogs is prohibited. Moving or transporting live hogs is prohibited.

DOG RESTRICTIONS: Dogs are allowed for rabbit and waterfowl hunting only. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Handicapped and Youth deer hunt participants may use centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, or primitive weapons during any hunt date.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only.

HORSES: No horses allowed.

CAMPING: No camping allowed.

BEARS: Black bears may occur on this WMA. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

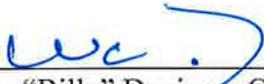
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April 18, 2012 Commission Meeting

Anyone wishing to comment on the above proposed action may do so in writing to the Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks, P. O. Box 451, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 18, 2012.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

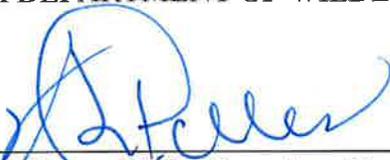
BY:



William "Billy" Deviney, Chairman

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BY:



Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

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HORSES: ~~Horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.~~No horses allowed.

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MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
Charles Rigdon William "Billy" Deviney, Chairman

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BY: _____
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