MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE NUMBER W15 3464

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 May 16, 2012, under authority of Section 25-43-3.103, Mississippi Code of 1972, adopted 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Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W14 3464 is hereby repealed, and the following wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

Regulations for
Sardis Waterfowl Wildlife Management Area

Lafayette County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		See DEER HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Permit Only	First three full weekends in Nov.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Special Youth Permit Only	Second full weekend in Dec.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY-Permit Only	First three full weekends in Apr.	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28	See Area Manager for permit.
YOUTH DOVE	Weekend days during 1st season.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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

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.

CLOSED AREA: Area is closed to access beyond the public viewing area EXCEPT during special youth hunts. Boating within the lake portion of the WMA is prohibited from Dec. 1- Feb. 28.

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

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 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.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are any antlered bucks.

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. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

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: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Youth turkey hunting is 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.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting.

DOVE HUNTING: Youth dove hunts will be held on a designated field, beginning at 1:00 pm. Adults may hunt only if they are supervising a youth dove hunter.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs allowed only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs 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.

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

W15 3464
May 16, 2012 Commission Meeting

This adopted public notice will become effective the 1 day of July, 2012. Witness my hand and seal this the 16th day of May, 2012.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
William "Billy" Deviney, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

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

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