MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
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Part 2: Wildlife

Part 2, Chapter 1: Wildlife Management Areas (WMA)

RULE 1.13 MALMAISON WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Malmaison Wildlife Management Area in Grenada, Carroll, and Leflore Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see LEGAL BUCKS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DOG RESTRICTIONS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Deer	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the following Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Antlerless deer only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – Dec. 23	Legal bucks by special permit and antlerless deer. See BUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Gun	Dec. 24 – until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 – Mar. 14	
TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 15 – Mar. 28	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TURKEY	Mar. 29 – May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 – 30	

SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	July 1 – Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPPOSUM, BOBCAT	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 – Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	

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

B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. 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.

2. BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits, except the bag limit on antlered buck deer is one (1) buck per day, not to exceed three (3) per year and on antlerless deer is one (1) per day, not to exceed three (3) per year.

3. 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. Daily visitor use permits must be turned in daily.

4. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA headquarters by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA. 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.

5. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 15 inches OR one main beam length of at least 18 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

6. BUCK HUNTING PERMITS: Buck hunting permits for Dec. 16 - 23 will be available to hunters who check in a 1½ year old or older doe between Oct. 1 & Dec. 15 at the WMA Headquarters. All permits are non-transferable.

7. 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.

8. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

9. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting Mar. 15 - 28 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.

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

11. WATERFOWL:

a. Waterfowl hunting closes at noon.

b. The Greentree Reservoir and the state-owned portion of the McIntyre Scatters:

i. Parking areas and boat ramps are closed 1½ hours after sunset until 2 p.m.

ii. Access to these areas is prohibited prior to 4a.m.

iii. Waterfowl hunters must be out by 1 p.m.

iv. Hunters are allowed no more than 25 shotshells per person.

v. No boats or waterfowl hunting gear are permitted on the area, except in camping areas or roadways, later than 30 minutes after sunset.

vi. Hunting equipment, including but not limited to boats and decoys, may not be left unattended.

vii. All boat access in the Greentree Reservoir is prohibited during the two weeks before the opening day of regular waterfowl season. During the regular waterfowl hunting season boat access in the Greentree Reservoir is allowed from 4 a.m. until 1 p.m. daily.

viii. The WMA boundary lines in the McIntyre Scatters have recently been re-marked. Lands adjacent to the WMA are privately-owned lands. Hunters are cautioned to stay on the WMA side of the posted boundary, and not trespass onto adjoining private lands. Crossing onto adjoining lands, to include floating past the marked boundary lines in a boat or other floating hunting blind or apparatus, may subject the hunter to criminal liability for trespass. Additionally, placement of stands, blinds or other hunting positions/apparatus on or near the boundary line, may place the hunter within shotgun range of hunters on adjacent private property. Therefore, hunters should set their hunting positions a safe distance from the line. Where practical, additional signs or markers will be placed near the boundary line and in close proximity to active hunting areas on the adjacent private lands, to make hunters aware of those active sites. Stands, blinds or other hunting positions should be placed so that the hunter does not shoot across any boundary line and onto or over adjacent private property. All rules of safety and proper hunting etiquette shall be observed at all times. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to charges for a violation of these WMA hunting regulations, and possible loss of hunting privileges on this WMA, as provided in 40 Miss. Admin. Code, Part 2, Rule 1.1.E.

12. NO WAKE ZONES: No boat shall exceed idle speed when motoring through these areas.

a. The state-owned portion of the McIntyre Scatters.

b. In the greentree reservoir, from the boat ramp down the main channel to a point extending 700 yards from the boat ramp.

13. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off-road use of ORVs/ATVs is allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

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15. CAMPING: Camping is allowed in designated areas only. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

16. 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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