MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
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Title 40: Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks

Part 2: Wildlife

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

Rule 1.1 BASIC REGULATIONS FOR ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS (WMAs).

A. Safety Precautions:

1. Target shooting is prohibited, except on designated ranges.

2. No hunting or shooting within 200 yards of any building.

3. No alcoholic beverages allowed. Persons intoxicated or careless with firearms shall be expelled from hunts immediately.

4. No shooting across WMA boundary lines. Unless they have been tampered-with, all WMA boundary lines are marked. Lands adjacent to any WMA may be private lands. Crossing onto adjacent private lands may subject the hunter to criminal liability for trespass. Stands, blinds, or other hunting positions should be placed so that the hunter does not shoot across any boundary line and onto adjacent private property. Hunters shall obey all markers and related signs on the WMA. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to charges for a violation of WMA hunting regulations and possible loss of hunting privileges on a WMA as provided in Paragraph E., below.

B. Hunter Orange: When hunting deer or hogs during any firearm season on deer on a WMA, including during special hunts, hunters must wear in full view a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange. When hunting quail or rabbit on a WMA, hunters must wear a hunter orange vest or cap. During any Youth Hunt for Deer, ALL deer hunters on the area must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange when hunting or walking to / from a stand / blind unless otherwise stated below. Hunters shall not be required to wear five hundred (500) square inches of solid unbroken hunter orange when: Hunting from a deer stand that is elevated twelve (12) feet or more above the ground; or hunting in a fully enclosed blind.

C. Firearms: Shoulder fired weapons must be cased while in a vehicle on a WMA, excluding ORVs/ATVs.

D. Legal Weapons: Unless otherwise stated in individual WMA regulations, the following are legal weapons for all WMAs.

1. Primitive Weapons: Primitive weapons are those defined by 40 Admin Code Part 4, Chap. 1, Rule 1.3 and Archery Equipment.

2. Archery Equipment: Longbows, recurves, compounds, and crossbows are legal archery equipment.

3. Turkey: Only archery equipment and shotguns with #2 shot or smaller may be used for turkey hunting.

4. Small Game: Legal weapons for small game hunting (excluding waterfowl) during Daylight hours are shotguns using #2 shot or smaller, rifles or handguns no larger than .22 rimfire (which includes .22 magnums), muzzleloading rifles .40 caliber or smaller, and archery equipment using arrows with points other than broadheads.

E. Forfeiture of Hunting Privileges: If while on a WMA any person violates any rule or regulation adopted by the Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, or any game and fish statute, and is convicted for that violation, that person may be required by a review panel of MDWFP officials to forfeit, for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date of conviction, all hunting and fishing privileges on that WMA. In addition, the Commission may revoke, for a period of at least one (1) calendar year, the person's privileges to hunt and fish on all WMAs within the state. Before the revocation of a person's privileges to hunt and fish on all WMAs within the state, the person shall be given notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting out the grounds on which revocation is sought, and the person shall have a right to be heard before the Commission at its next regular meeting.

F. All Vehicles within, entering, or leaving a WMA are subject to being checked at roadblocks or checkpoints for compliance with hunting and fishing and/or WMA laws and regulations.

G. All Persons 15 Years of age or younger, while hunting on a WMA, must be in the presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or exempt hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age, when hunting. A licensed hunter supervising a child as provided in this section must hold a valid Mississippi license for the species being hunted.

H. Youth Hunt Eligibility: Persons eligible to participate in specially designated youth hunts are those who are fifteen (15) years of age or younger.

I. Youths hunting during Primitive Weapon Deer Hunts on a WMA may carry and use any firearm allowed in the “legal weapons for deer hunting” descriptions for that specific WMA.

J. During permitted draw hunts for deer and turkey, for selected hunters 21 years old or older, one youth aged 15 years old or younger may accompany or hunt with the permitted adult hunter. The adult and youth combined harvest shall not exceed the permit bag limit.

K. Dogs: Dogs are not allowed on WMAs during closed seasons except by field trial permit.

L. Roads/Vehicles: During all WMA deer firearms seasons, no loaded shoulder-fired weapons allowed within 100 feet of the center line of any road or designated vehicle trail within a WMA. No motorized vehicles allowed on any roads blocked or posted as closed. No ATV/ORV allowed on any public road open to licensed motorized vehicles. No loaded weapon may be in possession when operating an ORV/ATV. ORVs/ATVs may be used on the WMA by any Federal or State employee, Law Enforcement Officers, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty. Vehicles blocking any gate, road, trail, levee, right-of-way, boat ramp, or permit station are prohibited and may be towed at the owner's expense. See individual wildlife management area regulations for exceptions to this rule.

M. Horses: Horses are defined as any equine species, or livestock, that may be ridden. No horses allowed on any levees within a WMA unless otherwise stated. On areas where horses are allowed, all horse riders must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange during any open hunting season.

N. Food Plots/Agricultural Leases: No horses, ATVs/ORVs or other vehicles allowed on wildlife food plots or on un-harvested crop land.

O. Harassment of wildlife, including spotlighting, is prohibited.

P. Tree Stands and Blinds: It shall be illegal to construct or to hunt from any permanent stands or blinds. Destroying, defacing, cutting, driving nails or spikes into, or otherwise damaging any standing live tree, natural feature, or plant is prohibited. Portable stands (including tripods and ground blinds) that are not removed from the area daily must have the hunter's name and phone number permanently and legibly written on or attached to the stand. Stands left on the area do not reserve hunting locations. Portable stands may not be installed on the management area prior to 7 days before deer season opens, nor left longer than 7 days after deer season closes. Stands not in compliance with these regulations may be confiscated and disposed of by the MDWFP.

Q. Fall-Arrest Systems: While climbing a tree, installing a tree stand that uses climbing aids, or while hunting from a tree stand on a WMA, hunters must use a fall-arrest system (full body harness) that is manufactured to industry standards.

R. Baiting and Feeding: No bait or feed is allowed on WMAs at any time. No food plots may be placed on WMAs except by area personnel.

S. During Deer Seasons Without Dogs, the use of organized drivers and standers is prohibited.

T. During Raccoon, Opossum, and Bobcat Seasons, hunting is allowed without dogs during daylight hours and with dogs from one-half hour after sunset until 4 a.m.

U. Beavers, Coyotes, and Hogs may be killed during daylight hours only during any open season on a WMA with weapons and ammunition legal for that season.

V. Posting of Regulations: Area Managers shall post regulations, and changes thereto, at each check-in station and at the area headquarters.

W. Boundary Signs: It shall be the responsibility of WMA personnel to properly identify boundaries with agency signs at intervals no greater than 300 feet. Signs shall be replaced as needed.

X. Guides/Outfitters: No person or group of persons may act as a guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity for which they are paid or promised to be paid by any other individual or individuals for services rendered. Commercial dog training prohibited.

Y. Transporting or Releasing into the wild, or capture and removal of any live animal or plant is prohibited without Commission approval.

Z. Other Seasons: Hunting seasons for animals not listed in individual WMA regulations are the same as statewide seasons.

AA. Handicapped Hunter Access: Individuals with disabilities who meet the criteria stated in Rule 1.4, may receive special permitted privileges on all Wildlife Management Areas, except on lands owned by the U.S. Forest Service, which may be subject to other rules. Special privileges to eligible hunters may include: access to handicapped-exclusive areas, special facilities, or access to any open portion of the WMA by ATV/UTV, or other power-driven mobility device. Users must provide documentation or other credible assurance of his or her disability in order to determine eligibility for these special privileges. Contact the Jackson Office at 601-432-2199 for information on obtaining a special privilege permit.

BB. Applicants Selected to Hunt on a WMA during Permitted Draw Hunts must follow all rules included in the draw hunt application and posted at the WMA.

CC. Littering: Littering is prohibited.

DD. No one shall use metal detectors on any Wildlife Management Area.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§39-7-11, 49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

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Rule 1.2 NON-STATE OWNED, NON-COE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River Wildlife Management Areas:

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. Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Choctaw, John Starr, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. Chickasawhay, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
Youth Deer	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal Bucks with Dogs: Caston Creek, Leaf River, and Mason Creek.
		Legal Bucks without Dogs: Chickasawhay, Little Biloxi, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, and Wolf River.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks with dogs: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Chickasaw, and Tallahala.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks without dogs: Choctaw, John Starr, and Upper Sardis.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little

		Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Wolf River, Tallahala, and Upper Sardis.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs: Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Leaf River, Mason Creek, and Tallahala.
		Legal bucks without dogs: Chickasawhay, Little Biloxi, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, and Wolf River.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks with dogs: Calhoun County.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks without dogs: Choctaw, John Starr, and Upper Sardis.
	Dec. 24 – 31	Legal bucks without dogs: Bienville.
	Jan. 1 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for the entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs: Bienville.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Choctaw, John Starr, Sandy Creek, Upper Sardis, and Tallahala.
	Day after the final day of Gun season – Feb. 15.	Legal bucks only: Chickasawhay, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 – 14	Bienville, Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
TURKEY – PERMIT ONLY TURKEY	Mar. 15 – 28 Mar. 29 – May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS. Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Leaf River, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, and

		Upper Sardis.
TURKEY (for WMAs without permitted hunts)	Mar. 15 – May 1	Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
YOUTH SQUIRREL SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30 Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	Bienville, Calhoun ,Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 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.

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 participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping on these wildlife management areas, 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. Exceptions: Turkey Fork Lake, Davis Lake, Puskus Lake, and Choctaw Lake where no WMA user permits are required.

2. All persons using the following wildlife management areas, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit: Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

C. HUNTING PERMITS:

1. John Starr: All hunters must obtain a hunting permit from the College of Forest Resources, Forest Operations Office, and (662) 325-2191. Deer tags will be provided for persons wishing to hunt deer on the area.

D. CLOSED AREAS:

1. Chickasaw: Areas with boundaries marked with white paint around Davis Lake area, Girl Scout Camp area, Prairie U. M. Church, and area west of Chickasaw WMA work center are designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

2. Choctaw: Area with boundary marked with white paint around Choctaw Lake and Campground is designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

3. John Starr: Areas with boundaries marked with red paint around Dorman Lake, School Forest hunter check station, campground on St. Mark Road, and ranger residence are designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

E. 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.

F. 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.

G. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be recorded on DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card before leaving the area. All deer harvested must be checked at a self-service data collection station 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.

H. LEGAL BUCKS:

1. Calhoun County, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River: 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, EXCEPT FOR Leaf River, Mason Creek, and Caston Creek where, during gun seasons with dogs, a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

2. Bienville, Caney Creek, and Tallahala: 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, EXCEPT FOR Bienville where, during gun seasons with dogs, a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches.

I. 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.

J. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

1. Caney Creek:

a. AREA I (Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA north of I-20, south of Hwy. 80, and east of Hwy. 501. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

b. AREA II (Deer Hunting With Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA south of I-20 and north of Morton-Marathon Road (Road 506). Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

c. AREA III (Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA south of Morton-Marathon Road (Road 506). Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

2. Caston Creek:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: The portion of the area west of Forest Service Road 155. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: The portion of the area east of Forest Service Road 155. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game

i. From November 1 – January 31, all dog hunting groups or individuals hunting with dogs must obtain a permit to use dogs to hunt any animal or to train dogs on areas open to deer hunting with dogs on Homochitto National Forest. There is no cost for this permit. A permit will be issued to the dog hunting group. All hunters hunting with this group must be listed on the permit prior to hunting; except youth 15 years of age and younger.

All hunters hunting with dogs or with the dog hunting group must have the permit on their person while hunting.

ii. Five (5) guest permits will be available in addition the individuals listed on the permit. Guest permits will be valid for 4 consecutive days and must be filled out with the date, hunter's name, hunting license number, and signed by the hunter prior to use. All guests must have the permit on their person while hunting. Guest permits must be turned in to the USFS Meadville office for replacement guest permits to be issued. When guest permits are turned in, a season permit will be issued for these individuals and replacement guest permits will be issued to the group.

iii. Permit numbers must be visually displayed on the back window of all vehicles in the hunting group A permit number will be provided with each individual permit issued. Hunters must display this permit number using 3-inch, block numbers in contrast to the background color.

iv. Permits will be available from the U.S. Forest Service Meadville office. Office location: 1200 Highway 184 East, Meadville, MS 39653. Office hours: 8 am - 4:30 pm (Monday – Friday).

v. Dogs must wear a functional tracking collar and be identified at all times with the permit number and the owner's contact information. Dogs must be kept on the Homochitto National Forest lands that allow deer hunting with dogs.

vi. An administrative review panel of MDWFP and U.S. Forest Service officials may, upon two (2) convictions or documented evidence of two (2) violations of this regulation within a 3-year period, revoke the dog hunting permit for a period of Twenty (20) days open to hunting deer with dogs. Upon three (3) convictions or documented evidence of three (3) violations of this regulation within a 3-year period, the dog hunting permit may be revoked for a period of one (1) year.

vii. Any person who files a false affidavit in justice court alleging a violation or violations of this rule, provides false information regarding a violation of this rule, or facilitates a situation which will cause a violation of this rule to occur may be subject to prosecution for perjury and, if found guilty, punished under the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. §97-9-19, and/or be subject to a civil suit for false prosecution by the person accused of the violation.

3. Chickasaw:

a. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located north of Hwy. 32. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season.

b. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located south of Hwy. 32. 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 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

4. Leaf River:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 - Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA west of Forest Service Road 315. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

5. Little Biloxi, Wolf River, and Red Creek: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 - Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

6. Mason Creek: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

7. Sandy Creek and Upper Sardis: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

8. Tallahala:

a. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: The portion of the WMA north of Forest Service Road 506 and west of Cedar Creek. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1- Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – 28 with weapons legal for small game.

9. Calhoun County: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season.

10. Bienville: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – 28 with weapons legal for small game.

11. Chickasawhay, Choctaw and John Starr: Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

K. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for Mar. 15 – 28 is allowed by special permit only on Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, and Upper

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

L. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs or buckshot, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT FOR Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Little Biloxi, and Upper Sardis where only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting.

M. NO HUNTING:

1. Caney Creek: No parking or hunting from I-20.

N. OFF-ROAD VEHICLES/ATVs: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations or the regulations below:

1. Wolf River: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off road use of ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

2. John Starr: ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

3. Little Biloxi: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations. On Weyerhaeuser property within the wildlife management area, ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

4. Upper Sardis: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations. Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Army Corps of Engineers regulations on property owned by the Corps within Upper Sardis WMA. Use of off-road vehicles/ATVs is allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

5. Calhoun County: ORVs/ATVs not allowed. Foot traffic only.

O. HORSES: Hunting from horseback is allowed.

1. Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

2. Little Biloxi: USFS Portion: Hunting from horseback is allowed. Weyerhaeuser Portion: During deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

P. CAMPING: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations or the regulations below:

1. Calhoun County and Wolf River:

a. Camping is allowed in designated areas only.

b. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days.

c. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours.

d. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

2. John Starr:

a. Camping is allowed in designated campsites only.

b. Campers must obtain a permit from MSU Forest Operations (662) 325-2191.

3. Little Biloxi:

a. USFS Portion: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations.

b. Weyerhaeuser Portion: No camping allowed.

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

R. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced.

1. For additional information, contact the US Forest Service at (601) 965-1600.

2. Exceptions: Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.3 WMA FACILITY RENTAL.

A. The following fees will be charged for rental of the facilities at Black Prairie WMA, Charles Ray Nix WMA, or Hell Creek WMA: $150.00 for one day and $50 for each additional day.

B. Reservations will be made through WMA personnel.

C. All fees must be paid in advance and are non-refundable and non-transferable.

D. Money order or cashier's check made out to Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks in the appropriate amount must be received before the reservation is final.

E. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on WMA property.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.4 SPECIAL USE REGULATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

A. The following criteria will determine the eligibility of individuals to be issued a special use permit for the purpose of accessing special use areas for individuals with disabilities on wildlife management areas. Permits for individuals who meet the following criteria may be issued by Wildlife Management Area or District Office personnel without physician certification.

1. Individuals who are paraplegic or hemiplegic.

2. Individuals who are permanently dependent upon a wheelchair for mobility.

3. Individuals who require permanent use of braces, full prosthesis (one or both legs), or crutches for walking.

4. Individuals who have a complete single leg amputation.

B. Permits for individuals who suffer from chronic pulmonary or cardiovascular conditions may be issued by Wildlife Management Area or Regional Office personnel upon written certification by a physician licensed to practice in the State of Mississippi that the individual meets the following criteria:

1. The individual suffers significantly from lung disease to the extent that forced expiratory volume for one second when measured by a spirometer is less than one liter, or the oxygen tension is less than sixty millimeters of mercury on room air at rest.

2. The individual suffers significantly from cardiovascular disease to the extent that functional limitations are classified in severity as Class 3 or 4, according to the standards accepted by the American Heart Association on 05/03/88.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.5 OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ON US FOREST SERVICE WMA'S.

A. The current Memorandum of Understanding dated April 10, 2002, between the U.S. Forest Service and the MDWFP establishes the Forest Service as having authority to regulate access on wildlife management areas within National Forest Lands.

B. Off-road vehicle (ORV) use will be governed by the U.S. Forest Service under 36 CFR §261, Subparts A and B, and 36 CFR §295. Anyone operating ORVs/ATVs should be familiar with the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) published annually by the U.S. Forest Service. The MVUM explains when and where ORVs/ATVs may be used. MVUMs are available at the local Forest Service office and online at www.fs.usda.gov/main/mississippi/maps-pubs.

C. ORVs / ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails, and for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. No loaded weapon may be in possession while operating an ORV/ATV.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.6 WMA USER PERMITS.

A. In addition to any required license, all users must carry on their person an Annual, Individual, or Family Wildlife Management Area User Permit, while using any Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Wildlife Management Area that is operated on property not owned by the U.S. Forest Service. Users exempt from purchasing a hunting or fishing license (Miss. Code Ann. §§49-7-5 and 49-7-9) are exempt from purchasing the WMA User Permits and Camping Permits.

B. For Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Wildlife Management Areas operated on property owned by the U.S. Forest Service, all users participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping activities, must carry on their person an annual Wildlife Management Area User Permit in addition to any required license. Exemptions stated above will also apply.

C. Exemptions for educational purposes may be granted at the discretion of the Executive Director.

D. Wildlife Management Area User Permits:

1. Resident Annual WMA User Permit $ 15.00

2. Non-Resident Annual WMA User Permit $ 30.00

History: Updated April 2014

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.7 CANAL SECTION WMA AND JOHN BELL WILLIAMS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Canal Section and John Bell Williams WMA's - Itawamba, Monroe, Prentiss, and Tishomingo Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see CLOSED AREAS, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING, ARCHERY ONLY AREA, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal Bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 – until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal Bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 – 14	See ACKER LAKE TURKEY HUNTING
TURKEY – PERMIT ONLY TURKEY	Mar. 15 – 28 March 29 – May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
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.

YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving day through the first Saturday in March.	
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.

2. CLOSED AREAS:

a. No deer or hog hunting from the Tenn-Tom Waterway Levee.

b. No loaded centerfire rifles or primitive weapons allowed on the Tenn-Tom Waterway levee.

c. Hunters must be past the toe of the levee before loaded weapons for deer hunting are allowed.

d. The Matubby Creek Island is closed to all firearms.

3. HIGH WATER: All hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed for 24 hours from south of Walker's Levee boat ramp road to north of Ironwood Bluff Road on the WMA when the 6 a.m. Tombigbee River gauge at Fulton reads 16.0 ft or higher. River gauge readings may be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma.

4. ARCHERY ONLY AREAS: Archery only deer hunting areas include the portions of the WMA between the Tenn-Tom Waterway and the waterway levee from AB3 Waterfowl Impoundment south to Hwy. 45/25 at Aberdeen and between the Tombigbee River and the Tenn-Tom Waterway from Hwy. 6 south to the intersection of the old Tombigbee River and the Tenn-Tom Waterway.

5. 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.

6. 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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.

7. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

8. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

11. YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING:

a. Only youth and handicapped hunters are allowed to deer hunt on the Acker Lake Tract.

b. Only handicap hunters will be allowed ATV access on the Acker Lake Handicap Hunting Area each day of the deer seasons and vehicular access is only allowed on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays during the gun and primitive weapon seasons.

c. All handicap hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

12. ACKER LAKE TURKEY HUNTING:

a. Only youth and handicapped hunters will be allowed to turkey hunt this area on Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays.

b. Only handicapped hunters will be allowed ATV and vehicular access on those days.

c. On Wednesday through Saturday of each week, all hunters are allowed to hunt.

d. All handicap hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

13. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for Mar. 15 – Mar. 28 is allowed by special permit only on Canal Section and John Bell Williams. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

14. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. EXCEPTION: Only archery equipment is allowed for deer hunting in the ARCHERY ONLY DEER HUNTING AREA.

15. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting is allowed in the Harden Moore impoundments on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. The remainder of the WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

16. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed on Canal Section WMA. ORVs/ATVs are allowed on John Bell Williams WMA only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

17. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to hard surface roads. No hunting from horses allowed on Canal Section WMA, however, raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on John Bell Williams WMA during nighttime hunting hours.

18. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

19. 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.

20. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced on Canal Section WMA. For additional information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.8 COPIAH COUNTY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Copiah County Wildlife Management Area.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 7	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery/Youth Gun	Jan. 8 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY – Permit Only TURKEY	Mar. 15- 28 Mar. 29 - May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMIT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1- Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the	

	first Saturday in March.	

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 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 placed on the check-in board at the 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 both Parts A and B in the return box at the 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 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 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting from 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.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Exception: youth deer hunters, 15 years of age or younger, are allowed to use centerfire rifles.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on entire area during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.9 DIVIDE SECTION WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Divide Section Wildlife Management Area in Tishomingo and Prentiss Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING, 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	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 – until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal Bucks only. EXCEPTION: Jackson Camp Peninsula – 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 – 14	See JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TURKEY	Mar. 15 – May 1	See JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	July 1 – Sept. 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.
QUAIL	Thanksgiving day through the first Saturday in March.	
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 LIMIT: 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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. YOUTH/HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING: Only youth and handicapped hunters are allowed to deer hunt on the Jackson Camp Peninsula. Only handicapped hunters on the Jackson Camp Peninsula will be allowed ATV access each day of the deer seasons and vehicular access on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays during the gun and primitive weapon

seasons. All handicapped hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

9. JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING: Only youth and handicapped hunters will be allowed to turkey hunt this area on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays. Handicapped hunters will be allowed ATV and vehicular access on those days. On Wednesday through Saturday of each week, all hunters are allowed to hunt but access will be by foot traffic only. All handicapped hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

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

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed.

12. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons; at all other times horseback riding is restricted to hard surface roads. No hunting from horses.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. WATERFOWL: The WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.10 LAKE GEORGE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Lake George Wildlife Management Area in Yazoo County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	to Thanksgiving.	
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	WITHOUT DOGS. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 – Feb.28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	

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. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

9. 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.

10. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. 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.

13. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.11 LEROY PERCY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Leroy Percy Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery/Youth Gun	Jan. 1 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
YOUTH DOVE	First Saturday in September	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. CLOSED AREA: Primitive weapon deer hunting is limited to south of Highway 12 and north of Highway 12 east of Black Bayou. Archery hunting allowed in any open hunting zone during deer seasons. No hunting allowed north of Hwy. 12, west of Black Bayou and east of the no hunting boundary signs that are west of the park lodge.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the Leroy Percy State Park lodge by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the Youth Gun deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons. Rifles or handguns may not be used in the small game and archery area west of the park lodge.

10. DOVE: During the first season, hunting is allowed after the youth hunt on Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Dove season is open with state framework after the first season. Hunting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset only. The number of hunters on the dove field is limited to 25.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are prohibited.

12. BOATS: No motorized boats allowed in Black Bayou within the WMA boundary.

13. HORSES: No horses allowed.

14. CAMPING: Camping is allowed under State Park regulations.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.12 MAHANNAH WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Mahannah Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena and Warren Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS

DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 2	Oct. 18	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Oct. 19	Nov. 12	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun - Permit Only	Nov. 13	Dec. 9	Antlerless deer and Legal bucks.
Special Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Dec. 10	Dec. 14	Legal bucks only.
Special Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 15 Dec. 27	Dec. 19 Dec. 31	Legal bucks only.
Archery/ Youth Gun	Jan. 1	Jan. 14	Legal bucks only.
TURKEY	Season Closed		See Turkey HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Saturdays only.
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 9 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 23 Dec. 20 Jan. 1	Oct. 31 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 26 Dec. 26 Feb. 28	Saturdays only. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily. Daily.
SQUIRREL	May 15	June 1	Daily.
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 7 Nov. 18 Nov. 22 Dec. 2 Dec. 19 Dec. 31	Oct. 28 Nov. 18 Nov. 25 Dec. 2 Dec. 26 Feb. 28	Friday nights only. Daily. Daily. Daily.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL - Permit Only - Except for youth waterfowl hunts,	See Federal Regulations.		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

the September teal season, and the post season light goose conservation order.			
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
QUAIL	Nov. 25 Dec. 3 Dec. 20 Jan. 1	Nov. 26 Dec. 3 Dec. 26 Mar. 5	Daily. Daily. Daily.
YOUTH DOVE	Sep. 10	Sep. 10	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.		Woodcock hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during legal woodcock season.

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. CLOSED AREA: The Waterfowl Sanctuary, enclosed by the East Sanctuary Road on the east, Anderson Tully Road on the south and the main levee on the west, is closed to hunting and scouting.

3. BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits except that during permit hunts on deer the legal buck bag limit is one per hunt.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt and the January archery hunt, 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. Additionally, hunters who harvest a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted hunt will be eligible for a drawing for the two Special Gun hunts or for the special Primitive Weapon hunt.

7. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, except that during the Archery/Youth Gun season (Jan. 1 – 14) a youth hunter must harvest a buck with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches.

8. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags which allow the harvest of 1 buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA. An unforked antler is defined as: a main beam with no other points or broken points.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

11. TURKEY HUNTING: Turkey hunting on this WMA is closed.

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

13. WATERFOWL: All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts, September teal season, 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. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m. except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt. No boats, blinds, or decoys are to be left out overnight.

14. DOVE: A special youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field Sept. 10, 2016, from 2 p.m. - sunset. No dove hunting shall be allowed prior to the special youth dove hunt. Youth dove hunters must register at the WMA Headquarters on Sept. 10 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dove hunting will be allowed daily from Sept. 11 through the end of the first dove season, and on any small game hunting day during the legal dove season after Oct. 1.

15. 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. During all WMA deer firearms seasons, no loaded shoulder fired weapons allowed within 100 feet of any road within Mahannah WMA, including ATV trails.

16. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, 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 hunting hours.

17. 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.

18. SCOUTING is allowed daily prior to Oct. 1 and on Saturdays only during permitted deer hunts EXCEPT that no scouting is allowed during the weekend of the youth deer hunt. Scouting also will be allowed on any small game hunting day. Only those persons drawn to hunt, and waterfowl hunters during waterfowl season, will be allowed on the area during permitted hunts.

19. 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.

20. HIGH WATER: Part or all of this WMA may be closed due to high water. Closings will be posted at www.mdwfp.com/wma.

21. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13

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 and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – Jan. 10	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 11 – 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. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed during nighttime hours.

14. 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.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.14 MARION COUNTY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Marion County Wildlife Management Area in Marion County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Legal bucks only.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Dec. 16 - Jan. 3	Legal bucks only.
Archery/ Youth Gun	Jan. 4 - Feb.15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar.15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March	

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. CLOSED AREA: The land areas within the road and firebreak boundary around Lake Bill Waller and Lake Columbia are closed to all hunting.

3. 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.

4. 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 placed on the check-in board inside the 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 both Parts A and B in the return box at the 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.

5. 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Exception: youth deer hunters, 15 years of age or younger, are allowed to use centerfire rifles.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.15 OKATIBBEE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Okatibbee Wildlife Management Area in Lauderdale and Kemper 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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon/Shotgun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon/Shotgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 28	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Handicapped Hunt	Jan. 29 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. See HANDICAPPED HUNT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	Shooting hours end at 12 p.m.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the	

	first Saturday in March.	
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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the check station near the WMA Headquarters building 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.

6. HANDICAPPED HUNT: To apply, hunters must register at the WMA Office prior to Jan. 1. This is a three day hunt starting at 12 p.m. on Jan. 29 and ending at 12: p.m. on Jan. 31. Eligible handicapped hunters must meet the criteria specified in 40 Miss Admin Code Part 2, Rule 1.4. During the Handicapped Hunt, weapons will be hunter's choice. Hunters may be accompanied by someone to assist, but not participate in the hunt.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs and primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT that youth may use centerfire rifles during the youth deer hunt and during the shotgun/primitive weapon season.

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

11. HORSES: No horses allowed.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

14. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.16 O'KEEFE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for O'Keefe Wildlife Management Area in Quitman County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Deer	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving -	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	Dec. 15	
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 31	Legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Closed	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	See Federal Regulations.	Open after waterfowl season.
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. CLOSED AREA: The portion of the WMA in Tallahatchie County. No deer hunting in flooded greentree reservoir prior to 1 p.m.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

7. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS:

a. For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags, which allow the harvest of one buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. An unforked antler is defined as a main beam with no other points or broken points.

b. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station.

c. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

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

11. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting is allowed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays only during the waterfowl season. Waterfowl hunting closes at 12 p.m. Hunters must vacate the WMA by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt. Hunters may not leave the parking area prior to 5 a.m. Hunters are allowed no more than 25 shotgun shells per person in the waterfowl hunt areas. No gas boat motors allowed in the greentree reservoir. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Squirrel hunting from horses is allowed in February on entire area. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.17 OLD RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Old River Wildlife Management Area in Pearl River County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving -	Legal bucks only.

	Dec. 1	
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	December 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun Season through February 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	See BOBCAT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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 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.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs allowed during daylight hours only Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed only on designated trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off-road use of ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only. EXCEPTION: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed on that portion of the area within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

10. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

11. 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.

12. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding Waterfowl season) are closed on the WMA when the Pearl River gauge at Bogalusa reads 18.0 ft or higher. River stages can be obtained from the internet at www.mdwfp.com/wma, the local newscast, or by calling 985-649-0357.

13. TRAPPING: Trapping is not allowed on that portion of the WMA within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

14. BOBCAT: The harvest of bobcat is not allowed on that portion of the WMA within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from area without written permission from Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating or submerged timber.

16. SLAT BOXES: No slat boxes are allowed in or may be transported through the WMA.

17. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.18 PASCAGOULA RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Pascagoula River Wildlife Management Area in George and Jackson Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and AREA RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	WITH DOGS in DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 23	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	WITH DOGS in DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun	Legal bucks only.

	Season through Feb. 15	
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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. 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.

3. AREA RESTRICTIONS:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located in Jackson County east of the Pascagoula River and north of Big Slough. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs allowed during daylight hours only Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located in George County and the portion located in Jackson County west of the Pascagoula River and south of Big Slough. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dog season. In addition, hog

hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

4. 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.

5. 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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.

6. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters or at the first self-service data collection station encountered by the hunter who harvested them before leaving 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.

7. 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, except during gun seasons with dogs, when a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs/WATERCRAFT: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off road use of ORVs/ATVs is only allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. Deer hunting is not allowed from designated ORV/ATV trails. ORVs/ATVs/Watercraft left unattended in the Big Swamp must be stored at one of the three designated storage areas. These areas must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. ORVs/ATVs left unattended must have the owner's name and phone number permanently and legibly written and attached to the handlebars. Watercraft left unattended must be registered or have the owner's name and phone number permanently and legibly written and attached to the hull. ORVs/ATVs/Watercraft not in compliance with these regulations or left unattended on the area more than 30 days may be confiscated and disposed of by the MDWFP.

10. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

11. CAMPING: Camping is allowed only in designated areas, or on sandbars and along rivers and creeks, provided such camp is visible from a boat. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days. All campsites must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

12. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed in the George County portion of the WMA when the Pascagoula River gauge at Merrill reads 18.0 ft or higher. Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed in the Jackson County portion of the WMA when the Pascagoula River gauge at Graham Ferry reads 15.0 ft or higher. Deep Slough and Graham Lake Roads in Jackson County will be closed when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 12.0 ft or higher. Roads will be re-opened when conditions are suitable for vehicle use that will minimize road damage. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma or by calling 228-769-6508. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

14. HOUSEBOATS: Houseboats are not allowed to be anchored, secured, or otherwise attached to any lands or structure within WMA boundaries.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from the WMA without written permission from the Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating, or submerged timber.

16. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.19 PEARL RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Pearl River Wildlife Management Area in Madison County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Season	Saturday two weeks prior to the	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	No waterfowl hunting west of Pipeline Road except for youth hunters during waterfowl season.
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	

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. CLOSED NO ACCESS AREA: The area around Turcotte Lab and the Hunter Safety Shooting Area within the Waterfowl Refuge is a NO ACCESS AREA.

3. SPECIAL YOUTH AREA, HANDICAPPED AREA, AND WATERFOWL IMPOUNDMENTS: Hunting in the Youth and Handicapped Area is allowed by youth and handicapped only with the following exceptions: deer hunting during the archery season, raccoon hunting, and trapping is allowed. Waterfowl hunting is allowed by youth hunters during the entire waterfowl season. Waterfowl hunting is allowed in the waterfowl impoundments by special permit. Hunting in the Special Handicapped area is restricted to handicapped hunters only. Contact the Jackson Office at 601-432-2199 for access to this area.

4. 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.

5. PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT 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 the 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.

6. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the self-service deer check stations located on the Madison County Pipeline Road, on Rocks Road, and on Beach Bluff Road 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.

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

8. 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.

9. 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 Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

10. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, except for youth hunters during the Deer Youth Season and during primitive weapon seasons when shotguns with slugs may be used.

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

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. FISHING: No fishing allowed in the waterfowl impoundments or in Fisheries Experimental Ponds.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.20 SARDIS WATERFOWL WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sardis Waterfowl Wildlife Management Area in Lafayette County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		See DEER HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Permit Only	First three full weekends in Nov. and 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	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed, except hogs during the youth deer seasons.		

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. 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.

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

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are any antlered bucks.

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

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

11. 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.

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

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

14. HORSES: No horses allowed.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

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.

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

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.21 SHIPLAND WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Shipland Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery / Youth Gun	Jan. 1 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Season Closed.	See TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb.28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb.28.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	Hunting hours the first season are 2:00 pm until sunset.

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. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. TURKEY HUNTING: Turkey hunting on this WMA is closed.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

10. 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.

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. 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.

13. 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.

14. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed when the Mississippi River gauge at Vicksburg reads 41.0 ft or higher. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.22 STONEVILLE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Stoneville Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct.1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon through the Friday prior to	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	Thanksgiving.	
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	July 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	

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 Delta Branch Experiment Station hunting permit, the daily visitor use permit, and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

2. HUNTING PERMITS: All hunters over 15 years of age must have a Delta Branch Experiment Station hunting permit in their possession while hunting on the area. All hunters 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult with a permit in their possession. Permits are available from the Delta Branch Experiment Station in Stoneville (662-686-9311).

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the self-service deer check station located near the west entrance of the WMA by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA. The hunter is responsible for collecting and legibly recording ALL biological data. Instructions and equipment will be provided.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to primitive weapons.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.23 SUNFLOWER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sunflower Wildlife Management Area in Sharkey County.

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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 –15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 –23	Legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31.	Legal bucks.
TURKEY		See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Youth Turkey – PERMIT ONLY	April 2 – 8	
Turkey – PERMIT ONLY	April 9 – 15	
Turkey	April 16 – May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 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.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. WMA USER PERMIT: All persons participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping on 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 that for permitted turkey hunts the daily bag limit is one gobbler per permit, and 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 recorded on DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card before leaving the area. All deer harvested must be checked at a self-service data collection station 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. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. Hog

hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

8. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for April 9 - 15 is allowed by special permit only. Youth turkey season, April 2 - 8, 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.

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

10. WATERFOWL: Sunflower WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset. FOR LOCATION OF FLOODED GREENTREE RESERVOIRS, see map at permit stations or at www.mdwfp.com/wma.

11. NO HUNTING from greentree reservoir levees or their rights-of-way. No hunting from pipelines.

12. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails, and only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. Anyone operating ORVs/ATVs should have a permit and be familiar with the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) published annually by the U.S. Forest Service. The MVUM explains when and where ORVs/ATVs may be used. Permits and MVUMs are available from the Delta Ranger District office in Rolling Fork, MS, and MVUMs online at www.fs.usda.gov/main/mississippi/maps-pubs.

13. HORSES: Hunting from horseback is allowed.

14. CAMPING: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations.

15. 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.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Forest Service at (662) 873-6256.

History: Updated April 2016.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.24 TWIN OAKS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Twin Oaks Wildlife Management Area in Sharkey County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 2	Nov. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 2	Dec. 13	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Special Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Dec. 14 Dec. 26	Dec. 18 Dec. 30	Legal bucks only.
Archery / Youth Gun	Dec. 31	Jan. 31	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	April 2	April 3	
TURKEY - PERMIT ONLY	April 4	May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Saturdays only.
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 15 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 10 Nov. 23 Dec. 18 Dec. 31	Oct. 29 Nov. 19 Dec. 10 Nov. 12 Nov. 26 Dec. 25 Feb. 28	Saturdays only. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily. Daily. Daily.
SQUIRREL	May 15	June 1	Daily.
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 7 Nov. 18 Nov. 9 Nov. 22 Dec. 2 Dec. 28 Dec. 31	Oct. 28 Nov. 18 Nov. 11 Nov. 25 Dec. 9 Dec. 24 Feb. 28	Friday nights only. Daily. Daily. Friday nights only. Daily. Daily.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL

			INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
QUAIL	Nov. 25 Dec. 3 Dec. 18 Dec. 31	Nov. 26 Dec. 10 Dec. 25 Mar. 5	Daily. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.		Woodcock hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during legal woodcock season.

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 that for permitted deer hunts the daily bag limit is one legal buck per permit and one doe per day not to exceed three 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt and the Dec. 31 - Jan. 31 archery/youth gun hunt, 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. Additionally, hunters who harvest a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted hunt will be eligible for a drawing for the two Special Primitive Weapon hunts.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, except that during the Archery/Youth Gun season (Dec. 31 – Jan. 31) a youth hunter must harvest a buck with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches.

7. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags which allow the harvest of one buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA. An unforked antler is defined as a main beam with no other points or broken points.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

10. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting, except for the youth hunt, 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.

11. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

12. WATERFOWL: Through Dec. 30, waterfowl hunting will be allowed on Saturdays during the legal waterfowl season. After Dec. 30, waterfowl hunting is allowed on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays during the legal waterfowl season EXCEPT that the Youth Waterfowl season shall be open concurrent with the statewide season. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m.

13. DOVE: Dove hunting is allowed daily during legal dove season prior to Oct. 1. Dove hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during the legal dove season after Oct. 1.

14. 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.

15. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

16. 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.

17. SCOUTING: Scouting is allowed daily prior to Oct. 1 and on Saturdays only during permitted deer hunts, EXCEPT that no scouting is allowed during the weekend of the youth deer hunt. Scouting will also be allowed on any small game hunting day. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted hunts.

18. 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.

19. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.25 WARD BAYOU WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Ward Bayou Wildlife Management Area in Jackson County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	WITH DOGS IN DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - 23	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	WITH DOGS IN DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun Season - Feb. 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - May 1	Friday, Saturday, and Sunday by permit only. See SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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 self-service data collection station 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 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, except during gun seasons with dogs, when a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is allowed EXCEPT in the Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Youth turkey hunting on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from March 8 - May 1 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.

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

10. WATERFOWL HUNTING: Waterfowl hunting in and entering into any ponds west of the hill road from the WMA headquarters to the large power line is prohibited.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on sandbars.

12. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

13. CAMPING: Camping is allowed only on sandbars and along rivers and creeks, provided such camp is visible from a boat. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days. All campsites must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

14. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed on the WMA when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 15.0 ft. or higher. Ward Bayou Road will be closed from the double gates eastward when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 12.0 ft. or higher. Roads will be re-opened when conditions are suitable for vehicle use that will minimize road damage. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma or by calling 228-769-6508. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from area without written permission from the Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating, or submerged timber.

16. COMMERCIAL FISHING: Commercial fishing is not allowed within the WMA.

17. CLOSED SANDBARS: Sandbars south of Cumbest Bluff within the WMA boundaries are closed from 5 p.m. – 8 a.m., Apr. 1 – Oct. 1 for the protection of nesting endangered species. No overnight camping allowed during this time. No dogs allowed on sandbars. All visitors to sandbars must remove personal refuse before leaving.

18. HOUSEBOATS: Houseboats are not allowed to be anchored, secured, or otherwise attached to any lands or structure within WMA boundaries.

19. NATURE TRAILS: Use of designated nature trails is allowed from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset only.

20. 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.

21. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.26 NATCHEZ STATE PARK WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Natchez State Park in Adams County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, ELIGIBLE HUNTERS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1	Jan. 29	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Handicapped Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 29	Jan. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Muzzleloader – Permit Only	Dec. 1	Jan. 29	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL – Permit Only	Feb. 4	Feb. 26	See YOUTH SQUIRREL HUNTING PERMITS in Special Instructions.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 11	Apr. 30	See YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in Special Instructions.
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			

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. HUNTING AREA: See map at mdwfp.com/wma.

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

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

5. 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.

6. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

7. ELIGIBLE HUNTERS:

a. Youth: Mississippi resident hunters 15 years of age or younger.

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

c. Muzzleloader: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

d. Archery: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

8. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

9. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags, which allow one of the two buck bag limit per year to be any buck with hardened antlers visible above the natural hairline will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the park office or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the park.

10. 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.

11. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

12. YOUTH SQUIRREL HUNTING PERMITS: Youth squirrel 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.

13. YOUTH 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.

14. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only muzzleloaders and archery equipment may be used for deer hunting, except for during the Youth and Handicap Gun hunts when archery equipment, centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, muzzleloaders, or centerfire handguns may be used. Only shotguns may be used during the youth squirrel hunt.

15. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed only for the retrieval of harvested deer and hogs only. Exception: handicapped hunters may access hunting area with ATVs during handicapped hunt only.

16. PARKING: Hunters must park in designated parking areas only.

17. BOAT ACCESS: Access to hunting area by boat is allowed only from the south creek channel.

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

19. CAMPING: Camping is allowed under State Park regulation.

20. 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.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.27 NANIH WAIYA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Nanih Waiya Wildlife Management Area in Neshoba and Winston 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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28. May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul.1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov.1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT		
With Dogs	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28 on Wednesdays and Saturdays only.	See BAG LIMITS in Special Instructions.
Without Dogs	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	
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: Rabbit – 8 per hunting party if with dogs, and 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters building or at a check station 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.

6. 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.

7. 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 Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

8. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT that youth may use centerfire rifles and shotguns with slugs during the youth deer hunt and during primitive weapon season.

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

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: Campers must use a designated, primitive camp site and obtain a camping permit from the Area Manager prior to camping. 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.

12. 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.

13. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.28 BLACK PRAIRIE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Black Prairie Wildlife Management Area in Lowndes County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 1 Dec. 30 Jan. 6	Oct. 2 Jan. 2 Jan. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 3	Oct. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 13 Oct. 20 Oct. 27 Nov. 3	Oct. 16 Oct. 23 Oct. 30 Nov. 5	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 13	Dec. 17	Legal bucks only.
Archery Only	Nov. 14 Dec. 21 Jan. 16	Nov. 25 Dec. 29 Jan. 20	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY – Permit Only	Apr. 7 Apr. 14 Apr. 21 Apr. 28	Apr. 9 Apr. 16 Apr. 23 Apr. 30	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

SQUIRREL and RABBIT	Oct. 10 Oct. 17 Oct. 24 Oct. 31 Nov. 7 Nov. 14 Nov. 28 Dec. 12 Dec. 19 Jan. 3 Jan. 10 Jan. 16 Feb. 1 Feb. 6 Feb. 13	Oct. 12 Oct. 19 Oct. 26 Nov. 2 Nov. 11 Nov. 25 Dec. 9 Dec. 12 Dec. 29 Jan. 5 Jan. 13 Jan. 20 Feb. 3 Feb. 10 Feb. 24	
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	No trapping allowed.		
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates (see SPECIAL EVENTS section below).			

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:

a. Turkey - A bag limit of one (1) legal gobbler per permit.

b. Rabbit - party limit of 8 rabbits per day.

c. Deer - One legal buck and three antlerless deer 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 while

on the WMA. 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 HUNTING PERMITS: Deer 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. Hunters must check in a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted gun hunt to be issued a permit to harvest one (1) legal buck. This buck permit will be valid for the duration of the permitted hunt and during the legal bucks only deer hunt (Dec. 13 – 17).

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the Area Headquarters by the hunters 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey 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.

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

11. SPECIAL EVENTS:

a. Hunting dog field trials and other special events will be allowed by special use permit only. These permits may be obtained from the MDWFP, see Area Manager for additional information.

b. Special events will be restricted to the following dates: Sept. 17-18, Nov. 6, Nov. 12-13, Nov. 26-27, Dec. 10-11, Dec. 18, Jan. 14-15, Jan. 21-22, Jan. 23-31, Feb. 4-5, Feb. 11-12, February 25-26, and Mar. 4.

c. The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates. Anyone participating in permitted special events must obey conduct rules as designated and posted by club or group permitted to hold event.

12. DOVE HUNTING: A youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field Sept. 5, 2016, from 2 p.m. - sunset. Youth dove hunters must register prior to the special youth dove hunt. Dove hunting will be allowed on designated fields after the Sept. 5 youth hunt, from 2 p.m. - sunset, on Wednesdays and Saturdays only, during the first season only.

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

14. HORSES: During WMA deer seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

16. FISHING: Fishing is allowed. Boats prohibited.

17. 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.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.29 HELL CREEK WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Hell Creek Wildlife Management Area in Union and Tippah Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMIT, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL WEAPONS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Gun	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

– Permit Only	Oct. 12 Oct. 19	Oct. 15 Oct. 22	Antlerless deer and legal bucks Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth Gun	Oct. 29	Nov. 3	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 7	Dec. 11	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery Only	Dec. 19	Dec. 26	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery / Youth Gun	Jan. 17	Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Season Closed		
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 17 Oct. 23 Nov. 20 Dec. 12 Jan. 1 Feb. 12	Oct. 18 Oct. 28 Dec. 1 Dec. 14 Jan. 16 Feb. 17	
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	No Trapping Allowed		
QUAIL – Training Only	Oct. 1 Oct. 9 Oct. 16 Oct. 23 Nov. 20 Dec. 5 Dec. 12 Jan. 5 Feb. 27	Oct. 4 Oct. 11 Oct. 18 Oct. 28 Nov. 24 Dec. 6 Dec. 14 Jan. 16 Mar. 5	
Quail – Permit Only	Feb. 20	Feb. 26	See BAG LIMITS and QUAIL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DOVE	Statewide opening day		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
DOVE	See Federal Regulations		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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 LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT:

a. Rabbit - party limit of 6 rabbits per day.

b. Quail - party limit of 15 quail per day.

c. Deer - One (1) legal buck per day, not to exceed two (2) 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 HUNTING PERMITS: Deer 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. Hunters who check in a doe that is 1½ years or older during their permitted hunt will be issued a permit for a special December gun hunt.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

10. SPECIAL EVENTS:

a. Hunting dog field trials and other special events will be allowed by special use permit only. These permits may be obtained from the MDWFP, see Area Manager for additional information.

b. Special events will be restricted to the following dates: Nov. 4 – 19, Dec. 2 – 4, Dec. 15 – 18, Dec. 27 – 31, Feb. 3 – 11, and Feb. 18-19.

c. The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates. Anyone participating in permitted special events must obey conduct rules as designated and posted by club or group permitted to hold event.

11. BIRD DOG TRAINING: During bird dog training dates, a person may not use area facilities more than 4 consecutive days.

12. QUAIL HUNTING PERMITS: Quail hunting from Feb. 20 – 26 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.

13. DOVE HUNTING: A youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field on the statewide opening day from 2 p.m. - sunset. After the youth dove hunt, dove hunting will be allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting is allowed during the statewide season dates, except during special event days. See SPECIAL EVENTS.

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

15. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.

16. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

17. 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.

18. FISHING: Fishing is allowed on area ponds. Fishing is subject to special regulations posted at each pond.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.30 TRIM CANE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Trim Cane Wildlife Management Area in 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.

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 LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT: Rabbit - a party limit of 8 rabbits per day and the bag limit on antlered buck deer is one (1) buck and on antlerless deer is one (1).

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

4. WATERFOWL:

a. 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.

b. 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.

c. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel.

d. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times.

e. On the morning of area waterfowl hunts, non-permitted hunters may come to the WMA Headquarters and enter a random drawing at 5 a.m. for any openings created by permitted hunters not showing up.

f. Shooting hours are one half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m.

g. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1 p.m. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

5. RABBIT:

a. 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.

b. Selected hunters can bring 4 guests during each hunt.

6. HANDICAPPED and YOUTH DEER HUNTING:

a. 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.

b. To be eligible, handicapped applicants must have a physical condition which makes them fully dependent on a wheelchair for mobility.

c. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

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

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

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. NON-HUNTING USE/SCOUTING: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use/scouting is allowed by foot traffic only on Tuesdays and Fridays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.31 UPPER SARDIS WMA - AREAS INCLUDED.

The Upper Sardis Wildlife Management Area shall consist of all U. S. Army Corps of Engineer lands in Lafayette and Marshall Counties which are east of the Graham Lake Boat Ramp road, south of the Little Tallahatchie River Canal and west of the Union County line and all National Forest land in Lafayette County.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.32 TUSCUMBIA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Tuscumbia Wildlife Management Area in Alcorn County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
UNIT 1		
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, BAG LIMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, 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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
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 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 3	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
UNIT 2		

DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER HUNTING - Unit 2, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, BAG LIMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
SQUIRREL & RACCOON	Oct. 1 - the day prior to the opening of waterfowl season. Feb. 1 - 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 to the day prior to the opening of waterfowl season. Feb. 1 - 28	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WATERFOWL – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. DEER HUNTING – UNIT 2: Once the waterfowl draw hunts begin, archery and youth gun hunting will be allowed only on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

10. TRAPPING: All kill type traps must be at least 50% submerged in water.

11. WATERFOWL:

a. UNIT 1: Open with state seasons and bag limits. Shooting hours on Unit 1 are one-half hour before sunrise until 3 p.m., except during the waterfowl youth hunt which runs concurrent with state seasons. Waterfowl scouting is allowed during any open hunting season.

b. UNIT 2: Waterfowl hunting on UNIT 2 is by special permit only. All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts, are draw hunts only. The waterfowl youth hunt shall run concurrent with the statewide season. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

c. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times.

d. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel.

e. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m.

f. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1 p.m.

g. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

h. Waterfowl scouting is allowed during any open hunting season.

12. 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 the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

13. HORSES: No horses allowed.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

16. DOVE HUNTING – Unit 2: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

17. HIGH WATER: All hunting seasons are closed when the Tuscumbia River gauge at Corinth reads 15.0 ft. or higher. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.33 GRAHAM LAKE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Graham Lake Waterfowl Area in Lafayette County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see: BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, LEGAL WEAPONS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	First Saturday in Nov. - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
YOUTH WATERFOWL		See Federal Regulations.

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.

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. CLOSED AREA: Area is closed to access beyond the public viewing area except during archery season and special youth hunt dates.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the deer check station as denoted on the area map by the hunter who harvested them. 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

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

11. HORSES: No horses allowed.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

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

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.34 MUSCADINE FARMS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Muscadine Farms Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

1. Muscadine Farms Tract:

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
SEPTEMBER TEAL – PERMIT ONLY	See Federal Regulations.	See SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DUCK - PERMIT ONLY.	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for those species.		
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

2. Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts:

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb.28	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See LEGAL SHOT and SHOOTING HOURS 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.

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS: September teal 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.

6. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

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:

a. Retrievers are allowed during migratory bird hunts on Muscadine Farms Tract. All other dogs are prohibited on Muscadine Farms Tract.

b. On Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts, small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs prohibited. No vehicles allowed on levees.

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 4 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 5 p.m. For first season dove hunting shooting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset. All other migratory bird shooting hours are the same as statewide seasons.

13. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

14. 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.

15. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.35 YOCKANOOKANY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Yockanookany Wildlife Management Area in Attala County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 –14	

TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 15 – 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	See DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RACCOON	Jul. 1 – Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPPOSUM, BOBCAT	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 – Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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 that for permitted turkey hunts the daily bag limit is one gobbler per permit, and 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 entrance 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt, 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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 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: Deer seasons other than youth hunts are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

11. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

14. 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.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.36 CHARLES RAY NIX WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Charles Ray Nix Wildlife Management Area in Panola County.

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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Primitive Weapons-Permit Only season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving – the day before Thanksgiving. First Friday in December continuing for 36 days.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. See PRIMITIVE WEAPON DEER HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery / Youth Gun	Day after the end of the Primitive Weapon – Permit Only season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	All full weekends in April.	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	

RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Season Closed	See QUAIL HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. 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.

5. 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.

6. PRIMITIVE WEAPON DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting during the primitive weapon season 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.

7. HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING AREA: Only handicapped hunters are allowed to hunt in this area during deer season. Handicapped hunters may hunt with a rifle in the handicapped area from the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving – the day before Thanksgiving and the first Friday in December – January 31. This area will be open to all other hunters outside of deer season.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

10. 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.

11. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only archery equipment and primitive weapon may be used for deer hunting. Youth hunters may use centerfire rifles or shotguns with slugs for deer during youth gun and primitive weapon seasons. Handicap hunters may use centerfire rifles or shotguns with slugs for deer in the handicapped area during the handicapped rifle season.

12. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

13. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only from Sept. 1 – May 1. Off-road use of ORVs/ATVs is allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

14. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and

designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

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.

17. QUAIL HUNTING: A special experimental harvest season may be implemented.

18. CLOSED AREA: The area designated as the shooting range shall be closed to hunting, fishing, and trapping.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.37 SKY LAKE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sky Lake Wildlife Management Area in Humphreys and Leflore Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1	Oct. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 7	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 12	Jan. 2	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Archery – Permit Only	Jan. 7	Jan. 30	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
TURKEY	SEASON CLOSED		
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Oct. 4	Oct. 7	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.

SQUIRREL	Oct. 11	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
RACCOON	Jul. 3	Sep. 26	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Jan. 31	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
TRAPPING	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.		Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday only. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m. See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in Special Instructions
DOVE	See Federal Regulations		
RABBIT	Oct. 11	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only. See DOG RESTRICTIONS in Special Instructions.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
QUAIL	Nov. 29	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Mar. 5	Daily

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. Visitors to the Sky Lake Boardwalk and Visitor's Center are exempt from the WMA User Permit.

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, including users of the Sky Lake Boardwalk and Visitor's Center, 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 a self-service deer check station located on Sky Lake WMA 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt, 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

d. Rabbit hunting with dogs is prohibited on the following areas:

i. South of Lakeside Road, east of Four Mile Lake in Humphreys County.

ii. Tract east of King Road.

iii. Tract along Inverness Road.

iv. Tract west of Highway 7, south of Simmons Road.

9. SMALL GAME HUNTING: Small game seasons for species not listed will be open on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday during their respective statewide season dates until January 31. After January 31 these seasons will be open daily.

10. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

11. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting closes at 12 p.m. All hunt participants, spent shot shells, and equipment must be removed from the WMA by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.38 HOWARD MILLER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Howard Miller Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide	

	season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON PERMITS: Hunting during the September teal season 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.

6. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

7. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS:

a. All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species.

b. Doves may be hunted during the first statewide season split east of the main gravel road.

c. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal seasons for those species.

8. NON-HUNTING USE / SCOUTING: ATV use from October 1 – November 15 is prohibited. During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use/scouting is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on levees.

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. SHOOTING HOURS:

a. Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

b. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1p.m.

c. For first season dove hunting, shooting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset.

d. All other migratory bird shooting hours are the same as statewide seasons.

History: Updated April 2015

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.39 THEODORE MARS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Theodore A. Mars, Jr. Memorial Wildlife Refuge in Pearl River County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL DEER, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season - Feb. 15	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. 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 the permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be kept on the dash of the vehicle while on the WMA. 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 the 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 recorded on the DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card.

5. LEGAL DEER: Antlerless deer and bucks with hardened antlers visible above the natural hairline are legal for harvest.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated trails and for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.40 CHARLIE CAPPS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Charlie Capps Wildlife Management Area in Bolivar County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only - Except for youth duck hunts.	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 –28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting migratory game birds on this area.

4. 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.

5. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts and early teal season, 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. Early teal season hunting is allowed in the borrow area only (see map at www.mdwfp.com/wma).

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs are prohibited.

b. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on impoundment levees.

9. HORSES: No horses allowed.

10. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

11. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for that species.

14. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

15. FISHING:

a. No fishing from November 1 – February 15.

b. Fishing is allowed from sunrise to sunset.

c. Only bank fishing and non-motorized boats may be used.

d. Daily Creel Limits:

i. Largemouth bass: 5 per day.

ii. Crappie: 20 per day.

iii. Bream: 100 per day.

iv. Catfish: 10 per day.

History: Updated May 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.41 INDIANOLA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Indianola Wildlife Management Area in Sunflower County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 –28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs are prohibited.

b. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on impoundment levees.

9. HORSES: No horses allowed.

10. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

11. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m., except during the waterfowl youth hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted duck hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for that species.

14. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

15. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2:00 pm – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

History: Updated April 2015

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.42 MCHENRY WMA REGULATIONS.

BE IT ORDERED, that the property owned by the MDWFP known as "McHenry," located in Stone County, is hereby declared a wildlife management project or refuge to be managed as a Wildlife Management Area, under the authority of MISS. CODE ANN. Section 49-5-13 and shall be open for shooting range operations only. It shall remain closed to hunting, fishing, and trapping.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.43 CANEMOUNT WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Canemount Wildlife Management Area in Claiborne County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, YOUTH DEER HUNTING, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 3	Nov. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 14	Dec. 14	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 16	Jan. 18	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth – Permit Only	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 11	Mar. 12	See YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 17	April 30	See TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

SQUIRREL	Feb. 1 May 15	Feb. 28 June 1	See SQUIRREL HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
NO OTHER SEASONS shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			
The Commission may expand, shorten, restrict or otherwise alter, the hunting opportunities set forth herein, in order to best manage the animal population(s) on the management area. Any changes in hunting opportunities may be effected by Executive Order.			

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:

a. Deer: Three (3) antlerless deer and one (1) legal buck per permitted hunt.

b. Turkey: One (1) legal turkey per permitted hunt.

c. Squirrel: Eight (8) per day.

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 placed on the check-in board 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 harvested deer 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

6. YOUTH 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.

7. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

10. TURKEY HUNTING: 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.

11. YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING: 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.

12. SQUIRREL HUNTING: Squirrel hunting is allowed on Friday – Wednesday from February 1 – 28. No hunting on Thursdays. A limited number of hunters will be allowed on the WMA at one time. See the permit station for available hunting locations.

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

14. 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. Electric carts may be used on any WMA road for turkey hunting access during turkey season only.

15. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited.

16. CAMPING: No camping is allowed.

17. SCOUTING is allowed daily prior to Oct. 3 and on Thursdays only during permitted deer hunts. Scouting is allowed on Friday prior the youth turkey hunt and Thursdays only during permitted turkey hunts. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted deer hunts. During permitted turkey hunts, only the hunter and their

partner will be allowed on the area during a permitted turkey hunt. The WMA is closed to all access March 1 – 9 and March 13 – 15.

18. 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.

19. SPECIAL HUNTS: December 2 – 4 and March 31 – April 2 are set aside for special opportunity hunts.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.44 GREAT RIVER ROAD WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Great River Road Wildlife Management Area in Bolivar County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Nov. 4 – 30	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Muzzleloader – Permit Only	Dec. 2 – Jan. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
FALL TURKEY – Permit Only	Oct. 14 – 30	For turkey hunting regulations see TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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:

Deer: One (1) legal buck per hunt and one (1) antlerless deer per day, not to exceed three (3) antlerless deer per hunt.

Turkey: 1 turkey, either sex per hunt.

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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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: Hunting with dogs is prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only muzzleloaders and archery equipment may be used for deer hunting. Only archery equipment and shotguns with #2 shot or smaller may be used for turkey hunting.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited.

12. CAMPING: Camping is prohibited on this area.

13. TURKEY HUNTING: Fall 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.

14. SCOUTING: Deer scouting is allowed daily Oct. 1 – 13 and on Thursdays only during permitted deer hunts. Fall turkey scouting is allowed daily Oct. 1 – 13 and on Thursdays only during permitted fall turkey hunts. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted deer hunts.

15. HIGH WATER: Deer and turkey seasons will be closed when the Mississippi River gauge at Arkansas City reads 26 feet or higher and will reopen when the Mississippi River gauge at Arkansas City drops below 26 feet. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

16. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS

Title 40: Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks

Part 2: Wildlife

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

Rule 1.1 BASIC REGULATIONS FOR ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS (WMAs).

A. Safety Precautions:

1. Target shooting is prohibited, except on designated ranges.

2. No hunting or shooting within 200 yards of any building.

3. No alcoholic beverages allowed. Persons intoxicated or careless with firearms shall be expelled from hunts immediately.

4. No shooting across WMA boundary lines. Unless they have been tampered-with, all WMA boundary lines are marked. Lands adjacent to any WMA may be private lands. Crossing onto adjacent private lands may subject the hunter to criminal liability for trespass. Stands, blinds, or other hunting positions should be placed so that the hunter does not shoot across any boundary line and onto adjacent private property. Hunters shall obey all markers and related signs on the WMA. A violation of this provision may also subject the hunter to charges for a violation of WMA hunting regulations and possible loss of hunting privileges on a WMA as provided in Paragraph E., below.

B. Hunter Orange: When hunting deer or hogs during any firearm season on deer on a WMA, including during special hunts, hunters must wear in full view a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange. When hunting quail or rabbit on a WMA, hunters must wear a hunter orange vest or cap. During any Youth Hunt for Deer, ALL deer hunters on the area must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange when hunting or walking to / from a stand / blind unless otherwise stated below. Hunters shall not be required to wear five hundred (500) square inches of solid unbroken hunter orange when: Hunting from a deer stand that is elevated twelve (12) feet or more above the ground; or hunting in a fully enclosed blind.

C. Firearms: Shoulder fired weapons must be cased while in a vehicle on a WMA, excluding ORVs/ATVs.

D. Legal Weapons: Unless otherwise stated in individual WMA regulations, the following are legal weapons for all WMAs.

1. Primitive Weapons: Primitive weapons are those defined by 40 Admin Code Part 4, Chap. 1, Rule 1.3 and Archery Equipment.

2. Archery Equipment: Longbows, recurves, compounds, and crossbows are legal archery equipment.

3. Turkey: Only archery equipment and shotguns with #2 shot or smaller may be used for turkey hunting.

4. Small Game: Legal weapons for small game hunting (excluding waterfowl) during Daylight hours are shotguns using #2 shot or smaller, rifles or handguns no larger than .22 rimfire (which includes .22 magnums), muzzleloading rifles .40 caliber or smaller, and archery equipment using arrows with points other than broadheads.

E. Forfeiture of Hunting Privileges: If while on a WMA any person violates any rule or regulation adopted by the Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, or any game and fish statute, and is convicted for that violation, that person may be required by a review panel of MDWFP officials to forfeit, for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date of conviction, all hunting and fishing privileges on that WMA. In addition, the Commission may revoke, for a period of at least one (1) calendar year, the person's privileges to hunt and fish on all WMAs within the state. Before the revocation of a person's privileges to hunt and fish on all WMAs within the state, the person shall be given notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, setting out the grounds on which revocation is sought, and the person shall have a right to be heard before the Commission at its next regular meeting.

F. All Vehicles within, entering, or leaving a WMA are subject to being checked at roadblocks or checkpoints for compliance with hunting and fishing and/or WMA laws and regulations.

G. All Persons 15 Years of age or younger, while hunting on a WMA, must be in the presence and under the direct supervision of a licensed or exempt hunter at least twenty-one (21) years of age, when hunting. A licensed hunter supervising a child as provided in this section must hold a valid Mississippi license for the species being hunted.

H. Youth Hunt Eligibility: Persons eligible to participate in specially designated youth hunts are those who are fifteen (15) years of age or younger.

I. Youths hunting during Primitive Weapon Deer Hunts on a WMA may carry and use any firearm allowed in the “legal weapons for deer hunting” descriptions for that specific WMA.

J. During permitted draw hunts for deer and turkey, for selected hunters 21 years old or older, one youth aged 15 years old or younger may accompany or hunt with the permitted adult hunter. The adult and youth combined harvest shall not exceed the permit bag limit.

K. Dogs: Dogs are not allowed on WMAs during closed seasons except by field trial permit.

L. Roads/Vehicles: During all WMA deer firearms seasons, no loaded shoulder-fired weapons allowed within 100 feet of the center line of any road or designated vehicle trail within a WMA. No motorized vehicles allowed on any roads blocked or posted as closed. No ATV/ORV allowed on any public road open to licensed motorized vehicles. No loaded weapon may be in possession when operating an ORV/ATV. ORVs/ATVs may be used on the WMA by

any Federal or State employee, Law Enforcement Officers, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty. Vehicles blocking any gate, road, trail, levee, right-of-way, boat ramp, or permit station are prohibited and may be towed at the owner's expense. See individual wildlife management area regulations for exceptions to this rule.

M. Horses: Horses are defined as any equine species, or livestock, that may be ridden. No horses allowed on any levees within a WMA unless otherwise stated. On areas where horses are allowed, all horse riders must wear a minimum of 500 square inches of solid unbroken fluorescent orange during any open hunting season.

N. Food Plots/Agricultural Leases: No horses, ATVs/ORVs or other vehicles allowed on wildlife food plots or on un-harvested crop land.

O. Harassment of wildlife, including spotlighting, is prohibited.

P. Tree Stands and Blinds: It shall be illegal to construct or to hunt from any permanent stands or blinds. Destroying, defacing, cutting, driving nails or spikes into, or otherwise damaging any standing live tree, natural feature, or plant is prohibited. Portable stands (including tripods and ground blinds) that are not removed from the area daily must have the hunter's name and phone number permanently and legibly written on or attached to the stand. Stands left on the area do not reserve hunting locations. Portable stands may not be installed on the management area prior to 7 days before deer season opens, nor left longer than 7 days after deer season closes. Stands not in compliance with these regulations may be confiscated and disposed of by the MDWFP.

Q. Fall-Arrest Systems: While climbing a tree, installing a tree stand that uses climbing aids, or while hunting from a tree stand on a WMA, hunters must use a fall-arrest system (full body harness) that is manufactured to industry standards.

R. Baiting and Feeding: No bait or feed is allowed on WMAs at any time. No food plots may be placed on WMAs except by area personnel.

S. During Deer Seasons Without Dogs, the use of organized drivers and standers is prohibited.

T. During Raccoon, Opossum, and Bobcat Seasons, hunting is allowed without dogs during daylight hours and with dogs from one-half hour after sunset until 4 a.m.

U. Beavers, Coyotes, and Hogs may be killed during daylight hours only during any open season on a WMA with weapons and ammunition legal for that season.

V. Posting of Regulations: Area Managers shall post regulations, and changes thereto, at each check-in station and at the area headquarters.

W. Boundary Signs: It shall be the responsibility of WMA personnel to properly identify boundaries with agency signs at intervals no greater than 300 feet. Signs shall be replaced as needed.

X. Guides/Outfitters: No person or group of persons may act as a guide, outfitter, or in any other capacity for which they are paid or promised to be paid by any other individual or individuals for services rendered. Commercial dog training prohibited.

Y. Transporting or Releasing into the wild, or capture and removal of any live animal or plant is prohibited without Commission approval.

Z. Other Seasons: Hunting seasons for animals not listed in individual WMA regulations are the same as statewide seasons.

AA. Handicapped Hunter Access: Individuals with disabilities who meet the criteria stated in Rule 1.4, may receive special permitted privileges on all Wildlife Management Areas, except on lands owned by the U.S. Forest Service, which may be subject to other rules. Special privileges to eligible hunters may include: access to handicapped-exclusive areas, special facilities, or access to any open portion of the WMA by ATV/UTV, or other power-driven mobility device. Users must provide documentation or other credible assurance of his or her disability in order to determine eligibility for these special privileges. Contact the Jackson Office at 601-432-2199 for information on obtaining a special privilege permit.

BB. Applicants Selected to Hunt on a WMA during Permitted Draw Hunts must follow all rules included in the draw hunt application and posted at the WMA.

CC. Littering: Littering is prohibited.

DD. No one shall use metal detectors on any Wildlife Management Area.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§39-7-11, 49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

Rule 1.2 NON-STATE OWNED, NON-COE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River Wildlife Management Areas:

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. Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Choctaw, John Starr, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. Chickasawhay, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
Youth Deer	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal Bucks with Dogs: Caston Creek, Leaf River, and Mason Creek.
		Legal Bucks without Dogs: Chickasawhay, Little Biloxi, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, and Wolf River.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks with dogs: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Chickasaw, and Tallahala.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks without dogs: Choctaw, John Starr, and Upper Sardis.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Wolf

		River, Tallahala, and Upper Sardis.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs: Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Leaf River, Mason Creek, and Tallahala.
		Legal bucks without dogs: Chickasawhay, Little Biloxi, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, and Wolf River.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks with dogs: Calhoun County.
		Antlerless deer and legal bucks without dogs: Choctaw, John Starr, and Upper Sardis.
	Dec. 24 – 31	Legal bucks without dogs: Bienville.
	Jan. 1 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for the entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs: Bienville.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks: Bienville, Calhoun County, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Choctaw, John Starr, Sandy Creek, Upper Sardis, and Tallahala.
	Day after the final day of Gun season – Feb. 15.	Legal bucks only: Chickasawhay, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 – 14	Bienville, Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
TURKEY – PERMIT ONLY TURKEY	Mar. 15 – 28 Mar. 29 – May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS. Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Leaf River, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, and Upper Sardis.
TURKEY (for	Mar. 15 – May 1	Calhoun County, Chickasaw,

WMAs without permitted hunts)		Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, and Wolf River.
YOUTH SQUIRREL SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30 Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	Bienville, Calhoun ,Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 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.

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 participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping on these wildlife management areas, 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. Exceptions: Turkey Fork Lake, Davis Lake, Puskus Lake, and Choctaw Lake where no WMA user permits are required.

2. All persons using the following wildlife management areas, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit: Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

C. HUNTING PERMITS:

1. John Starr: All hunters must obtain a hunting permit from the College of Forest Resources, Forest Operations Office, and (662) 325-2191. Deer tags will be provided for persons wishing to hunt deer on the area.

D. CLOSED AREAS:

1. Chickasaw: Areas with boundaries marked with white paint around Davis Lake area, Girl Scout Camp area, Prairie U. M. Church, and area west of Chickasaw WMA work center are designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

2. Choctaw: Area with boundary marked with white paint around Choctaw Lake and Campground is designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

3. John Starr: Areas with boundaries marked with red paint around Dorman Lake, School Forest hunter check station, campground on St. Mark Road, and ranger residence are designated as NO SHOOTING/NO HUNTING AREAS.

E. 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.

F. 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.

G. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be recorded on DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card before leaving the area. All deer harvested must be checked at a self-service data collection station 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.

H. LEGAL BUCKS:

1. Calhoun County, Caston Creek, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Leaf River, Little Biloxi, Mason Creek, Red Creek, Sandy Creek, Upper Sardis, and Wolf River: 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, EXCEPT FOR Leaf River, Mason Creek, and Caston Creek where, during gun seasons with dogs, a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

2. Bienville, Caney Creek, and Tallahala: 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, EXCEPT FOR Bienville where, during gun

seasons with dogs, a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches.

I. 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.

J. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

1. Caney Creek:

a. AREA I (Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA north of I-20, south of Hwy. 80, and east of Hwy. 501. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

b. AREA II (Deer Hunting With Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA south of I-20 and north of Morton-Marathon Road (Road 506). Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

c. AREA III (Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area): That portion of the WMA south of Morton-Marathon Road (Road 506). Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

2. Caston Creek:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: The portion of the area west of Forest Service Road 155. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: The portion of the area east of Forest Service Road 155. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game

i. From November 1 – January 31, all dog hunting groups or individuals hunting with dogs must obtain a permit to use dogs to hunt any animal or to train dogs on areas open to deer hunting with dogs on Homochitto National Forest. There is no cost for this permit. A permit will be issued to the dog hunting group. All hunters hunting with this group must be listed on the permit prior to hunting; except youth 15 years of age and younger. All hunters hunting with dogs or with the dog hunting group must have the permit on their person while hunting.

ii. Five (5) guest permits will be available in addition the individuals listed on the permit. Guest permits will be valid for 4 consecutive days and must be filled out with the date, hunter's name, hunting license number, and signed by the hunter prior to use. All guests must have the permit on their person while hunting. Guest permits must be turned in to the USFS Meadville office for replacement guest permits to be issued. When guest permits are turned in, a season permit will be issued for these individuals and replacement guest permits will be issued to the group.

iii. Permit numbers must be visually displayed on the back window of all vehicles in the hunting group A permit number will be provided with each individual permit issued. Hunters must display this permit number using 3-inch, block numbers in contrast to the background color.

iv. Permits will be available from the U.S. Forest Service Meadville office. Office location: 1200 Highway 184 East, Meadville, MS 39653. Office hours: 8 am - 4:30 pm (Monday – Friday).

v. Dogs must wear a functional tracking collar and be identified at all times with the permit number and the owner's contact information. Dogs must be kept on the Homochitto National Forest lands that allow deer hunting with dogs.

vi. An administrative review panel of MDWFP and U.S. Forest Service officials may, upon two (2) convictions or documented evidence of two (2) violations of this regulation within a 3-year period, revoke the dog hunting permit for a period of Twenty (20) days open to hunting deer with dogs. Upon three (3) convictions or documented evidence of three (3) violations of this regulation within a 3-year period, the dog hunting permit may be revoked for a period of one (1) year.

vii. Any person who files a false affidavit in justice court alleging a violation or violations of this rule, provides false information regarding a violation of this rule, or facilitates a situation which will cause a violation of this rule to occur may be subject to prosecution for perjury and, if found guilty, punished under the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. §97-9-19, and/or be subject to a civil suit for false prosecution by the person accused of the violation.

3. Chickasaw:

a. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located north of Hwy. 32. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season.

b. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located south of Hwy. 32. 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 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

4. Leaf River:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 - Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA west of Forest Service Road 315. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

5. Little Biloxi, Wolf River, and Red Creek: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 - Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

6. Mason Creek: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

7. Sandy Creek and Upper Sardis: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

8. Tallahala:

a. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: The portion of the WMA north of Forest Service Road 506 and west of Cedar Creek. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1- Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – 28 with weapons legal for small game.

9. Calhoun County: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season.

10. Bienville: Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dogs season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 1 – 28 with weapons legal for small game.

11. Chickasawhay, Choctaw and John Starr: Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

K. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for Mar. 15 – 28 is allowed by special permit only on Bienville, Caney Creek, Caston Creek, Sandy Creek, Tallahala, and Upper Sardis. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

L. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs or buckshot, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT FOR Calhoun County, Chickasaw, Chickasawhay, Choctaw, John Starr, Little Biloxi, and Upper Sardis where only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting.

M. NO HUNTING:

1. Caney Creek: No parking or hunting from I-20.

N. OFF-ROAD VEHICLES/ATVs: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations or the regulations below:

1. Wolf River: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off road use of ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

2. John Starr: ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

3. Little Biloxi: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations. On Weyerhaeuser property within the wildlife management area, ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

4. Upper Sardis: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations. Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Army Corps of Engineers regulations on property owned by the Corps within Upper Sardis WMA. Use of off-road vehicles/ATVs is allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

5. Calhoun County: ORVs/ATVs not allowed. Foot traffic only.

O. HORSES: Hunting from horseback is allowed.

1. Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

2. Little Biloxi: USFS Portion: Hunting from horseback is allowed. Weyerhaeuser Portion: During deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

P. CAMPING: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations or the regulations below:

1. Calhoun County and Wolf River:

a. Camping is allowed in designated areas only.

b. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days.

c. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours.

d. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

2. John Starr:

a. Camping is allowed in designated campsites only.

b. Campers must obtain a permit from MSU Forest Operations (662) 325-2191.

3. Little Biloxi:

a. USFS Portion: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations.

b. Weyerhaeuser Portion: No camping allowed.

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

R. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced.

1. For additional information, contact the US Forest Service at (601) 965-1600.

2. Exceptions: Calhoun County, John Starr, and Wolf River.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.3 WMA FACILITY RENTAL.

A. The following fees will be charged for rental of the facilities at Black Prairie WMA, Charles Ray Nix WMA, or Hell Creek WMA: $150.00 for one day and $50 for each additional day.

B. Reservations will be made through WMA personnel.

C. All fees must be paid in advance and are non-refundable and non-transferable.

D. Money order or cashier's check made out to Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks in the appropriate amount must be received before the reservation is final.

E. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on WMA property.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.4 SPECIAL USE REGULATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

A. The following criteria will determine the eligibility of individuals to be issued a special use permit for the purpose of accessing special use areas for individuals with disabilities on wildlife management areas. Permits for individuals who meet the following criteria may be issued by Wildlife Management Area or District Office personnel without physician certification.

1. Individuals who are paraplegic or hemiplegic.

2. Individuals who are permanently dependent upon a wheelchair for mobility.

3. Individuals who require permanent use of braces, full prosthesis (one or both legs), or crutches for walking.

4. Individuals who have a complete single leg amputation.

B. Permits for individuals who suffer from chronic pulmonary or cardiovascular conditions may be issued by Wildlife Management Area or Regional Office personnel upon written certification by a physician licensed to practice in the State of Mississippi that the individual meets the following criteria:

1. The individual suffers significantly from lung disease to the extent that forced expiratory volume for one second when measured by a spirometer is less than one liter, or the oxygen tension is less than sixty millimeters of mercury on room air at rest.

2. The individual suffers significantly from cardiovascular disease to the extent that functional limitations are classified in severity as Class 3 or 4, according to the standards accepted by the American Heart Association on 05/03/88.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.5 OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ON US FOREST SERVICE WMA'S.

A. The current Memorandum of Understanding dated April 10, 2002, between the U.S. Forest Service and the MDWFP establishes the Forest Service as having authority to regulate access on wildlife management areas within National Forest Lands.

B. Off-road vehicle (ORV) use will be governed by the U.S. Forest Service under 36 CFR §261, Subparts A and B, and 36 CFR §295. Anyone operating ORVs/ATVs should be

familiar with the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) published annually by the U.S. Forest Service. The MVUM explains when and where ORVs/ATVs may be used. MVUMs are available at the local Forest Service office and online at www.fs.usda.gov/main/mississippi/maps-pubs.

C. ORVs / ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails, and for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. No loaded weapon may be in possession while operating an ORV/ATV.

History: Updated April 2014.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.6 WMA USER PERMITS.

A. In addition to any required license, all users must carry on their person an Annual, Individual, or Family Wildlife Management Area User Permit, while using any Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Wildlife Management Area that is operated on property not owned by the U.S. Forest Service. Users exempt from purchasing a hunting or fishing license (Miss. Code Ann. §§49-7-5 and 49-7-9) are exempt from purchasing the WMA User Permits and Camping Permits.

B. For Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Wildlife Management Areas operated on property owned by the U.S. Forest Service, all users participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping activities, must carry on their person an annual Wildlife Management Area User Permit in addition to any required license. Exemptions stated above will also apply.

C. Exemptions for educational purposes may be granted at the discretion of the Executive Director.

D. Wildlife Management Area User Permits:

1. Resident Annual WMA User Permit $ 15.00

2. Non-Resident Annual WMA User Permit $ 30.00

History: Updated April 2014

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.7 CANAL SECTION WMA AND JOHN BELL WILLIAMS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Canal Section and John Bell Williams WMA's - Itawamba, Monroe, Prentiss, and Tishomingo Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS

DEER		For deer hunting regulations see CLOSED AREAS, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING, ARCHERY ONLY AREA, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal Bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 – until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal Bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 – 14	See ACKER LAKE TURKEY HUNTING
TURKEY – PERMIT ONLY TURKEY	Mar. 15 – 28 March 29 – May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
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.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving day through the first	

	Saturday in March.	
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.

2. CLOSED AREAS:

a. No deer or hog hunting from the Tenn-Tom Waterway Levee.

b. No loaded centerfire rifles or primitive weapons allowed on the Tenn-Tom Waterway levee.

c. Hunters must be past the toe of the levee before loaded weapons for deer hunting are allowed.

d. The Matubby Creek Island is closed to all firearms.

3. HIGH WATER: All hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed for 24 hours from south of Walker's Levee boat ramp road to north of Ironwood Bluff Road on the WMA when the 6 a.m. Tombigbee River gauge at Fulton reads 16.0 ft or higher. River gauge readings may be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma.

4. ARCHERY ONLY AREAS: Archery only deer hunting areas include the portions of the WMA between the Tenn-Tom Waterway and the waterway levee from AB3 Waterfowl Impoundment south to Hwy. 45/25 at Aberdeen and between the Tombigbee River and the Tenn-Tom Waterway from Hwy. 6 south to the intersection of the old Tombigbee River and the Tenn-Tom Waterway.

5. 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.

6. 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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.

7. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

8. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 with weapons legal for small game.

11. YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING:

a. Only youth and handicapped hunters are allowed to deer hunt on the Acker Lake Tract.

b. Only handicap hunters will be allowed ATV access on the Acker Lake Handicap Hunting Area each day of the deer seasons and vehicular access is only allowed on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays during the gun and primitive weapon seasons.

c. All handicap hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

12. ACKER LAKE TURKEY HUNTING:

a. Only youth and handicapped hunters will be allowed to turkey hunt this area on Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays.

b. Only handicapped hunters will be allowed ATV and vehicular access on those days.

c. On Wednesday through Saturday of each week, all hunters are allowed to hunt.

d. All handicap hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

13. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for Mar. 15 – Mar. 28 is allowed by special permit only on Canal Section and John Bell Williams. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

14. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. EXCEPTION: Only archery equipment is allowed for deer hunting in the ARCHERY ONLY DEER HUNTING AREA.

15. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting is allowed in the Harden Moore impoundments on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. The remainder of the WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

16. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed on Canal Section WMA. ORVs/ATVs are allowed on John Bell Williams WMA only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

17. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to hard surface roads. No hunting from horses allowed on Canal Section WMA, however, raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on John Bell Williams WMA during nighttime hunting hours.

18. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

19. 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.

20. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced on Canal Section WMA. For additional information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.8 COPIAH COUNTY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Copiah County Wildlife Management Area.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 7	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery/Youth Gun	Jan. 8 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY – Permit Only TURKEY	Mar. 15- 28 Mar. 29 - May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMIT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1- Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	

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 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 placed on the check-in board at the 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 both Parts A and B in the return box at the 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 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 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting from 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.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Exception: youth deer hunters, 15 years of age or younger, are allowed to use centerfire rifles.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on entire area during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.9 DIVIDE SECTION WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Divide Section Wildlife Management Area in Tishomingo and Prentiss Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, YOUTH/HANDICAP DEER HUNTING, 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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving -	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

	Dec. 1	
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 – until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal Bucks only. EXCEPTION: Jackson Camp Peninsula – 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 – 14	See JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TURKEY	Mar. 15 – May 1	See JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	July 1 – Sept. 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.
QUAIL	Thanksgiving day through the first Saturday in March.	
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 LIMIT: 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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. YOUTH/HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING: Only youth and handicapped hunters are allowed to deer hunt on the Jackson Camp Peninsula. Only handicapped hunters on the Jackson Camp Peninsula will be allowed ATV access each day of the deer seasons and vehicular access on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays during the gun and primitive weapon seasons. All handicapped hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

9. JACKSON CAMP PENINSULA TURKEY HUNTING: Only youth and handicapped hunters will be allowed to turkey hunt this area on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays. Handicapped hunters will be allowed ATV and vehicular access on those days. On

Wednesday through Saturday of each week, all hunters are allowed to hunt but access will be by foot traffic only. All handicapped hunters must pre-register by contacting the Jackson Office (601-432-2199).

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

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed.

12. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons; at all other times horseback riding is restricted to hard surface roads. No hunting from horses.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. WATERFOWL: The WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.10 LAKE GEORGE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Lake George Wildlife Management Area in Yazoo County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving -	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless

	Dec. 1	deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	WITHOUT DOGS. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 – Feb.28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	

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. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

9. 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.

10. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. 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.

13. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.11 LEROY PERCY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Leroy Percy Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery/Youth Gun	Jan. 1 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
YOUTH DOVE	First Saturday in September	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. CLOSED AREA: Primitive weapon deer hunting is limited to south of Highway 12 and north of Highway 12 east of Black Bayou. Archery hunting allowed in any open hunting zone during deer seasons. No hunting allowed north of Hwy. 12, west of Black Bayou and east of the no hunting boundary signs that are west of the park lodge.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the Leroy Percy State Park lodge by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the Youth Gun deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons. Rifles or handguns may not be used in the small game and archery area west of the park lodge.

10. DOVE: During the first season, hunting is allowed after the youth hunt on Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Dove season is open with state framework after the first season. Hunting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset only. The number of hunters on the dove field is limited to 25.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are prohibited.

12. BOATS: No motorized boats allowed in Black Bayou within the WMA boundary.

13. HORSES: No horses allowed.

14. CAMPING: Camping is allowed under State Park regulations.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

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RULE 1.12 MAHANNAH WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Mahannah Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena and Warren Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 2	Oct. 18	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Oct. 19	Nov. 12	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun - Permit Only	Nov. 13	Dec. 9	Antlerless deer and Legal bucks.
Special Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Dec. 10	Dec. 14	Legal bucks only.
Special Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 15 Dec. 27	Dec. 19 Dec. 31	Legal bucks only.
Archery/ Youth Gun	Jan. 1	Jan. 14	Legal bucks only.
TURKEY	Season Closed		See Turkey HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Saturdays only.
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 9 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 23 Dec. 20 Jan. 1	Oct. 31 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 26 Dec. 26 Feb. 28	Saturdays only. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily. Daily.
SQUIRREL	May 15	June 1	Daily.
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 7 Nov. 18 Nov. 22 Dec. 2 Dec. 19 Dec. 31	Oct. 28 Nov. 18 Nov. 25 Dec. 2 Dec. 26 Feb. 28	Friday nights only. Daily. Daily. Daily.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL - Permit Only - Except for youth waterfowl hunts, the September teal season, and the post season light goose conservation order.	See Federal Regulations.		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
QUAIL	Nov. ~~26~~25 Dec. ~~5~~3 Dec. ~~19~~20 ~~Dec. 31~~Jan. 1	Nov. ~~28~~26 Dec. ~~5~~3 Dec. ~~25~~26 Mar. 5	Daily. Daily. Daily.
YOUTH DOVE	Sep. 10	Sep. 10	See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.		Woodcock hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during legal woodcock season.

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. CLOSED AREA: The Waterfowl Sanctuary, enclosed by the East Sanctuary Road on the east, Anderson Tully Road on the south and the main levee on the west, is closed to hunting and scouting.

3. BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits except that during permit hunts on deer the legal buck bag limit is one per hunt.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt and the January archery hunt, 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. Additionally, hunters who harvest a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted hunt will be eligible for a drawing for the two Special Gun hunts or for the special Primitive Weapon hunt.

7. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, except that during the Archery/Youth Gun season (Jan. 1 – 14) a youth hunter must harvest a buck with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches.

8. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags which allow the harvest of 1 buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA. An unforked antler is defined as: a main beam with no other points or broken points.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

11. TURKEY HUNTING: Turkey hunting on this WMA is closed.

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

13. WATERFOWL: All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts, September teal season, 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. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m.

Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m. except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt. No boats, blinds, or decoys are to be left out overnight.

14. DOVE: A special youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field Sept. 10, 2016, from 2 p.m. - sunset. No dove hunting shall be allowed prior to the special youth dove hunt. Youth dove hunters must register at the WMA Headquarters on Sept. 10 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dove hunting will be allowed daily from Sept. 11 through the end of the first dove season, and on any small game hunting day during the legal dove season after Oct. 1.

15. 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. During all WMA deer firearms seasons, no loaded shoulder fired weapons allowed within 100 feet of any road within Mahannah WMA, including ATV trails.

16. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, 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 hunting hours.

17. 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.

18. SCOUTING is allowed daily prior to Oct. 1 and on Saturdays only during permitted deer hunts EXCEPT that no scouting is allowed during the weekend of the youth deer hunt. Scouting also will be allowed on any small game hunting day. Only those persons drawn to hunt, and waterfowl hunters during waterfowl season, will be allowed on the area during permitted hunts.

19. 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.

20. HIGH WATER: Part or all of this WMA may be closed due to high water. Closings will be posted at www.mdwfp.com/wma.

21. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13

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 and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 – Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 – Jan. 10	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 11 – 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. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed during nighttime hours.

14. 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.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.14 MARION COUNTY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Marion County Wildlife Management Area in Marion County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Legal bucks only.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Shotgun / Primitive Weapon / Handgun	Dec. 16 - Jan. 3	Legal bucks only.
Archery/ Youth Gun	Jan. 4 - Feb.15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar.15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March	

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. CLOSED AREA: The land areas within the road and firebreak boundary around Lake Bill Waller and Lake Columbia are closed to all hunting.

3. 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.

4. 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 placed on the check-in board inside the 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 both Parts A and B in the return box at the 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.

5. 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Exception: youth deer hunters, 15 years of age or younger, are allowed to use centerfire rifles.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.15 OKATIBBEE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Okatibbee Wildlife Management Area in Lauderdale and Kemper 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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon/Shotgun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon/Shotgun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 28	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Handicapped Hunt	Jan. 29 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. See HANDICAPPED HUNT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	Shooting hours end at 12 p.m.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	
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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the check station near the WMA Headquarters building 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.

6. HANDICAPPED HUNT: To apply, hunters must register at the WMA Office prior to Jan. 1. This is a three day hunt starting at 12 p.m. on Jan. 29 and ending at 12: p.m. on Jan. 31. Eligible handicapped hunters must meet the criteria specified in 40 Miss Admin Code Part 2, Rule 1.4. During the Handicapped Hunt, weapons will be hunter's choice. Hunters may be accompanied by someone to assist, but not participate in the hunt.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only shotguns with slugs and primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT that youth may use centerfire rifles during the youth deer hunt and during the shotgun/primitive weapon season.

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

11. HORSES: No horses allowed.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

14. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.16 O'KEEFE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for O'Keefe Wildlife Management Area in Quitman County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Deer	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 31	Legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Closed	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	

	May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	See Federal Regulations.	Open after waterfowl season.
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. CLOSED AREA: The portion of the WMA in Tallahatchie County. No deer hunting in flooded greentree reservoir prior to 1 p.m.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

7. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS:

a. For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags, which allow the harvest of one buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. An unforked antler is defined as a main beam with no other points or broken points.

b. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station.

c. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only from Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

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

11. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting is allowed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays only during the waterfowl season. Waterfowl hunting closes at 12 p.m. Hunters must vacate the WMA by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt. Hunters may not leave the parking area

prior to 5 a.m. Hunters are allowed no more than 25 shotgun shells per person in the waterfowl hunt areas. No gas boat motors allowed in the greentree reservoir. All decoys, boats, and blinds must be removed from the hunting area by 1 p.m. each day.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Squirrel hunting from horses is allowed in February on entire area. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.17 OLD RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Old River Wildlife Management Area in Pearl River County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	December 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	Legal bucks only.

Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun Season through February 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	See BOBCAT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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 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.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs allowed during daylight hours only Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed only on designated trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off-road use of ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only. EXCEPTION: ORVs/ATVs are not allowed on that portion of the area within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

10. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

11. 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.

12. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding Waterfowl season) are closed on the WMA when the Pearl River gauge at Bogalusa reads 18.0 ft or higher. River stages can be obtained from the internet at www.mdwfp.com/wma, the local newscast, or by calling 985-649-0357.

13. TRAPPING: Trapping is not allowed on that portion of the WMA within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

14. BOBCAT: The harvest of bobcat is not allowed on that portion of the WMA within the Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from area without written permission from Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating or submerged timber.

16. SLAT BOXES: No slat boxes are allowed in or may be transported through the WMA.

17. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.18 PASCAGOULA RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Pascagoula River Wildlife Management Area in George and Jackson Counties.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and AREA RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	WITH DOGS in DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - Dec. 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - Dec. 23	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	WITH DOGS in DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun Season through Feb. 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	

RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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. 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.

3. AREA RESTRICTIONS:

a. DEER HUNTING WITHOUT DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located in Jackson County east of the Pascagoula River and north of Big Slough. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs allowed during daylight hours only Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

b. DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA: That portion of the WMA located in George County and the portion located in Jackson County west of the Pascagoula River and south of Big Slough. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during any deer with dog season. In addition, hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 – Mar. 3 with weapons legal for small game.

4. 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.

5. 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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.

6. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters or at the first self-service data collection station encountered by the hunter who harvested them before leaving 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.

7. 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, except during gun seasons with dogs, when a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs/WATERCRAFT: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting and fishing access only. Off road use of ORVs/ATVs is only allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. Deer hunting is not allowed from designated ORV/ATV trails. ORVs/ATVs/Watercraft left unattended in the Big Swamp must be stored at one of the three designated storage areas. These areas must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. ORVs/ATVs left unattended must have the owner's name and phone number permanently and legibly written and attached to the handlebars. Watercraft left unattended must be registered or have the owner's name and phone number permanently and legibly written and attached to the hull. ORVs/ATVs/Watercraft not in compliance with these regulations or left unattended on the area more than 30 days may be confiscated and disposed of by the MDWFP.

10. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

11. CAMPING: Camping is allowed only in designated areas, or on sandbars and along rivers and creeks, provided such camp is visible from a boat. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days. All campsites must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

12. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed in the George County portion of the WMA when the Pascagoula River gauge at Merrill reads 18.0 ft or higher. Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed in the Jackson County portion of the WMA when the Pascagoula River gauge at Graham Ferry reads 15.0 ft or higher. Deep Slough and Graham Lake Roads in Jackson County will be closed when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 12.0 ft or higher. Roads will be re-opened when conditions are suitable for vehicle use that will minimize road damage. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma or by calling 228-769-6508. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

14. HOUSEBOATS: Houseboats are not allowed to be anchored, secured, or otherwise attached to any lands or structure within WMA boundaries.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from the WMA without written permission from the Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating, or submerged timber.

16. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.19 PEARL RIVER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Pearl River Wildlife Management Area in Madison County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	October 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Season	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - Mar. 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	

YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	No waterfowl hunting west of Pipeline Road except for youth hunters during waterfowl season.
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	

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. CLOSED NO ACCESS AREA: The area around Turcotte Lab and the Hunter Safety Shooting Area within the Waterfowl Refuge is a NO ACCESS AREA.

3. SPECIAL YOUTH AREA, HANDICAPPED AREA, AND WATERFOWL IMPOUNDMENTS: Hunting in the Youth and Handicapped Area is allowed by youth and handicapped only with the following exceptions: deer hunting during the archery season, raccoon hunting, and trapping is allowed. Waterfowl hunting is allowed by youth hunters during the entire waterfowl season. Waterfowl hunting is allowed in the waterfowl impoundments by special permit. Hunting in the Special Handicapped area is restricted to handicapped hunters only. Contact the Jackson Office at 601-432-2199 for access to this area.

4. 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.

5. PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT 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 the 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.

6. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the self-service deer check stations located on the Madison County Pipeline Road, on Rocks Road, and on Beach Bluff Road 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.

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

8. 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.

9. 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 Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

10. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, except for youth hunters during the Deer Youth Season and during primitive weapon seasons when shotguns with slugs may be used.

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

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. FISHING: No fishing allowed in the waterfowl impoundments or in Fisheries Experimental Ponds.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.20 SARDIS WATERFOWL WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sardis Waterfowl Wildlife Management Area in Lafayette County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		See DEER HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Permit Only	First three full weekends in Nov. and 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	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed, except hogs during the youth deer seasons.		

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. 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.

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

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are any antlered bucks.

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

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

11. 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.

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

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

14. HORSES: No horses allowed.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

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.

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

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.21 SHIPLAND WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Shipland Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 31.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery / Youth Gun	Jan. 1 - 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Season Closed.	See TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb.28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb.28.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	Hunting hours the first season are 2:00 pm until sunset.

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. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. TURKEY HUNTING: Turkey hunting on this WMA is closed.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

10. 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.

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. 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.

13. 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.

14. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed when the Mississippi River gauge at Vicksburg reads 41.0 ft or higher. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.22 STONEVILLE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Stoneville Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct.1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	

	May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	July 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	

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 Delta Branch Experiment Station hunting permit, the daily visitor use permit, and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

2. HUNTING PERMITS: All hunters over 15 years of age must have a Delta Branch Experiment Station hunting permit in their possession while hunting on the area. All hunters 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult with a permit in their possession. Permits are available from the Delta Branch Experiment Station in Stoneville (662-686-9311).

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the self-service deer check station located near the west entrance of the WMA by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA. The hunter is responsible for collecting and legibly recording ALL biological data. Instructions and equipment will be provided.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to primitive weapons.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.23 SUNFLOWER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sunflower Wildlife Management Area in Sharkey County.

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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Dec. 1	Legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 –15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 –23	Legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season.	Legal bucks with dogs
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun season - Jan. 31.	Legal bucks.
TURKEY		See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Youth Turkey – PERMIT ONLY	April 2 – 8	
Turkey – PERMIT ONLY	April 9 – 15	
Turkey	April 16 – May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 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.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. WMA USER PERMIT: All persons participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping on 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 that for permitted turkey hunts the daily bag limit is one gobbler per permit, and 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 recorded on DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card before leaving the area. All deer harvested must be checked at a self-service data collection station 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. 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.

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

8. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting for April 9 - 15 is allowed by special permit only. Youth turkey season, April 2 - 8, 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.

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

10. WATERFOWL: Sunflower WMA may be hunted each day from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset. FOR LOCATION OF FLOODED GREENTREE RESERVOIRS, see map at permit stations or at www.mdwfp.com/wma.

11. NO HUNTING from greentree reservoir levees or their rights-of-way. No hunting from pipelines.

12. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails, and only for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs. Anyone operating ORVs/ATVs should have a permit and be familiar with the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) published annually by the U.S. Forest Service. The MVUM explains when and where ORVs/ATVs may be used. Permits and MVUMs are available from the Delta Ranger District office in Rolling Fork, MS, and MVUMs online at www.fs.usda.gov/main/mississippi/maps-pubs.

13. HORSES: Hunting from horseback is allowed.

14. CAMPING: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations.

15. 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.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Forest Service at (662) 873-6256.

History: Updated April 2016.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.24 TWIN OAKS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Twin Oaks Wildlife Management Area in Sharkey County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA

			COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 2	Nov. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 2	Dec. 13	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Special Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Dec. 14 Dec. 26	Dec. 18 Dec. 30	Legal bucks only.
Archery / Youth Gun	Dec. 31	Jan. 31	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	April 2	April 3	
TURKEY - PERMIT ONLY	April 4	May 1	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24	Sept. 24	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Saturdays only.
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 15 Nov. 19 Dec. 3 Nov. 10 Nov. 23 Dec. 18 Dec. 31	Oct. 29 Nov. 19 Dec. 10 Nov. 12 Nov. 26 Dec. 25 Feb. 28	Saturdays only. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily. Daily. Daily.
SQUIRREL	May 15	June 1	Daily.
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 7 Nov. 18 Nov. 9 Nov. 22 Dec. 2 Dec. 28 Dec. 31	Oct. 28 Nov. 18 Nov. 11 Nov. 25 Dec. 9 Dec. 24 Feb. 28	Friday nights only. Daily. Daily. Friday nights only. Daily. Daily.
TRAPPING	Jan. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
QUAIL	Nov. ~~26~~25 Dec. ~~5~~3 Dec. 18 Dec. 31	Nov. ~~28~~26 Dec. ~~12~~10 Dec. 25 Mar. 5	Daily. Saturdays only. Daily. Daily.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.		Woodcock hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during legal woodcock season.

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 that for permitted deer hunts the daily bag limit is one legal buck per permit and one doe per day not to exceed three 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt and the Dec. 31 - Jan. 31 archery/youth gun hunt, 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. Additionally, hunters who harvest a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted hunt will be eligible for a drawing for the two Special Primitive Weapon hunts.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck, except that during the Archery/Youth Gun season (Dec. 31 – Jan. 31) a youth hunter must harvest a buck with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches.

7. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags which allow the harvest of one buck per year with at least one unforked antler will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the WMA headquarters or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the WMA. An unforked antler is defined as a main beam with no other points or broken points.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

10. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey hunting, except for the youth hunt, 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.

11. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

12. WATERFOWL: Through Dec. 30, waterfowl hunting will be allowed on Saturdays during the legal waterfowl season. After Dec. 30, waterfowl hunting is allowed on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays during the legal waterfowl season EXCEPT that the Youth Waterfowl season shall be open concurrent with the statewide season. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m.

13. DOVE: Dove hunting is allowed daily during legal dove season prior to Oct. 1. Dove hunting is allowed on any small game hunting day during the legal dove season after Oct. 1.

14. 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.

15. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

16. 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.

17. SCOUTING: Scouting is allowed daily prior to Oct. 1 and on Saturdays only during permitted deer hunts, EXCEPT that no scouting is allowed during the weekend of the youth deer hunt. Scouting will also be allowed on any small game hunting day. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted hunts.

18. 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.

19. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.25 WARD BAYOU WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Ward Bayou Wildlife Management Area in Jackson County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, DOG RESTRICTIONS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	WITH DOGS IN DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - 23	WITHOUT DOGS. Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24 until 47 days of regular gun hunting for entire deer season	WITH DOGS IN DEER HUNTING WITH DOGS AREA only. Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Day after the final day of Gun Season - Feb. 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - May 1	Friday, Saturday, and Sunday by permit only. See SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	

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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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 self-service data collection station 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 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, except during gun seasons with dogs, when a legal buck is a buck with an inside spread of at least 10 inches OR one main beam length of at least 13 inches.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is allowed EXCEPT in the Deer Hunting Without Dogs Area. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Youth turkey hunting on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from March 8 - May 1 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.

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

10. WATERFOWL HUNTING: Waterfowl hunting in and entering into any ponds west of the hill road from the WMA headquarters to the large power line is prohibited.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only. Motorized vehicles are not allowed on sandbars.

12. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

13. CAMPING: Camping is allowed only on sandbars and along rivers and creeks, provided such camp is visible from a boat. Camping is limited to 14 consecutive days. All campsites must be maintained in a neat and orderly manner. Camping equipment may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours. All camping equipment and garbage must be removed before final departure.

14. HIGH WATER: Hunting seasons (excluding waterfowl season) are closed on the WMA when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 15.0 ft. or higher. Ward Bayou Road will be closed from the double gates eastward when the river gauge at Graham Ferry reads 12.0 ft. or higher. Roads will be re-opened when conditions are suitable for vehicle use that will minimize road damage. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma or by calling 228-769-6508. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

15. TREE REMOVAL: No timber or firewood may be cut or removed from area without written permission from the Area Manager, to include the removal of live, dead, floating, or submerged timber.

16. COMMERCIAL FISHING: Commercial fishing is not allowed within the WMA.

17. CLOSED SANDBARS: Sandbars south of Cumbest Bluff within the WMA boundaries are closed from 5 p.m. – 8 a.m., Apr. 1 – Oct. 1 for the protection of nesting endangered species. No overnight camping allowed during this time. No dogs allowed on sandbars. All visitors to sandbars must remove personal refuse before leaving.

18. HOUSEBOATS: Houseboats are not allowed to be anchored, secured, or otherwise attached to any lands or structure within WMA boundaries.

19. NATURE TRAILS: Use of designated nature trails is allowed from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset only.

20. 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.

21. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.26 NATCHEZ STATE PARK WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Natchez State Park in Adams County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, ELIGIBLE HUNTERS, LEGAL BUCKS, SPECIAL BUCK TAGS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1	Jan. 29	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Handicapped Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 29	Jan. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Muzzleloader – Permit Only	Dec. 1	Jan. 29	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH SQUIRREL – Permit Only	Feb. 4	Feb. ~~28~~26	See YOUTH SQUIRREL HUNTING PERMITS in Special Instructions.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 11	Apr. 30	See YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in Special Instructions.
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			

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. HUNTING AREA: See map at mdwfp.com/wma.

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

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

5. 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.

6. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

7. ELIGIBLE HUNTERS:

a. Youth: Mississippi resident hunters 15 years of age or younger.

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

c. Muzzleloader: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

d. Archery: Restricted to Mississippi residents.

8. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

9. SPECIAL BUCK TAGS: For management purposes, a limited number of special buck tags, which allow one of the two buck bag limit per year to be any buck with hardened antlers visible above the natural hairline will be available for hunters. It is the hunter's responsibility to check on the availability of Special Buck Tags. If available, tags may be acquired at the park office or at the self-service deer check station. After harvest of a qualifying buck, hunters must retrieve a tag and attach it to the buck before leaving the park.

10. 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.

11. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

12. YOUTH SQUIRREL HUNTING PERMITS: Youth squirrel 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.

13. YOUTH 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.

14. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only muzzleloaders and archery equipment may be used for deer hunting, except for during the Youth and Handicap Gun hunts when archery equipment, centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, muzzleloaders, or centerfire handguns may be used. Only shotguns may be used during the youth squirrel hunt.

15. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed only for the retrieval of harvested deer and hogs only. Exception: handicapped hunters may access hunting area with ATVs during handicapped hunt only.

16. PARKING: Hunters must park in designated parking areas only.

17. BOAT ACCESS: Access to hunting area by boat is allowed only from the south creek channel.

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

19. CAMPING: Camping is allowed under State Park regulation.

20. 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.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.27 NANIH WAIYA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Nanih Waiya Wildlife Management Area in Neshoba and Winston 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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to the opening day of Primitive Weapon season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving through Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28. May 15 - June 1	
RACCOON	Jul.1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov.1 - Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
RABBIT		
With Dogs	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28 on Wednesdays and Saturdays only.	See BAG LIMITS in Special Instructions.
Without Dogs	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	
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: Rabbit – 8 per hunting party if with dogs, and 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 kept with the visitor while on the WMA. 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. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters building or at a check station 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.

6. 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.

7. 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 Feb. 1 - 28 with weapons legal for small game.

8. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only primitive weapons may be used for deer hunting, EXCEPT that youth may use centerfire rifles and shotguns with slugs during the youth deer hunt and during primitive weapon season.

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

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: Campers must use a designated, primitive camp site and obtain a camping permit from the Area Manager prior to camping. 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.

12. 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.

13. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (662) 327-2142.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.28 BLACK PRAIRIE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Black Prairie Wildlife Management Area in Lowndes County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 1 Dec. 30 Jan. 6	Oct. 2 Jan. 2 Jan. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 3	Oct. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Oct. 13 Oct. 20 Oct. 27 Nov. 3	Oct. 16 Oct. 23 Oct. 30 Nov. 5	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 13	Dec. 17	Legal bucks only.
Archery Only	Nov. 14 Dec. 21 Jan. 16	Nov. 25 Dec. 29 Jan. 20	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY – Permit Only	Apr. 7 Apr. 14 Apr. 21 Apr. 28	Apr. 9 Apr. 16 Apr. 23 Apr. 30	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

SQUIRREL and RABBIT	Oct. 10 Oct. 17 Oct. 24 Oct. 31 Nov. 7 Nov. 14 Nov. 28 Dec. 12 Dec. 19 Jan. 3 Jan. 10 Jan. 16 Feb. 1 Feb. 6 Feb. 13	Oct. 12 Oct. 19 Oct. 26 Nov. 2 Nov. 11 Nov. 25 Dec. 9 Dec. 12 Dec. 29 Jan. 5 Jan. 13 Jan. 20 Feb. 3 Feb. 10 Feb. 24	
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	No trapping allowed.		
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates (see SPECIAL EVENTS section below).			

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:

a. Turkey - A bag limit of one (1) legal gobbler per permit.

b. Rabbit - party limit of 8 rabbits per day.

c. Deer - One legal buck and three antlerless deer 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 while

on the WMA. 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 HUNTING PERMITS: Deer 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. Hunters must check in a 1½ year old or older doe during their permitted gun hunt to be issued a permit to harvest one (1) legal buck. This buck permit will be valid for the duration of the permitted hunt and during the legal bucks only deer hunt (Dec. 13 – 17).

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the Area Headquarters by the hunters 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS: Turkey 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.

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

11. SPECIAL EVENTS:

a. Hunting dog field trials and other special events will be allowed by special use permit only. These permits may be obtained from the MDWFP, see Area Manager for additional information.

b. Special events will be restricted to the following dates: Sept. 17-18, Nov. 6, Nov. 12-13, Nov. 26-27, Dec. 10-11, Dec. 18, Jan. 14-15, Jan. 21-22, Jan. 23-31, Feb. 4-5, Feb. 11-12, February 25-26, and Mar. 4.

c. The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates. Anyone participating in permitted special events must obey conduct rules as designated and posted by club or group permitted to hold event.

12. DOVE HUNTING: A youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field Sept. 5, 2016, from 2 p.m. - sunset. Youth dove hunters must register prior to the special youth dove hunt. Dove hunting will be allowed on designated fields after the Sept. 5 youth hunt, from 2 p.m. - sunset, on Wednesdays and Saturdays only, during the first season only.

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

14. HORSES: During WMA deer seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hours.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

16. FISHING: Fishing is allowed. Boats prohibited.

17. 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.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.29 HELL CREEK WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Hell Creek Wildlife Management Area in Union and Tippah Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMIT, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL WEAPONS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Gun	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.

– Permit Only	Oct. 12 Oct. 19	Oct. 15 Oct. 22	Antlerless deer and legal bucks Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth Gun	Oct. 29	Nov. 3	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 7	Dec. 11	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery Only	Dec. 19	Dec. 26	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Archery / Youth Gun	Jan. 17	Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TURKEY	Season Closed		
SQUIRREL & RABBIT	Oct. 17 Oct. 23 Nov. 20 Dec. 12 Jan. 1 Feb. 12	Oct. 18 Oct. 28 Dec. 1 Dec. 14 Jan. 16 Feb. 17	
RACCOON	Jul. 1	Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	No Trapping Allowed		
QUAIL – Training Only	Oct. 1 Oct. 9 Oct. 16 Oct. 23 Nov. 20 Dec. 5 Dec. 12 Jan. 5 Feb. 27	Oct. 4 Oct. 11 Oct. 18 Oct. 28 Nov. 24 Dec. 6 Dec. 14 Jan. 16 Mar. 5	
Quail – Permit Only	Feb. 20	Feb. 26	See BAG LIMITS and QUAIL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DOVE	Statewide opening day		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
DOVE	See Federal Regulations		See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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 LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT:

a. Rabbit - party limit of 6 rabbits per day.

b. Quail - party limit of 15 quail per day.

c. Deer - One (1) legal buck per day, not to exceed two (2) 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 HUNTING PERMITS: Deer 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. Hunters who check in a doe that is 1½ years or older during their permitted hunt will be issued a permit for a special December gun hunt.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

10. SPECIAL EVENTS:

a. Hunting dog field trials and other special events will be allowed by special use permit only. These permits may be obtained from the MDWFP, see Area Manager for additional information.

b. Special events will be restricted to the following dates: Nov. 4 – 19, Dec. 2 – 4, Dec. 15 – 18, Dec. 27 – 31, Feb. 3 – 11, and Feb. 18-19.

c. The WMA is closed to hunting during special event dates. Anyone participating in permitted special events must obey conduct rules as designated and posted by club or group permitted to hold event.

11. BIRD DOG TRAINING: During bird dog training dates, a person may not use area facilities more than 4 consecutive days.

12. QUAIL HUNTING PERMITS: Quail hunting from Feb. 20 – 26 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.

13. DOVE HUNTING: A youth dove hunt will be held on a designated field on the statewide opening day from 2 p.m. - sunset. After the youth dove hunt, dove hunting will be allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting is allowed during the statewide season dates, except during special event days. See SPECIAL EVENTS.

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

15. HORSES: During WMA deer and turkey seasons, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.

16. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

17. 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.

18. FISHING: Fishing is allowed on area ponds. Fishing is subject to special regulations posted at each pond.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.30 TRIM CANE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Trim Cane Wildlife Management Area in 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.

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 LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT: Rabbit - a party limit of 8 rabbits per day and the bag limit on antlered buck deer is one (1) buck and on antlerless deer is one (1).

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

4. WATERFOWL:

a. 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.

b. 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.

c. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel.

d. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times.

e. On the morning of area waterfowl hunts, non-permitted hunters may come to the WMA Headquarters and enter a random drawing at 5 a.m. for any openings created by permitted hunters not showing up.

f. Shooting hours are one half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m.

g. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1 p.m. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

5. RABBIT:

a. 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.

b. Selected hunters can bring 4 guests during each hunt.

6. HANDICAPPED and YOUTH DEER HUNTING:

a. 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.

b. To be eligible, handicapped applicants must have a physical condition which makes them fully dependent on a wheelchair for mobility.

c. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

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

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

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. 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.

15. NON-HUNTING USE/SCOUTING: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use/scouting is allowed by foot traffic only on Tuesdays and Fridays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.31 UPPER SARDIS WMA - AREAS INCLUDED.

The Upper Sardis Wildlife Management Area shall consist of all U. S. Army Corps of Engineer lands in Lafayette and Marshall Counties which are east of the Graham Lake Boat Ramp road, south of the Little Tallahatchie River Canal and west of the Union County line and all National Forest land in Lafayette County.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.32 TUSCUMBIA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Tuscumbia Wildlife Management Area in Alcorn County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
UNIT 1		
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, BAG LIMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, 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 Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Dec. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2 - 15	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16 - 23	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
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 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 May 15 - June 3	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
UNIT 2		

DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER HUNTING - Unit 2, DOG RESTRICTIONS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, BAG LIMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and LEGAL WEAPONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 - 14	
TURKEY	Mar. 15 - May 1	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
SQUIRREL & RACCOON	Oct. 1 - the day prior to the opening of waterfowl season. Feb. 1 - 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 to the day prior to the opening of waterfowl season. Feb. 1 - 28	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	See TRAPPING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WATERFOWL – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with the statewide Youth Waterfowl Season.	See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at a check station 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.

6. DEER HUNTING – UNIT 2: Once the waterfowl draw hunts begin, archery and youth gun hunting will be allowed only on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

10. TRAPPING: All kill type traps must be at least 50% submerged in water.

11. WATERFOWL:

a. UNIT 1: Open with state seasons and bag limits. Shooting hours on Unit 1 are one-half hour before sunrise until 3 p.m., except during the waterfowl youth hunt which runs concurrent with state seasons. Waterfowl scouting is allowed during any open hunting season.

b. UNIT 2: Waterfowl hunting on UNIT 2 is by special permit only. All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts, are draw hunts only. The waterfowl youth hunt shall run concurrent with the statewide season. You may apply online at www.mdwfp.com. See application for hunt dates, application deadlines, and other information about permitted hunts.

c. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times.

d. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel.

e. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until 12 p.m.

f. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1 p.m.

g. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

h. Waterfowl scouting is allowed during any open hunting season.

12. 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 the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

13. HORSES: No horses allowed.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

16. DOVE HUNTING – Unit 2: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

17. HIGH WATER: All hunting seasons are closed when the Tuscumbia River gauge at Corinth reads 15.0 ft. or higher. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

History: Updated April 2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.33 GRAHAM LAKE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Graham Lake Waterfowl Area in Lafayette County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see: BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, LEGAL WEAPONS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 1 - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	First Saturday in Nov. - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
YOUTH WATERFOWL		See Federal Regulations.

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.

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. CLOSED AREA: Area is closed to access beyond the public viewing area except during archery season and special youth hunt dates.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the deer check station as denoted on the area map by the hunter who harvested them. 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.

6. 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.

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. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

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

11. HORSES: No horses allowed.

12. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

13. 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.

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

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016.

RULE 1.34 MUSCADINE FARMS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Muscadine Farms Wildlife Management Area in Washington County.

1. Muscadine Farms Tract:

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
SEPTEMBER TEAL – PERMIT ONLY	See Federal Regulations.	See SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DUCK - PERMIT ONLY.	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for those species.		
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

2. Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts:

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct.15 - Feb.28	
RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sep. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct.1 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March.	
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See LEGAL SHOT and SHOOTING HOURS 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.

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS: September teal 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.

6. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

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:

a. Retrievers are allowed during migratory bird hunts on Muscadine Farms Tract. All other dogs are prohibited on Muscadine Farms Tract.

b. On Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts, small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs prohibited. No vehicles allowed on levees.

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 4 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 5 p.m. For first season dove hunting shooting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset. All other migratory bird shooting hours are the same as statewide seasons.

13. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

14. 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.

15. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.35 YOCKANOOKANY WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Yockanookany Wildlife Management Area in Attala County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1 through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 8 –14	

TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 15 – 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	See DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RACCOON	Jul. 1 – Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPPOSUM, BOBCAT	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 – Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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 that for permitted turkey hunts the daily bag limit is one gobbler per permit, and 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 entrance 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt, 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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 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: Deer seasons other than youth hunts are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

11. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

14. 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.

15. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2015

RULE 1.36 CHARLES RAY NIX WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Charles Ray Nix Wildlife Management Area in Panola County.

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 Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Primitive Weapons-Permit Only season through the Friday prior to Thanksgiving.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Saturday prior to Thanksgiving – the day before Thanksgiving. First Friday in December continuing for 36 days.	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. See PRIMITIVE WEAPON DEER HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery / Youth Gun	Day after the end of the Primitive Weapon – Permit Only season - Jan. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	All full weekends in April.	See TURKEY HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept. 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28 May 15 – June 1	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 – Feb. 28	

RACCOON	Jul. 1 - Sept. 30	Friday and Saturday nights.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM, & BOBCAT	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Season Closed	See QUAIL HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
DOVE	See Federal Regulations	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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. 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.

5. 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.

6. PRIMITIVE WEAPON DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting during the primitive weapon season 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.

7. HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING AREA: Only handicapped hunters are allowed to hunt in this area during deer season. Handicapped hunters may hunt with a rifle in the handicapped area from the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving – the day before Thanksgiving and the first Friday in December – January 31. This area will be open to all other hunters outside of deer season.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

10. 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.

11. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only archery equipment and primitive weapon may be used for deer hunting. Youth hunters may use centerfire rifles or shotguns with slugs for deer during youth gun and primitive weapon seasons. Handicap hunters may use centerfire rifles or shotguns with slugs for deer in the handicapped area during the handicapped rifle season.

12. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2 p.m. – sunset during first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

13. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only from Sept. 1 – May 1. Off-road use of ORVs/ATVs is allowed for retrieval of harvested deer or hogs.

14. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer and turkey seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and

designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.

15. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

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.

17. QUAIL HUNTING: A special experimental harvest season may be implemented.

18. CLOSED AREA: The area designated as the shooting range shall be closed to hunting, fishing, and trapping.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016

RULE 1.37 SKY LAKE WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Sky Lake Wildlife Management Area in Humphreys and Leflore Counties.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 1	Oct. 31	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Youth Gun	Nov. 5	Nov. 7	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 12	Jan. 2	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
Archery – Permit Only	Jan. 7	Jan. 30	Antlerless deer and legal bucks. (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday only.)
TURKEY	SEASON CLOSED		
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Oct. 4	Oct. 7	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.

SQUIRREL	Oct. 11	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
RACCOON	Jul. 3	Sep. 26	Friday and Saturday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Jan. 31	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
TRAPPING	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	
WATERFOWL	See Federal Regulations.		Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday only. Shooting hours end at 12 p.m. See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH WATERFOWL	Open concurrent with statewide Youth Waterfowl Season		See WATERFOWL in Special Instructions
DOVE	See Federal Regulations		
RABBIT	Oct. 11	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only. See DOG RESTRICTIONS in Special Instructions.
	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	Daily
QUAIL	Nov. 29	Jan. 27	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday only.
	Feb. 1	Mar. 5	Daily

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. Visitors to the Sky Lake Boardwalk and Visitor's Center are exempt from the WMA User Permit.

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, including users of the Sky Lake Boardwalk and Visitor's Center, 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 a self-service deer check station located on Sky Lake WMA 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: Deer hunting, except for the youth gun hunt, 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.

6. 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 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

d. Rabbit hunting with dogs is prohibited on the following areas:

i. South of Lakeside Road, east of Four Mile Lake in Humphreys County.

ii. Tract east of King Road.

iii. Tract along Inverness Road.

iv. Tract west of Highway 7, south of Simmons Road.

9. SMALL GAME HUNTING: Small game seasons for species not listed will be open on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday during their respective statewide season dates until January 31. After January 31 these seasons will be open daily.

10. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting during the youth deer hunt. Other deer seasons are restricted to archery and primitive weapons.

11. WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting closes at 12 p.m. All hunt participants, spent shot shells, and equipment must be removed from the WMA by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited during WMA deer seasons. At all other times, horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed during nighttime hunting hours.

14. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

15. 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.

16. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.

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Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-1-49, 49-4-4, 49-4-8, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.38 HOWARD MILLER WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Howard Miller Wildlife Management Area in Issaquena County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide	

	season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 - 28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON PERMITS: Hunting during the September teal season 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.

6. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

7. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS:

a. All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species.

b. Doves may be hunted during the first statewide season split east of the main gravel road.

c. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal seasons for those species.

8. NON-HUNTING USE / SCOUTING: ATV use from October 1 – November 15 is prohibited. During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use/scouting is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

9. 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.

10. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

11. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on levees.

12. HORSES: No horses allowed.

13. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

14. SHOOTING HOURS:

a. Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

b. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1p.m.

c. For first season dove hunting, shooting hours are from 2 p.m. until sunset.

d. All other migratory bird shooting hours are the same as statewide seasons.

History: Updated April 2015

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.39 THEODORE MARS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Theodore A. Mars, Jr. Memorial Wildlife Refuge in Pearl River County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL DEER, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Youth Gun	Saturday two weeks prior to opening day of Gun season - Feb. 15	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Sept 24 - 30	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Saturday nearest Oct. 15 - Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday in March	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. 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 the permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be kept on the dash of the vehicle while on the WMA. 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 the 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 recorded on the DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card.

5. LEGAL DEER: Antlerless deer and bucks with hardened antlers visible above the natural hairline are legal for harvest.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited.

b. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season.

c. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

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

9. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated trails and for the retrieval of harvested deer or hogs only.

10. HORSES: No horses allowed.

11. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

12. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.40 CHARLIE CAPPS WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Charlie Capps Wildlife Management Area in Bolivar County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only - Except for youth duck hunts.	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 –28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting migratory game birds on this area.

4. 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.

5. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts and early teal season, 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. Early teal season hunting is allowed in the borrow area only (see map at www.mdwfp.com/wma).

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs are prohibited.

b. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on impoundment levees.

9. HORSES: No horses allowed.

10. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

11. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m., except during the youth waterfowl hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for that species.

14. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

15. FISHING:

a. No fishing from November 1 – February 15.

b. Fishing is allowed from sunrise to sunset.

c. Only bank fishing and non-motorized boats may be used.

d. Daily Creel Limits:

i. Largemouth bass: 5 per day. ~~Must be at least fifteen (15) inches in length.~~

ii. Crappie: 20 per day.

iii. Bream: 100 per day.

iv. Catfish: 10 per day.

History: Updated ~~April~~ May ~~2015~~2016

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.41 INDIANOLA WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Indianola Wildlife Management Area in Sunflower County.

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DUCK – Permit Only	See Federal Regulations.	See DUCK HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
YOUTH DUCK	Open concurrent with statewide season.	
DOVE	See Federal Regulations.	See DOVE HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.	See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1 –28	
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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.

3. LEGAL SHOT: Only non-toxic shot may be used for hunting waterfowl on this area.

4. 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.

5. DUCK HUNTING PERMITS: All duck hunts, except for the youth hunts, 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.

6. 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.

7. DOG RESTRICTIONS:

a. Retrievers allowed during migratory game bird hunts. All other dogs are prohibited.

b. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

8. OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: ORVs/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only. No vehicles allowed on impoundment levees.

9. HORSES: No horses allowed.

10. CAMPING: No camping allowed.

11. SHOOTING HOURS: Shooting hours for waterfowl end at 12 p.m. Waterfowl hunters must check-out by 1 p.m., except during the waterfowl youth hunt which shall run concurrent with the statewide waterfowl youth hunt.

12. 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.

13. OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted duck hunts during the legal season for the species. Outside of the regular duck season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for that species.

14. NON-HUNTING USE OF THE AREA: During Waterfowl seasons, non-hunting use of the area is allowed by foot traffic only on Sundays and Tuesdays from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m.

15. DOVE HUNTING: Dove hunting is allowed from 2:00 pm – sunset during the first season. After the first season, dove hunting follows statewide season dates.

History: Updated April 2015

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

RULE 1.42 MCHENRY WMA REGULATIONS.

BE IT ORDERED, that the property owned by the MDWFP known as "McHenry," located in Stone County, is hereby declared a wildlife management project or refuge to be managed as a Wildlife Management Area, under the authority of MISS. CODE ANN. Section 49-5-13 and shall be open for shooting range operations only. It shall remain closed to hunting, fishing, and trapping.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2014

RULE 1.43 CANEMOUNT WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Canemount Wildlife Management Area in Claiborne County.

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see BAG LIMITS, DEER DATA COLLECTION, DEER HUNTING PERMITS, YOUTH DEER HUNTING, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Oct. 3	Nov. 9	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Primitive Weapon – Permit Only	Nov. 14	Dec. 14	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Gun – Permit Only	Dec. 16	Jan. 18	Antlerless deer and legal bucks
Youth – Permit Only	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
YOUTH TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 11	Mar. 12	See YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TURKEY – Permit Only	Mar. 17	April 30	See TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

SQUIRREL	Feb. 1 May 15	Feb. 28 June 1	See SQUIRREL HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
NO OTHER SEASONS shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			
The Commission may expand, shorten, restrict or otherwise alter, the hunting opportunities set forth herein, in order to best manage the animal population(s) on the management area. Any changes in hunting opportunities may be effected by Executive Order.			

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:

a. Deer: Three (3) antlerless deer and one (1) legal buck per permitted hunt.

b. Turkey: One (1) legal turkey per permitted hunt.

c. Squirrel: Eight (8) per day.

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 placed on the check-in board 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 harvested deer 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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

6. YOUTH 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.

7. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

8. 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.

9. DOG RESTRICTIONS: Hunting with dogs is prohibited.

10. TURKEY HUNTING: 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.

11. YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING: 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.

12. SQUIRREL HUNTING: Squirrel hunting is allowed on Friday – Wednesday from February 1 – 28. No hunting on Thursdays. A limited number of hunters will be allowed on the WMA at one time. See the permit station for available hunting locations.

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

14. 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. <u>Electric carts may be used on any WMA road for turkey hunting access during turkey season only.</u>

15. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited.

16. CAMPING: No camping is allowed.

17. SCOUTING is allowed daily prior to Oct. 3 and on Thursdays only during permitted deer hunts. Scouting is allowed on Friday prior the youth turkey hunt and Thursdays only during permitted turkey hunts. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted deer hunts. During permitted turkey hunts, only the hunter and their

partner will be allowed on the area during a permitted turkey hunt. The WMA is closed to all access March 1 – 9 and March 13 – 15.

18. 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.

19. SPECIAL HUNTS: December 2 – 4 and March 31 – April 2 are set aside for special opportunity hunts.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated ~~April~~ May 2016

RULE 1.44 GREAT RIVER ROAD WMA REGULATIONS.

A. Regulations for Great River Road Wildlife Management Area in Bolivar County

SPECIES	SEASON	COMMENTS
DEER		For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery – Permit Only	Nov. 4 – 30	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
Muzzleloader – Permit Only	Dec. 2 – Jan. 1	Antlerless deer and legal bucks.
FALL TURKEY – Permit Only	Oct. 14 – 30	For turkey hunting regulations see TURKEY HUNTING in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.		

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:

Deer: One (1) legal buck per hunt and one (1) antlerless deer per day, not to exceed three (3) antlerless deer per hunt.

Turkey: 1 turkey, either sex per hunt.

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. DEER HUNTING PERMITS: 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.

6. LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 16 inches OR one main beam length of at least 20 inches. For hunters 15 years of age or younger any antlered buck is a legal buck.

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: Hunting with dogs is prohibited. Hunting, running, or pursuing hogs with the use of dogs is prohibited.

9. LEGAL WEAPONS: Only muzzleloaders and archery equipment may be used for deer hunting. Only archery equipment and shotguns with #2 shot or smaller may be used for turkey hunting.

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

11. HORSES: Horseback riding is prohibited.

12. CAMPING: Camping is prohibited on this area.

13. TURKEY HUNTING: Fall 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.

14. SCOUTING: Deer scouting is allowed daily Oct. 1 – 13 and on Thursdays only during permitted deer hunts. Fall turkey scouting is allowed daily Oct. 1 – 13 and on Thursdays only during permitted fall turkey hunts. Only those persons drawn to hunt will be allowed on the area during permitted deer hunts.

15. HIGH WATER: Deer and turkey seasons will be closed when the Mississippi River gauge at Arkansas City reads 26 feet or higher and will reopen when the Mississippi River gauge at Arkansas City drops below 26 feet. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day. River stages can be obtained from www.mdwfp.com/wma. The earliest daily reading will determine WMA closure for the entire day.

16. 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.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, and 49-5-13.

History: Updated April 2016