

#### WHY FEWER EITHER-SEX DAYS?

In response to an ever increasing deer population in the 1980s and 1990s, SCDNR increased opportunities for hunters to take antierless deer by increasing either-sex days and the availability of antierless deer tags.

Over the last 10-12 years deer numbers and harvest trends have declined in many areas of the state. In addition to extremely liberal antierless deer harvests, other factors like habitat changes related to forest management have played a role in the reduction in deer numbers. Also, coyotes are a recent addition to the landscape and are another part of the equation.

While coyotes do kill deer, hunters continue to be far and away the No. 1 source of deer mortality and the only source that hunting regulations can affect. Just as antierless harvest opportunities were increased to address increasing deer numbers in the past, SCDNR believes that adjusting antierless harvest opportunities at the present time is important.

Keep in mind that although some hunters are concerned with significant declines in deer, there are still areas in the state that receive high levels of agricultural damage from deer. Regardless of whether there are too few or too many deer locally, hunters continue to have flexibility to adjust antlerless harvest rates to meet their goals by using either-sex days and antlerless deer tagging programs offered by SCDNR. Ultimately, SCDNR relies on hunters to make good decisions related to deer harvest management at the local level.

#### **GENERAL** RULES AND REGULATIONS

## General Information on Hunting

Hunting is defined as trying to find, seek, obtain, pursue, or diligently search for game. Regulations in this section apply to both private and public lands statewide, unless otherwise specified.

#### Licenses and Permits

Licenses and permits are required for hunting in South Carolina. Detailed information on types of licenses and permits is located on pages 12 & 14. All residents and nonresidents born after June 30, 1979 must successfully complete a hunter education course that is approved by the SC Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) before a hunting license can be obtained. For exceptions, see page 8.

#### Game Zones & WMAs

South Carolina is divided into four game zones, as defined on the maps on page 60.

The SCDNR sets and regulates the methods of harvest, bag limits and other requirements for hunting on Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) statewide.

The SC General Assembly establishes seasons, limits and methods for private land statewide. The SCDNR is responsible for law enforcement statewide.

#### Protected Game

The following species may be hunted ONLY during legally established seasons: bear, beaver, bobcat, deer, fox, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, rabbit, raccoon, skunk, squirrel, weasel, waterfowl (goose, brant and duck), bobwhite quail, mourning dove, rails (marsh hen), coot, gallinule, ruffed grouse, crow, wild turkey, common snipe and woodcock.

#### **Protected Nongame**

The following species are protected and may not be hunted, molested, caught, transported, sold or possessed in any manner: birds of prey (eagles, hawks, osprey, owls, kites and vultures) and nongame birds (except English sparrows, pigeons, Eurasian collared doves and starlings). Falconers must possess a SCDNR permit.

## **Importation & Possession**

It is unlawful to import, possess or transport for the purpose of release, or to introduce or bring into this state any live wildlife of the following types without a permit from the SCDNR: a member of the family Cervidae (deer, moose, elk, etc.), bear, turkey, furbearers (fox, raccoon, opossum, muskrat, mink, skunk, coyote, otter, bobcat, weasel and beaver), a nondomestic member of the families Suidae or Tayassuidae (pigs), or Bovidae (bison, antelope, mountain goat, mountain sheep) (50-16-20). The importation or possession of live alligators is illegal without a permit from the Department (50-15-390).

The importation or sale of live wolves is prohibited in South Carolina, except for exhibition or scientific purposes upon the approval of the SCDNR as provided by regulations (50-11-1765). It is unlawful to import coyotes. The possession and sale of live foxes and coyotes is restricted by law (50-11-2630). A person may not have a live wolf in his possession without a SCDNR permit. Federal law prohibits importing, exporting, selling, buying, receiving or acquiring big cats across state lines. For information and exceptions, contact the US Fish and Wildlife Service Southeast Region, 1875 Century Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30345. Prohibition of Sale, Purchase, Donation, or Transfer of Ownership Wildlife as Pets - The Department of Health and Environmental Control's (DHEC) Rabies Control Act (47-5-50) prohibits the sale, purchase, donation, or transfer of ownership of nondomesticated carnivores (raccoons, foxes, skunks, bobcats, coyotes, wolves, wolf dogs, weasels, civet cats, spotted skunks, and lynx or the offspring born to any combinations of crossbreeding (hybrids) between these wild animals and domestic dogs or cats) to private individuals in this State. It is illegal to import native furbearing species into the state for any purpose except with a permit issued by the SCDNR. Requests for importing furbearing animals for private possession violate the spirit of the Rabies Control Act and will be denied.

Note: The SCDNR does not advocate or encourage keeping wildlife in captivity.

## **Equipment & Methods** Archery

Archery means a longbow, recurve bow, compound bow or crossbow (50-11-565). There are no restrictions on draw weight/length, arrow weight/length, or broad head weight, width, or style.

#### Crossbows

Crossbows may be used on private lands and WMA lands statewide during all archery, muzzleloader or gun seasons for deer, bear and turkey.

## **Primitive Weapons**

For special primitive weapons seasons, primitive weapons include bow and arrow, crossbows and muzzleloading shotguns of twenty gauge or larger, and rifles of .36 caliber or larger with open or peep sights or scopes, which use black powder or a black powder substitute that does not contain nitrocellulose or nitro-glycerin components as the propellant charge. There are no restrictions on ignition systems including flintstone, percussion cap, shotgun primer, disk, or electronic. During primitive weapons season, no revolving rifles are permitted (50-11-310). Falconry Allowed.

#### Transporting Firearms

There are no SCDNR restrictions on transporting firearms by licensed hunters and fishermen in a vehicle to and from the place of hunting and fishing except on WMA lands. For regulations on WMA lands see Weapons 3.4 on page 89.

## Calls, Recorded or Electronically Amplified

It is illegal to hunt, catch, take, kill or attempt to hunt, catch, take or kill any game bird or game animal with the aid of recorded calls or sounds or recorded or electronically amplified imitations of calls or sounds (50-11-40). Crows, coyotes or hogs are not game birds/animals and therefore can be hunted using electronic calls on private lands and WMA lands.

Trapping regulations are available in a separate publication or online at http://www.dnr.sc.gov/regs/furharvest.html.

#### Commercial Fur Harvest

Regulations are available in a separate publication or online at http://www.dnr.sc.gov/regs/ furharvest.html.

## Youth Hunting Days

Youth Hunting Days are scheduled for many species of game and allow youth 17 years of age and younger to hunt as long as they are accompanied by a licensed adult 21 years or older. Only the youth may take or attempt to take game and license requirements are waived for the youth hunter (50-9-740). See pages 107-108 for youth hunt day list.

## Free Hunting Days **December 26 & 27**

Free hunting days allow all South Carolina residents to hunt without a state hunting license or other required permits, to include Wildlife Management Area (WMA) permit, or Migratory Waterfowl Permit (formerly State Duck Stamp). It is important to note that Free Hunting Days are offered by the State of South Carolina and do not waive any Federal requirements for a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp (Federal Duck Stamp) to hunt migratory waterfowl.

Free hunting days are available only to SC residents and apply to all lands in which hunting is allowed, to include private lands and Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) throughout the state that are not otherwise closed to hunting. The list of open WMAs can be found by visiting the Public Lands tab of the DNR website at https://www2.dnr.sc.gov/managedlands/Please note that all existing seasons, bag limits and methods of take still apply.

## **Prohibited Acts**Shining

In all game zones, the use of artificial lights for the purpose of observing or harassing wildlife is unlawful, except that a property owner, lessee, or person with written permission from the property owner may use artificial lights to observe wildlife prior to 11:00 PM. This section does not prohibit an owner of real property from using artificial lights for the purpose of protecting the property. This section does not prohibit the use of remote trail monitors or cameras from fixed locations on a property, nor does it prohibit a person or group, with written permission of the landowner or leaseholder of the property, from observing wildlife with the use of artificial lights who is engaged in research or documentary filming (50-11-708). This section does not prohibit a person from lawfully hunting covotes, armadillos, and hogs at night as provided for by law (See pages 68-68).

#### **Sunday Hunting**

Hunting is prohibited on Sundays on all WMA lands. On private lands statewide, Sunday hunting for all game is legal.

#### **Selling Game Animals**

It is unlawful to sell, except by special permit, any protected wildlife (50-1-290). Furbearing animals may be sold with a valid commercial fur harvest license. Contact the SCDNR for a copy of the commercial fur harvest regulations.

#### **Trespass**

It shall be unlawful to enter upon the lands of another for the purpose of hunting, fishing, trapping or retrieval of dogs without the consent of the landowner or manager.

## **Hunting from Public Roads**

It is unlawful to hunt from a public road unless the hunter has permission to hunt the adjacent property. Hunting as used in this section includes possessing, carrying or having readily accessible a loaded centerfire rifle, or a shotgun loaded with shot size larger than number four. Loaded means a weapon within which any ammunition is contained. This does not include weapons contained in a closed compartment, closed vehicle trunk, or a vehicle traveling on a public road. A person convicted of unlawful road hunting forfeits hunting privileges for one year. See WMA Regulation 3.6 page 89 for restrictions on WMA lands.

## **Negligent Hunting**

It is unlawful to use a firearm or archery tackle in a criminally negligent manner while in preparation for, engaged in the act of, or returning from hunting. Criminal negligence is defined as the reckless disregard for the safety of others.

## **Night**

Night is defined as that period of time between one hour after official sunset of a day and one

## SHOOTING RANGES

The SCDNR operates multiple shooting ranges that are open for use during certain hours which are subject to change according to time of year, hunting seasons, etc. All SCDNR ranges are 100 yards or less. To confirm hours of operation, call the SCDNR Hunter Education office at 803-734-3995.

## **SCDNR Pickens County Range** (Pickens Co.) From Easley, take SC Highway 8 approximately

4 miles towards Pickens. Turn left on Breazeale Road. Drive 1/2 mile beyond SC Dept. of Transportation Maintenance Shop and turn left on Porter Rd. Go approximately 1/2 mile and turn left at the red gate. The range is located at the end of the gravel road.

**Hours:** Tuesday - Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM (EST). Closed Sunday and Monday. For more information, call 864-855-5747.

## SCDNR James O. Thomason Shooting Range (Spartanburg Co.)

From Pauline, take SC Highway 215 approximately .5 mile east toward Glenn Springs. Turn left on Foster Mill Circle and drive 2.5 miles (paved road becomes gravel road). Range is on the left side of the road.

**Hours:** Tuesday - Saturday: 9 AM -5 PM (EST). Closed Sun. and Mon.

#### **SCDNR Twin Ponds Range**

(Charleston Co.)

864-638-2659

7492 Willow Hall Rd, Awendaw, SC 29429

Hours: Tuesday – Saturday: 9 AM – 5 PM (EST) Closed Sunday and Monday.

#### **SCDNR Wateree Range**

(Richland Co.)

14068 Garners Ferry Rd, Eastover, SC 29044

Hours: Currently closed for renovation. Once re-opened, hours will be Tuesday – Saturday: 9 AM – 5 PM (EST) Closed Sunday and Monday.

#### SCDNR Belfast WMA Shooting Range

(Laurens Co.)

6655 Highway 560, Kinards, SC 29355

**Hours:** Open Wednesday - Saturday. Daylight hours only, Sunday 2 PM - Dark Closed Monday and Tuesday.

#### SCDNR Palachucola Range (Hampton Co.)

Wednesday-Saturday: 8:00am - dark and Sunday 1:00pm - dark except during deer and turkey hunts. Dates are posted at the range or call 803-625-3569 for more information.

## **Manchester State Forest Shooting Range** (SC Forestry Commission, Sumter Co.)

\$5.00 per day or \$25.00 per year. Hearing protection required. For more information, call 803-494-8196.

**Hours:** Open Saturday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM and Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

#### **US Forest Service Shooting Ranges**

#### **Cedar Creek Shooting Range** (Oconee Co.) Year round. Fully accessible to disabled visitors. Three of five shooting tables are under a shelter. For more information, call 864-638-9568 or fax

Candy Branch Shooting Range (Abbeville Co.) Year round, sunrise to sunset. Five firing lines with left or right benches including one accessible to disabled visitors. For more information call 803-637-5396 or fax 803-637-2273.

#### Beaverdam Shooting Range (Edgefield Co.)

Year round, sunrise to sunset. Eight open firing lines with left or right benches. For more information call 803-637-5396 or fax 803-637-2273.

Fairforest Shooting Range (Union Co.), Leeds Shooting Range (Chester Co.), Philson Crossroads Shooting Range (Laurens Co.), Indian Creek Shooting Range (Newberry Co.) Year round, day use. All have six firing lanes, left and right benches are available, including one bench accessible to disabled visitors. For more information call 864-427-9858 or fax 864-427-3529.

#### Boggy Head Rifle Range (Berkely Co.)

Year round, daylight hours only. Shooting tables, including one fully-accessible to disabled visitors. For more information call Francis Marion Ranger District office at 843-336-3248.

For additional shooting ranges visit http://www.dnr.sc.gov/shooting/

hour before official sunrise of the following day (50-11-710).

## **Night Hunting**

Night hunting is unlawful except that raccoons, opossums, foxes, mink, skunk, coyotes, armadillos and hogs may be hunted at night. Information related to hunting coyotes, armadillos and feral hogs during night is provided on pages 68-68 of this document under specific headings for these animals.

Raccoons, opossums, foxes, mink, and skunk may not be hunted with artificial lights except when treed or cornered with dogs.

Devices that amplify light using some type of power source (including night vision and infrared devices) are considered artificial light. No buckshot or any shot larger than a No. 4, or any ammunition larger than .22 rimfire may be used. It is unlawful to use artificial lights at night, except vehicle headlights while traveling in a normal manner on a public road or highway, while in possession of or with immediate access to, both ammunition of a type prohibited for use at night and a firearm capable of firing the ammunition (50-11-710). Rabbit hunting at night without weapons is lawful on private land.

## **DEER RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### Deer

Legal hunting time for deer is the time between one hour before official sunrise until one hour after official sunset (50-11-710).

In Game Zones 1 and 2 it is unlawful to pursue deer with dogs (50-11-310).

It is unlawful to hunt, shoot or in any way kill deer from a motorboat, raft or any other water conveyance, or to molest a deer while any part of the deer is in water (50-11-730).

Possessing any deer with the head detached while in transit from the point of kill is prohibited (50-11-400).

It is unlawful to hunt deer with a firearm within three hundred yards of a residence when less than ten feet above the ground without permission of the owner and occupant. The provisions of this section do not apply to a landowner hunting on his own land or a person taking deer pursuant to a department permit.

Archery, muzzleloaders and crossbows are allowed during gun hunts.

#### **Antlerless Deer**

An antlerless deer is defined as a deer with no antlers or an antlered deer with less than two inches of antler visible above the hairline. Antlerless deer may not be possessed, hunted, shot or in any way killed except during special seasons or by special permit (50-11-410).

## **Antierless Deer Harvest Programs**

These programs are conducted statewide using either-sex days and 2 optional antlerless deer tag programs. The dates for either-sex days are shown in the hunting season section on pages 60-61.

Optional antlerless deer tag programs that hunters may choose to participate in include the Individual Antlerless Deer Tag Program and the Antlerless Deer Quota Program (ADQP).

## **Individual Antlerless Deer Tag Program**

With the Individual Antlerless Deer Tag hunters may purchase up to 4 personal tags, for \$5 each, which can be used on any day open to deer hunting with the following Game Zone restrictions: Only 1 tag is valid in Game Zone 1 on WMA or private land. In Game Zones 1 & 2, tags are valid on WMA and private land starting Oct. 1. In Game Zones 3-4, tags are valid on WMA and private land starting Sept. 15. Limit of one (1) antlerless deer per day using Individual Tags on WMA and private land statewide. No more than two (2) Individual Tags may be used on all WMAs combined in Game Zones 2-4. Up to 4 individual tags may be used on private land in Game Zones

2-4. Tags do not have to be used on scheduled county-wide either-sex days. Tags are not valid on properties enrolled in the Antlerless Deer Quota Program. Tags do not alter the daily or seasonal bag limits prescribed for Game Zones or alter the type of weapon allowed. Tags must be attached to the deer at the point of kill and validated as specified on the tag form.

All persons purchasing individual tags last year will be sent a renewal notice in August. Tags are available over the counter at DNR offices in Charleston, Clemson, Columbia, Florence, and York. Tags can be ordered by telephone a 1-866-714-3611 or online at: http:// dnr.sc.gov/purchase.html.

A handwritten application can be obtained on page 118 of this publication or at http://dnr. sc.gov/regs/pdf/speciallicenseapp.pdf.

The possession and use of these tags is limited to the individual whose name appears on the tags.

## Antlerless Deer Quota Program

Antlerless deer quotas are issued to qualifying landowners or lessees statewide who complete and submit an application along with a \$50 fee prior to July 18 each year. This program is generally better suited for landowners or lessees with larger acreages.





Under the ADQP, a quota of tags is issued for a particular tract of land based on criteria including: density of the local deer population, condition of the local deer population, the size of the tract of land and the recreational and agricultural objectives of the property owner.

Utilization of tags issued under the ADQP is subject to the following Game Zone restrictions. In Game Zone 1 (Mountains) tags are valid beginning Oct. 1. in Game Zone 2 (Piedmont) and Game Zones 3-4 (Coastal Plain) tags are valid beginning Sept. 15. Tags issued for a particular tract of land can only be used on that tract and they must be used on all antlerless deer that are harvested at the point of kill, including antlerless deer harvested on either-sex days or by bow and arrow. Tags do not alter the use of weapons during special weapons seasons. Game Zone season and daily limits on antlerless deer do not apply on properties enrolled in the ADOP. A harvest report must be completed by the applicant at the close of the season.

### **Deer Processors**

It is unlawful to keep any deer in cold storage or refrigerating plants unless the carcass is clearly marked with the hunter's name, address and hunting license number (50-11-1700). This does not apply to storage at a private residence or to deer that have an Individual Ant-

lerless Deer Tag Program tag attached to the hamstring since the hunter's name, address and tag number appear on the face of the tag. Deer processors should recognize that it is unlawful to sell deer meat to regain the processing fee for deer that have not been picked-up by the owner (50-11-1910). The best practice is to take a deposit for the processing service when deer are left at the facility. If meat is not picked-up by the owner, it can be given to another individual at no charge.

CWD Carcass Importation Regulations -Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a fatal neurological disease of cervids (deer family) that represents a significant risk to deer in North America. In order to protect against the spread of CWD into SC, the following regulations are in place - No person may import or possess a whole cervid carcass or carcass part from an infected state except the following may be imported: quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached; meat that has been boned out; hides with no heads attached; clean (no meat or tissue attached) skulls or skull plates with antlers attached; antlers (detached from the skull plate); clean upper canine teeth, also called "buglers," "whistlers" or "ivories;" and finished taxidermy heads. Hunters travel-



ing elsewhere should check with the wildlife agency in their destination state to determine its CWD status and to determine what restrictions the state may have on the movement of carcasses (Reg. 123-54).



## **DEER RULES & REGULATIONS**

## Deer Seasons on Private Lands

- Sunday hunting allowed on private lands.
- Archery and crossbows allowed during all seasons.
- Crossbows are considered archery equipment.
- Limit of 1 antlerless deer per day with individual antlerless tags or on posted either sex days.
- Limits listed include deer taken on private & WMA lands.
- Only 1 individual antlerless deer tag may be used in Game Zone 1. Tags are valid in Game Zones 3 & 4 beginning Sept. 15 and in Game Zones 1 & 2 beginning Oct. 1. Individual tags are not valid on properties enrolled in the Antlerless Deer Quota Program. Individual tags do not alter the daily (1 per day) or seasonal limit or change the type of weapon that can be used during special weapons seasons. Tags must be attached to the deer and validated as specified on the tag form.
- In Game Zones 1 and 2 it is unlawful to pursue deer with dogs.
- Baiting or hunting deer over bait is permitted on private lands statewide.

## Statewide Youth Day

Private lands: Jan. 7: Limit 2 total, 1 antlerless deer. No tags required.

## **Game Zone 1** (Private Lands)

**Buck Limit:** 2 per day, 5 per season (all methods and hunt periods combined)

Antlerless Limit: One (1) per day on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tag. Archers may take either-sex during primitive weapons seasons without being required to tag the animal.

## **Deer Primitive Weapons:**

Oct. 1-10

Muzzleloader is buck only. One (1) antlerless deer may be taken with an individual antlerless deer tag. Archery antlerless limit 1 per day - 2 total.

#### Gun Hunts: Oct. 11-Jan. 1

Antlerless Limit: buck only for all weapons except on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tag. 1 antlerless per day. Total 4.

**Either-Sex Days:** Nov. 12, 19, 26





## **Game Zone 2** (Private Lands)

**Buck Limit:** 2 per day, 5 per season (all methods and hunt periods combined)

Antlerless Limit: One (1) per day on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags. Archers may take either-sex during primitive weapons seasons (including archery only season) without being required to tag the animal.

**Archery Only:** Sept. 15-30 1 antlerless per day - 2 total.

## Primitive Weapons: Oct. 1-10

Muzzleloader is buck only, except Antlerless on Oct. 1, 8 or with individual antlerless deer tags. 1 antlerless per day - 2 total.

#### Gun Hunts: Oct. 11-Jan. 1

Buck only for all weapons, except on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags - 1 antlerless deer per day - 5 total.

**Either-Sex Days:** Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26; Dec. 31; Jan. 1

## **Game Zone 3** (Private Lands)

No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 1 antlerless deer per day on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags.

### **Archery & Gun Hunts:**

Aug. 15-Jan. 1

Buck only for all weapons, except on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags beginning Sept. 15. 1 antlerless deer per day.

**Either-Sex Days:** Oct. 1, 8, 15; Nov. 12, 19, 26; Dec. 31; Jan. 1

## Game Zone 4 (Private Lands)

No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 1 antlerless deer per day on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags.

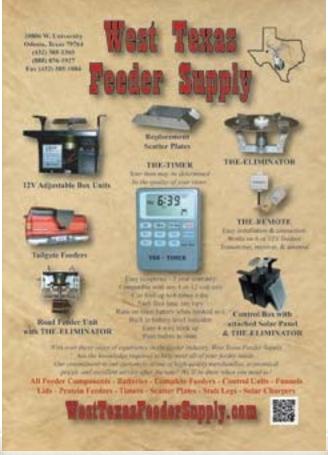
Archery Only: Aug. 15-31 Buck only.

Gun Hunts: Sept. 1-Jan. 1

Buck only for all weapons, except on either-sex days or with individual antlerless deer tags beginning Sept. 15. 1 antlerless deer per day.

**Either-Sex Days:** Oct. 1, 8, 15; Nov. 12, 19, 26; Dec. 31; Jan. 1





## **ALLIGATOR & BEAR REGULATIONS**

## **Alligators**

It is unlawful to feed or entice an American alligator with food (50-11-750).

#### **Public Alligator Draw Hunts**

Hunters will be randomly selected by computerized drawing and may only apply online beginning May 1. A \$10 nonrefundable application fee is required to participate in the drawing. All applicants must be at least 16 years old (at the time of the hunt) in order to apply for the drawing. If selected, the permit/tag fee is \$100 and all hunters are required to possess a SC Hunting License. In addition to the \$100 permit fee and SC Hunting License, a \$200 Nonresident Alligator Hunting Fee applies to ALL permitted nonresident alligator hunters. Anyone may assist a permitted hunter, but all assistants must possess a hunt-

ing license unless they are under the age of 16. In addition, ALL nonresident alligator hunting assistants 16 years of age or older must obtain a \$200 Nonresident Alligator Hunting Fee Endorsement, available from any license sales vendor. The deadline for applying for each year's Public Alligator Hunting Season is June 15th. The application and other details may be found on the SCDNR website. For information regarding the Alligator Program, and licensing requirements for taking, possessing, and sale of alligators or their products, call 803-734-3938 or 803-734-4024 (the Nonresident Alligator Hunting fee for nonresident alligator hunters and nonresident assistants may be paid at any license vendor location, online at www.dnr.sc.gov, or by phone at 1-866-714-3611).

#### **WMA Alligator Draw Hunts**

There is a special WMA alligator draw hunt, in which the person selected will be permitted to take up to three assistants and have access to either portions of Bear Island Wildlife Management Ârea (WMA) or Santee Coastal WMA for one hunt period (Monday at Noon to Saturday at Noon). There are four available hunt periods during the WMA alligator hunting season. All hunters must have a hunting license, WMA permit, and if a nonresident, pay the Nonresident Alligator Hunting fee. The permit will allow the hunter to take one alligator, 4 feet or greater in length, from the selected WMA property. There is a \$15 nonrefundable application fee to apply for the WMA Alligator Hunt Drawing and if selected the cost for the permit is \$500 for residents and \$800 for nonresidents. See the SCDNR website for more information.

## **Bear**

It is unlawful to buy, sell, barter or exchange a bear or bear part or attempt to buy, sell, barter or exchange a bear or bear part. Transportation of a freshly killed bear or bear part is unlawful except during the bear season. Any person violating these offenses must be fined not more than \$2,500 or imprisoned for not more than 2 years, or both, and hunting and fishing privileges must be suspended for 3 years. It is unlawful to feed bears or to hunt bears by the aid of bait (50-11-430, 50-1-1440, 50-1-130, 50-1-125).

## **Mountain Bear Season**

(Game Zone 1)

For the privilege of hunting bear, in addition to the required hunting license and big game permit, a hunter must obtain a bear tag issued in his/her name at a cost of \$25 for residents and \$100 for nonresidents. Youth under the age of 16 are required to obtain a youth bear tag from the department at no cost. Bear tags are available over the counter at DNR offices

in Charleston, Clemson, Columbia, Florence, and York. Tags can be ordered by telephone a 1-866-714-3611 or online at: http://dnr.sc.gov/purchase.html.

A handwritten application can be obtained on page 118 of this publication or at http://dnr.sc.gov/regs/pdf/speciallicenseapp.pdf.

The possession and use of bear tags is limited to the individual to whom it was issued. Tags must be attached to the bear before being moved from the point of kill.

Participants in party dog hunts for bear must register by application by Sept. 1 with the SCDNR. 25 members maximum per party and hunters must provide their hunting license number to register. Write: SCDNR Bear Registration Permit, 311 Natural Resources Dr. Clemson, SC 29631. Applications for tags and for party hunt registration may also be downloaded at: www.dnr.sc.gov/bearhunting.

#### **Coastal Bear**

## (Georgetown, Horry, and Williamsburg counties)

Hunting bears in the coastal plain is by computer drawing only. Applications will be

available August 1 at SCDNR offices, online at: http://www.dnr.sc.gov/bearhunting/, or by calling 803-734-3886. Deadline for applications is Sept. 19. The season is Oct. 24-Nov. 5, 2016. The nonrefundable application fee is \$10. Those selected will have to purchase a tag at a cost of \$25 for residents and \$100 for nonresidents. The tag will only be valid for one of the three counties so applicants should rank the counties in order of preference. Selected hunters will be allowed to hunt on Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) in the county selected but must have a valid WMA permit. Bears may be taken on private lands, as long as the hunter has the permission of the landowner or person holding the hunting lease. Hunters not selected will earn a preference point that applies to next year's drawing.

## Bear Seasons on Private Lands (Game Zone 1 ONLY)

- Tag required to take bear (see Bear on page 118)
- Harvested bear must be reported within 24 hours to Clemson SCDNR at 864-654-1671, ext. 24.

#### Still Hunt (No Dogs): Oct. 17-23

**Limit:** 1 bear; no sow with cubs, no bears 100 lbs. or less.

#### Party Dog Hunts: Oct. 24-30

**Limit:** 5 bears per party; no sow with cubs, no bears 100 lbs. or less.

All parties (maximum party size of 25) must register by application due Sept.
 1. For application call Clemson Office @ 864-654-1671 ext. 16 or 24 or download @ www.dnr.sc.gov/bearhunting. Groups hunting together are considered 1 party.



## TURKEY REGULATIONS

#### Seasons & Limits

- Private lands statewide: March 20 May 5
- **WMA lands statewide:** April 1 May 5
  - » Some WMA's may be more restrictive, see page 64 for specified hunt dates.
- Limit statewide private and WMA lands: 3 gobblers per season, no more than 2 per day.
  - » Some WMA's may be more restrictive, see page 64 for specified limits.

## **General Turkey Hunting Laws** and Regulations for Hunting on Private & WMA Lands

- Sunday hunting allowed on private lands (SC 50-11-555). No Sunday hunting allowed on WMA land (Reg. 123-51).
- Statewide limit of 3 gobblers, no more than 2 per day (SC Code 50-11-525). Bearded hens are not legal.
- All hunters, including hunters younger than 16 or those who are calling or guiding must possess a valid set of turkey tags. All harvested turkeys must be tagged and validated as prescribed on the tag form before being moved from the point of kill. No person may possess more than one set of turkey tags (SC 50-11-544).
- Hunters who have used all their tags may call or guide for other hunters provided they possess their tag form.
- Legal weapons shotguns, muzzleloading shotguns, bows and crossbows. All other weapons or methods are prohibited including rifles, pistols, slugs, and buckshot (SC 50-11-500, Reg. 123-51).
- Turkeys may not be hunted with dogs, live decoys or electronic calls (SC 50-11-40, Reg. 123-51).
- Unlawful to shoot any turkey between 30 minutes after official sunset and 30 minutes before official sunrise. Unlawful to take or attempt to take a wild turkey from a vehicle on a public road. Unlawful to trap or snare a wild turkey. Unlawful to take wild turkey from a watercraft (SC 50-11-500).
- Unlawful to hunt or take a wild turkey by means of bait or on or over any baited area (SC 50-11-510). Bait means placing, depositing, exposing, distributing, or scattering of salt, corn, wheat, or other grain, or foodstuffs to constitute a lure or attraction for wild turkeys. An area remains a baited area for ten days following the complete removal of all bait. NOTE: The following activities can result in a baited area if done prior to or during turkey season: planting, discing or manipulating chufa to expose the tubers; mowing or

## STATEWIDE TURKEY YOUTH HUNT **AYS ON PRIVATE LAND** (TAGS REQUIRED)

Mar. 18-19 for youth 17 years old and younger accompanied by a licensed adult 21 or older. No license required for youth. Adult may call or guide, however, only the youth may take or attempt to take. Limit 2 gobblers.



manipulating standing grain crops where grain is scattered or exposed; top sowing of any grains; bait or feed intended for other species.

## Savannah River Site **Draw Hunts for Persons** with Disabilities

Savannah River Site will hold a draw hunt for persons with disabilities in Apr. for hunt applications, contact NWTF's Wheelin' Sportmen's Coordinator, 800-843-6983 ext 7421

## Wildlife Management **Area Lottery Hunts**

Donnelley WMA, Santee Cooper WMA, Bonneau Ferry WMA, Belfast WMA, and Wateree River WMA (Adult hunts and Youth hunts). Turkey hunts available by public hunt drawing ONLY. To apply, visit our website at www.dnr.sc.gov/hunting/drawhunts. Deadline for applications is Feb. 27.

## Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge

Turkey hunts available by public hunt drawing only. Contact: Carolina Sandhills NWR, 23734 Highway 1, McBee, SC 29101 or call 843-335-6026

## How to Get Turkey Tags

Request turkey tags when you get your Big Game Permit, Sportsman's or Combination License. If "Turkey Tags" appears on your license, you should receive tags by mail. Tags will be mailed in mid February. You can order turkey tags by visiting http://dnr.sc.gov/purchase.html or by completing and mailing the application on page 118 or call 1-866-714-3611. Tags will be available over the counter at SCDNR offices in late February. Handwritten tags are no longer available over the counter at local vendors as in the past. All hunters, including youth, are required to have turkey tags in possession while hunting for wild turkey.



## SCDNR HERITAGE PRESERVE USE REGULATIONS

Visitation and use of heritage preserves are governed by regulations to promote public enjoyment of the land while preserving the features that make them special.

Complete regulations for heritage preserves may be found in SC Code of Regulations 123-200 through 204.





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AREAS OPEN	LIMIT
Aiken Gopher Tortoise HP WMA	2
Bluefield WMA (Adult/youth Only, ThursSat. only)	2
Cartwheel Bay HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>2</sup> Crackerneck WMA (Fri. & Sat. only)	3
<sup>5</sup> <b>Draper WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2
Edisto River WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
Fants Grove WMA	2
Forty-Acre Rock HP WMA	2
Francis Marion Hunt Unit (WMA Only)	2
<sup>5</sup> <b>Great Pee Dee River HP WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2
Hickory Top WMA	2
<sup>1</sup> Keowee WMA	2
Lewis Ocean Bay HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>5</sup> Liberty Hill WMA	2
<sup>3</sup> Little Pee Dee River Complex HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
Longleaf Pine HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
Manchester State Forest WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>5</sup> <b>Marsh WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2

AREAS OPEN	LIMIT
McBee WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
McCalla WMA	2
Moultrie Hunt Unit (ThursSat only), Greenfield, HP, North Dike, Porcher WMAs	2
<sup>4</sup> Oak Lea WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>5</sup> <b>Pee Dee Station Site WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2
Sand Hills State Forest WMA	2
Santee Dam WMA	2
Tillman Sand Ridge HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
Victoria Bluff HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
Waccamaw River HP WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>4</sup> Webb-Palachucola-Hamilton Ridge WMAs	2
Wee Tee State Forest WMA (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>5</sup> <b>Woodbury WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2
<sup>5</sup> <b>Worth Mountain WMA</b> (ThursSat. only)	2
Game Zones 1 & 2 "unnamed" WMAs including US Forest Service Land	3
Game Zones 3 & 4 "unnamed" WMAs	3

**Statewide Youth Hunt Day on Wildlife Management Areas** (Tags required) March 25, 2017 for all areas listed above, except Keowee WMA.

- 1 Keowee WMA Shotguns only -- north of Highway 123 and west of the Keowee Arm of Lake Hartwell and west of Highway 291. Archery Only on other sections.
- 2 Crackerneck WMA Main gate opens at 4:30 AM and closed at 1:00 pm. All hunters must check in and out at main gate.
- 3 Little Pee Dee River Complex includes Tilghman, Dargan (including upper Gunters Is. and Huggins tracts), Little Pee Dee River and Ward Heritage Preserves in portions of Horry and Marion counties.
- 4 On Webb, Palachucola, Hamilton Ridge and Oak Lea WMAs, all turkey hunters must pick up and return data cards daily to kiosk and display hang tags on vehicles. Harvested turkeys must be checked in at the self-check kiosk located adjacent to the check stations at the respective properties.
- 5 On Pee Dee Station site WMA, Great Pee Dee River WMA, Woodbury WMA, Liberty Hill WMA, Worth Mountain, Draper WMA and Marsh WMA all hunters must sign in and sign out.

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## **SMALL GAME REGULATIONS**

## ALL GAME ZONES

## **SMALL GAME SEASONS** — Check individual WMAs for additional restrictions.

SPECIES	GAME ZONE	PRIVATE LAND SEASONS	WMA SEASONS	LIMIT
Mourning Doves	All Game Zones	Sept. 3-5 (afternoons only) Sept. 6-Oct. 15, Nov. 12-26, Dec. 15-Jan.15	See Public Dove Field List pg. 80-83	12 per day
Crow	All Game Zones	Nov. 1-Mar. 1	Nov. 1-Mar. 1	No limit
Quail	All Game Zones	Mar. 2-Nov. 20, 2016 (dogs only) Nov. 21-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 19, 2017 (dogs only)	Sept. 1-14 (dogs only) Nov. 21-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs)	12 per day
Rabbit	All Game Zones	Mar. 2-Nov. 23, 2016 (dogs only) Nov. 24-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 22, 2017 (dogs only)	Sept. 1-14 (dogs only) Nov. 24-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs)	5 per day
Squirrel-gray & fox	All Game Zones	Mar. 2-Sept. 30, 2016 (dogs only) Oct. 1-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Sept. 30, 2017 (dogs only)	No fox squirrels Sept. 1-14 (dogs only) Oct. 1-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs)	10 per day
Fox	All Game Zones	Mar. 2-Nov.23, 2016 (dogs only) Nov. 24-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 22, 2017 (dogs only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 23 (dogs only, night only) Nov. 24-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs, night only)	No limit
Beaver	All Game Zones	Year-round	Sept. 1-Mar. 1	No limit
Other Furbearers (Bobcat, Otter, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Weasel)	All Game Zones	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	No limit
Grouse	Game Zone 1 only	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	3 per day
Raccoon & Opossum	All Game Zones	Mar. 16-Sept. 14, 2016 (dogs only) Sept. 15-Mar. 15 (guns & dogs) Mar. 16-Sept. 14, 2017 (dogs only)	Sept. 1-14 (dogs only, night only) Sept. 15-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs, night only)	3 per party, per day No limit for opossum

#### STATEWIDE

## **YOUTH DAYS ON PRIVATE LAND**

SPECIES	GAME ZONE	DATE	LIMIT
Raccoon	All Game Zones	Sept. 10, 2016	Game Zone limits apply
Squirrel	All Game Zones	Sept. 24, 2016	Game Zone limits apply
Quail	All Game Zones	Nov. 19, 2016	Game Zone limits apply
Rabbit	All Game Zones	Mar. 4, 2017	Game Zone limits apply

## **Small Game**

Small game includes the following species: quail, squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, opossum, fox, beaver, bobcat, mink, muskrat, otter, skunk, grouse and weasel. Unless otherwise specified in the small game seasons charts, hunt dates for these species are from Thanksgiving day through Mar. 1.

#### **Rabbit Boxes**

It is unlawful for any person to trap rabbits, except that a landlord or tenant may use not more than five rabbit boxes on lands on which he has exclusive control during the gun season for rabbits. A hunting license is required to use rabbit boxes. Rabbit boxes are not permitted on WMA lands (50-11-160).

## **Running Seasons**

#### (No gun season)

During any period when rabbits, raccoons, opossums, squirrels or fox may be hunted without firearms, it is illegal to hunt such game when carrying on one's person any firearm.

### **Bird Dog Training**

Bird dogs may be trained year-round on private land. Trainers must have a valid hunting license and may only use firearms with blank

ammunition during the closed season for quail. A Bird Dog Trainer's License is available to persons engaged in the business of training bird dogs in return for money, goods or services. This license allows a trainer and two assistants to take pen-raised quail, chukars and pheasant during the closed season while training dogs. Applicants must provide documentation of land areas to be used for training. For information, or to obtain a license, contact: SCDNR Small Game Project at P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-734-3609.

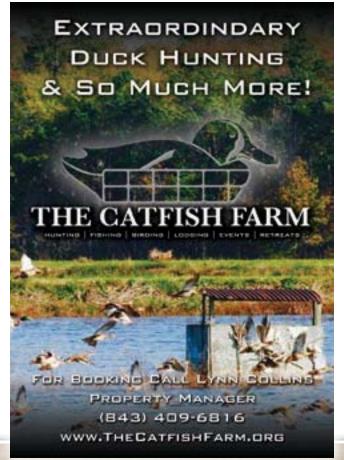
#### **Field Trials**

It is unlawful to conduct or participate in any field trial unless a permit for such trial has been obtained from the SCDNR. Requests for field trial permits must be submitted to SCDNR at least 14 days prior to the proposed trial date. Requests shall include payment of \$5 per trial and the time and location of the proposed trial. A charter or document indicating that the trial is sanctioned by a nationally recognized field trial organization must accompany all requests for field trial permits.

For information, or to obtain a permit, contact SCDNR Small Game Project at P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-734-3609.







## FERAL HOG, **COYOTE & ARMADILLO REGULATIONS**

## Feral Hogs

Feral or wild hogs occur in the wild in every county of the state. They compete directly with native wildlife species, damage plants, agricultural crops and threaten public and livestock health. Those dressing feral hogs should wear rubber gloves and eye protection.

It is illegal to remove a hog from the wild alive unless it is taken pursuant to a permit issued by the SCDNR at a cost of \$50 (50-16-25). All hogs taken pursuant to a permit must be tagged in each ear with tags provided by the Department and may only be released onto the same tract of land or into a permitted hog hunting enclosure within the county where the hogs were captured. Hogs taken under permit within a county cannot be transported into or through another county.

A hunting license is required to hunt hogs. There is no closed season or weapon restrictions on hogs on private land during daylight hours. Hogs can be hunted at night with or without the aid of bait, electronic calls, artificial lights, or night vision devices using a bow and arrow other than a crossbow, or a pistol of any caliber having iron sights, a barrel length not exceeding nine inches, and which is not equipped with a butt-stock, scope, or laser

sight (50-11-710). Hogs may not be hunted at night with a centerfire rifle or shotgun, unless specifically permitted by the department. Dogs can be used to hunt and bay hogs at night as long as the hunter(s) complies with the equipment restrictions above.

From the last day of February to July 1,upon notification to SCDNR (www.dnr.sc.gov/ **nighthunt)** at least 48 hours in advance, hogs may be hunted at night with artificial lights and night vision devices using any legal firearm, bow, or crossbow. Notice to the SCDNR is required once per season for each property and the names and hunting license numbers of each person participating in the hunt must be listed. Hunters using centerfire rifles during this time must be at an elevated position at least 10 feet from the ground. Persons hunting with subsonic ammunition do not have to hunt from an elevated position, provided they do not possess supersonic ammunition for that weapon. Persons convicted of certain road hunting and night hunting violations during the previous five years are ineligible to hunt hogs at night.

Hogs cannot be hunted at night on WMA lands, but can be hunted during the day on WMAs where hog hunting is allowed. See

#### Swine brucellosis

Swine brucellosis is caused by a bacteria and is primarily a reproductive tract disease in wild pigs that can be transmitted to humans. Infections are manifested by flu-like symptoms including fever, headaches, muscle and joint soreness and weakness. The fatality rate in humans is very low, but the disease often is prolonged and debilitating. Humans have contracted swine brucellosis from handling and dressing wild swine. This disease is present in many wild hog populations in SC. Persons dressing wild swine should take the following precautions: 1) use disposable rubber gloves and protective eyeglasses while dressing the carcass, 2) minimize handling of the reproductive tracts of both sexes, 3) dispose of waste parts by burying or burning, 4) clean up with hot water and soap after processing, and 5) cook meat thoroughly to 160° F prior to eating.

## Coyotes & Armadillos

A hunting license is required, however there is no closed season on hunting coyotes and armadillos on private land statewide during daylight hours. The use of bait and electronic calls is legal. Coyotes and armadillos may be hunted at night with or without the aid of bait, electronic calls, artificial lights, or night vision





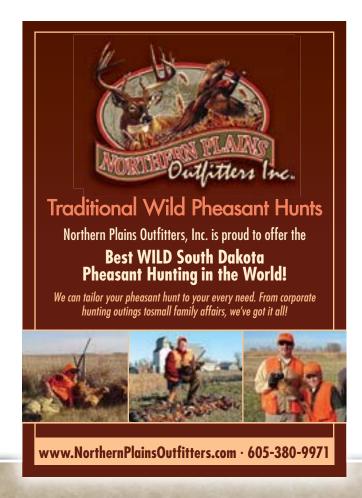
devices using a bow and arrow other than a crossbow, a rimfire rifle, a shotgun with shot size no larger than a BB, or a pistol of any caliber having iron sights, a barrel length not exceeding nine inches. The pistol may not be equipped with a butt-stock, scope, or laser sight.

From the last day of February to July 1, upon notification to SCDNR (www.dnr.sc.gov/ nighthunt) at least 48 hours in advance, coyotes may be hunted at night with artificial lights and night vision devices using any legal firearm, bow, or crossbow. Notice to the SCDNR is required once per season for each property and the names and hunting license numbers of each person participating in the hunt must be listed. Hunters using centerfire rifles during this time must be at an elevated position at least 10 feet from the ground. Persons hunting with subsonic ammunition do not have to hunt from an elevated position, provided they do not possess supersonic ammunition for that weapon. Persons convicted of certain road hunting and night hunting violations during the previous five years are ineligible to hunt coyotes at night.

Coyotes and armadillos cannot be hunted at night on WMA lands but can be hunted during the day on WMAs where coyote and armadillo hunting is allowed. On WMA lands, weapons used to hunt coyotes and armadillos are limited to the weapon(s) that are allowed for the current open season on the WMA — see WMA seasons listing in the Game Zones sections beginning on page 94.

The use of electronic calls for coyote hunting is permitted statewide on private and WMA lands. Dog hunting for coyotes is allowed year-round on private lands statewide. Deer may not be hunted with dogs on any lands in Game Zones 1 & 2. On WMA lands in Game Zones 1 & 2 coyotes may not be hunted with dogs during still gun and muzzleloader hunts for deer or bear. The possession or transport of live coyotes is allowed only by permit from the SCDNR.







## **GENERAL MIGRATORY BIRD REGULATIONS**

## MIGRATORY **BIRD** SEASONS

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SPECIES	DATES
Mourning Doves	September 3, 2016 - October 15, 2016 November 12, 2016 - November 26, 2016 December 15, 2016 - January 15, 2017
Early Teal (Blue & Green Winged)	September 9, 2016 - September 24, 2016
Ducks (Including Sea Ducks), American Coots, Mergansers, Brant (There is no Open Season on Harlequin Ducks)	November 19, 2016 - November 26,2016 December 10, 2016 - January 29, 2017
Canada Geese	September 1, 2016 - September 30, 2016 November 19, 2016 - November 26, 2016* December 10, 2016 - January 29, 2017* February 12, 2017 - February 27, 2017*
White-fronted Geese & Snow Geese	November 19, 2016 - November 26, 2016 December 10, 2016 - January 29, 2017 February 12, 2017 - February 27, 2017
Marsh Hens/Rails, Common Moorhens & Purple Gallinules	September 17, 2016 - September 21, 2016 October 15, 2016 - December 18, 2016
Common Snipe	November 14, 2016 - February 28, 2017
Woodcock	December 18, 2016 - January 31, 2017

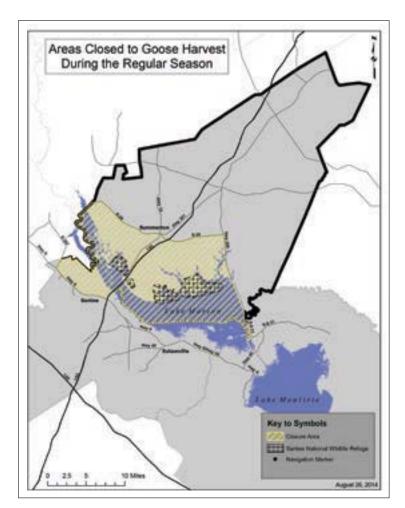
## MIGRATORY **BIRD SHOOTING HOURS**

SPECIES	DATES
<b>Mourning Dove</b> (September 3, 2016-September 5, 2016)	12 Noon until Sunset
Mourning Dove (Remainder of Season)	½ Hour before Sunrise until Sunset
Early Teal	Sunrise until Sunset
Ducks, Geese, American Coots, Mergansers, Marsh Hens, Snipe, Woodcock & Brant	½ Hour before Sunrise until Sunset

## MIGRATORY **BIRD** DAILY BAG LIMITS

BIRD DAILY	BAG LIVITS
SPECIES	DATES
Mourning Doves	12 Total
Early Teal (Blue & Green-winged)	6 Total
Ducks	6 Total including those species not named below.  Including no more than 4 each of the following:  Mallards (no more than 2 hens),  Eiders,  Scoters,  Long-tailed ducks.  Including no more than 3 each of the following:  Wood Ducks.  Including no more than 2 each of the following:  Pintails,  Redheads,  Scaup,  Canvasback.  Including no more than 1 each of the following:  Fulvous whistling duck,  Back-bellied whistling duck,  Black duck or mottled duck.
Canada Geese (September 1—September 30)	15 Total
Canada Geese & White-Fronted Geese (Remainder of Season)	5 Total No More than 2 White-Fronted Geese
Snow Geese	25 Total
American Coots	15 Total
Mergansers	5 Total, No more than 1 Hooded Merganser
Marsh Hens/Rails	King and Clapper—15 Total
Waisii Helis/ Nalis	Sora and Virginia—25 Total
Common Moorhens & Purple Gallinules	15 Total
Common Snipe	8 Total
Woodcock	3 Total
Brant	2 Total

The possession limit is three times the daily bag for each group or individual species as listed above except there is no possession limit for snow geese.



\* Canada Goose Hunting Area: During the September 1—September 30 segment hunting for Canada Geese is allowed statewide. During the remaining three segments, the hunting area excludes that portion of Clarendon County bounded to the north by S-14-25; to the east by Hwy 260; and to the south by the markers delineating the channel of the Santee River. It also excludes that portion of Clarendon County bounded on the north by S-14-26 and extending southward to that portion of Orangeburg County bordered by Hwy #6.

State Youth Day: Nov. 12, 2016 (Legal Species: Ducks, mergansers, coots, ) Only youth who are 17 years of age or younger may hunt, but they must be accompanied by an adult of at least 21 years of age who is fully licensed. Youth who are 16 and 17 years of age, who hunt on this day, must possess a valid South Carolina hunting license and Migratory Bird Permit and a valid Federal Waterfowl Stamp. Daily and possession bag limits are the same as indicated for regular seasons.

Federal Youth Days: Feb. 4 and Feb. 11, 2017 (Legal Species: Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules.) Only hunters 17 of age or younger may hunt on these days but must be accompanied by a person at least 18 years of

age. Youth who are 16 and 17 years of age, who hunt on these days, must possess a valid South Carolina hunting license and Migratory Bird Permit and a valid Federal Waterfowl Stamp. Daily and possession bag limits are the same as indicated for regular seasons.

Sea Duck Area and Duck Limits Within this Area: The sea duck area is the Atlantic Ocean waters separated from any shore, island or emergent vegetation by at least one mile of open water. In this area, the sea duck limit is 5 with no more than 4 scoters, 4 eiders or 4 long-tailed ducks. In addition and within this area, a hunter may take up to 6 other ducks as described for the rest of the state but not including sea ducks. The shooting of crippled waterfowl from a vessel under motor power in the sea duck area is allowed.

Extended Falconry Season: Falconry is a permitted means of taking ducks, coots and mergansers in South Carolina. The extended season for falconry shall be Nov. 2, 2016 through Nov. 18, 2016 and Nov. 27, 2016 through Dec. 9, 2016. Daily bag and possession limits for these birds shall not exceed 3 and 6 birds, respectively, singly or in the aggregate. Statewide hunting hours shall be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.







Crows

A hunting license is required to hunt crows. Crows are migratory birds and as such, are a federally-protected species. The season is based on criteria established by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The open season for crows on private lands in South Carolina is Nov. 1 - Mar. 1. There is no bag limit. During the open season on private lands, crows may be taken with any firearm, bow and arrow, or by falconry. Crow hunting on WMA lands is permitted. During the open season for small game hunting on WMAs, crows may only be hunted with weapons legal for small game. The use of electronic calls for crow hunting is permitted statewide on private land and WMA land. Crows damaging crops may be taken at any time using non-toxic shot without a federal permit (50 CFR 21.43).

# How do I buy a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp?

Federal stamps are available at select US Post offices, by calling 1-800-STAMP24 (782-6724) or online at www.fws.gov.

## What is the Migratory Bird Permit?

Each year, before hunting migratory game birds, including doves and waterfowl, hunters 16 years of age and older are required to obtain a Migratory Bird Permit. Hunters are asked to complete a short survey, also known as the Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey, about migratory game bird hunting in SC for the previous year. The survey is part of the license sales process when a hunting privilege is included. A HIP certification from another state is not valid in SC and hunters are required to register for HIP in each state they hunt migratory game birds.

Hunters 64 years of age or older who hold a lifetime hunting, lifetime combination, senior, gratis or Catawba license are not required to obtain a migratory bird permit.

## A waterfowl hunter 16 years of age or older must carry:

- A valid South Carolina Annual Migratory Waterfowl Permit (\$5.50) or Lifetime Migratory Waterfowl Permit (\$110) endorsement on their license:
- 2. A valid federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (\$25);
- 3. A valid South Carolina Migratory Bird Permit (No Cost) endorsement on their license;
- 4. A valid South Carolina Hunting License;
- 5. A valid South Carolina WMA Permit if hunting on a Wildlife Management Area.

\*The WMA permit is included in the Junior Sportsnam, Resident Annual and 3-Year Sportsman License.



## **MIGRATORY BIRD GENERAL REGULATIONS**

## Federal Regulations Overview

In addition to state regulations, the following federal rules apply to the taking, possession, shipping, transporting and storing of migratory game birds.

Caution: The following material is only a summary. Each hunter should also consult the actual Federal Regulations, which may be found in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20, available at <a href="http://www.fws.gov/hunting/whatres.html">http://www.fws.gov/hunting/whatres.html</a>.

#### **Illegal Hunting Methods**

No persons shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fish hook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance;
- 2. With a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three shells.
- From or by means, aid, or use of a sinkbox or any other type of low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water;
- 4. From or by means, aid, or use of any motor vehicle, motor-driven land conveyance, or aircraft of any kind, except that paraplegics and persons missing one or both legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance;
- From or by means of any motorboat or other craft having a motor attached, or any sailboat, unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled, and its progress there from has ceased;
- 6. By the use or aid of live birds as decoys; although not limited to, it shall be a violation of this paragraph for any person to take migratory waterfowl on an area where tame or captive live ducks or geese are present unless such birds are and have been for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to such taking, confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such birds from the sight of wild migratory waterfowl;
- By the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.
- 8. By means or aid of any motor driven land, water, or air conveyance, or any sailboat used for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying, or stirring up of any migratory bird.

 By the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited.

## What Terms Do I Need To Understand?

### **Daily bag limit**

You can take only one daily bag limit in any one day. This limit determines the maximum number of gamebirds of a single species, or combination of species, you may legally have in your possession while in the field or while in route back to your car, hunting camp, home or other destination.

### **Aggregate Daily Bag Limit**

The maximum number of migratory game birds permitted to be taken by one person in any one day during the open season when such person hunts in more than one specified geographic area and/or for more than one species for which a combined daily bag limit is prescribed. The aggregate daily bag limit is equal to, but shall not exceed, the largest daily bag limit prescribed for any one species or for any one specified geographic area in which taking occurs.

#### **Possession Limit**

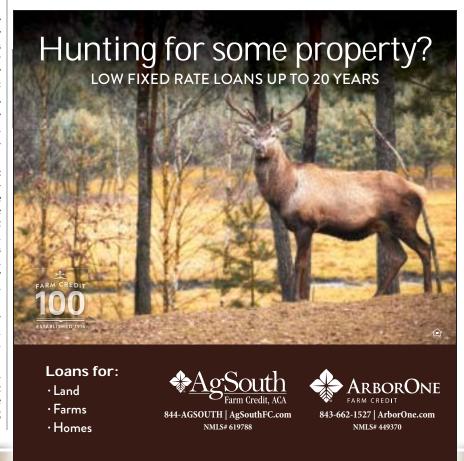
The maximum number of migratory game birds of a single species, or a combination of species, permitted to be possessed by any one person.

## **Aggregate Possession Limit**

The maximum number of migratory game birds of a single species, or combination of species, taken in the United States permitted to be possessed by any one person when taking and possession occurs in more than one specified geographic area for which a possession limit is prescribed. The aggregate possession limit is equal to, but shall not exceed, the largest possession limit prescribed for any one of the species or specified geographic areas in which taking and possession occurs.

#### **Tagging**

You cannot put or leave waterfowl at any place or in the custody of another person unless you tag the birds with your signature, address, number of birds identified by species and the date you killed them.



## **MIGRATORY** BIRD GENERAL REGULATIONS

#### **Wanton Waste**

You must make a responsible effort to retrieve all migratory game birds that you kill or cripple and keep these birds in your actual custody while in the field. You must immediately kill any wounded birds that you retrieve and count those birds toward your daily bag limit.

#### Rallying

You cannot hunt migratory game birds that have been concentrated, driven, rallied or stirred up with a motorized vehicle or sailboat.

#### Dressina

You cannot completely field-dress migratory game birds before taking them from the field. The head or one fully-feathered wing must remain attached to the birds while you transport them to your home or to a facility that processes waterfowl.

#### **Dual violation**

A violation of State migratory game birds hunting regulations is also a violation of Federal regulations.

#### Personal Abode

One's principal or ordinary home or dwelling place, as distinguished from one's temporary or transient place of abode or dwelling such as a hunting club, or any clubhouse, cabin, tent or trailer house used as a hunting club, or any hotel, motel, or rooming house used during a hunting, pleasure or business trip.

## Migratory Bird **Preservation Facility**

- 1. Any person who, at their residence or place of business and for hire or other consideration; or
- 2. Any taxidermist, cold-storage facility or locker plant which, for hire or other consideration; or
- Any hunting club which, in the normal course of operations; receives, possesses, or has in custody migratory game birds belonging to another person for purposes of picking, cleaning, freezing, processing, storage or shipment.

#### Protected birds

Federal law prohibits the killing of non-game migratory birds. Protected birds that you could encounter while waterfowl hunting include songbirds, eagles, hawks, owls, vultures, herons, egrets and woodpeckers.

## **WANTON WASTE** AND TRESPASS

The requirement to retrieve downed migratory birds does not allow you to trespass onto the lands of another.

If you hunt near property lines, you are placing yourself at risk of committing wanton waste or trespass.

## **IF YOU SHOOT** A BANDED MIGRATORY GAME BIRD

Call 800-327-BAND (2263) or visit www. reportband.gov. Give the band number and how, when and where it was recovered.

You will receive a certificate of appreciation with information about the bird. The band is yours to keep. Information from bands is used to determine population abundance, productivity and migration patterns.





## **MIGRATORY BIRD BAITING LAWS**

## **Baiting Laws**

Federal rules prohibit the taking of migratory game birds by the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited.

It is legal to take migratory game birds including waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over the following lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas:

- Standing crops or flooded standing crops (including aquatics);
- Standing, flooded or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested croplands; or lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice;
- From a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with natural vegetation;
- From a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, as long as such camouflaging does not result in the exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of grain or other feed; or
- Standing or flooded standing agricultural crops where grain is inadvertently scattered solely as a result of a hunter entering or exiting a hunting area, placing decoys, or retrieving downed birds.

## Who is responsible?

Hunters, guides and landowners are responsible for understanding and obeying regulations about baiting and knowing the conditions of the area to be hunted.

#### What is baiting?

Baiting means the direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them.

#### What is a baited area?

A baited area is any area on which salt, grain or other feed has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered, if that salt, grain or other feed could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them.

## For how long?

An area is considered baited for ten days following the complete removal of all salt, grain or other feed.

## What about normal agricultural operations?

Normal agricultural operation means a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or agricultural practice that is conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

## What is a normal soil stabilization practice?

A normal soil stabilization practice means a planting for agricultural soil erosion control or post-mining land reclamation conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for agricultural erosion control. Agricultural erosion control typically involves seeding prior to leaf drop or defoliation, mowing or shredding of crop residue to cover seed, or seeding prior to crop harvest to result in soil-seed contact and/or covering of the seed.

Top sowing of seed to control erosion on impoundment dikes, pond dams, roadways, logging decks, skid trails, power line rights-of-way, or construction sites may be considered erosion control if done according to Clemson Extension Service guidelines.

## What is manipulation?

Manipulation means the alteration of natural vegetation or agricultural crops by activities that include, but are not limited to, mowing, shredding, disking, rolling, chopping, trampling, flattening, burning or herbicide treatments. The term manipulation does not include the distributing or scattering of grain, seed or other feed after removal from or storage on the field where grown.

## What is considered natural vegetation?

Natural vegetation means any non-agricultural, native or naturalized plant species that grows at a site in response to planting or from existing seeds or other propagules. The term natural vegetation does not include planted millet. However, planted millet that grows on its own in subsequent years after the year of planting is considered natural vegetation.

## Hunting over agricultural land?

Nothing in the baiting regulation prohibits the taking of any migratory game bird, including waterfowl, coots, and cranes, on or over standing crops or flooded standing crops (including aquatics); standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested croplands; or lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice.

# Hunting over agricultural land manipulated for wildlife management?

The baiting regulation does not prohibit the taking of any migratory game bird, EXCEPT waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas, and where grain or other feed has been distributed or scattered solely as the result of manipulation of an agricultural crop or other feed on the land where grown, or solely as the result of a normal agricultural operation.

In order to understand the law's application, the sportsman should know the legal definition of "take," which refers to the attempt to take as well as the act of taking itself: "Take" means to pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture or collect, or attempt to pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture or collect.

Equally important to understanding the law is a familiarity with what is meant by normal agricultural operations: that is, what constitutes the recommended agricultural practices in South Carolina for planting corn, millet, wheat, sunflowers or other grains. The Clemson University Extension Service is the authority for this in South Carolina and publishes an agricultural planting guide annually. There is a Clemson Extension Service Office in almost every county.



## **DOVE HUNTING & BAITING**

The greatest majority of dove shoots in South Carolina are held over three kinds of fields:

- Harvested fields composed of combined or picked corn, combined soybean fields, or other fall harvested crops.
- 2. Fields where crops are grown and manipulated for wildlife management purposes.
- 3. Fields where wheat or other grains have recently been planted.

Usually the first two types of fields are easily identified as legal fields. The regulations permit shooting doves on or over standing crops, grain crops properly shocked on the field where grown, or grains found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural planting or harvesting. The regulations also allow shooting doves on or over fields where shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat, other grain, or other feed has been distributed or scattered as the result of normal agricultural operations.

The third type of field, where wheat or other grains have recently been planted, often causes confusion. Clemson Extension now considers the top sowing of wheat without covering to be a normal agricultural practice for wildlife planting as long as the seed is planted between October 1 and November 30 when evenly spread on a well-prepared seed bed established by heavy tilling. The Clemson Extension Service does not consider the top sowing of any other grain (ie-those outside of the small grains listed by Clemson Extension Service guidelines) without covering the seed to be a normal agricultural practice.

## The Law

The federal code of regulations addresses dove hunting in two sections, the first describing when dove hunting is not legal, the second describing when it is legal.

Illegal Dove Hunting

Baiting and the Baited Area - The following regulation states that baiting is illegal and then defines what baiting and a baited area is:

"No person shall take migratory game birds (of which the dove is one) by the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area."

"Baiting" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain, salt or feed so as to constitute for such birds a lure, attraction or enticement to, on, or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them.

"Baited area" means any area where shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain, salt or other feed whatsoever capable of luring, attracting or enticing such birds is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered.

Baiting by piling grain unfairly concentrates birds in a small area where they will be an easy target for the unethical hunter. Not only do some hunters tend to overshoot their limit on a baited field, but they enjoy an unfair advantage over hunters seeking their share of the resource in nearby legal fields.

The standard for establishing guilt for a person charged with hunting over bait is whether the person "knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited." A hunter is responsible for determining the legality of a field before hunting on the field. Seeds, grain or other feed broadcast on freshly-plowed ground is an obvious baiting violation, and would almost certainly meet the standard that any hunter hunting on the field "knows or reasonably should have known that the area is or has been baited."

Baiting regulations are intended to provide equity among those competing for the dove resource, to encourage sound wildlife management practices, and to protect the dove population, a resource that federal and state agencies are required to protect by vigorous law enforcement.

New state and federal penalties apply to those convicted of hunting migratory birds over bait or baiting a field.

## Legal Dove Hunting

The second section defines two settings where hunting is legal over agricultural land. One is when the hunter shoots over crops just planted or harvested in a normal agricultural manner. The second is when a landowner grows crops using normal agricultural practices with the intent of manipulating them for wildlife management purposes.

## What You Can Do

Besides a sincere effort to understand and abide by the law, the sportsman can protect him/herself from inadvertent violations by observing a few precautions. For instance, when organizing a shoot or a club hunt, make sure you know what has been done to the dove field(s) and when. If possible, visit the field several days before the hunt either in the early morning or mid afternoon. If you are invited on a hunt, check with your host to find out the field's condition.

Anyone previewing a field before a hunt should look for the doves themselves. An unusual concentration will direct your attention to their reason for being there. If the doves are feeding on waste grain from a field that has been harvested, such as combined corn or sovbeans, the field is legal. If the birds are feeding on fields where crops have actually been grown and manipulated so as to scatter the grain over the field, that is legal too.

If a field has been top sown with wheat, make sure it was planted according to Clemson Extension Service guidelines between October 1 and November 30 when evenly spread on a well-prepared seed bed established by heavy tilling.

Other fields to avoid are those with cracked grains or wheat placed in piles or strips. This is baiting in its most obvious form. Also steer clear of a field with any sign of rock salt in piles or strips. Because rock salt is lethal to mourning doves, using salt for bait is not only illegal under any circumstances, but inhumane and unethical. In freshly plowed or disked fields, be suspicious. This may be a field affected by the 10-Day Rule. That is, bait was placed in the field, the bait was removed, and then the field was plowed. The field is still not legal until 10 days after removal of all bait.

Finally, if the landowner or person preparing the field has any questions, they can direct their inquiries to any of the SCDNR offices listed in this brochure. If you are an invited guest, your questions concerning the legality of the field can best be answered by the person who prepared the field. In the event of a field check, the officers determination of the field's condition will only apply to the field at the time of inspection.



## WATERFOWL HUNTING & BAITING

Waterfowl and other migratory birds are a national resource protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Federal regulations define key terms for hunters and land managers, and clarify conditions under which you may legally hunt waterfowl. As a waterfowl hunter or land manager, it is your responsibility to know and obey all Federal and State laws that govern the sport. Waterfowl baiting regulations apply to ducks, geese, swans, coots and cranes.

#### Can I manipulate crops in a field where waterfowl will be hunted?

NO. Federal regulations are more restrictive for waterfowl hunting than for hunting doves and other migratory game birds. While unharvested agricultural crops may be manipulated to attract doves for hunting, manipulation of an unharvested agricultural crop to attract waterfowl for hunting creates a baited area.

#### What about natural vegetation?

Natural vegetation is any non-agricultural, native, or naturalized plant species that grows at a site in response to planting or from existing seeds or other propagules.

Natural vegetation does not include planted millet (like browntop and Japanese millet) because of its use as both an agricultural crop and a species of natural vegetation for moist soil management. However, planted millet that grows on its own in subsequent years is considered natural vegetation. If you restore and manage wetlands as habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds, you can manipulate the natural vegetation in these areas and make them available for hunting. Mowing and burning of natural vegetation are common habitat management practices in South Carolina.

Natural vegetation does not include plants grown as agricultural crops. Under no circumstances can you hunt waterfowl over crops manipulated prior to a normal harvest. Nor can you hunt waterfowl over manipulated wildlife food plots or manipulated plantings for soil stabilization.

In South Carolina many hunters and landowners manage native vegetation and planted agricultural crops to attract waterfowl for hunting. The Federal law is different for the management of these two food sources and hunters should pay particular attention to the differences.

## **Shooting Hours**

Shooting hours for waterfowl are 1/2 hour before sunrise until sunset except where noted during early seasons. Shooting hours are uniform statewide.

## Legal Shot

The possession of lead shot is prohibited for all waterfowl hunting, statewide. Nontoxic shot (steel, bismuth or other Federally approved shot) is required for all waterfowl hunting.

## Blind Regulations (SC Code of Laws 50-11-25)

It is unlawful to take migratory waterfowl from blinds or positions where the floor level of the blind or the position is:

- more than ten feet above surface level in or around freshwater; or
- more than five feet above the mean high water in or around saltwater.

A blind on public lands or waters must be constructed from biodegradable materials.

Once vacated, a blind on public lands or waters may be used by persons on a "first come, first served" basis.

## Airboat Regulations (SC Code of Laws 50-21-860)

An "airboat" means a watercraft propelled by air pressure caused by a motor mounted on the watercraft aboveboard.

It is unlawful for a person to operate an airboat on the public waters of this State from the freshwater-saltwater dividing line, established by Section 50-17-30, seaward.

It is unlawful to operate an airboat on the waters of the Waccamaw, the Great Pee Dee, the Little Pee Dee, the Black and the Sampit Rivers in Georgetown and Horry Counties from one hour before legal sunset to one hour after legal sunrise and anytime during the season for hunting waterfowl.

It is unlawful to operate an airboat on the waters of that portion of Lake Marion and Santee Swamp west of the I-95 bridge upstream to the confluence of the Congaree and Wateree Rivers during the season for hunting waterfowl.

The provisions of 50-21-860 do not apply to the operation of airboats by law enforcement, emergency medical, civil defense, noxious weed control, military personnel, state and federally approved wildlife banding, surveying, biological research programs and private waters.

## Federal Migratory **Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp**

If you are 16 or older, you must carry on your person an unexpired Federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp. You must validate your duck stamp by signing it in ink across the face before hunting. You may also purchase a Federal Duck Stamp online as an Electronic Duck Stamp which is valid for 45 days from the date of purchase. Within that time, a physical Duck Stamp will be mailed to you. After 45 days, you must carry your current, signed Federal Duck Stamp while hunting. You must also have a valid South Carolina Migratory Waterfowl Permit or have proof of purchase before hunting.



## WATERFOWL **HUNTING ON** CERTAIN BODIES OF WATER

Hunting Waterfowl Is Prohibited Within Certain Distances Of Residences On Portions Or All Of The Following Bodies Of Water:

- Bear Creek in Lancaster County (200 vards)
- Broadway Lake in Anderson County (200 vards)
- Gills Creek in Lancaster County (200 yards)
- 4. Lake Greenwood (200 yards)
- Lake Keowee (200 yards)
- Lake Murray
  - » Newberry & Saluda Counties (200 yards)
  - Lexington & Richland Counties (350 yards)
- 7. Lake Wateree (200 yards)
- 8. Lake Marion
  - » Potato Creek (200 yards)
  - » Wyboo Creek (200 yards)
  - Dean Swamp in Clarendon County and adjacent to Santee Cooper Resort in Orangeburg County. (200 yards)
  - Public waters in Calhoun County from the confluence of the Congaree and Wateree Rivers downstream to Poplar Creek. (200 vards)
  - The coves immediately to the East of St. Julien Subd. Extension and Cypress Shores Marina. (200 yards)
  - Taw Caw Creek in Clarendon County (No Hunting)
  - The cove immediately to the SE of the Indian Bluff Recreation site. (No Hunting)
- 9. Lake Moultrie (200 yards)
- 10. Lake Wylie (200 yards)
- 11. Murrell's Inlet Creek in Georgetown County (100 yards)

It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl on the lakes listed above within the distances provided unless a person has written permission from the owner and occupant of the dwelling. There are no exceptions to the distance restriction on Lake Keowee.

## **WMA** WATERFOWL ON MANAGEMENT AREAS

## **General Waterfowl** Management Area Regulations

#### Category I And Category II

Hunting on Category I Designated Waterfowl Areas is permitted only by means of special permit obtained through an annual drawing.

For applications contact: Public Drawing Hunts, ŜĈDNR, PO Box 167, Columbia, SČ 29202 or visit our web site at www.dnr.sc.gov or your local DNR office.

Hunting on Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas is permitted only during specified days and times during waterfowl seasons including September seasons for Canada Goose and Teal.

#### **Designated Waterfowl Or Dove Management Areas**

Unless specially designated by the SCDNR as a Waterfowl or Dove Management Area, all

WMAs and Hunt Units are open during the regular season including September seasons for hunting and taking of migratory birds except where restricted to special small game seasons and within migratory bird framework.

The Department may designate sections of Wildlife Management Areas and other lands and waters under the control of the Department as Designated Waterfowl Management Areas or Designated Dove Management Areas. In addition, the Department may set special shooting hours, bag limits, and methods of hunting and taking waterfowl and doves on those areas. All State and Federal migratory bird laws and regulations apply. Regulations pertaining to the use of Dove Management Areas will be filed annually.

On Designated Waterfowl Areas, no species other than waterfowl may be taken during waterfowl hunts. On Designated Dove Management Areas no species other than doves may be taken during dove hunts. Only dove hunting is allowed at Lake Wallace.

#### **Non Toxic Shell Requirement**

On all State-owned, US Forest Service and other Federally owned Category I and II Waterfowl Management Areas each hunter is limited to 25 Federally approved non-toxic shells per hunt.

#### **Hunting From Blinds**

On areas where blinds are not provided, only portable blinds which are removed at the conclusion of the hunt or temporary blinds of native vegetation may be used. Temporary blinds once vacated may be used by other hunters.

#### **Fishing Restrictions**

No fishing is permitted in any Category 1 Designated Waterfowl Management Area during scheduled waterfowl hunts.

#### **Consent To Search**

Entry onto WMA land constitutes consent to an inspection and search of the person, game bag or creel.

## Category I Areas

Bear Island WMA Beaverdam WMA Bonneau Ferry WMA Broad River WMA

Clemson Donnelley WMA Samworth WMA Sandy Beach WMA

Santee Coastal Reserve WMA Santee-Delta WMA Wateree River HP WMA

## Category II and Other WMA Specific Details

AREA	OPEN PERIOD	COUNTY	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	SPECIAL CONDITIONS
Beidler Impoundment	Sat. AM Only	Sumter	33.8	-80.556	
Carr Creek (within Samworth WMA)	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Georgetown	33.463	-79.183	
Ditch Pond	Wed. AM Only	Barnwell	330419	-81.466	
Dunaway WMA	Sat. AM Only	Union	34.7096	-81.456	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM
Duncan Creek WMA	Sat. AM Only	Laurens	34.5246	-81.7988	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM
Dungannon WMA	Wed. AM Only	Charleston	32.757	-80.194	No hunting is allowed from boardwalk
Enoree River WMA	Sat. AM Only	Newberry	34.432	-81.422	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM
Fant's Grove WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Anderson & Pickens	34.623	-82.83	
Francis Marion National Forest	Waterfowl Season (Mon Sat.)	Berkeley & Charleston	33.1619	-79.8291	Closed on Waterhorn WMA unit during any scheduled deer hunt
Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve WMA	Wed. AM Only	Darlington	34.388	-79.705	
Hamilton Ridge WMA	AM Only during special small game seasons	Hampton			
Hatchery WMA	Sat AM only and until sunset on last Sat.	Berkeley	33.256	-80.084	No airboats are allowed in the WMA during Nov. 15-Jan. 31. No fishing allowed during scheduled waterfowl hunts.

AREA	OPEN PERIOD	COUNTY	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	SPECIAL CONDITIONS
Hickory Top WMA	Mon. thru Sat.	Clarendon	33.607	-80.481	Waterfowl hunting at or above 76 ft. 8 in. in elevation requires a WMA permit.
Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir	Sat. AM Only	Clarendon	33.607	-80.481	Closed to all public access Nov. 1 until Mar. 1 except during scheduled hunts. Hunting hours are from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 11:00 AM. No shooting from roads or dikes. Hunters may use only electric motors on boats. All hunters must accurately complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. No Entry before 5:00 AM.
Lake Blalock	Wed. AM Only	Spartanburg	5.15	53.18	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM
Lake Cunningham WMA	Wed. AM Only	Greenville	34.987	-82.284	
Lancaster Reservoir	Mon. and Friday AM Only	Lancaster	34.702	-80.751	
Little Carr Creek	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Georgetown	33.467	-79.178	
Little Pee Dee River Complex	Wed. AM Only	Marion and Horry	34.091	-79.255	
Marsh WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Marion	33.948	-79.468	
Monticello Reservoir WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Fairfield	34.327	-81.313	
Moultrie WMA	Mon. thru Sat.	Berkeley	33.379	-80.081	
Palachucola WMA	Mon. thru Sat. AM Only	Hampton	32.599	-81.284	Open only during special and scheduled small game seasons.
Parr Reservoir WMA	Mon. thru Sat.	Fairfield	34.315	-81.362	
Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area	Wed. and Sat. Only	Clarendon	33.53313	-80.27023	Closed to all hunting and fishing one week prior to and two weeks after the waterfowl season. All hunters must enter and leave this area at the designated public landing on secondary road 260. Completion and submission of data card is required. No airboats are allowed and no hunting from secondary road 260.
Russell Creek WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	McCormick	34.00	-82.549	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM.
Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island WMA)	Thurs. and Sat. AM Only	Colleton	32.599	-80.421	
Santee Cooper WMA	Sat. AM Only	Orangeburg	33.411	-80.292	
Tillman Sand Ridge WMA	Mon. thru Sat. AM Only	Jasper	32.494	-81.207	Open only during special and scheduled small game seasons.
Turtle Island WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Jasper	32.06	-80.903	
Tyger River WMA	Sat. AM Only	Union	34.608	-81.632	Sign in/Sign out required. No Entry before 5:00 AM.
Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Horry	33.905	-78.729	
Webb WMA	Mon. thru Sat. AM Only	Hampton	32.596	-81.308	Open only during special and scheduled small game seasons.
Wee Tee WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Williamsburg	33.357	-79.759	
Woodbury WMA	Wed. and Sat. AM Only	Marion	33.775	-79.29	Includes all SCDNR-owned property south of US Hwy 378 and bounded on the west by the Great Pee Dee River and Bluff Road and to the east by the Little Pee Dee River. No waterfowl hunting is allowed in the area known as Hass Pond that is bounded on all sides by Hass Pond Road.
40-Acre Rock	Sat. AM Only	Lancaster	34.6593	-80.5169	•
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## WMA PUBLIC DOVE FIELDS



## Dove Management Area Regulations

The following fields are open on a first-come basis. A Wildlife Management Area permit is required for all fields. Please consider the other hunters as well as the landowners whose cooperation makes these fields possible. Signs will be placed along roads directing hunters to the fields. All federal and state laws apply. Fields are open only on days and times indicated. Fields denoted by an asterisk (\*) require hunters to sign in (not before 12:00 noon) and sign out on ALL hunts. No species other than mourning doves and Eurasian collared doves may be hunted during scheduled dove hunts. Please remove all litter, including spent shell hulls, from fields when leaving!

## Don't forget to get a Migratory Bird Permit from your license vendor – it's required but it's Free!

**Bag Limit:** Mourning Doves: 12 doves per day. No limit on Eurasian collared doves.

## All Hunters Please Note! The following special regulations apply to ALL Wildlife Management Area Public Dove Fields:

- 1. Hunters are limited to 50 shells per hunt
- 2. Dove hunting on all public fields is "Afternoon Only." No entry onto fields before noon
- 3. No shooting after 6:00 p.m. during the first segment of the season (Sept. 3 Oct. 15)

#### **Abbeville**

#### U.S. Forest Service – Power of Partnerships Field

5 mi. east of Abbeville on SC-72, ¼ mile south on Bass Rd., 60 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only beginning Sept. 17.
- 2nd and 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat.
- Sept 10 is Wheelin Sportsmen Hunt Only
- Call (864) 223-2731 for details

#### **Aiken**

#### \*US Dept of Energy -Crackerneck WMA

From SC 125/CR62 (Silverton Rd) in Jackson, take Silverton 0.4 mi. to Main St., left on Main for 0.4 mi., then right on Brown Rd. for 2.1 mi. Turn left on gravel road, at end of pavement go 0.2 mi. to check station, 60 acres.

- 1st season Sept. 7, 21, Oct. 5.
- Call (803) 667-0721 for details

#### Anderson

#### Clemson University -Fant's Grove WMA

From US 76/ SC 28 south of Clemson Take SC 187 to Fant's Grove Rd. 1.5 miles W, 45 acres

- 1st season, Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- FIÊLD CLOSED OCT 1
- Open 2nd & 3rd seasons Saturdays Only
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details

#### **Berkeley**

## \*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Canal WMA

From St. Stephen Take SC 45 west for 1.5 miles or continue to County Rd 35. Go left about .3 miles, 60 acres.

- Sept. 3, 10, Oct. 15, Nov. 19
- Sept. 24 is Wounded Warrior Hunt Only. Invitation Only. For information: joseph.e.moran@usace.army.mil
- Call (843) 825-3387 for details

#### \*Bonneau Ferry WMA Youth Only Dove Field

From Moncks Corner, take Hwy 52 across the Tailrace Canal, then turn Right on Hwy 402 toward Cordesville. Continue on 402 for 9.1 miles; Bonneau Ferry front gate will be on the right (approx 1 mile after railroad tracks in Cordesville). Follow signs to dove field parking. 14 acres.

- Sept. 3, 10, 24
- Call (843) 825-3387 for details

#### Charleston

#### **Botany Bay Plantation WMA**

Located on Edisto Island south of Charleston. To reach WMA take Hwy 174 from US17 towards Edisto Beach. Turn left onto Botany Bay Rd (just beyond the Edisto Serpentarium), 8.5 mi. south of the McKinley Washington Bridge. Proceed down Botany Bay Rd. approx. 2 mi. ntil just before it ends, the entrance to the WMA is on the left. The dove fields are located approx. 2 mi. from the entrance. 70 acres.

- Sept. 3, 10, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, Jan. 14
- (All hunts are Youth Only)
- Call (843) 869-2713 for details

#### Cherokee

**Gaffney Board of Public Works** 

From the intersection of I-85 (Exit 95) & Pleasant School Rd (Sec Hwy 82) go 1.2 mi. north on Pleasant School Rd around Lake Whelchel and field is on left (west) side of road, 20 acres.

- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3. Dove hunting Only
- (864) 427-5140

#### Chester

**U.S. Forest Service - Worthy Bottoms** 

10 miles west of Chester on SC 9, Left on Sec Rd 535, Turn Right on Worthy's Ferry Rd. Field 5 miles on the right. 30 acres -

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat
- Call (864) 427-5140 or (803) 276-4810 for details

#### Chesterfield

#### SC Forestry Commission - Sand Hills State Forest - Wilkes Chapel Field

From Sand Hills State Forest Headquarters on US 1, Go south on Flory Pond Rd for 1.3 miles, Right on Sec Rd 29 for .2 miles, Field on Right, 54 acres

- 1st season –Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat.
- Call (843) 498-6478 or (843) 661-4768 for details.

## **SC Forestry Commission – Sand Hills State Forest – Davis Field**

From the intersection of US 1 and SC 102 in Patrick: Go southeast on SC 102 approx. 1 mi. Bear left on SR 80 and proceed approx. 1.5 mi. Left on Campbell Lake Rd. Continue 0.2 mi. then left on Griggs Loop Rd. Field entrance 0.1 mi. on the right. 30 acres.

- 1st season Opening Day Sept. 3, then Wednesdays Only beginning Sept. 14
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon. Sat.
- Call (843) 498-6478 or (843) 661-4768 for details.

#### Clarendon

\*Santee Cooper - Santee Dam WMA

From Manning, take Hwy 260 south 13 miles to Wilson Dam. At gate, follow gravel road at base of dam 5 miles to dove field parking area. 75 acres.

- Sept. 3, 10; Oct 1; Nov. 26, Dec. 31.
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details

#### \*SC Forestry Commission

- Oak Lea WMA

From Summerton take SC 26 west for 2 mi. Go north on SC 41 for approx 5 mi. Field on right. 102 ac.

- Sept. 3, 10; Jan. 9.
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

#### Colleton

**DNR - Donnelley WMA** 

From US 17 E of Green Pond, Go southeast on Sec Rd 26 4 miles, Turn Right at Donnelley WMA Sign, Field 2 miles on Right, 80 acres.

- Sept. 3, 10: Oct 1: Nov. 19
- Call (843) 844-8957 for details

#### **Darlington**

**DeWitt Property** 

From I-20 (Exit 137) go South on SC 340 (towards Timmonsville) 2.1 miles to Meander Rd. Right on Meander. Go 1.7 miles to Lake Swamp Rd. Right on Lake Swamp Rd. Go 0.5 miles to Oak Stump Rd. Bear left on Oak Stump. Field 1 mile on left. 50 acres.

- 1st Season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd, & 3rd Seasons Saturdays Only, Dove Hunting Only
- Call (843) 661-4768 for details.

#### **Florence**

#### Santee Cooper - Pee Dee Station Site WMA

Field is located in Kingsburg 4.7 miles north of US Hwy 378 off S-21-57 (Old River Rd). Field on left (33°56′22.69″ -79°29′45.37″) 60 acres.

- 1st Season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3;
- 2nd, and 3rd Seasons Saturdays Only Dove Hunting Only.
- Call (843) 661-4768 for details.

#### Georgetown

#### **DNR Samworth WMA**

Follow Hwy 701 towards Conway from Georgetown. Take right on Choppee Rd. after crossing Black River. Choppee Rd. becomes Plantersville Rd. Turn right onto Samworth Loop. Turn left onto Benvenue Rd. Turn right onto Direlton Rd. at entrance to Samworth WMA. Follow to field. 35 acres. Dove Hunting Only.

- Sept 3, 10; Oct 8; Nov 12
- Call (843) 546-8119 for details

#### **Hampton**

#### \*DNR - Webb Wildlife Center

2.5 miles west of Garnett on Augusta Stage Coach Rd., 30 acres -

- Sept 3, 10, 28; Oct. 12; Nov. 19.
- (803) 625-3569

#### Laurens

**DNR Gray Court Field** 

From the town of Gray Court at the intersection of Sec Hwy 101 and Sec Hwy 14, go south on Sec Hwy 14 toward Laurens for 0.9 mile to the Fire Station, turn left on Dove Rd and go 0.3 mile and the parking area will be on the right. 15 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon-Sat
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

#### **DNR Cliff Pitts WMA**

From the intersection of US Hwy 76 and Sec Hwy 252 about 3 miles west of Laurens, go 8 miles west toward Ware Shoals on Sec Hwy 252; turn left on Armstrong Rd. which is a gravel road and proceed to the parking area. Gated road on the right out of the parking area goes to the dove field. 10 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon-Sat
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

### Lexington

#### **Hallman Field**

Get off of I-20 on Exit 39, turn left. Take Hwy 178 East for 2.4 mi. to Truex Rd. Turn left on Truex and go 1.2 mi. to Rish Dr. Turn right on Rish and go 0.1 mi. to parking area on left – 47 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3;
- 2nd, and 3rd seasons -Saturdays Only, Dove Hunting Only
- Call (803) 667-0721 for details.

#### **Marlboro**

#### **DNR - Lake Wallace WMA**

Northwest of Lake Wallace on Sec Rd 47 Bennettsville, Beauty Spot Rd., from Hwy 9 (west of Bennettsville) turn left on Beauty Spot Rd, go 1.9 mi. Field on right. 50 acres -

- 1st season- Saturday Only Beginning Sept. 3;
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Saturdays Only Dove Hunting Only
- Call (843) 661-4768 for details.

## WMA PUBLIC DOVE FIELDS

#### **McCormick**

## \*U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Bordeaux Field

From intersection of Hwys 28 & 378 in Mc-Cormick: Hwy 378 west 5.5 mi. to Hwy 7. Right onto Hwy 7; go 3 mi. to S-33-135 (Willington Academy Dr) Left onto S-33-135; go 1.5 mi. to S-33-110 (McIntosh Rd) Left onto S-33-110; go 1.5 mi. to field entrance on the left.

- Sept. 3 & 21; Oct. 12; Nov. 23; Dec. 21; Jan. 11.
- Dove Hunting Only. 40 acres Call (864) 223-2731 for details.
- Must sign-in & out @ 1009 McIntosh Rd

## U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Parksville Field

1/4 mi. north of Parksville on Hwy 28. 22 acres

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon.- Sat. Call (864) 223-2731 for details.

## U.S. Army Corp of Engineers - Plum Branch Fields

From Plum Branch take S-33-57 (Collier St) 2 mi. west, field on right in sharp-left curve. 30 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon-Sat, Call (864) 223-2731 for details.

#### Newberry

SCDOT McCullough Field

From I-26 North on Hwy 121 towards Whitmire 9.2 mi. Right on McCullough Rd., 0.7 mi. Field on right. 30 acres.

- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept 3. Dove Hunting Only.
- Call (803) 734-3898 for details.

#### **Belfast WMA**

From the intersection of US 76 (Wilson Rd) and SC 560 in Kinards go 5.9 miles southwest on SC 560; turn left onto SC 56. Go 3.9 miles; turn right at silver gate. Field is 0.5 mile ahead. 26 acres.

- Sept. 3, Sept. 10; Nov. 24, 25, 26.
- 3rd season Open Mon Sat.
- Call (803) 734-3898 for details.

#### Oconee

S.C. Forestry Commission - Piedmont Forestry Center

From SC 130 north of Salem Turn Left on SC 11 & follow signs to nursery, 18 acres. Dove Hunting Only.

• 1st and 2nd seasons - Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3

- 3rd season Closed.
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details.

U.S. Forest Service – Long Creek Tract In order to hunt, adults must have 1 or 2 youth age 17 or younger. Disability hunters must contact the U.S. Forest Service Andrew Pickens office 864-638-9568 for permit requirements and access. From Westminster take Hwy 76 to Long Creek, take a left on Orchard Rd, proceed ¾ mi. to field on right. 20 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays only beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd season Open November 19 Only
- 3rd season Closed.
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details.

#### U.S. Forest Service - Ross Mtn. Field

About 7 miles north of Walhalla on SC 28, Turn on Tunneltown Rd., Turn on Ross Mtn. Rd, Field on Both Sides of road, 35 acres

- Open 1st, 2nd & 3rd seasons
- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details.

#### **Orangeburg**

#### \*Santee Cooper - Santee Cooper WMA

From Santee, Take Highway 6 east approximately 12 miles to Eutaw Springs. Left on FredCon Rd. for 0.3 miles. Left on Ferguson Landing Road for 0.3 miles Left at Santee Cooper WMA sign. Field is 0.3 miles from entrance. 35 acres . Entire WMA under Dove Area Regulations.

- Sept. 3 is Youth Hunt Only
- Sept. 10; Oct. 1; Nov. 19; Dec. 31.
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

#### **Pickens**

## DNR Property - Rifle Range

South of Pickens off Sec Rd 304 near SC Highway Dept. Bldg., 40 acres

- Open 1st, 2nd & 3rd seasons
- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3. Dove Hunting Only
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details.

## Clemson University - Gravely WMA - Causey Tract

From SC 11 Go south on Sec Rd 112 at Cendy's Store, Turn east on Sec Rd 114 & Go 0.5 miles; 25 acres.

- Open 1st, 2nd & 3rd seasons
- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept 3.
- Call (864) 654-1671 ext. 19 for details.

## **DNR Property – Jocassee Gorges – Cane Creek Field**

From intersection of SC 11 and Roy Jones Rd, go 2.2 miles west on Roy Jones Hwy, turn right on Granny Gear Rd. Go 0.2 miles

and turn right on Cleo Chapman Hwy. Go 0.3 miles and turn left into Shooting Tree Entrance of Jocassee Gorges on Cane Creek Rd. Go 5 miles, field is beside road. 15 acres.

- Wednesday Only, Beginning Sept. 14
- Open 1st, 2nd and 3rd seasons
- Call (864) 868-0281 for details.

#### Saluda

#### SCE&G Saluda River Field

From the intersection of SC 34 (Main St) and SC 121 in Silverstreet go 3.4 miles southwest on SC 121; turn left onto Tosity Creek Rd. Go 0.8 mile, field on the right. 28 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon-Sat.
- Call (803) 734-3898 for details.

#### Spartanburg

#### **Santee Cooper**

From intersection of US 176 & West Main St. (Sec. Hwy 227) approx. 2.5 miles W. of Pacolet, go 0.1 mile east on West Main St. and turn left on Goldmine Rd. (Sec. Hwy 108) for 4.3 mi. then turn right on Hatchet Dr. Field at end of road. 15 acres.

- 1st season Sept. 3, 10, 17 & 24
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon. Sat.,
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

## Spartanburg Co Parks Dept - Cherokee Springs Field

From the intersection of US Hwy 221 and Foster's Grove Rd (Sec Hwy 191) approx 8 miles north of Spartanburg, go west 1.1 miles on Foster's Grove Rd to RC Thompson Rd; field is on the left. 15 acres.

- Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3. Dove hunting only.
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

#### Sumter

#### S.C. Forestry Commission -Manchester State Forest

Directions from Wedgefield

#### \*Bland Field 1

Take Hwy 261 North 0.7 mi. to Bland entrance sign, turn right and follow dirt road to field. 50 ac.

- Sept. 3 is Youth Hunt Only
- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept.10.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon. Sat. (Designated Fields and the general forest).
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

#### \*Tuomey Field A

Take SC 763 (Wedgefield Rd) 4 mi. to stop sign. Right on St. Paul Ch. Rd., go 3 mi. to field on right. 50 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon. Sat. (Designated Fields and the general forest).
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

#### \*Tuomey Field B

Take SC 763 (Wedgefield Rd) 4 mi. to stop sign. Right on St. Paul Ch. Rd., go 3 mi. to field on left. 20 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon. Sat. (Designated Fields and the general forest).
- Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

#### Union

#### **DNR Thurmond Tract**

From the intersection of SC Hwy 9 and SC Hwy 49 at Lockhart go 4.3 mi. north on SC Hwy 9 and the field is on the left (south) side of road. 15 acres.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons open Mon Sat.
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

#### Sedalia (U.S. Forest Service)

From the intersection of SC 49 and Old Buncombe Rd (Sec Hwy 18) near Cross Keys, go 3.6 mi. east on Old Buncombe Rd and turn left on Sedalia Fire Tower Rd (Sec. Hwy 80) for 0.2 mi. and field is on left (northwest) side of road. 15 acres

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat.
- Call (803) 321-2960 for details.

#### **US Forest Service - Herbert Field**

From the intersection of SC Hwy 215, SC Hwy 72 and Pinckney St.in Carlisle, go south on Pinckney St. which turns into Herbert Rd (Sec Hwy 37) for 5.6 miles; turn right at the intersection of St. Luke's Rd. (Sec Hwy 359). Parking area is under the power line off St. Luke's Rd, 40 acres.

- Sept. 3 is Youth Only,
- 1st season Saturdays Beginning Sept. 10.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat.
- Call (803) 321-2960 for details.

#### York

#### **DNR - Draper Tract**

3.5 miles E of McConnell on SC 322, Turn Right on Sec Rd 165 (Brattonsville Rd), Go .5 miles, Turn Right, 45 acres (two fields).

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon Sat.
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

#### York County - Worth Mountain WMA

From Hickory Grove at the intersection of SC Hwy 97 and SC Hwy 211, take Hwy 211 South approx. 4 miles and turn left on Scenic View Rd, go .75 miles and field is on right. 40 acres planted.

- 1st season Saturdays Only Beginning Sept. 3.
- 2nd & 3rd seasons Open Mon-Sat,
- Call (864) 427-5140 for details.

### **SPECIAL YOUTH DOVE HUNTS:**

Eligibility for these hunts requires adults 21 years or older to bring 1 or 2 youths 15 years of age and younger. Youths 16 & 17 years of age may participate in the hunt with or without an accompanying adult. The following regulations also apply on Special Youth Dove Hunts: (1) Adults accompanying youth are NOT allowed to shoot at any time during Special Youth Dove Hunts. (2) Adults must remain in the field and closely supervise participating youth at all times. (3) In parties of one adult and 2 youths, only one youth hunter may be handling a loaded firearm at any given time. (4) Bag limit is 12 birds per youth participant. Birds harvested by individual hunters must be kept separate, and in no instance may an individual hunter harvest more than 12 birds.

Pre-registration is no longer required for youth only hunts.

## Abbeville County Youth Hunt U.S. Forest Service-Power of

Partnerships Field

September 3 - No pre-registration required.

• Call 864-223-2731 for details.

#### **Berkeley County Youth Hunt**

### Bonneau Ferry WMA

September 3, 10, 24

No pre-registration required.

Call (843) 825-3387 for details.

## Charleston County Youth Hunt Botany Bay Plantation WMA

September 3, 10; Nov. 19; Dec. 17; Jan. 14 No pre-registration required.

• Call (843) 869-2713 for details.

## Orangeburg County Youth Hunt Santee Cooper - Santee Cooper WMA

September 3 - No pre-registration required.

• Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

### **Sumter County Youth Hunt**

Manchester State Forest near Wedgefield Bland Tract - Field 1.

September 3 - No pre-registration required.

• Call (803) 673-8589 for details.

## Union County Youth Hunt U.S. Forest Service Herbert Field

September 3 - No pre-registration required.

Call (803) 321-2960 for details.

## York County Youth Hunt DNR Draper WMA

September 3 - No pre-registration required.

• Call (864) 427-5140 for details.



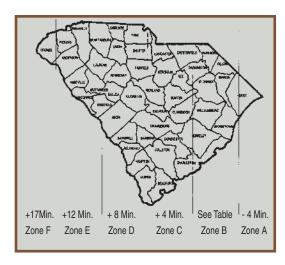
## **SUNRISE SUNSET TIMES**

## 2016 SUNRISE SUNSET TIMES

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Eastern Standard Time. Add one hour for daylight time, if and when in use.

Location: W079 58, N32 49 — Charleston, South Carolina — Astronomical Applications Dept., U. S. Naval Observatory, Washington, DC 20392-5420



Knowing the exact times of sunrise and sunset is critical to setting hunting activities by the natural time clock. The map shows six time zones for our state. Sunrise and sunset for Zone B are shown in the **ZONE B** table. To determine the exact sunrise and sunset time for zones A, C, D, E, and F, add or subtract the minutes shown for each zone on the map to the time shown in the ZONE B table. EXAMPLE ONLY-November 1, Zone B sunrise = 6:37 a.m. For Zone A sunrise subtract four (-4) minutes = 6:33 a.m.

# 2017 SUNRISE SUNSET TIMES

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## **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

## **WMA Program**

Through the cooperative effort of private landowners, the U. S. Forest Service and the SCDNR, Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) are provided for the enjoyment of all wildlife enthusiasts. Funds generated from the sale of WMA permits enable the SCDNR to lease approximately 1.1 million acres of land for wildlife conservation and management.

Heritage Preserves are properties acquired by the SCDNR for the primary purpose of protecting habitat for rare and endangered species. Some heritage preserves offer game hunting opportunities and are included in the WMA Program. All persons using WMA lands are reminded that only US Forest Service lands and those areas marked by WMA signs are open to the public. Lands not posted with these signs are the property of private individuals, and landowner permission must be obtained.

General locations of the areas described below are shown on the map on page 92. For detailed maps showing these and other WMA lands, write WMA MAPS, SCDNR, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC, 29202, call 803-734-3886 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/wma/maps.html. Reference map # from chart below.



WMA properties should be marked with these yellow and black signs.

## SOUTH CAROLINA **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PROPERTIES**

Open dates for each season are listed in the Hunt Seasons section beginning on page 94 of this book.

Note: \* indicates an SCDNR Property.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA	ACREAGE	MAP #	COUNTY	TELEPHONE
Aiken Gopher Tortoise Heritage Preserve*	1,622	3	Aiken	803-734-4080
Bear Island*	12,153	10	Colleton	843-844-8957
Belfast*	4,664	4	Laurens, Newberry	803-734-3898
Bonneau Ferry*	10,712	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387
<b>Botany Bay Plantation</b>	4,687	10	Charleston	843-869-2713
Canal	2,491	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387
Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve*	568	8	Horry	843-546-8119
Central Piedmont Hunt Unit	183,706	4, 5, 6	Cherokee, Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster, Laurens, Newberry, Spartanburg, Union, York	864-427-5140
Crackerneck	10,600	3	Aiken	803-725-3663
Delta South	2,174	4, 5	Union	864-427-5140
Ditch Pond Heritage Preserve*	233	3	Aiken, Barnwell	803-734-4080
Donnelley*	8,060	10	Colleton	843-844-8957
Draper*, McConnells*, Ross*, Kirsh	1,996	5	York	864-427-5140
<b>Dungannon Heritage Preserve*</b>	730	9, 10	Charleston	843-546-8119
Edisto River*	1,394	10	Dorchester	843-844-8957
Fants Grove	7,444	1, 2	Anderson, Oconee, Pickens	864-654-1671
Francis Marion National Forest	259,410	9, 10	Berkeley, Charleston	843-825-3387
Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve*	2,725	6, 7	Darlington	843-661-4766
Hamilton Ridge*	13, 281	10	Hampton	803-625-3569
Hatchery	2,400	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387
Henderson Heritage Preserve*	417	3	Aiken	803-734-4080
Hickory Top	1,105	7	Clarendon	803-673-8589
Keowee	4,930	1, 2	Pickens, Oconee	864-654-1671
Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve*	10,097	8	Horry	843-546-8119
Liberty Hill	7,876	4	Kershaw Lancaster	843-661-4768
Little Pee Dee Heritage Preserve* Complex	10,238	8	Horry, Marion	843-546-8119
Longleaf Pine Heritage Preserve*	843	7	Lee	803-419-9374
Lynchburg Savanna Heritage Preserve*	291	7	Lee	803-419-9374
Manchester State Forest	23,135	7	Sumter	803-494-8196
Marsh*	8,660	8	Marion	843-661-4766
McBee*	1,270	6	Chesterfield	843-661-4766
McCalla	5,667	2	Abbeville	864-223-2731
Moultrie	9,951	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387
Mountain Hunt Unit	152,575	1	Greenville, Oconee, Pickens	864-654-1671
Oak Lea	2,000	7	Clarendon	803-673-8589
Old Island Heritage Preserve*	400	10	Beaufort	843-546-8119

Open dates for each season are listed in the Hunt Seasons section beginning on page 94 of this book.

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WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA	ACREAGE	MAP#	COUNTY	TELEPHONE
Palachucola*	6,757	10	Hampton, Jasper	803-625-3569
Parr Hydroelectric Project	4,400	4, 5	Fairfield, Newberry	803-609-6992
Pee Dee Station Site	2,701	8	Florence	843-661-4766
Rock Hill Blackjacks Heritage Preserve*	291	5	York	864-419-9374
Samworth*	1,588	9	Georgetown	843-546-8665
Sand Hills State Forest	46,000	5, 6, 7	Chesterfield, Darlington	843-661-4766
Santee Coastal*	24,000	9, 10	Charleston, Georgetown	843-546-8665
Santee Cooper	3,144	7	Orangeburg	803-673-8589
Santee Dam	575	7	Clarendon	803-673-8589
Santee-Delta*	1,899	9	Georgetown	843-546-8665
St. Helena Sound Heritage Preserve*	10,302	10	Beaufort 843-84	
Tillman Sand Ridge Heritage Preserve*	1,422	10	Jasper 803-625-3569	
Turtle Island*	1,700	10	Jasper 803-625-3569	
Victoria Bluff Heritage Preserve*	1,113	10	Beaufort 803-625-3569	
Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve*	6,691	8	Horry 843-546-81	
Wateree River Heritage Preserve	3,677	7	Richland	803-734-3898
Webb*	5,860	10	Hampton	803-625-3569
Wee Tee	12,439	9, 10	Williamsburg, Georgetown	843-661-4766
Western Piedmont Hunt Unit	146,561	2, 3, 4	Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, McCormick, Saluda 864-223-2731	
Woodbury*	25,668	8	Marion 843-661-4766	
Worth Mountain	1,643	5	York	864-427-5140

## THANKS TO LANDOWNERS

Landowners providing their land for public hunting and recreation are due much appreciation from the SCDNR and all outdoor enthusiasts. Without these lands, public hunting as provided in this state would be impossible. Sportsmen seeing the yellow and black diamond-shaped signs designating WMA boundaries should remember they are hunting as guests of the landowner and be respectful of this privilege.

US Forest Service	632,177
SC Department of Natural Resources	234,676
SC Forestry Commission	90,296
SC Public Service Authority (Santee)	25,127
Clemson University	11,265
Department of Energy	10,600
American Forest Management	17,417
SCPRT	7,571
Corps of Engineers (Thurmond Res.)	6,506
SC Electric & Gas Company	5,187
Timber-Lands L.P.	2,002
Plum Creek Marketing, Inc	4,808
Catch Mark Timber	1,376
TIAA Timberlands II (Hancock Forest Mgmt.)	4,682
American Timberland II (RMK)	2,751
Georgia Power Company	2,814
Wells Fargo Bank (Brown Trust)	3,252
SC Dept. of Commerce	1,675
SC Public Ser. Auth. (Pee Dee)	2,755
Corps of Engineers (Canal)	2,465
Knightwood (Hancock Forest Mgmt.)	476

<b>Springland, Inc</b> 1,856
Duke Energy Progress
SC Conf. Bd. Of Camps & Retreats
Duke Energy Carolinas
York County
Jordan Properties2,474
Duke Energy (ROWs)
Thomas Heirs LLC594
<b>TNC - Ninetimes</b>
Lavinia B. George Estate944
City of Walhalla439
City of Clinton
Brown Family Partnership205
Commission of Public Works (Greer)
William & Joab Lesesne
Vandiviere Properties LLC655
John and Irene Blackmon
Blue Heron Timber LLC 594
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Dorothy Beaty Estate
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## **WMA REGULATIONS**



#### **WMA Abuse**

Any person who damages, destroys or misuses WMA lands or improvements on them including, but not limited to, roads, vegetation, buildings, structures or fences, leaves refuse, trash or other debris on the property, or sets, makes or builds a fire (except in an area specially designated as a campfire area), operates a motor conveyance on areas or roads closed to operation, target practices, camps in areas except for designated campsites, disregards safety or restrictive postings as designated by the landowner or who otherwise abuses, damages, destroys or misuses wildlife management areas is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined \$200 and be required to make restitution to the landowner in an amount determined by the court to be necessary to repair, rebuild, restore or clean up the property to its condition before the abuse occurred. A person who is convicted of damaging, destroying, abusing or misusing Wildlife Management Area land shall lose the privilege of entering WMA land for one year (50-11-2210).

## WMA Public Drawing Hunts

The SCDNR offers a variety of WMA hunts through computerized drawings. Hunt fees range from \$10 to \$800 per hunter and must be submitted at the time of application. Applications for deer hunts are available in July, waterfowl and quail hunts in Sept. and youth/adult only turkey hunts in Feb. Deadlines to apply for draw hunts are generally mid-Aug. (deer), mid-Oct. for quail and waterfowl and early Mar. for youth turkey hunts. Applications are available at SCDNR offices statewide (refer to directory on page 6 or write SCDNR Public Drawing Hunts, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or visit our website at www.dnr.sc.gov/hunting/drawhunts). A hunter's privilege to participate in a Wildlife Management Area lottery hunt may be revoked for the remainder of the hunt for any violation of law or WMA regulations (SĆ 50-11-2240).

## **General Regulations**

 On all SCDNR-owned WMA lands the removal of artifacts or ecofacts (including arrowheads) from the surface or subsurface is prohibited except when approved by the State Historic Preservation Office and carried out in accordance with their guidelines.

- Statutes 50-11-2200 and 50-11-2210 authorize the promulgation of WMA regulations R123-40. See specific game zones for seasons.
- 2.1 Except as provided in these regulations, no person may hunt or take wildlife on areas designated by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) as Wildlife Management Area (WMA) lands.
- 2.2 Entry onto WMA land is done wholly and completely at the risk of the individual. Neither the landowners nor the State of South Carolina nor the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources accepts any responsibility for acts, omissions, activities or conditions on these lands which cause or may cause personal injury or property damage.
- 2.3 Entry onto WMA land constitutes consent to an inspection and search of the person, game bag or creel.
- **2.4** No person may hunt or take wildlife on WMA land unless an individual is in possession of a valid South Carolina license; a valid WMA permit; and other applicable federal or state permits, stamps, or licenses.
- 2.5 No Sunday hunting is permitted on any WMA lands.
- 2.6 On all WMA lands, baiting or hunting over a baited area is prohibited. As used in this section, "bait" or "baiting" means the placing, depositing, exposing, distributing, or scattering of shelled, shucked, or unshucked corn, wheat, or other grain or other food stuffs to constitute an attraction, lure, or enticement to, on, or over any area. "Baited area" means an area where bait is directly or indirectly placed, deposited, exposed, distributed, or scattered and the area remains a baited area for ten (10) days following the complete removal of all bait. Salt/minerals are not considered bait.
- 2.7 On WMA lands construction or use of tree stands and temporary climbing devices is prohibited if the tree stand or temporary device is constructed by driving nails, screws or other devices into the tree; or the tree stand or temporary climbing device is constructed by wrapping wire around the tree. Other tree stands and temporary climbing devices are permitted provided they are not permanently affixed or embedded in the tree. All stands and temporary climbing devices must be removed by the end of deer hunting season.
- 2.8 On WMA lands any hunter younger than sixteen (16) years of age must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older). Sight and voice contact must be maintained.
- 2.9 Notwithstanding any other provision of these regulations, the Department may permit special hunts on any day during the regular hunting season.
- **2.10** No person may release or attempt to release any animal onto WMA lands without approval from the Department.

- **2.11** While participating in a hunt on WMAs, no person may possess, consume or be under the influence of intoxicants, including beer, wine, liquor or drugs.
- 2.12 On WMA lands, during the designated statewide youth deer hunt day, only still hunting is allowed. The limit is two deer total to include no more than one antlerless deer.
- 2.13 Taking or destroying timber, other forest products or cutting firewood on WMA lands without written permission from the landowner or his agents is prohibited. Users of WMA lands are prohibited from planting, attempting to plant, burning or otherwise attempting to manipulate crops, natural vegetation or openings without written permission from the landowner or his agent.
- 2.14 On WMA lands, hunting armadillos and coyotes at night is prohibited. Armadillos and coyotes may be hunted during any open season for game during daylight hours with no bag limit. Weapon(s) used to hunt armadillos and coyotes are limited to the weapon(s) that are allowed for the current open season on WMA.
- **2.15** On WMA lands during special designated hunts, a WMA may be closed to other public access.
- 2.16 Still hunting for hogs is permitted on WMAs during any open season for game during daylight hours with only the weapons allowed during the hunting season in progress unless otherwise prohibited. No hog may be transported alive from a WMA. Hogs may not be hunted at night. There is no bag limit on hogs. Hunters must wear a hat, coat, or vest of solid international orange while hog hunting. Buckshot is prohibited. During hog hunts with dogs, no still or stalk hunting is allowed and only handguns are permitted. No hog hunting with dogs is allowed except during special designated seasons.
- 2.17 Unless otherwise specified, small game hunting seasons and bag limits are the same as Game Zone seasons and bag limits except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.

#### Weapons

- 3.1—On WMA lands hunters may use any shotgun, rifle, bow and arrow, crossbow or hand gun except specific weapons may be prohibited on certain hunts. Small game hunters may possess or use shotguns with shot no larger than No. 2 or .22 or smaller rimfire rifles/handguns or primitive muzzle-loading rifles of .40 caliber or smaller. Small game hunters may not possess or use buckshot, slugs or shot larger than No. 2. Blow guns, dart guns, drugged arrows or arrows with exploding tips are not permitted. Small game hunters using archery equipment must use small game tips on the arrows (judo points, bludgeon points, etc.).
- **3.2** For Special Primitive Weapons Seasons, primitive weapons include bow and arrow, crossbow and muzzle-loading shotguns

(20 gauge or larger) and rifles (.36 caliber or larger) with open or peep sights or scopes, which use black powder or a black powder substitute that does not contain nitro-cellulose or nitro-glycerin components as the propellant charge; there are no restrictions on ignition systems (e.g. Flintstone, percussion cap, shotgun primer, disk, electronic, etc.). During primitive weapons season, no revolving rifles are permitted. (Falconry Allowed).

3.3 – On WMA lands, big game hunters are not allowed to use armory-piercing, tracer, incendiary, or full metal bullets or .22 or smaller rimfire. Shotguns with only buckshot or slugs are allowed. Buckshot is prohibited during still gun hunts for deer on WMA lands in Game Zones 3-4.

3.4 – On WMAs all firearms transported in vehicles must be unloaded and secured in a weapons case, or in the trunk of a vehicle or in a locked toolbox. On the Francis Marion Hunt Unit during deer hunts with dogs, loaded shotguns may be transported in vehicles. Any shotgun, centerfire rifle, rimfire rifle or pistol with a shell in the chamber, magazine or muzzleloader with a cap on the nipple or flintlock with powder in the flash pan is considered loaded.

**3.5** – No target practice is permitted on WMA lands except in specifically designated areas.

**3.6** – On WMA lands during still gun hunts for deer or hogs there shall be no hunting or shooting from, on or across any road open to vehicle traffic. During any deer or hog hunt there shall be no open season for hunting on any designated recreational trail on U.S Forest Service or SC Public Service Authority property.

#### Deer

**4.1** – On WMA lands with designated check stations, all deer bagged must be checked at a check station. Deer bagged too late for reporting one day must be reported the following day.

4.2 – Unless otherwise specified by the Department, only bucks (male deer) may be taken on all WMA lands. Antlered bucks must have antlers visible two (2) inches above the hairline to be legally bagged on "bucks only" hunts. Male deer with visible antlers of less than two (2) inches above the hairline must be taken only on either-sex days or pursuant to permits issued by the Department. A point is any projection at least one inch long and longer than wide at some location at least one inch from the tip of the projection.

4.3 – On WMA lands, man drives for deer are permitted between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. only, except that no man drives may be conducted on days designated by the Department for taking deer of either sex except on WMA

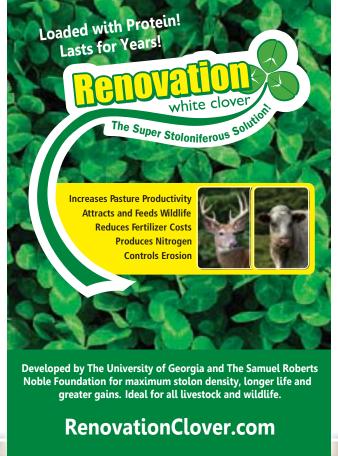
lands in Game Zones 1 and 2, man drives will be permitted on the last two (2) scheduled either-sex days. A man drive is defined as an organized hunting technique involving two (2) or more individuals whereby an attempt is made to drive game animals from cover or habitat for the purpose of shooting, killing, or moving such animals toward other hunters. On WMA lands, drivers participating in man drives are prohibited from carrying or using weapons.

**4.4** – Deer either-sex days for still gun hunts on WMAs are as follows:

- Game Zone 1: The last three Sat. in Nov.
- Game Zones 2-4: The first three Sat. in Oct., the last three Sat. in Nov., the Sat. after Christmas, and Jan. 1.
- In all Game Zones, hunters using archery equipment may take either-sex during all archery only and primitive weapon seasons for deer without being required to tag the animal. Game Zone WMA limits apply.
- On special mobility impaired and youth deer hunts sanctioned by the Department and during the statewide youth deer hunt day, participants may take two deer total, to include no more than one antlerless deer.

**4.5** – For all WMAs combined statewide, the limit for all seasons and methods combined





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is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. Antlerless deer limit is one deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.

- 4.6 Individual Antlerless Deer Tags: Tags are valid in Game Zones 1 and 2 beginning Oct. 1 and in Game Zones 3-4 beginning Sept. 15. For all WMAs combined a maximum of two (2) individual antlerless deer tags may be used during primitive weapons or gun deer seasons in all Game Zones, except only one individual antlerless deer tag may be used in Game Zone 1.
- 4.7 Except on either-sex days, antlerless deer must be tagged immediately after harvest and before being moved from the point of kill and the tag must be validated as prescribed by the SCDNR.
- 4.8 For WMAs designated as Quality Deer Management Areas, all antlered bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread except during designated special youth hunts. Antler spread is the greatest outside measurement (main beam or points) on a plane perpendicular to the skull.
- 4.9 On WMA lands, deer, hogs, or bear may not be hunted with a firearm within 300 yards of a residence.

#### Dogs

- 5.1 On all WMA lands, dogs may be used for small game hunting unless otherwise specified.
- 5.2 Dogs may be trained for squirrel, quail and rabbit hunting from Sept. 1 through Sept.
- 5.3 On WMA lands, dogs may be used for hunting foxes, raccoons, bobcats or opossums only between thirty (30) minutes after official sunset and thirty (30) minutes before official sunrise.
- 5.4 Unless otherwise specified, deer hunting with dogs on WMA lands is prohibited. The Department may permit deer hunting with dogs on WMA lands not located in Game Zones 1 & 2. For the purposes of tracking a wounded deer, a hunter may use one dog which is kept on a leash.
- 5.5 Dogs may be used to hunt bear on WMA lands in Game Zone 1 during the special party dog bear season.
- 5.6 On WMA lands, dogs may be used to hunt hogs only during special designated hog hunts with dogs.

#### Vehicles

All terrain vehicles are not allowed on any Heritage Preserve Reg. 123-203 D.1.

6.1 - On all WMA lands, no hunter may shoot from a vehicle unless permitted by the department.

- 6.2 On WMA lands, motor-driven land conveyances must be operated only on designated roads or trails. Unless otherwise specified, roads or trails which are closed by barricades and/or signs, either permanently or temporarily, are off limits to motor-driven land conveyances.
- 6.3 A person may not obstruct, or cause to be obstructed travel routes on WMA lands.

#### Visible Color Clothing

- 7.1 On WMA lands during any gun and muzzleloader hunting season for deer, bear and hogs, all hunters, including small game hunters, must wear either a hat, coat, or vest of solid visible international orange. Archery hunters during archery only deer seasons and hunters for dove, turkey, ducks, geese and other migratory birds (including crows) are exempt from this requirement while hunting for those species.
- 50-11-365 All users except hunters for dove, ducks, geese, and other migratory birds including crows must wear a hat, coat, or vest of solid international orange during any deer hunting season.

### Camping

8.1 - Camping is not permitted on WMA lands except in designated camp sites.

## Trapping

9.1 - Trapping on WMA lands is not permitted.

## **Waterfowl & Dove** Regulations

Dates, times, locations and regulations for hunts on designated Dove Management Areas (public dove fields) can be found beginning on page 80. Specific seasons, limits and regulations for waterfowl hunting can be found beginning on page 70.

- 10.1 Unless specially designated by the Department as a Wildlife Management Area for . Waterfowl or a Wildlife Management Area for Dove, all Wildlife Management Areas are open during the regular season for hunting and taking of migratory birds except where restricted.
- 10.2 The Department may designate sections of Wildlife Management Areas and other lands and waters under the control of the Department as Designated Waterfowl Management Areas or Designated Dove Management Areas. All laws and regulations governing Wildlife Management Areas apply to these special areas. In addition, the Department may set special shooting hours, bag limits and methods of hunting and taking waterfowl and doves on those areas. All State and Federal migratory bird laws and regulations apply. Regulations pertaining to the use of Dove Management Areas will be filed annually.
- 10.3 On areas where blinds are not provided,

only portable blinds which are removed at the conclusion of the hunt or temporary blinds of native vegetation may be used. Temporary blinds once vacated may be used by other hunters.

- 10.4 On Designated Waterfowl Areas, no species other than waterfowl may be taken during waterfowl hunts. On Designated Dove Management Areas no species other than doves may be taken during dove hunts. Only dove hunting is allowed at Lake Wallace WMA.
- 10.5 No fishing is permitted in any Category 1 Designated Waterfowl Management Area during scheduled waterfowl hunts.
- 10.6 The Bordeaux Work Center Area is closed to hunting except for special hunts as designated by the SCDNR.
- 10.7 Sandy Beach Waterfowl Area and the impoundments on Bonneau Ferry WMA are closed to public access from Nov. 1 - Feb. 8, except for special hunts designated by the Department.
- 10.8 Broad River Waterfowl Management Area is closed to public access during the period Nov. 1 - Feb. 8, except for special hunts designated by the Department.
- 10.9 Impoundments on Bear Island, Donnelley, Samworth, Santee Coastal Reserve and Santee Delta WMAs are closed to all public access during the period Nov. 1 until Feb. 8, except during special hunts designated by the Department. All public access during the period Feb. 9 until Oct. 31 is limited to designated areas. On Bear Island WMA, Matthews Canal is closed to all hunting from Nov. 1 - Feb. 15 beyond a point 0.8 mile from the confluence of Matthews Canal with the South Edisto River.
- 10.10 Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area is closed to public access and fishing one week prior to and two weeks after the Federal Waterfowl Season, except for scheduled waterfowl hunts. All hunters must enter and leave the Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area through the designated public landing on Secondary Road 260 and complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. No airboats are allowed for hunting or fishing and no hunting from Secondary Road 260.
- 10.11 On Hatchery WMA, hunters must leave the area by 1 PM except on the last Sat. of waterfowl season when hunters may hunt until sunset. Each hunter is limited to 25 Federally-approved nontoxic shot shells per hunt. No airboats are allowed in the Hatchery WMA for hunting or fishing during the period Nov. 15 - Jan. 31. No fishing is allowed during scheduled waterfowl hunts.
- 10.12 On Crackerneck WMA waterfowl may be hunted only on Friday, Saturday and Thanksgiving Day within the regular migratory bird seasons and no hunting on Dec. 25; Fant's Grove WMA is open AM only

on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the regular migratory bird seasons; Palachucola WMA, Tillman Sand Ridge WMA, Hamilton Ridge WMA and Webb WMA are open AM only for waterfowl hunting during the regular migratory bird seasons only on days when small game hunting is allowed.

10.13 – Category I Designated Waterfowl Areas include Beaverdam, Bonneau Ferry, Broad River, Clemson, Sandy Beach, Santee Coastal Reserve, Samworth, Santee-Delta, Tibwin, Bear Island, Wateree River HP, and Donnelley Wildlife Management Areas. Hunting in Category I Designated Waterfowl Areas is by special permit obtained through annual computer drawing.

10.14 – Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas include Biedler Impoundment, Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Little Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Lake Cunningham, Lake Blalock, Russell Creek, Monticello Reservoir, Parr Reservoir, Duncan Creek, Dunaway, Dungannon, Enoree River, Moultrie, Hatchery, Hickory Top, Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir, Lancaster Reservoir, Turtle Island, Little Pee Dee River HP Complex (including Ervin Dargan, Horace Tilghman), Great Pee Dee River HP, Potato Creek Hatchery, Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island), Tyger River, Marsh, Wee Tee, 40 Acre Rock, Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve,

Ditch Pond, Santee Cooper and Woodbury Waterfowl Management Areas. Hunting on Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas is in accordance with scheduled dates and times.

10.15 – On Hickory Top WMA, public waterfowl hunting without a Wildlife Management Area (WMA) permit is allowed on all land and water below 76.8′. Waterfowl hunting at or above elevation 76.8′ requires a WMA permit. A WMA permit is required for waterfowl hunting in Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir.

10.16 – Designated Dove Management Areas include all dove management areas as published by the Department in the annual listing of WMA public dove fields and are subject to regulations filed annually.

10.17 – Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir is closed to hunting access Nov. 1 until Mar. 1, except for special hunts designated by SCDNR. All hunters must accurately complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. Hunting hours are from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 11:00 AM. Hunters may not enter the area prior to 5:00 AM on hunt days. No open season from roads or the dike system. Hunters may only use electric motors on boats.

10.18 – On all state-owned, US Forest Service and other federally-owned Category I and II Waterfowl Management Areas, each hunter is limited to 25 Federally-approved non-toxic shells per hunt.

10.19 – On Enoree River, Lake Blalock, Dunaway, Duncan Creek, Russell Creek and Tyger River Waterfowl Areas, data cards are required for hunter access during scheduled waterfowl hunts. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving each of these areas. Hunters may not enter the areas prior to 5:00 AM on hunt days.

10.20 – Woodbury Waterfowl Management Area includes all SCDNR/owned property south of US Highway 378 and bounded on the west by the Great Pee Dee River and Bluff Road and to the east by the Little Pee Dee River except no waterfowl hunting allowed in the area known as Hass Pond that is bounded on all sides by Hass Pond Road.

# **Amphibians & Reptiles**

11.1 – Taking of any amphibian or reptile, except the bullfrog, is prohibited on any Department owned Wildlife Management Areas without written permission of the Department.

# Regulations for hunting near a Duke Energy right of way

For all of us at Duke Energy, safety is an important priority – particularly during hunting season. Structures such as hunting stands or blinds may be dangerous if located on or near electrical facilities. Because of the safety risk, these types of structures should not be placed within our electric transmission rights of way, such as near transmission towers, power poles and other areas. Structures in violation of this regulation are subject to immediate removal and/or legal action by Duke Energy.

# Questions? Call your area's Customer Call Center:

 Duke Energy Progress
 800.452.2777

 Duke Energy Carolinas
 800.777.9898

 Duke Energy Florida
 800.700.8744

 Duke Energy Indiana
 800.521.2232

 Duke Energy Kentucky/Ohio
 800.544.6900

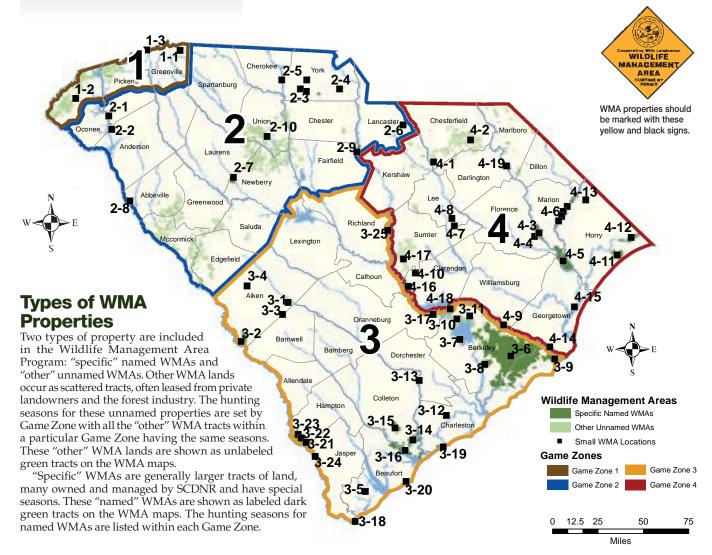
www.duke-energy.com/safety/right-of-way-management.asp







# **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**



#### **Game Zone 1 Named WMAs**

- 1-1 Glassy Mountain Archery/Chestnut Ridge
- 1-2 Stumphouse1-3 Caesars Head
- 1-3 Caesars Head/ Jones Gap

#### Game Zone 2 Named WMAs

- 2-1 Keowee
- 2-2 Fant's Grove
- 2-3 Draper, McConnells, Ross, Kirsh
- 2-4 Rock Hill Blackjacks HP
- 2-5 Worth Mountain
- 2-6 Forty Acre Rock HP
- 2-7 Belfast
- 2-8 McCalla
- 2-9 Liberty Hill
- 2-10 Delta

For detailed maps showing all WMAs, contact your local SCDNR Wildlife Management Office (see page 6) or write: WMA Maps, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202, 803-734-3886. Request by map number found on page 86.

New: To view and print WMA maps from the internet, go to www.dnr.sc.gov/wma/maps.html

# **Game Zone 3 Named WMAs**

Aiken Gopher Santee Coastal 3-18 Turtle Island Tortoise HP Reserve 3-19 Botany Bay Crackerneck 3-10 Moultrie Plantation HP 3-2 3-3 Ditch Pond HP 3-11 Canal 3-20 Old Island HP Henderson HP 3-12 Dungannon HP 3-21 Palachucola 3-5 Victoria Bluff HP 3-13 Edisto River WMA 3-22 Webb 3-6 Francis Marion NF 3-14 Bear Island 3-23 Hamilton Ridge 3-24 Tillman Sand 3-7 Hatchery 3-15 Donnelley Bonneau Ferry 3-16 St. Helena Sound HP Ridge HP 3-8

## Game Zone 4 Named WMAs

- 4-1 McBee
- 4-2 Sand Hills State Forest
- 4-3 Marsh
- 4-4 Pee Dee Station Site
- 4-5 Woodbury
- 4-6 Little Pee Dee River HP
- 4-7 Longleaf Pine HP

3-17 Santee Cooper

- 4-8 Lynchburg Savanna HP
- 4-9 Wee Tee
- 4-10 Oak Lea
- 4-11 Lewis Ocean Bay HP
- 4-12 Waccamaw River HP
- 4-13 Cartwheel Bay HP
- 4-14 Santee Delta

3-25 Wateree River HP

- 4-15 Samworth
- 4-16 Hickory Top
- 4-17 Manchester State Forest
- 4-18 Santee Dam
- 4-19 Great Pee Dee HP





# **WMA** MANAGEMENT AREAS

# Game Zone 1 WMAs Only

- Mountain Hunt Unit: Oconee, Pickens & Greenville counties
- Game Zone 1 consists of all properties north of the main line of the Norfolk Southern Railroad from the Georgia State line to South Carolina Highway 183 in Westminister, then north of SC Highway 183 to intersection of SC Highway 183 and the Norfolk So. Railroad main line in Greenville and then north of the main line of the Norfolk So. Railroad to the Spartanburg County line.
- Only 1 individual antlerless deer tag may be used in Game Zone 1.
- Archery hunters are allowed to take either-sex during all deer archery only and primitive weapons seasons without having to tag the animal.
- Statewide WMA limit for deer is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. Antlerless deer limit is one deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.
- Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs except during special hog hunts with dogs and party dog bear hunts.
- Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on WMA lands in Game Zone 1 starting Oct. 1. For all WMAs combined in Game Zones 1, only 1 individual antlerless deer tag may be used during primitive weapons or gun seasons. Use of tags does not change the type of weapon allowed during specific seasons.

# **SCDNR Offices**

#### Wildlife Office

311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-1671

## **Law Enforcement Office**

311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-8266

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
(INCLUE	<b>DEER – OTHER WMAs</b> DING US FOREST SERVICE LANDS	IN WMA)
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 7 (see pages 107-108 for WMAs)	2 deer total, 1 antlerless
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 1-10 • Archery either-sex • Muzzleloader buck only	
Archery only	Oct. 17-29 either-sex  • No muzzleloader hunting	Statewide WMA Limits
Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-15, Oct. 31-Dec. 31 buck only except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26 • No deer hunting on Long Creek Tracts (Oconee Co.) on or after Thanksgiving Day.	

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
	BEAR	

- Tag required to take bear (see Bear on page 62).
- No Sunday hunting for bear on WMA.
- Harvested bear must be reported within 24 hours to Clemson SCDNR at 864-654-1671, ext. 24.

Still Hunt (No Dogs)	Oct. 17-22 • No sow with cubs, no bears 100 lbs or less	1 bear	
Party Dog Hunts	<ul> <li>Oct. 24-29</li> <li>No sow with cubs, no bears 100 lbs or less</li> <li>Hogs allowed.</li> <li>All parties (maximum party size of 25) must register by application due Sept. 1. For application call Clemson Office @ 864-654-1671 ext. 19 or 24 or download at www.dnr.sc.gov/bearhunting. Groups hunting together are considered 1 party.</li> </ul>	5 bears per party	
HOG			
Hog Hunts (with dogs)	Jan. 2-Jan. 10, Mar. 20-28, Refer to reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit	
	SMALL GAME — OTHER WMAS		

- · Refer to chart on page 66.
- No small game hunting on WMAs is allowed before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.
- Additional small game season restrictions may apply to specific WMAs.

#### **NAMED WMAs**

# Caesars Head/Jones Gap WMA Greenville County

SC Dept. of Parks, Recreation and Tourism special permit required. See Game Zone 1 WMA map for more details.

## Glassy Mountain Archery Only Area - Chestnut Ridge Heritage **Preserve (Greenville County)**

Located on the southwest side of the South Pacolet River and west of the junction of the South Pacolet

River and its main tributary creek as posted. Deer Oct. 1- Dec. 31 Archery either-sex (no dogs)

## Long Creek Tract (Forest Service) Oconee County

Game Zone 1 seasons, except small game only between Thanksgiving Day and Mar. 1.

Statewide

WMA limits

## Stumphouse WMA (Youth Area) Oconee County

Game Zone 1 seasons, limits, rules and regulations apply except small game hunting only from Thanksgiving Day through Mar. 1. In order to fish or hunt Stumphouse WMA each adult (21 or older) must have at least one youth 17 or under accompanying them. Senior citizens over 65 years of age are exempted from accompanying a youth in order to fish. No motorized vehicles or horses allowed on property. Walk-in use only.

# **Game Zone 2 WMAs Only**

- Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Cherokee, Edgefield, Fairfield, Greenwood, Lancaster, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union, York counties & those portions of the counties of Greenville, Oconee & Pickens south of the Game Zone 1 line.
- Statewide WMA limit for deer is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. Antlerless deer limit is one deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.
- Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on WMA lands in Game Zone 2 starting Oct. 1. For all WMAs combined in Game Zones 2-4, a maximum of 2 individual antlerless deer tags may be used during primitive weapons or gun seasons. Use of tags does not change the type of weapon allowed during specific seasons.
- Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs except during special hog hunts with dogs.
- Archery hunters are allowed to take either-sex during all deer archery only and primitive weapons seasons without having to tag the animal.

# **SCDNR Offices**

#### **Wildlife Offices**

311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-1671; 2751 Highway. 72 E., Abbeville, SC, 864-223-2731

## **Law Enforcement Office**

311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-8266; 2762 Wildlife Lane West Columbia, SC 29172, 803-755-1822

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
(INCLUE	<b>DEER - OTHER WMAs</b> DING US FOREST SERVICE LANDS	IN WMA)
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 7 (see pages 107-108 for WMAs)	2 deer total, 1 either-sex
Archery only	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 1-10 muzzleloader buck only, archery either sex Oct. 1, 8 either-sex, muzzleloader	Statewide WMA Limits
Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31, buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26 Dec. 31	WWA LITTIG
Hog Hunts (with dogs)	Jan. 2-10, Mar. 20-28, Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit
	SMALL GAME — OTHER WMAS	;

- Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.
- No small game hunting on WMAs is allowed before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.
- Additional small game season restrictions may apply to specific WMAs.

	AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
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#### **NAMED WMAs**

#### Belfast WMA Laurens and Newberry Counties

- Quality Deer Management Area.
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.
- Belfast WMA is closed to public access of all types from one half hour after sunset until one half hour before sunrise except for hunts regulated by SCDNR.
- Hunters may not enter the WMA prior to 5:00 AM on designated hunts.
- Public visitation is not allowed during scheduled deer or turkey hunts.
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See Draw Hunts on page 88.	WMA Public
Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 except no small game hunting on Jan. 7  No fox squirrel hunting	WMA bag limits. Refer to chart on page 66.
<b>Broad River Wa</b>	aterfowl Management Area, Fairfie	ld County
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	Feb. 8-Mar. 1	Game Zone 2 Limits
Delta South Wi	MA, Union County	
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30	Game Zone 2 Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 2-Nov. 19 Wed. & Sat. Only	Game Zone 2 Limits
Small Game (no fox squirrels)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	Game Zone 2 Limits

# Draper WMA, York County

 Data cards required for all hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving.

Deer	Game Zone 2 WMA Seasons	Statewide WMA Limits
<b>Small Game</b>		
Quail	Dec. 3, 10, 21, 28 Jan. 4, 7, 11, 14 sunrise until 30 min. before official sunset	Game Zone 2 Limits
Rabbit	Jan. 18, 21, 25, 28 Feb. 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25 Mar. 1	Game Zone 2 Limits
Small Game other than Dove, Quail & Rabbit	<ul> <li>Regular Zone 2 seasons &amp; limits except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.</li> <li>No Fox Squirrel Hunting.</li> </ul>	

# **DLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

Quality Deer Management Area     Quality Deer Management Area     Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.     Oct. 15-Dec. 22 either-sex      Bucks must have at least 4 points on 1 side or minimum 12 inch antler spread.      WMA Limits antler spread.      WMA seasons and limits except no hunting during Archery Deer Hunts (Oct. 15-Dec. 22) and Youth hunt (Oct. 1).
Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.  Oct. 15-Dec. 22 either-sex  Bucks must have at least 4 points on 1 side or minimum 12 inch antler spread.  WMA Limits antler spread.  WMA seasons and limits except no hunting during Archery Deer Hunts (Oct. 15-Dec. 22) and Youth
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No hog hunting with dogs.     Dove hunting allowed on designated Dove Fields.     Raccoon and Opossum hunting allowed at night.     Waterfowl hunting allowed on Wed. and Sat. AM only during federal waterfowl season.     Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.

12-inch antler	spread.	
Deer Archery	Oct. 15-Dec. 22 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	<ul> <li>WMA seasons &amp; limits except not Archery Deer Hunts Oct. 15-Dec. hunting with dogs.</li> <li>Shotguns only north of Highway 12 Keowee arm of Lake Hartwell and 291. All other areas archery only.</li> <li>Raccoon and Opossum hunting a</li> <li>Refer to WMA seasons in chart or</li> </ul>	22 and No hog 23, west of the west of Highway Illowed at night.

• Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum

## Liberty Hill WMA Lancaster County

• Quality Deer Management Area

Quality Deer Management Area

- Antlered deer must have at least 4 points on 1 side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.
- All visitors must sign in and out at kiosks
- No ATVs

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either sex	Statewide WMA Limits
<b>Deer Primitive Weapons</b>	Oct. 1-10 buck only, Oct. 1, 8 either sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (includes raccoon and opossum)	WMA seasons and limits. Refer to chart on page 66.  No fox squirrel hunting.	Statewide WMA Limits

# McCalla WMA Abbeville County

- · Quality Deer Management Area.
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.

Deer	Game Zone 2 WMA Seasons	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	WMA seasons and limits. Refer to ch	art on page 66.
Hog Hunts (with dogs)	Jan. 2-10, Mar. 20-28, Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Rock Hill Blackjacks HP WMA York County		
Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
<b>Small Game</b>	Small game hunting is not allowed.	
Worth Mountain WMA York County		
Ouality Deer Management Area		

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Antlered Bucks must have 4 points on one side or a minimum 12inch antler spread.
- · All visitors must sign in and out at kiosks

Deer	Game Zone 2 WMA Seasons	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	Zone 2 seasons and limits. Refer to chart on page 66.	WMA seasons in
40 Acre Rock HP WMA Lancaster County		
Deer	Game Zone 2 WMA Seasons	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	wMA seasons and limits. Refer to chart on page 66.	

# Game Zone 3 WMAs Only

- Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper, Lexington, Orangeburg & Richland counties.
- Statewide WMA limit for deer is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. Antlerless deer limit is one deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.
- Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on WMA lands in Game Zone 3 starting September 15. For all WMAs combined in Game Zone 2-4, a maximum of 2 individual antlerless deer tags may be used during primitive weapons or gun deer seasons. Tags not valid on deer hunts with dogs.
- Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs except during special hog hunts with dogs.

# **SCDNR Offices**

# Wildlife Offices

1000 Assembly St., Columbia, SC, 803-734-3886 305 Black Oak Rd, Bonneau, SC, 843-825-3387 585 Donnelley Dr., Highway 17, Green Pond, SC, 843-844-8957 Webb Center, 1282 Webb Ave., Garnett SC, 803-625-3569 P. O. Box 23, New Ellenton, SC, 803-725-3663 Francis Marion Hunt Unit, 843-825-3387 Dungannon HP WMA, 843-844-8957

## **Law Enforcement Offices**

2762 Wildlife Lane, West Columbia, SC, 803-755-1822 217 Ft. Johnson Rd., Charleston, SC, 843-953-9307

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
	OTHER WMAs	
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 7 (see pages 107-108 for WMAs)	2 deer total, 1 antlerless
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct.1-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 1, 8, 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on pa	age 66.

AREA/	SEASONS	LIMITS
METHODS		

#### **NAMED WMAs**

Aiken Gopher Tortoise Heritage Preserve WMA Aiken County		
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-30, either-sex	
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 1-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 1, 8, 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits

- No buckshot or dogs allowed.
- All reptiles and amphibians are protected.

Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 3 Limits
Bear Island WMA Colleton County		

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Antlered deer must have at least 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.
- All hunters must sign in and out at the Bear Island check station
- Hunting in designated areas only.
- Campground closes Nov. 2

Archery	Oct. 1-10 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Gun Hunts (rifles only)	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 88.	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 2-4 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88 Gate opens at 5:00 AM	No Limit
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Feb. 8 – Mar. 1 No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
Waterfowl	Waterfowl hunts by drawing only. See Draw Hunts on page 88.	e WMA Public

#### Bonneau Ferry WMA Berkeley County

- Adult/Youth side A open only to youth 17 and younger who must be accompanied by only one adult 21 years of age or older. Youth hunters must carry a firearm and hunt. Adults with youth hunters may also carry a firearm and hunt. Includes all big game and small game hunts.
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Hunted areas are closed to general public access during scheduled deer, turkey and waterfowl hunts.
- All deer must be checked at the main entrance.
- Hunting access by boat is prohibited.
- Hunters may not enter WMA before 5:00 AM.

<b>Deer Archery</b> (Side B)	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	
Deer Still Gun Hunts (Side B)	No open season except for hunters selected by computer drawing. Oct. 6-8, 13-15, 20-22, 27-29 Nov. 3-5, 10-12, 17-19	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Still Gun Hunts: Adult/Youth Only (Side A)	Sept. 16-Nov. 19, Nov. 30-Dec. 17 (Wed., Fri., Sat. only) and Nov. 21- 26, Dec. 20-31 either-sex	
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum) (Sides A & B)	Jan. 2-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel or fox hunting.	Game Zone 3 Limits

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Rotany Bay Plantation HP WMA Charleston County		

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.
- All hunters, fishermen and visitors must obtain a day use pass, fill
  out the requested information and follow all instructions on the pass.
- Hunting access by boat is prohibited.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-26, Dec. 26-31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See \	VMA Public
Hunts	Draw Hunts on page 88.	
Other Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Jan. 2-Mar. 1 (Wed. thru Sat. only)  No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
Canal WMA Be	rkeley County	
Dove	Designated fields on certain days. See Public Dove Fields List pg 80-83.	
Quail Only	See WMA Seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone 3 Limits

# Crackerneck WMA Aiken County

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Antlered deer must have at least 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.

Deer Archery	Oct. 7-8 either-sex	2 deer total No more than 1 buck
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 14-15 either-sex	2 deer total, no more than 1 buck

#### **Deer Gun Hunts**

Gun hunts on Fri., Sat. & Thanksgiving Day only during this period. Oct. 21-Dec. 31 buck only.

Oct. 21-22, 28-29, Nov. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, Dec. 2-3, either sex

2 per day, 5 deer total, not to include more than 3 bucks.

- All individuals must sign in and out at gate.
- No buckshot or dogs allowed.
- Scouting days (no firearms or archery equipment) on Saturdays only during Sept. and Mar. Gate opens at 6:00 AM and closes at 8:00 PM.
- On deer hunt days, gate opens as follows: Oct., 4:30 AM-8:30 PM; Nov.-Dec., 4:30 AM-7:30 PM. For party dog hunts for hogs in Jan. & Feb., gate will be open from 5:30 AM-7:00 PM.

Ham Hamila	Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit
(Will Bogo)	Handguns only.	

# **Small Game except raccoon and opossum**

Fri., Sat. & Thanksgiving Day ONLY during regular Game Zone 3 seasons, except no hunting before Oct. 21 or after Feb. 25. Game Zone 3 limits.

- All individuals must sign in and out at gate.
- Bobcats, foxes, otters and fox squirrels may not be hunted.
- During hunts, gate hours will be as follows: Oct., 4:30 AM-8:30 PM; Nov. - Dec., 4:30 AM-7:30 PM; Jan. - Feb., 5:30 AM-7:00 PM.

## Raccoon & Opossum

Oct. 15-Dec. 31 Sat. nights only;

Jan. 6-Feb. 25 Fri. & Sat. nights only

Raccoons - 3 per party per night. Opossum no limit.

- · All individuals must sign in and out at gate.
- Hunt hours are as follows: Sat. -1 hour after official sunset to midnight. Hunters must exit gate by 1:00 AM. Fri. -1 hour after official sunset to 1 hour before official sunrise. Hunters must exit gate by official sunrise.

# **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

Statewide

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
<b>Ditch Pond He</b>	ritage Preserve WMA Aiken/Barn	well County
Deer Archery Only	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
Donnelley WMA Colleton County		

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 pts. on one side or a 12" minimum antler spread.
- Hunters must sign in and out at the check station.
- · Hunting in designated areas only.
- Gates will open at 4:00 AM for deer hunts.
- All hogs harvested must be checked at the check station.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	WMA Limits	
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 88.		
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 2-4 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88. Gate opens at 5:00 AM	No Limit	
Dove	Organized hunts only. Season and limits published in the Public Dove Fields List pg 80-83		
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 Gates will open at 6:00 am.  No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits	
Waterfowl	Waterfowl hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 88.		
<b>Dungannon He</b>	ritage Preserve WMA Charleston C	ounty	
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits	
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Jan.31 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits	
<b>Edisto River W</b>	MA Dorchester County		
Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex		
Archery Still Gun Hunts		Statewide WMA Limits	
Still Gun	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19,		

Tibwin special use area (in Wambaw) is closed to hunting except for special hunts.

Francis Marion Hunt Unit, Berkeley & Charleston Counties

- During still gun hunts for deer, there shall be no hunting or shooting from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.
- All deer harvested must be checked in. See WMA map #9 for a list of check stations.
- No buckshot is allowed on still gun hunts.
- Shotguns and buckshot only during dog drive hunts.
- On either-sex deer hunts with dogs, all deer must be checked in by 1 hour after legal sunset.
- No still gun or archery hunting during deer dog drive hunts.
- On youth deer hunts, only youths 17 and younger may carry a gun and must be accompanied by an adult 21 years old or older.

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
	th dogs: Francis Marion National I	Forest
All Houst Huite	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27	No Limit
All Hunt Units	Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	NO LIMIT
Still hog hunts	no dogs: Francis Marion Nationa	l Forest
	Mar. 6-11, Refer to reg. 2.16	
All Hunt Units	on page 88.	No Limit
	No Buckshot.	
	Francis Marion National Forest	
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except	
Deer Still	either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 26,	
Gun Hunts	Dec. 31	
	No still hunting during scheduled	Statewide
	dog drive hunts.	WMA Limits
Deer Dog	Nov. 5, Dec. 3 buck only	
Drive Hunt	No still hunting and no rifles.	
Youth Only	Nov. 19 either-sex	
Dog Hunt	11011 10 0111101 0071	
	WMA Francis Marion National Fores	st
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Still	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19,	
Gun Hunts	Dec. 31. (No still hunting during	
Guii Huito	scheduled dog drive hunts).	
	Sept. 24, Oct. 5-6, Nov. 25, Dec. 28	
	buck only	
	Dec. 10 either-sex.	Statewide
Deer Dog	All deer must be checked at P&C	WMA Limits
Drive Hunt	Grocery, Handy Mart in Macedonia,	
	Honey Hill Lookout Tower, Kan-	
	garoo in Jamestown, or Alvin One	
	Stop on Dec.10 only.	
Youth Only	Nov. 26 either-sex	
Dog Hunt		
	rancis Marion National Forest	
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Still	Oct. 11- Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26,	
Gun Hunts	Dec. 31 (No still hunting during	
	scheduled dog drive hunts.)	
	Dec. 10 either-sex	
	Sept. 9-10, Oct. 19-20,	o
Deer Dog Drive Hunt	Dec. 2 buck only	Statewide WMA Limits
	All deer must be checked at Alvin	
	One Stop, P&C Grocery, Handy	
	Mart in Macedonia, Honey Hill	
	Lookout Tower, or Kangaroo in	
	Jamestown on Dec. 10.	
Youth Only	Oct. 15 either-sex	
Dog Hunt		

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
	Francis Marion National Forest	
Seewee Special Use Area (no dogs) Archery Only	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31 (No still hunting during scheduled dog drive hunts.) No buckshot.	
Deer Dog Drive Hunt	<ul> <li>Sept. 23, Oct. 8, Nov. 16-17, Dec. 26-27 buck only, except either sex on Dec. 10</li> <li>No deer hunting with dogs east of HWY 17.</li> <li>All deer must be checked at Handy Mart in Macedonia, P&amp;C Grocery, Kangaroo in Jamestown, Alvin One Stop or Honey Hill Lookout Tower only on Dec. 10</li> </ul>	Statewide WMA Limits
Youth Only Dog Hunt	Oct. 22 either-sex	
Waterhorn WM	A Francis Marion National Forest	
Deer Archery Only	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 11-20 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15	Statewide WMA Limits
Still Gun Hunts	Nov. 4-Dec. 31 (Fridays and Saturdays only) buck only except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	
Small Game: F	Francis Marion Hunt Unit	
	seasons in chart on page 66. ved during small game gun season on	ıly.

- Closed during scheduled deer hunting periods on Waterhorn and when dogs are used for deer on Wambaw, Northampton, Hellhole and Santee WMAs.
- No fox or coyote hunting with dogs on the Francis Marion NF.

# Hamilton Ridge WMA Hampton County

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.
- Data cards/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving Hamilton Ridge WMA.
- No ATVs allowed on area.
- Hunters may camp at designated camp ground one day prior to and during deer, hog and turkey hunts.

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Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 88.	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13. See Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit
Quail	Jan. 11, 14, 25, 28, Feb. 1, 4, 15, 18. Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset	Game Zone 3 Limits
Other Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 21-26, Dec. 15-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits

AREA/	SEASONS	LIMITS
METHODS Hatchery WMA	Berkeley County	
Deer Archery	No deer hunting with dogs. Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex Hatchery is closed to fishing each Saturday morning during waterfowl season and all day the last Saturday of waterfowl season.	Statewide WMA Limits
Henderson Hei	ritage Preserve WMA Aiken County	
Deer Archery Only	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
No hunting or gun hunts for     All deer harves check stations     Bluefield WMA     Open only to y	Unit Berkeley County shooting within 50 feet of the center of deer except for SCDNR draw youth husted must be checked in. See WMA ms. Adult/Youth area only Moultrie Hustouth 17 years of age or younger acco	unts. nap #9 for a list of unt Unit mpanied by an
	21 years of age. Youth hunters must ca	arry a firearm and
Deer Gun Hunts (no buckshot)	nay also carry a firearm and hunt. Sept. 17-Dec. 31 (Wed. & Sat. only) buck only, except either sex. Oct. 1, 8, 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31. Open only to youth 17 years of age or younger accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. Youth hunters must carry a firearm and hunt. Adults may also carry a firearm and hunt.	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	See chart on page 66  No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 3 Limits
	A Moultrie Hunt Unit	
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 1, 15, 18, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
North Dike WM	IA Moultrie Hunt Unit	
Deer Gun Hunts Small Game	Sept. 15-Oct. 15 buck only except either sex on Oct. 1, 8, 15	Statewide WMA Limits
(including raccoon and opossum)	Jan. 2-Mar.1	Game Zone 3 Limits
<ul> <li>Sandy Beach</li> <li>Porcher &amp; Hall</li> </ul>	Waterfowl Area open for Raccoon hur WMA except Cross Station Special	
Moultrie Hunt  Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Jan. 2-Mar. 1 shotguns only  No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 3 Limits

# **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Old Island HP WMA Beaufort County		
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either sex	Statewide WMA Limits

#### Palachucola WMA Hampton & Jasper Counties

- Quality Deer Management Area.
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.
- Data cards/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving Palachucola WMA.
- All deer must be checked at check station.
- Hunters may camp at Palachucola camping area one night prior to and during deer, hog and turkey hunts only.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See \	WMA Public Hunt
Hunts	Drawings on page 88.	
Hog Hunts	Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13	No limit
(with Dogs)	See Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	T TO IIITING
Quail	Jan. 11, 14, 25, 28, Feb. 1, 4, 15, 18 • Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset	Game Zone 3 Limits
Other Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 21-26, Dec. 15-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
Santee Coastal WMA Charleston County		
Hunting is allowed on the mainland only.		
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Hog Hunts	Mar. 13-18	No Limit
(with Dogs)	Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	
Small Game		
(including	Nov. 24-Mar.1	Game Zone 3
raccoon and	<ul> <li>No fox squirrel hunting</li> </ul>	Limits
opossum)		

# Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg County

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Bucks must have minimum 4 points on one side, or a minimum 12 inch antler spread.
- Campground is open during scheduled deer hunts.
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Hunters limited to 2 deer/tree stands which must contain label with hunter's name and address. No deer stand can be placed on WMA prior to Sept. 15

<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 31, either-sex	
Deer Primitive Weapons	Nov. 1-21 buck only except either sex on Nov. 12, 19	Statewide WMA Limits
Dove	Designated fields on certain days. Se Fields List on pages 80-83	ee Public Dove
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits
St. Holong Sound HD WMA Populart and Colleton Counties		

## St. Helena Sound HP WMA Beaufort and Colleton Counties

Hunting and camping by special permit which may be obtained at McKenzie Field Station, Bennetts Point, 843-844-8822. Camping Otter Island Only.

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Ashe, Beet, Warren, Big, Otter & South Williman Islands		
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Dec. 31, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits

# Tillman Sand Ridge HP WMA Jasper County

- All deer must be checked at check station.
- All reptiles and amphibians are protected.
- Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen, and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.

Small Game (including Nov. 24 raccoon and opossum)	-Mar. 1 x squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits

#### Turtle Island WMA Jasper County

- Waterfowl hunting is open on Wed. & Sat. during the waterfowl season.
- Marsh hen hunting is open during the marsh hen season.
- Other small game hunting is closed.
- Deer hunting is closed.

# Victoria Bluff HP WMA Beaufort County All deer must be checked at check station. Deer Archery Sept. 15-Dec. 31, either-sex

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Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Jan. 2-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting Shotguns only	Game Zone 3 Limits

## Wateree River HP WMA Richland County

- Data/use cards are required for all WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Quality Deer Management Area
- Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See  tery hunts on page 88.	WMA Public Lot-
Other Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Jan. 2-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting	Statewide Bag Limits

## Webb WMA Hampton County

 Data/use cards are required for hunters, fishermen and all other WMA users. Completed cards must be returned daily upon leaving Webb WMA.

Deer Hunts	Still hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 88.	
Hog Hunts (with dogs)	Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13 See WMA Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit
Dove	Organized hunts only. Seasons and I Public Dove Field list pg 80-83.	imits published in
Quail	Jan. 11, 14, 25, 28, Feb. 1, 4, 15, 18 Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset	Game Zone 3 Limits
Other Small Game (includ- ing raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 21-26, Dec. 15-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 3 Limits

# **Game Zone 4 WMAs Only**

- Clarendon, Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Kershaw, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Sumter and Williamsburg counties
- Statewide WMA limit for deer is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. Antlerless deer limit is one deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.
- Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on WMA lands in Game Zone 4 starting September 15. For all WMAs combined in Game Zone 2-4, a maximum of 2 individual antlerless deer tags may be used during primitive weapon or gun deer seasons.
- Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs except during special hog hunts with dogs.

# **SCDNR Offices**

#### Wildlife Office

295 S. Evander Dr., Florence, SC, 843-661-4766 420 Dirleton Rd, Georgetown, SC, 843-546-8119

## **Law Enforcement Office**

295 S. Evander Dr., Florence, SC, 843-661-4766 2762 Wildlife Lane West Columbia, SC, 803-755-1822

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS	
	DEER - OTHER WMAS		
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 7 (see pages 107-108 for WMAs)	2 deer total, 1 antlerless	
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, either-sex		
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31, buck only except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits	
Small Game	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on p Additional small game season restri to specific WMAs.	ŭ	
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## **NAMED WMAs**

Cartw	/heel l	Bay	Heritage Prese	rve WN	IA Horry	County	
Bear			Oct 24-Nov. 5				1 be
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 Drawing only (see page 62) Horry, Georgetown, and Williamsburg counties only.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 22, Nov. 7-Dec. 31 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 limits

# **Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve WMA Darlington County**

- For big game hunting, access is restricted from two hours before sunrise to two hours after official sunset.
- · All visitors must sign in and out at the kiosk.
- · Gates may be locked in wet weather.

<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either-sex	Statewide
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 1-30, buck only , except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26	WMA Limits
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27 • Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit.
Raccoons and Opossum	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone 4 Limits
Other Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 Limits

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Hickory Top WI	MA Clarendon County	

- Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.
- Hickory Top Greentree Res. is closed to public access from Nov.
   1-Mar. 1 except for scheduled waterfowl hunts. WMA permit required.
- Public waterfowl hunting without a Wildlife Management Area (WMA) permit will be allowed on all land and water below 76.8' following current regulations governing waterfowl hunting on Lake Marion. Waterfowl hunting at or above 76.8' elevation requires a WMA permit. Waterfowl hunters crossing WMA lands to hunt areas below 76.8' lake elevation must have their guns unloaded and cased.

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<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either-sex		
Deer Primitive Weapons	Nov. 1-Dec. 31, buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 13-18 • Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit	
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.  No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 bag limits	

#### Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA Horry County

- Deer hunters must sign in and out daily and record harvest at the kiosk.
- Horseback riding is prohibited during all hunts.

Bear	Oct 24-Nov. 5	1 bear
	see page 62) Horry, Georgetown, and	d Williamsburg
counties only.		

<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 11-20, buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 7-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	WIVIA LITTIES
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar.1  • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 limits

#### Liberty Hill WMA Kershaw County

- Quality deer management area.
- Antlered deer must have at least 4 points on 1 side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.
- · All visitors must sign in and out of the kiosks.
- No ATVs allowed.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 1-10 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 1, 8	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (includes raccoon and opossum)	WMA seasons and limits. Refer to chart on page 66.  No fox squirrel hunting.	Statewide WMA Limits

# **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS**

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Marion Countie Dargan HP and	Heritage Preserve (HP) River Comp s - Includes Little Pee Dee River H Ward HP, also Upper Gunters Isla County which are part of Dargan H	IP, Tilghman HP, nd and Huggins
Bear	Oct 24-Nov. 5	1 bear
<ul> <li>Drawing only (sounties only.</li> </ul>	see page 62) Horry, Georgetown, and	d Williamsburg
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	1 deer per day
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 11-20, buck only Oct. 15, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 7-Dec. 31 buck only Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31, either-sex	WIVIA LITTIES
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit
<b>Hog Hunt</b> (with Dogs)	Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit
Raccoon and Opossum	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone
Other Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting.	4 Limits
Longleaf Pine H	leritage Preserve WMA Lee Count	у
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, Either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31, buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits
Small Game (includes raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar.1  • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 Limits
	anna Heritage Preserve WMA Lee	County
Small game only	no deer or turkey hunting	
Small Game	<ul><li>Refer to WMA seasons in chart on p</li><li>No fox squirrel hunting.</li></ul>	page 66.

# Manchester State Forest (MSF) WMA Sumter County

- Dog hunt clubs by drawing only. SC Forestry Commission will handle drawing 803-494-8196.
- Firearms must be unloaded and cased and not readily accessible when not in legal use.
- No deer hunting or shooting from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.
- All hunters are reminded that the Palmetto Trail may be in use by nonhunters.
- Self Deer Check at Battens, Tuomey Kiosk and Manchester SF Headquarters.
- Some gates may be locked due to wet roads.

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<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 19-24 either-sex		
Deer Primitive Weapons	Sept. 26-Oct. 1 buck only	Statewide	
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 3-8, 10-15, 18-21, 25-28 Nov. 1-4, 8-12, 15-18, 21-26, 28- Dec. 2, Dec. 6-9, 12-16, 19-23, 26-31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 8, 15, Nov. 12, 26, Dec. 31	WMA Limits	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page	ge 88	
Small Game (includes raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1	Game Zone 4 Bag Limits	

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS
Dove	Sat. afternoons only during 1st seas fields only. Any day during 2nd and 3 general forest and designated fields Field Regulations pg 80-83.	3rd seasons on
March WAAA M	avian Carmet	

#### Marsh WMA Marion County

- All visitors must sign in and out at the kiosk.
- No ATV's.

 A portion of Marsh WMA is designated a youth special hunt area and is closed for hunting except for special lottery hunts.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either sex		
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 1-30, buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26	WMA Limits	
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11, Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No Limit	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)  Mar. 20-25, May 22-27  Refer to Reg. 2.16 on pg. 88.  Handguns only		No Limit	
Raccoons & Opossums	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone 4 Limits	
Other Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 4 Limits	
McBee WMA Chesterfield County			

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<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	Statewide
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Nov. 19 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19	WMA Limits
Quail	Hunts by drawing only. See page 88	3.
Other Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Regular Zone 4 seasons & limits except no hunting before Jan. 15 or after Mar. 1.  No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 4 Limits

Oak Lea WMA Clarendon County

 Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving Oak Lea WMA.

Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Hunters selected by drawing *Still Gun Hunters are selected by public drawing. Parties of 8-10. Parties may hunt for 4 days (Wed Sat.). Hunt periods will be approxi- mately weekly (Oct. 1-Jan. 1). SC Forestry Commission will handle drawing 803-494-8196.	20 per hunt - party, either-sex
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Small game (except quail) Jan. 2 - Mar. 1 except no small game hunting during scheduled quail hunts.  • No fox squirrel hunting.	
Quail Hunts	Dec. 6, 13, 27, Jan. 7, 21, Feb. 4  Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at kiosk.	
Dove	Dove hunts on designated days only. Seasons and limits published in the Public Dove Field List pg 80-83.	

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS	
Pee Dee Station	n Site WMA Florence County		
<ul> <li>All visitors mu</li> </ul>	st sign in and out at kiosk.		
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 31, either-sex		
Deer Primitive Weapons	Nov. 1-30, buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26	Statewide	
Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting.	WMA Limits	
Samworth WMA Georgetown County			
<b>Deer Archery</b> (impoundments only)	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs) (impoundments only)	Mar. 13-18 • Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit	
Sand Hills State Forest WMA Chesterfield County			
No hunting within the boundary of the H. Cooper Black, Jr. Memorial Field Trial and Recreation Area during scheduled field trials. Inquire			

843-378-1555.		
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10, either-sex	
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31  No man drives allowed.	Statewide WMA Limits

at H. Cooper Black Jr. Headquarters about scheduled events or call

#### **Small Game**

- No hunting within the boundary of the H. Cooper Black, Jr. Memorial Field Trial and Recreation Area during scheduled field trials. Inquire at Forest Headquarters about scheduled events or call 843-378-1555. No quail hunting allowed on H. Cooper Black, Jr. Memorial Field Trial Area.
- Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.

# Santee Dam WMA Clarendon County

Hunter access by watercraft only from Borrow Pitt Landing (Clarendon Co.) or Wilson's Landing (Berkeley Co.) except during scheduled dove hunts (see Migratory Bird Regulations)

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Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either-sex				
Nov. 1-Dec. 31, buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Stateweide WMA Limits			
Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.				
Dove hunts on designated days only. Season and limits published in the Public Dove Fields List pg 80-83.				
Game Jan. 2 - Mar. 1 Game Zor  No fox squirrel hunting. Limits				
Santee Delta WMA Georgetown County				
Sept. 15 - Oct. 10 either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits			
Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit			
	Nov. 1-Dec. 31, buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31  Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.  Dove hunts on designated days only limits published in the Public Dove F 80-83.  Jan. 2 - Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting.  MA Georgetown County  Sept. 15 - Oct. 10 either-sex  Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on			

AREA/ METHODS	SEASONS	LIMITS		
Waccamaw Riv	Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve WMA Horry County			
Bear	Oct 24-Nov. 5	1 bear		
<ul> <li>Drawing only (see counties only.</li> </ul>	see page 62) Horry, Georgetown, and	d Williamsburg		
<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex			
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 11-20, buck only Oct. 15, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits		
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 7-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	WIVIA LITTIES		
Small Game (including raccoon and opossum)	Nov. 24-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 limits		
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11 Refer to Reg 2.16 on page 88.	No limit		
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 13-18 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.	No limit		
Wee Tee WMA Williamsburg & Georgetown Counties				
Bear	Oct 24-Nov. 5	1 bear		

 Drawing only (see page 62) Horry, Georgetown, and Williamsburg counties only.

<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept. 15-Oct. 10 either-sex				
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Oct. 15, Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	Statewide WMA Limits			
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11, Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.				
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 13-18 • Refer to Reg. 2.16 on page 88.				
Raccoon and Opossum	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone 4 Limits			
Other Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1  No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 limits			

# Woodbury WMA Marion County

- Quality Deer Management Area
- Antlered deer must have at least 4 points on 1 side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread.
- All visitors must sign in and out at the kiosk.
- No ATV's allowed.

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<b>Deer Archery</b>	Sept 15-Oct. 10 either-sex	
Deer Primitive Weapons	Oct. 11-20, buck only Oct. 15, either-sex	Statewide WMA Limits
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 21-Dec. 31 buck only, except either sex on Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 31	WIVIA LITTIES
Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 6-11, Refer to Reg. 2.16 on pg. 88.	No limit
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Mar. 20-25 May 22-27 Refer to Reg. 2.16 on pg. 88.  • Handguns only	No limit
Small Game		
Raccoons & Opossums	Refer to WMA seasons in chart on page 66.	Game Zone 4 Bag Limit
Other Small Game	Nov. 24-Mar. 1 • No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 4 Bag Limit

# SHOOTERS & HUNTERS: HELP PREVENT WILDFIRES.

The target shooting and hunting community prides itself on being safe and responsible with firearms in all situations—from using them outdoors to storing them safely at home. Sometimes, however, unusual conditions such as extremely dry environments require an extra level of awareness and safety on the part of shooters.

Wildfires have many possible causes. The National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms and ammunition industry, reminds all shooters that during dry and hot weather conditions their use of certain ammunition and targets could accidentally ignite a wildfire. NSSF reminds all target shooters and hunters, as well as other outdoor enthusiasts, to consider the potential consequences of their activities in fire-prone environments.



- Make it a point to know the regulations and rules related to shooting in areas experiencing dry and hot conditions, whether on public or private land or at shooting ranges. Many national forests, for example, do not allow recreational shooting when fire restrictions are in effect.
- Consider the type of ammunition and targets you are using. Minimize the risk of fires by not using steel-jacketed ammunition, ammunition with steel-core components, tracer rounds or exploding targets in fire-prone areas.
- Remember that equipment, such as cars and ATVs, can have extremely hot exhaust systems that could ignite dry vegetation, so park only in designated areas.
- Extinguish and dispose of smoking materials safely.
- Follow guidelines to extinguish campfires.
- Warn others of potential dangers and behaviors for starting wildfires.
- Report any wildfire you see to authorities.
- Spread this message to other target shooters, hunters and outdoor enthusiasts.



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# **WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS**

# **Hog Hunting Seasons** for WMAs and Heritage Preserves

Feral hog hunting on WMAs is permitted during any open season for game unless otherwise restricted (see specific WMAs). On WMA lands, weapons used to hunt hogs are limited to the weapons that are allowed for the current open season on each WMA. A hunting license and a WMA permit are required and hunters are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of solid international orange color while hunting. Hogs may not be transported alive. Hogs may not be hunted at night. On Special Hog Still Gun Hunts, weapons may include archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only except as specified for certain WMAs. For Special Hog Hunts with Dogs, no still or stalk hunting and only handguns permitted.



GAME ZN	AREA	COUNTY	SPECIAL STILL HUNTING	SPECIAL HUNTS WITH DOGS
1	WMAs ~ Greenville, Oconee, Pickens (portions of Greenville, Oconee, and Pickens north of Game Zone 2 line)			Jan. 2-10, Mar. 20-28
2	WMAs ~ Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Cherokee, Edgefield, Greenwood, Lancaster, Laurens, Mc-Cormick, Newberry, York, (portions of Greenville, Oconee, and Pickens south of Game Zone 1 line) except Keowee & Fants Grove WMAs			Jan. 2-10, Mar. 20-28
	Bear Island	Colleton		Mar. 2-4
	Crackerneck	Aiken		Jan. 6 - Feb. 24 (Fri. only)
	Donnelley	Colleton		Mar. 2-4
	Francis Marion Nat. Forest—All WMAs	Berkeley	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27
3	Hamilton Ridge	Hampton		Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13
	Palachucola	Hampton, Jasper		Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13
	Santee Coastal Reserve	Charleston, Georgetown		Mar. 13-18
	Webb	Hampton		Aug. 25-27, Mar. 2-4, May 11-13
	Yawkey	Georgetown	Periodic announced hunts	
	Great Pee Dee	Darlington	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27
	Hickory Top	Clarendon		Mar. 13-18
	Little Pee Dee River Comp.	Marion	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 13-18
	Manchester SF	Sumter		Mar. 13-18
	Marsh	Marion	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27
4	Samworth	Georgetown		Mar. 13-18
	Santee Dam	Clarendon		Mar. 13-18
	Santee-Delta	Georgetown		Mar. 13-18
	Waccamaw River	Horry	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 13-18
	Wee Tee	Williamsburg, Georgetown	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 13-18
	Woodbury	Marion	Mar. 6-11	Mar. 20-25, May 22-27

# **YOUTH AGE 17 & YOUNGER**

DATE	LOCATION CONTACT INFO.								
TURKEY									
Mar. 18-19, 2017	Private Lands Statew	vide; Turkey tags required.							
Mar. 25, 2017	Island, Donnelley, Ke Santee Cooper, Hato	All WMAs normally open to turkey hunting except: Bear Island, Donnelley, Keowee, Santee Coastal Reserve, Santee Cooper, Hatchery Waterfowl Area, Bonneau Ferry, Belfast, Wateree River HP							
	RACC	COON							
Sept. 10	Private Lands Only								
	SQUI	RREL							
Sept. 24	Private Lands Only								
	QU	AIL							
Nov. 19	Private Lands Only								
	RAE	BBIT							
Mar. 4, 2017	Private Lands Only								
	DE	ER							
Jan. 7, 2017	Private Lands Statew	vide							
Limit 2 deer total one antlerless; no tags required									

DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT INFO.
	YOUTH	I DOVE
bring 1 or 2 & 17 years o	youths 15 years of of age may participa nying adult. Only tl	res adults 21 years or older to age and younger. Youths 16 ate in the hunt with or without he youth may shoot. No pre-
Sept. 3	Union Co. USFS	For information call 864-427-5140.
Зерг. З	Herbert Dove Field	To information can 604-427-3140.
Sept. 3	Draper WMA York Co.	For information call 803-427-5140.
Sept. 3	Sumter Co.  Manchester State Forest	For information call 803-734-3898.
Sept. 3	Bland Field 1 Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg Co.	For information call 803-734-3898.
Selected Days	Botany Bay Plantation WMA	For information call Region 4 SCDNR 843-844-8957 or 843-869-2713.
Selected Days	Bonneau Ferry WMA	For information call 843-825-3387
Sept. 3	Power of Partner- ships Field Abbev- ille Co.	For information call 864-223-2731

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# YOUTH AGE 17 & YOUNGER (CONTINUED)

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DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT INFO.
	YOUTH ONLY DEE	R LOTTERY HUNT
Selected Day in November	Poinsett Gunnery Range Sumter Co.	Applications available in Sept. Region 3 SCDNR 803-734-3898 or download application from SCDNR website.
Selected Days: OctDec.	Upstate Private Areas (Cherokee, Laurens, Spar- tanburg, Union Counties)	Region I SCDNR 864-427-5140. Call for application or download application from SCDNR website. Application due by Sept. 12.
Oct. 1	Fants Grove WMA	Applications available in early Aug. Call Clemson office at 864-654-1671 ext. 19 or download application from SCDNR website.
Selected Days: OctNov.	Belfast WMA	Applications available Aug. 20 through Sept. 20. Call SCDNR office 803-734-3898 or download application from SCDNR website.
Selected Days OctDec.	Moultrie Hunt Unit	Applications available late Aug. Call Dennis Wildlife Center at 843-825-3387 or 843-761-8820.
Selected Days	Tibwin (Francis Marion Hunt Unit)	Applications available early Sept. Call US Forest Service at 843-336-3248.
Selected Days: OctDec.	Congaree Bluffs HP	Applications available Aug. 20 through Sept. 20. Call SCDNR office 803-734-3898 or download application from SCDNR website.
Selected Days: OctNov.	Manchester State Forest	Applications available Aug. 20 through Sept. 20. Call SCDNR office 803-734-3898 or download application from SCDNR website.
ADU	ILT/YOUTH DEER,	TURKEY, SMALL GAME
See page 99	Bluefield WMA	Bluefield WMA is open only to youth 17 and younger who must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. Adult may hunt also. See page 99 for restrictions, dates and limits. For more information, call Dennis Wildlife Center at 843-825-3387.
	ADULT/YOUTH DE	ER, SMALL GAME
See page 97	Bonneau Ferry Area A	See page 97 for restrictions, dates. For information, call Dennis Wildlife Center 843-825-3387.
	YOUTH ONL	YRACCOON
Oct.	Darlington Co.	Contact Columbia SCDNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Nov.	Edgefield Co.	Contact Columbia SCDNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Nov.	Union Co.	Contact Columbia SCDNR office for information at 803-734-3609.

DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT INFO.			
Nov.	Georgetown Co.	Contact Columbia SCDNR office for information at 803-734-3609.			
Jan. 2017	Orangeburg Co.	For applications call Region 3 SCDNR 803-734-3898. Applica- tions due before the first Saturday in Jan.			
Jan. 2017	Colleton Co.	Contact Columbia SCDNR office for information at 803-734-3609.			
SOUTH CAROLINA YOU		TH RACCOON HUNTING			
	CHAMP	IONSHIP			
Feb. or Mar. 2017	Webb WMA	Participants are selected by regional Qualifying hunts. For more information, call the Furbearer Project at 803-734-3609 or Webb WMA at 803-625-3569.			
	DRAW YOU	TH TURKEY			
Saturdays during WMA season	Santee Cooper, Donnelley, Bon- neau Ferry, Belfast	WMA Turkey applications available in late Feb. Call Columbia office at 803-734-3886. Applications due in Mar.			
	DRAW YOUTH	WATERFOWL			
Sat. during season	Donnelley, Bon- neau Ferry WMA, & Clemson WMA	Applications available in Oct. Call Columbia office at 803-734-3609.			

# MOBILITY IMPAIRED

DATE	LOCATION	SPONSOR/CONTACT INFO.

Most WMAs are located in remote areas without developed access. For questions concerning access conditions for specific properties and assistance contact SCDNR regional offices page 6.

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	DEER	
Selected dates	Tibwin, Charleston Co.	US Forest Service & SCDNR. Call USFS 843-336-3248.
Oct. 28-29 FriPM/ SatAM	Upstate Private Areas Cherokee, Spartanburg & Union counties	Private Landowners & SCDNR Region 1, 864-427-5140
Nov. 4-5 FriPM/ SatAM	Upstate Private Areas Laurens, Newberry, counties	Private Landowners & SCDNR Region 1, 864-427-5140

NOTE: Eligibility requirements for mobility impaired deer hunts at these locations are as follows: Persons permanently confined to a wheelchair, persons permanently requiring the use of mechanical aids (crutches, walkers, and etc.) to walk or persons with complete single or double leg amputations.



# Point & Suspension Systems for Natural Resource Violations

South Carolina law has established suspension systems based upon the accumulation of points assessed for convictions of natural resource laws.

The Game and Fish Point System applies to violations inland of the saltwater/freshwater dividing line and if suspended under this system, a person cannot hunt, fish, gather, trap, land, or pursue game, fish, crustaceans, or shellfish in the State (including coastal waters out to the three mile limit).

The Saltwater Point System applies to violations within the coastal waters of the State, seaward of the saltwater/freshwater dividing line. The point categories for assessments are recreational and commercial. Points are assessed according to the appropriate category. Upon accumulation of 18 or more points in the recreational or commercial categories, a person's privileges to fish, gather, land, attempt to take, or possess fish, shellfish, or crustaceans within the coastal waters for the purposes of the affected category will be suspended. Suspensions under the Saltwater Point System do not effect inland freshwater fishing privileges except for shad, herring, and sturgeon which are regulated by coastal laws inland of the saltwater/freshwater dividing line.

Each time a person is convicted of a violation listed in the point systems, the Depart-

ment must assess the points against the person's record. Half of the points on record are reduced for each full year in which the person receives no points. The Department of Natural Resources must suspend the privileges of any person who has accumulated eighteen (18) or more points.

In addition to these point suspensions, South Carolina law also contains mandatory suspensions for convictions of specific violations of the law. These suspensions are called "Statutory Suspensions." See Table C for some specific examples of statutory suspensions.

# **Point System Suspension Appeals**

A person who has been notified of a suspension may appeal the suspension pursuant to the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act. The appeal of the suspension is not an appeal of the person's conviction. The Administrative Law Court does not have jurisdiction to review the conviction, only the suspension. Appeals must be filed and served within 30 days of the date of suspension notice. You must file the appeal with the Clerk of Court of the Administrative Law Court. South Carolina Administrative Law Court, Edgar A. Brown Building, 1205 Pendleton St., Suite 224, Columbia, SC 29201, Voice: 803-734-0550, Fax: 803-734-6400.

If an individual appeals a suspension the SCDNR will temporarily end the suspension. The result is that an individual will retain the privileges that were initially suspended during the period of appeal. The period of appeal

begins when the SCDNR receives notification from the Administrative Law Court that the case has been scheduled for a hearing. The SCDNR will notify the individual in writing when the period of appeal begins. Until that notice is received the suspension remains in effect. A withdraw of the appeal by the individual, or a finding in favor of the SCDNR by the Administrative Law Court will result in the individual having to serve the remainder of the suspension. A finding in favor of the individual, or a finding by the SCDNR that the suspension was in error, will result in a dismissal of the suspension.

#### Note

- A violation of natural resources law while under suspension may result in additional suspensions of one year to five years.
- The purchase or procurement of a license, permit, stamp, or tag allowing suspended privileges while under suspension is a fraudulent purchase and is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$1,085.00 and an additional one year suspension of hunting and fishing privileges.
- Failure to pay fines and/or restitutions may result in suspension of privileges.

To find out more information on suspensions, contact the SC Department of Natural Resources, Records and Intelligence Section, Law Enforcement Division, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-734-3876.

# **POINT & SUSPENSION SYSTEMS**

# TABLE A GAME & FISH POINTS

#	VIOLATION	PT.
	Resisting arrest by force, violence, or weapons against the	
1	person of any law enforcement officer enforcing natural	18
	resource laws	
2	Attempting escape after arrest	14
3	Hunting or fishing in a state sanctuary	14
4	Hunting, fishing, or trapping out of season	10
5	Unlawful selling of game or game fish	14
6	Using a borrowed or altered hunting or fishing license,	10
U	permit, stamp, or tag	10
7	Taking more than the legal limit of game or fish (except	8
'	striped bass)	U
8	Hunting or fishing without a proper license, permit, stamp,	6
	or tag	
9	Trespassing to hunt, fish, or trap	14
10	Intentional trespassing to hunt, fish, or trap	18
11	Violating Wildlife Management Area regulations	8
12	Unlawful hunting, taking, possessing, or selling alligators	14
13	Killing or attempting to kill or molest deer from a motorboat	14
14	Night hunting deer or bear	18
15	Unlawful transportation of furs or hides and possession of	10
16	untagged hides	10
17	Trapping quail or turkeys	10
18	Unlawful hunting over bait	14
10	Unlawful killing or possession of antlerless deer Unlawful night hunting other game, except deer or bear, or	14
19	hunting during prohibited or after hours	8
20	Unlawful possession of buckshot	5
21	Hunting migratory birds with an unplugged gun	4
	Killing or possession of wild turkey during the closed	4
22	season	18
	Killing or possession of a hen turkey during the spring gob-	
23	bler season	14
	Roost shooting turkey between one-half hour after sunset	
24	to one-half hour before sunrise	18
25	Shooting turkey over bait (game taken)	18
26	Hunting turkey over bait (no game taken)	10
27	Trespassing to hunt waterfowl	18
28	Hunting waterfowl over bait	10
29	Shooting waterfowl over bait (game taken)	10
30	Hunting waterfowl out of season	15
01	Taking or possession of more than one waterfowl over the	4.5
31	legal limit	15
32	Unlawful possession, taking, or attempting to take rac-	14
32	coons during the season for hunting without firearms	14
33	Trapping, netting, or seining game fish unlawfully	10
34	Taking game or fish in any illegal manner not specifically	8
	mentioned elsewhere in the point systems	
35	Taking or possessing an undersized striped bass	14
36	Taking or possessing more than the legal limit of striped bass	14
37	Taking or possessing more than the legal creel or size limit	14
O1	of blue catfish.	

NOTE: Some examples of Item 34 are:

- a. Taking waterfowl with lead shot.
- b. Taking fish with too many devices.
- c. Killing birds of prey (Hawks, Kites, Vultures, Kestrels, Owls, or Falcons).
- d. Killing/possession of nongame birds.
- e. Taking fish while violating specific freshwater nongame fishing laws such as illegal bait on trotlines or set hooks.
- f. Taking game while violating specific trapping laws such as unlawful traps.

Other less common examples are, but are not limited to, taking game while unlawfully hunting with an electronic call, or killing a turkey with a rifle. The application of item 34 is very broad and examples are given for clarification. Item 34 applies to unlawfully taking game or fish in a way that is not specifically addressed by the Game and Fish Point System.

# SALTWATER POINTS

Saltwater points are assessed in two categories: Recreational and Commercial. Upon an accumulation of eighteen (18) or more points in a category, the privileges of that category will be suspended for one year. While under Recreational Suspension, a person found guilty of a commercial saltwater violation will have all saltwater privileges suspended for one year. While under Commercial Suspension, a person found guilty of a recreational violation will have all saltwater privileges suspended for one year.

susp	pended for one year.	
#	VIOLATION	PT.
1	Failing to keep records or make reports as required by law, permit or regulation	4
2	Violations of law pertaining to crab size limit or sponge crabs	4
3	Violations of a section of Title 50 pertaining to saltwater fisheries not mentioned specifically in this section (NOTE: This point assessment applies to all other convictions that are not specifically mentioned herein. Any conviction for a violation of a saltwater fisheries law will be	6
	assessed a minimum of 6 points).  Taking, attempting to take, or possessing fish, shellfish or	
4	crustaceans in an unlawful manner, in unlawful or closed areas, during unlawful hours, or during the closed season except trawling violations	8
5	Selling or offering for sale fish, shellfish, crustaceans, or other seafood or marine products without a proper license, permit, stamp, or tag	8
6	Unlawfully buying fish, shellfish, crustaceans or other sea- food or marine products without a proper license, permit, stamp or tag	8
7	Trawling inside the General Trawling Zone other than in restricted areas:  (a) more than one quarter nautical mile during the closed season  (b) more than one quarter nautical mile at a time more than ten minutes before daily opening or ten minutes after daily closing	10 10
8	times during the open season  Trawling in a restricted area during the closed season	10
9	Trawling outside the General Trawling Zone:  (a) one hundred yards or less distance from the nearest point of the General Trawling Zone during the open season (b) more than one hundred yards distance from the nearest point of the General Trawling Zone during the open season (c) during the closed season	10 18 18
10	Taking or attempting to take fish, shellfish or crustaceans for a commercial purpose without a proper license, permit, stamp or tag	10
11	Captain or crew of a boat failing to cooperate with an enforcement officer	18
12	Channel netting in an area closed to channel netting or during closed season for channel netting	18
13	Applying for or obtaining any resident license as provided in this chapter using a falsified application or supporting documentation, or simultaneously possessing any current, valid South Carolina resident license as provided in this chapter while possessing any resident license from another state	18

# NOTE:

It is unlawful for a person whose commercial privileges are suspended under this chapter to be on board any vessel while the vessel is being utilized to take or attempt to take saltwater fish for commercial purposes.

#### TABLE C

# **STATUTORY SUSPENSIONS**

Many laws pertaining to natural resources and boating contain mandatory suspensions. These suspensions start upon conviction and run for specified times according to law. These suspensions will affect privileges and may affect licenses, permits, stamps, tags or registrations. Examples of violations for which suspensions are mandated include, but are not limited to:

IIICI	due, but are not innited to.	
Α	Hunting from a public road	1 year
В	Unlawfully taking a wild turkey	1 year
С	Conspiracy to violate natural resource laws	1 year
D	Obtaining a license, permit, stamp, or tag by fraud	1 year
Е	Altering, post dating, borrowing, or lending a license, permit, stamp, or tag	1 year
F	Criminal, negligent use of a firearm	1 to 5 years
G	Boating under the influence	6 months to 5 years
Н	Trawling violations	1 year
I	Killing a Bald Eagle	5 years
J	Failure to pay fines or restitution	suspended until payment is received
K	Third (3) offense negligent operation of a watercraft	6 months
L	Bear violations	3 years
М	Impeding the right to hunt, fish, or trap	1 year

The above listed violations are examples of statutory suspensions. Other statutory suspensions exist with time periods ranging from 10 days to 10 years for certain violations and certain privileges

# **OPERATION GAME THIEF**

Game and fish law violators steal your wildlife and rob you of tax, license, and business dollars. They cheat you out of recreation and your children out of part of their future. You're their victim as surely as if they'd robbed your home.

Operation Game Thief is a program designed to stop game and fish law violators in South Carolina. Citizen involvement is the key to the success of the program. You can help in either of two ways:

- You can make a contribution to Operation Game Thief. Contributions will be used to make rewards to persons providing information leading to the arrest of game and fish law violators. Contributions are tax deductible.
- You can report a violator (anonymously if you choose). If your information leads to an arrest, you will receive a cash reward of up to \$500.00 dollars. Rewards are dependant on the amount and type of information.



# INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATORS COMPACT

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources formally entered into the Interstate Wildlife Violators Compact (IWVC) with 38 other member states on July 1, 2012. As a compact member South Carolina has agreed to treat nonresidents from member states as if they were residents for purposes of hunting, fishing, trapping, and wildlife violations. However, the compact does not cover boating violations. If a nonresident from a member state violates a wildlife law in South Carolina, DNR officers can now serve a courtesy summons under the terms of the compact rather than arresting the individual, or requesting a cash bond. Likewise, South Carolina residents will be treated the same way in other member states. Residents from member states are granted a courtesy summons based on the understanding that they will comply with the terms of the summons. If a resident from a member state fails to comply with the terms of a courtesy summons issued by another member state they will be suspended by their home state and that suspension will be recognized by all other member states.

As a member of the IWVC, South Carolina will share nonresident violation information with other member states. This means that illegal activities in one member state can affect the privileges of the individual in all member states. South Carolina will now recognize the suspension of hunting, fishing, and trapping privileges from other member states. A person who is under hunting, fishing, or trapping suspension in South Carolina will be prohibited from obtaining licenses in other member states, and South Carolina will deny licenses to nonresident individuals from member states who have had hunting, fishing, or trapping privileges suspended by that state. South Carolina will recognize the suspension of hunting, fishing, and trapping privileges of member states as if the suspension had occurred in South Carolina.



# **SCDNR EDUCATION & OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

# **Hunter Education**

All residents and nonresidents born after June 30, 1979, must complete a hunter education course approved by SCDNR before a hunting license can be obtained. SCDNR accepts hunter education certifications issued by other states in the United States and Canadian provinces. If you have a certification from another state, your certification meets the hunter education requirement in SC. If you have a question about your certification, please contact the Hunter Education Office at 1-800-277-4301. The hunter education certificate is not a hunting license.

#### SCDNR offers two (2) options to take the Hunter Education Course.

#### 1. In a classroom

The preferred Hunter Education method is through a free eight (8) hour instructor-led classroom. Classes maybe offered in a one day class or split over two nights. Students learn about hunting ethics, firearms safety, and the principles of conservation and wildlife management. All classes end with a test to pass the course.

2. On the Internet—The third party vendor (Hunter-Ed.com) who provides this online course charges \$19.50 to take the course. After completing the course by passing and paying the course fee, you may instantly print out your South Carolina Temporary Hunter Education Certificate, which is valid for 30 days. You should receive your permanent certificate by mail in 2-3 weeks.

Hunter-Ed offers daily (including weekend) live customer service via email or telephone with a toll-free number. Today's Hunter online course is the only approved internet course for South Carolina. www.dnr.sc.gov/ education/hunted.html

# **Boater Education**

Boaters under age 16 are required by law to pass an approved boater education course before operating a personal watercraft (jet ski) or a boat powered by a 15 h.p. motor or larger unless accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older.

South Carolina boaters can take a boating safety and education course two ways.

# 1. In a classroom

Share the learning experience with other boaters and a qualified instructor.

## 2. On the internet

The complete course, including the test, can be viewed or purchased online at boat-ed.com or through a link on the SCDNR homepage, www.dnr.sc.gov/education/boated.

For more information on all boating courses, call SCDNR at 1-800-277-4301 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education/boated.

If you are under age 21 and plan to go boating in another state, check that state's operator requirements. The SC Basic Boating Course is approved and recognized by all states requiring courses. The boater education certificate is not a boating license.

# **Bowhunting Education**



The bowhunter education program provides bowhunters with the fundamentals of safe bowhunting, an appreciation and respect for the environment in which they hunt, and a desire to main-

tain the highest standards of the sport. Several times a year, SCDNR and Bowhunters of South Carolina conduct bowhunter education classes. To register for a bowhunter education course, please visit the SCDNR Hunter Education homepage at www.dnr.sc.gov/education/hunted or call 1-800-277-4301.

The SCDNR also offers an online version of the course that is approved by the National Bowhunter Education Foundation. This course can be found at www.bowhunter-ed.com/southcarolina/

# Trapper Education

The Trapper Education course includes discussions on furbearer biology, history of the fur trade, wildlife management principles, fur harvest regulations and ethical conduct. Basic hands-on trapping techniques will also be presented. Qualified instructors with the SC Trappers Association will discuss and demonstrate responsible trapping techniques.

For information, contact the Furbearer project at 803-734-3609.

# Take One Make One™



This program is an outdoor education and mentoring program aimed at developing South Carolina's youth and young adults, 10 to 17 years of age, into lifetime participants in conservation,

hunting, angling and shooting sports activities. Students are required to complete the SC hunter education safety course and are mentored by an experienced adult for a minimum of one year. There are no registration costs. Presentations, brochures and applications are available by calling 1-800-277-4301. For more information, visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education/tomo and facebook SCDNR Take ONE Make One.

# Youth Bass Fishing Club

Calling all middle and high schools! SCDNR, The Bass Federation, and B.A.S.S. have teamed up to help bring youth bass fishing clubs to schools around the state. Students can establish school bass fishing clubs to compete for prizes, scholarships and more on a club, state and national level. Get outdoors, relax, have fun and make friends by fishing for your school! To learn more about the Youth Bass Fishing Clubs, visit www.dnr.sc.gov/aquaticed, call 803-737-8483 or email aquaticed@dnr.sc.gov.

# **Archery in the** Schools Program



Archery in the Schools is designed to teach JOAD-style target archery (Junior Olympic Archery Development) to 4th-12th graders.

Core content covers archery history, safety, technique, equipment, mental concentration and self-improvement. Before presenting the twoweek archery course, teachers undergo an 8-hour Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) training program.

The South Carolina Archery in the Schools Program is for public and private schools and may be modified to include home school associations. You can learn more about the program by contacting the state outreach coordinator, 1st Sgt Ryan Bass, at 1-800-277-4301 or e-mailing him at BassR@dnr.sc.gov. For more information about archery, go to www.dnr.sc.gov/education/archery and facebook SC Archery in the Schools.

# **SC Scholastic Clay Target Sports**

SCDNR Scholastic Clay Target Sports is a teambased youth development program that uses the shotgun sports of trap, skeet, and sporting clays to instill life skills such as discipline, safety, teamwork, ethics, self-confidence and other life values. For more information on this program, please call 1-800-277-4301 or email 1st SGT Ryan Bass at BassR@dnr.sc.gov or www.dnr.sc.gov/ education/SCTS

# Aguatic Education



Aquatic Education programs are designed to teach about fish, aquatic ecosystems, and the sport of fishing. Youth can try

their hand at fishing with their parents at a Family Fishing Clinic. Avid anglers can become Certified SCDNR Fishing Instructors and share the love of fishing by leading Family Fishing Clinics. For more information on these programs, call 803-737-8483 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/aquaticed.

# **MARKETPLACE**

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# REPORT POACHING

To Report a Poacher

If you witness a poaching or boating incident or any fish and wildlife violation, or have information about such a violation, immediately dial the toll free OGT number 1-800-922-5431, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Or you may submit anonymous tips to SCDNR using tip411. tip411 an internet based tool from CitizenObserver.com that enables the public to text messages an anonymous tip to wildlife officers and lets the officers respond back creating an anonymous two-way conversation. Anyone with a cell phone may send an anonymous tip SCDNR by texting SCDNR, followed by a space and the message, to 847411(tip411).

Or download the free SCDNR Tips smartphone App which operates similarly to tip411by SCDNR Tips App can be downloaded for free via the Google Play Store and iTunes App Store.

Be prepared to give the fullest possible account of the incident including the name, address, age and description of the suspect, vehicle description, direction of travel, license number, type of violation and when and where it occurred. You do not have to give your name.





# Visit a DNR Express Location

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311 Natural Resources Dr. Clemson, SC 29631-3253 (864) 654-1671

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#### York

510 Annie Alexander Ct. York, SC 29745-7773 (803) 684-4078

# DNR at the Market

Located at the SC State Farmer's Market 326 Little Brooke Ln. West Columbia, SC 29172 (803) 734-3833

www.dnr.sc.gov





# South Carolina Hunting and Fishing Licenses

Why buy a license? There are a number of reasons, all of them good. For starters, your purchase of the appropriate South Carolina hunting and fishing license or permit ensures that you stay legal while pursuing your hobby in the great South Carolina outdoors. But beyond that, your purchase of a hunting license or WMA permit also supports thousands of acres of public lands that are managed by the DNR for wildlife habitat for all types of outdoor recreation - from deer hunting to hiking and bird watching. Your purchase of a fishing license supports the monitoring and management of fish populations and the aquatic habitat in South Carolina's wealth of lakes and streams available for recreation. Your fishing license also supports the operation of seven public fish hatcheries across the state that provide fish for public water stocking to support recreational fishing and enhancement of fish populations.

The dollars generated by the license purchase also help fund hundreds of critical management and research programs undertaken by DNR biologists and researchers, AND help our state capture its share of the federal taxes on motorboat and small engine fuel and the federal excise taxes and import duties paid on equipment and gear manufactured for purchase by hunters, anglers, boaters, archers, and recreational shooters. In short, without the dollars provided by South Carolina's hunters and anglers, our state's abundant fish and wildlife and ongoing fish and wildlife conservation efforts simply wouldn't be possible. Your license purchase today ensures that our state's valuable natural resources will be there for future generations.

# Know Your Customer ID Number

Who has a SCDNR Customer ID Number? Anyone who does business with DNR has a Customer ID

number.

Why do I have a Customer ID Number?

DNR adopted this approach to improve our business processes and improve services to our customers.

Why do I need to know my Customer ID Number? This number helps link a customer with their existing

- It makes it faster and easier to obtain the items you need
- Why is maintaining my current information important with

To ensure proper delivery of items mailed to you SCDNR?

- To provide SCDNR the information needed to meet all legal
- To accurately provide county auditors boat and motor owner
- information



**Your Customer Identification Number** 

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# **APPLICATIONS**

# 2016 - 2017 Recreational Hunting and Fishing Tag Application

Mail to: SCDNR License Office • PO Box 11710 • Columbia, SC 29211-1710 Visit *www.dnr.sc.gov* for additional licenses and information.

(803)734-3833 M-F 8:30-4:50 PM ET

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Any personal information collected by SCDNR for licenses, watercraft titles, and registrations, except social security number, driver's license number, gender, and race, is subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. However, if released, state law prohibits the use of this information for solicitation or commercial purposes.

The disclosure of your social security number is required to obtain SC hunting and fishing licenses. This complies with SC Code Annon 63-17-1080 and Federal law 42 USCA 666(a)(13), which requires a licensing agency to provide this information to the Child Support Enforcement Unit of the Department of Social Services to establish, modify and enforce child support orders.



Lifetime Recreational Hunting and Fishing License Application

Mail to: SC Wildlife Endowment Fund • PO Box 11710 • Columbia, SC 29211-1710 • (803)734-3833 M-F 8:30-4:50 PM ET Lifetime Licenses are only available to those that meet the definition of "Resident" for the purpose of obtaining South Carolina hunting and fishing licenses. Applicant must meet the residency requirement for at least 180 days immediately prior to the date of application.

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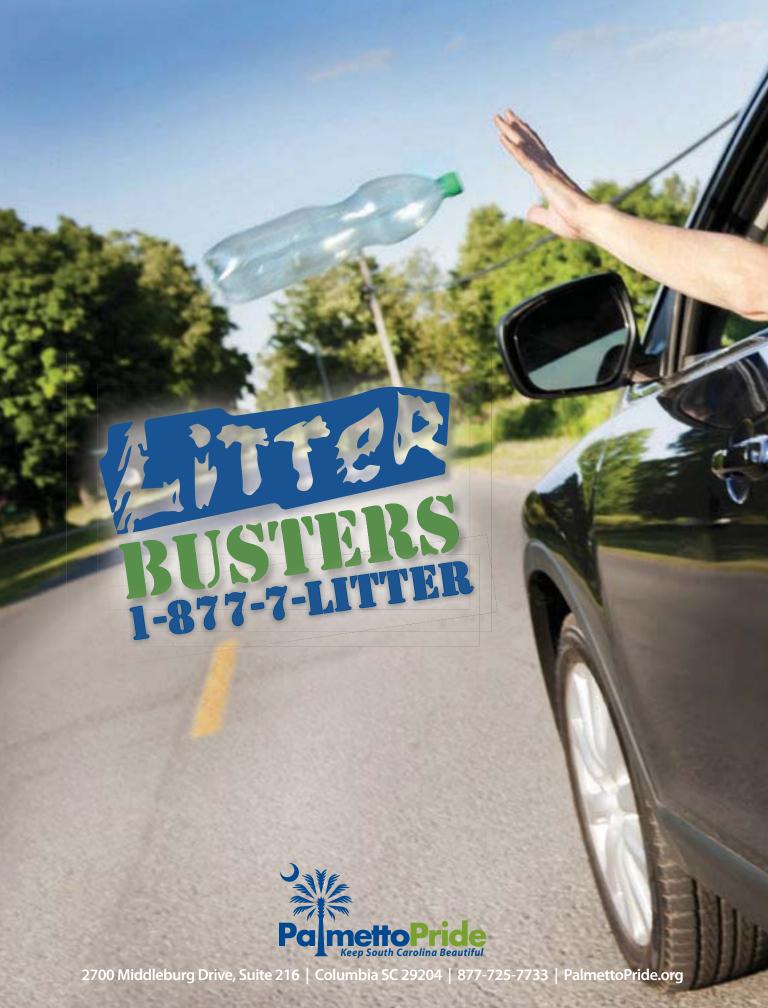
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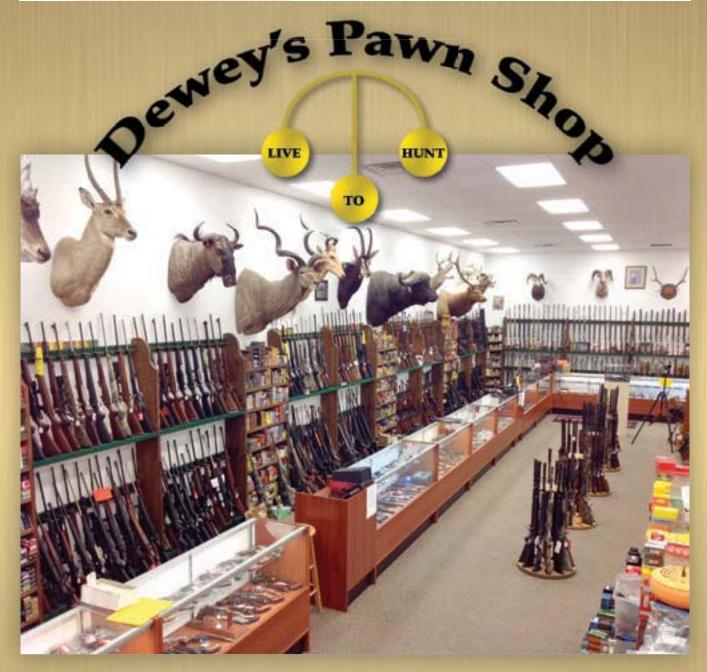
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