Signs Protect Visitors and Resources

Millions of people visit national wildlife refuges each year. The impact of human activity, if not regulated, can degrade these wildlands. Signs control recreational activities while protecting natural resources on the Refuge. Please respect the refuge signs identified in this brochure.



Refuge boundary sign.

Public use permitted in accordance with refuge regulations.



Area beyond this sign closed. All public entry prohibited. Area closed to all public use.

Some areas such as waterfowl sanctuaries are only seasonally closed. Seasonally closed areas have the specific closure dates printed on the face of the sign.

Hunting Seasons

*NOTE: The Refuge is CLOSED to all other entry and public use during Quota Gun Deer Hunt November 9-17, 2019

Only Quota Gun Deer Hunt permit holders are allowed to enter or use the Refuge during this hunt and only for the purpose of deer hunting and incidental take of beaver, muskrat, nutria, armadillo, coyote, and feral hogs.

Deer - Archery

September 28, 2019-February 29, 2020*

Deer-Muzzle loader

October 19-23, 2019, December 29 - 31, 2019

Deer – Youth Modern Gun November 2-3, 2019

Deer – Quota Gun Deer November 9-17, 2019*

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Squirrel and Rabbit September 1, 2019 - February 29, 2020*

Raccoon

September 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020*

Opossum

September 1, 2019 - February 29, 2020*

Quail

November 1, 2019 - February 2, 2020*

Turkey – Fall Archery/Crossbow Closed

Turkey – Spring Firearms

State season on all refuge lands located south of Interstate 40. Remainder of the refuge is closed with the exception of those refuge lands included in the combined Black Swamp WMA/Cache River NWR hunts administered by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

Waterfou

State seasons. Until 12:00 noon (except closed during the Quota Gun Deer Hunt, November 9 - 17, 2019)*

Waterfou

Youth – State Seasons* - until 12:00 noon

State Seasons*

Woodcock State Seasons*

