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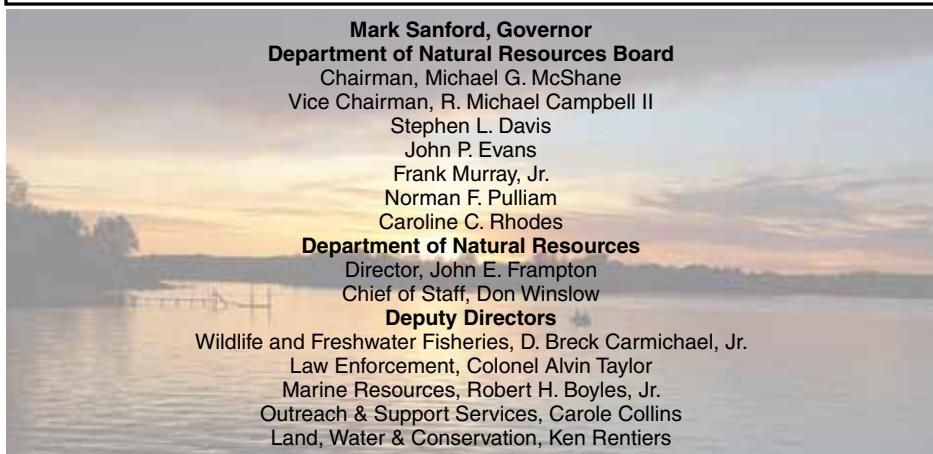
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NOTE: Abbreviations used in this book: SCDNR or DNR indicates South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. WMA indicates Wildlife Management Area (a SCDNR-managed public hunting area).

What's New for 2009-2010

H.3635 Shore Based Angler Bill ** Effective date 07/01/09 Act No. 15**

Please See Page 25 for a detailed explanation of this Act.

This act requires all individuals to have a saltwater recreational fishing license when harvesting marine resources, including finfish, oysters, clams, shrimp, and crab. A saltwater recreational fishing license will be required unless fishing on a licensed public fishing pier; fishing on a licensed charter vessel while under hire; using 3 or fewer drop nets, 3 or fewer fold-up traps, or 3 or fewer handlines with no hooks and a single bait per line (chicken necking); or shrimp baiting (which requires a shrimp baiting license.) **The largest changes resulting from this Act are that shore-based anglers and anyone recreationally fishing for shrimp and crab will now be required to have a license.**

This bill includes standard exemptions including lifetime licenses, children under 16, disability licenses, senior licenses, and fishing from a private pond.

This bill will allow better access to information about recreational catch, which will lead to better management of South Carolina's valuable marine resources. The changes also ensure that anglers in SC will simply need to purchase a single state license to fish anywhere in both state and federal saltwaters.

H.3572 Shark Catch Limits & Crappie Creel and Size Limits in Lake Murray ** Effective date 06/02/09 Act No. 47**

This act reduces the daily personal catch limit on Atlantic sharpnose sharks from two to the Federal daily personal limit of one Atlantic sharpnose shark. The passage of this act brings South Carolina into compliance with the recently finalized Atlantic States Marine Fishery Commission's (ASMFC) Shark Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

This Act also makes it unlawful to take or possess Crappie less than 8 inches in total length from Lake Murray. Daily possession limit for Lake Murray is 20 Crappie per day.

H. 3121 Turtle Transport & Sale Limitations ** Effective date 05/06/09 Act No. 6**

This Act prohibits a person, or a group of individuals traveling in one vehicle, to remove, or attempt to remove from this State more than ten, either in one species or a combination of species, of the named species of turtles at one time with a maximum of twenty turtles of these species, either individually or in combination in any one year: yellowbelly turtle (*Trachemys scripta*), Florida cooter (*Pseudemys floridana*), river cooter (*Pseudemys concinna*), chicken turtle (*Deirochelys reticularia*), eastern box turtle (*Terrapene carolina*), eastern painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*), spiny softshell turtle (*Apalone spinifera*), Florida softshell turtle (*Apalone ferox*), and common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*).

The provisions of this Act do not prohibit the sale, offer for sale, or purchase of the yellowbelly turtle (*Trachemys scripta*) and the common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) if these turtles were taken from a permitted aquaculture facility or a private pond pursuant to a permit issued by the department at the request of the owner or owner's agent. Any person transporting more than ten yellowbelly turtle (*Trachemys scripta*) or common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) must be in possession of a permit pursuant to which the turtles were taken or acquired and, upon

request, must provide it to authorized agents of the department. A person selling, offering to sell, or purchasing these species must have documentation from the aquaculture facility as to the origin of the turtles. The DNR may charge twenty-five dollars for a permit.

A person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be punished by a fine of up to two hundred dollars or up to thirty days in jail, or both. A violator also must have his permit permanently revoked and may never be issued another one. Each turtle removed or in possession of a person attempting to remove them is a separate violation of this section."

Contact your SCDNR licensing office to apply for a permit.

H.3762 SC Wildlife License Plate Collection ** Effective date 06/16/09**

The DNR is permitted to authorize the DMV to issue a collection of special motor vehicle license plates titled "South Carolina Wildlife" for thirty dollars every two years in addition to the regular motor vehicle license fee. The department simultaneously may make available more than one special license plate. The revenue from license plates from this collection must be deposited in the Fish and Wildlife Protection Fund.

Please check the DNR home page at www.dnr.sc.gov for SC Wildlife license plate selections and preorder information.

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Recreational Hunting & Fishing License Information

www.dnr.sc.gov/licensing.html

Required of All Applicants

Identification – Applicants for all SC hunting and fishing privileges must present a state issued identification card at the time of application. This card should be in your possession when hunting or fishing.

Social Security Number – The disclosure of your social security number is required to obtain SC hunting and fishing licenses. This complies with Section 20-7-949, S.C. Code of Laws, 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.

Resident – for recreational privileges is a person who is a domiciled (permanent) resident of South Carolina for 30 consecutive days, or more immediately prior to the date of his application for privileges. Proof of residency is required to obtain a resident privilege.

Nonresidents – are persons not able to prove SC residency and those residing outside of the state.

Military personnel and their dependents stationed in SC – for sixty days or longer, or who are domiciled in this state, are eligible for resident privileges. Valid military identification must be presented when applying.

Military personnel who are residents – of SC stationed outside of the state, and home on leave shall, upon presentation of official furlough or leave papers, be allowed to fish or hunt throughout the state without purchasing a hunting, freshwater fishing or saltwater fishing license. Permits are required to hunt big game, migratory birds, migratory waterfowl and hunt on WMA lands. Tags are required to hunt antlerless deer and turkey, use non-game fish devices or for taking shrimp over bait.

Students – enrolled full time in a SC educational institution are eligible for resident privileges. A valid student ID must be presented when applying for privileges.

Borrowing – lending, exchanging, altering or purchasing by fraud DNR privileges is unlawful and suspends hunting and fishing privileges for one year.

Duplicate Licenses – are issued upon affidavit from the licensee that the original license was lost or destroyed and payment of the \$3.00 fee. Duplicates are available at all DNR offices and from all license sales agents. Duplicates for tags are issued only through DNR offices. No duplicates are issued for federal duck stamps. A new stamp must be purchased.

License in Possession – All licenses, permits, stamps and tags must be in possession of privilege holder while engaging in activities for which privilege documents were issued. Identification indicating name and address must also be in possession of privilege holder. Persons hunting on their own lands are required to have all applicable licenses, permits, stamps or tags in their possession.

License Year – The license year begins July 1, 2009 and ends June 30, 2010. Regardless of the date sold, annual licenses expire June 30, 2010.

Special tags – All age groups are required to obtain and possess special tags when engaged in the following activities: hunting antlerless deer, turkey, using non-game fish devices or taking shrimp over bait.

Suspended Licenses – It is unlawful for persons whose privileges are suspended to apply for, hold, or use DNR licenses, permits, or tags.

Where to Buy Hunting & Fishing Privileges:

- 600 license agents throughout the state, see web site for a listing by county.
- Internet – www.dnr.sc.gov and select BUY.
- Toll Free 1-866-714-3611, available 24-hours, 7 days a week.
- DNR offices in Charleston, Clemson, Columbia and Florence. Office hours 8:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday-except state holidays.

Youth Requirements – No child under 16 years of age is required to obtain a hunting or fishing license unless that child engages in the taking of game or fish for commercial purposes or possesses any non-game fish devices.

Freshwater Fishing License – is required unless you are fishing in a privately-owned pond. A license is required when fishing in commercial pay ponds, unless the pond is permitted by DNR.

Georgia & South Carolina Reciprocal License Agreement – All channels of the Savannah River, from its mouth to the confluence of the Tugaloo and the Seneca rivers, and the Chattooga River to the boundary line between Georgia and North Carolina are included in an agreement between Georgia and South Carolina to use valid freshwater sportfishing licenses and permits that have been issued by either state.

This agreement also applies to the following impoundments: Thurmond, Russell, Hartwell, Yonah, Tugaloo, Stevens Creek and the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam, but not to any tributary streams to those impoundments nor tributary streams to the Savannah, Tugaloo and Chattooga rivers.

All persons holding a valid license from Georgia or South Carolina will be allowed to fish in the waters covered by this agreement.

NOTE: Contact Georgia DNR Wildlife Resources Division at 770-918-6406 for information on Georgia size and catch limits or visit www.georgiawildlife.org.

Saltwater Fishing License – is required when harvesting marine resources, including finfish, oysters, clams, shrimp, and crab. A saltwater recreational fishing license is required unless fishing on a licensed public fishing pier; fishing on a licensed charter vessel while under hire; using 3 or fewer drop nets, 3 or fewer fold-up traps, or 3 or fewer handlines with no hooks and single bait per line (chicken necking); or shrimp baiting (which requires a shrimp baiting license). See also pages 20-25.

Hunting – is defined as trying to find, seek, obtain, pursue or diligently search for game.

Hunter Education Requirements – All residents and non-residents, born after June 30, 1979, must successfully complete a SCDNR-approved hunter education course and present the certificate of completion before a hunting or combination license can be purchased.

A hunter education card alone is not a valid hunting license. For more information on hunter education, call 803-734-3995 or 1-800-277-4301.

Special Note for Disability, Gratis and Senior License Holders

Before hunting migratory waterfowl (ducks, geese, brants) you must obtain and possess a current Federal Duck Stamp for \$15.

Your license includes the State Migratory Waterfowl Permit (formerly State Duck Stamp) and you do not need to purchase this privilege again.

Disability Licenses – are only available to SC residents. A person who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of South Carolina for one year or more, immediately prior to his date of application and who is certified to be totally disabled may apply for a 3 Year Disability License or a 3 Year Disability Fishing License. See page 57 for additional information and an application.

Gratis Licenses – are only available to SC residents. A person who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of South Carolina for 180 consecutive days or more, immediately prior to his application and born on or before July 1, 1940, and reached the age of 65 may apply for a gratis license. See page 56 for application.

Senior Licenses – are only available to SC residents. A person who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of South Carolina for 180 consecutive days or more, immediately prior to his application, born after July 1, 1940, and reached the age of 64, may apply for a senior license. The cost is \$9. See page 56 for application.

Lifetime Licenses – are only available to SC residents. A person who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of South Carolina for 180 consecutive days or more immediately prior to his application may apply for lifetime licenses. A photocopy of the applicant's South Carolina driver's license must accompany the application. Non-resident lifetime licenses are not available. All lifetime licenses remain valid for the privileges issued if the holder moves out of state. However, if the licensee applies for privileges not covered by the lifetime license, and no longer meets the requirement for a resident, he must purchase the additional licenses as a non-resident. See page 56 for Lifetime license types, fees and an application.

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Privilege Fees — July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

Duration	Privilege Type	Residents	Non Residents	Notes and Prerequisites (see also page 8)		
Fishing Privileges						
Annual	Freshwater Fishing License	\$10.00	\$35.00	See pages 14-15 for more information		
7-Day	Freshwater Fishing License	n/a	\$11.00	Valid 7 consecutive days, see pages 14-15 for more information		
14-Day	Freshwater Fishing License	\$5.00	n/a	Valid 14 consecutive days, see pages 14-15 for more information		
Annual	Lakes & Reservoirs Permit	3.00	n/a	Permit to fish freshwater using nonmanufactured tackle or natural bait only in Lakes Ashwood, Greenwood, Jocassee, Keowee-Toxaway, Marion, Moultrie, Murray, Richard B. Russell and Wiley or the Hartwell, Monticello or Parr Reservoirs or on portions of the Catawba, Savannah and Wateree Rivers. (Specific information is available at www.dnr.sc.gov/licensing or contact the appropriate regional office on page 61.)		
Annual	Saltwater Fishing License	\$10.00	\$35.00	See pages 20-25 for new information on saltwater fishing exemptions		
14-Day	Saltwater Fishing License	\$5.00	\$11.00	Valid 14 consecutive days, see pages 20-25 for new information		
Season	Shrimp Baiting License & Tags	\$25.00	\$500.00	Season dates apply, see pages 25 for application		
Non-Game Freshwater Fishing Privileges - See pages 16-18 for device specific information						
Annual	Jug Permit	\$5.00	\$50.00	for 3-50 Jugs, 1 per licensee		
Annual	Set Hook Permit	\$5.00	\$50.00	for 3-50 Hooks, 1 per licensee		
Annual	Eel Pot Tag*	\$5.00	\$50.00	Maximum 2 per recreational angler		
Annual	Gill Net Tag*	\$5.00	\$50.00	Maximum 5 per recreational angler w/ 30 ft nets		
Annual	Hoop Net Tag*	\$10.00	\$50.00	Maximum 1 per recreational angler		
Annual	Trap Tag*	\$5.00	\$50.00	Maximum 2 per recreational angler		
Annual	Trotline Tag*	\$2.50	\$50.00	Maximum 3 per recreational angler w/ maximum 150 hooks		
Annual	Commercial Freshwater License	\$50.00	\$1,000.00	Limits apply in certain bodies of water		
Freshwater Fishing & Hunting Combination Privileges						
Annual	Combination License	\$25.00	n/a	State Hunting, Big Game Permit and Freshwater Fishing		
Annual	Jr Sportsman License	\$16.00	n/a	State Hunting, Big Game Permit, WMA Permit and Freshwater Fishing for applicants age 16-17 only		
Annual	Sportsman License	\$50.00	n/a	State Hunting, Big Game Permit, WMA Permit and Freshwater Fishing		
Hunting Privileges - See pages 28-53 for Game Zones and more information						
Annual	State Hunting License	\$12.00	\$125.00	Valid for small game only		
Annual	County Hunting License	\$5.00	n/a	Valid for small game only; valid only in the hunter's county of residence		
3-Day	State Hunting License	n/a	\$40.00	Valid 3 consecutive days; valid for small game only		
10-Day	State Hunting License	n/a	\$75.00	Valid 10 consecutive days; valid for small game only		
Annual	Big Game Permit	\$6.00	\$100.00	Hunting License required to hunt Bear, Deer and Turkey		
Annual	Wildlife Management Area Permit	\$30.50	\$76.00	Hunting License required for WMA Lands		
Annual	Shooting Preserve License	8.50		For hunting specified released species only on licensed shooting preserves		
Season	Wild Turkey Transportation Tags*	No Cost		Hunting License and Big Game Permit, season dates apply		
Annual	Migratory Bird Permit (HIP)	No Cost		Hunting License, season dates apply		
Season	Migratory Waterfowl Permit (formerly State Duck Stamp)	\$5.50		Hunting License, Migratory Bird Permit, Federal Duck Stamp, season dates apply		
Season	Federal Duck Stamp*	\$15.00		Hunting License, Migratory Bird Permit, Migratory Waterfowl Permit, season dates apply. Available at select US Post Offices by phone at 1-800-STAMP-24 (1-800-782-6724), online at www.fws.gov/duckstamps and DNR offices.		
Season	Individual Antlerless Deer Tags*	\$5.00 ea		Maximum 4 tags per hunter, season dates apply. See page 34 for application.		
Annual	Commercial Fur Harvest License	\$25.00	\$200.00	Required for trapping or hunting furbearers for sale or trade. Required to possess 6 or more furbearers or their pelts.		
Miscellaneous Privileges						
Annual	Bird Dog Training License	\$50.00	n/a	Contact: SCDNR Small Game Project, PO Box 167 Columbia, SC 29202		
Annual	Commercial Quail Breeder's License	\$5.00	n/a	To engage in the propagation of pen-raised quail for commercial purposes		
Annual	Turtle Permit	\$25.00		Contact: SCDNR License Section, PO Box 11710, Columbia, SC 29211-1710		
Other Information						
For more information visit www.dnr.sc.gov/licensing .						
Lifetime license types, fees and application are available on page 56.						
*Licensee must have the tag in possession before using this privilege. Federal Duck Stamps must be signed across the stamp face and in the licensee's possession while hunting. Electronic Federal Duck Stamps are not valid in South Carolina.						

Point & Suspension Systems for Natural Resource Violations

www.dnr.sc.gov/regs/points.html

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 affect inland freshwater fishing privileges except for shad, herring, and sturgeon which are regulated by coastal laws inland of the saltwater/freshwater dividing line.

Table A: Game and Fish Points

#	Violation	Pt.
1.	Resisting arrest by force, violence, or weapons against the person of any law enforcement officer enforcing natural resource laws	18
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, permit, stamp, or tag	10
7.	Taking more than the legal limit of game or fish (except striped bass)	8
8.	Hunting or fishing without a proper license, permit, stamp, or tag	6
9.	Trespassing to hunt, fish, or trap	10
10.	Violating Wildlife Management Area regulations	8
11.	Unlawful hunting, taking, possessing, or selling alligators	14
12.	Killing or attempting to kill or molest deer from a motorboat	14
13.	Night hunting deer or bear	18
14.	Unlawful transportation of furs or hides and possession of untagged hides	10
15.	Trapping quail or turkeys	10
16.	Unlawful hunting over bait	8
17.	Unlawful killing or possession of antlerless deer	14
18.	Unlawful night hunting other game, except deer or bear, or hunting during prohibited or after hours	8
19.	Unlawful possession of buckshot	5
20.	Hunting migratory birds with an unplugged gun	4
21.	Killing or possession of wild turkey during the closed season	18
22.	Killing or possession of a hen turkey during the spring gobbler season	14
23.	Roost shooting turkey between one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise	18
24.	Shooting (game taken) turkey over bait	18
25.	Hunting turkey over bait (no game taken)	10
26.	Trespassing to hunt waterfowl	18
27.	Hunting waterfowl over bait	10

Each time a person is convicted of a violation listed in the point systems, the Department 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.

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 \$1,025.00 and an additional one year suspension of hunting and fishing privileges.*
- *Failure to pay fines and/or restitutions may result in suspension of privileges.*

28.	Shooting (game taken) waterfowl over bait	10
29.	Hunting waterfowl out of season	15
30.	Taking or possession of more than one waterfowl over the legal limit	15
31.	Unlawful possession, taking, or attempting to take raccoons during the season for hunting without firearms	14
32.	Trapping, netting, or seining game fish unlawfully	10
33.	Taking game or fish in any illegal manner not specifically mentioned elsewhere in the point systems	8
34.	Taking or possessing an undersized striped bass	14
35.	Taking or possessing more than the legal limit of striped bass	14

NOTE: Some examples of Item 33 are:

- a.Taking game while in possession of lead shot while hunting for waterfowl.*
- 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 jump shooting waterfowl or rails.*
- g.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 33 is very broad and examples are given for clarification.

Item 33 applies to unlawfully taking game or fish in a way that is not specifically addressed by the Game and Fish Point System.

Table B: 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.

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 <i>(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 assessed a minimum of 6 points).</i>	6

4.	Taking, attempting to take, or possessing fish, shellfish or 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 seafood 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 times during the open season	10 10
8	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.

Point System Suspensions and Appeals

Point system suspensions begin thirty (30) days after the date of notice to the individual.

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.

Suspension Violations

Persons convicted of hunting or fishing while under suspension will have an additional three (3) to five (5) years added to the original suspension date. In addition, some suspension violations require mandatory jail terms and may affect the right to own or be in possession of a firearm. Persons whose privileges are suspended are not eligible to hold licenses, permits, stamps, or tags. Purchase or procurement of licenses, permits, stamps, or tags while under suspension is a fraudulent purchase and is punishable by a fine up to \$1,025.00 and an additional one year suspension. To find out more information on suspensions, contact the S.C. Department of Natural Resources, Records and Intelligence Section, Law Enforcement Division, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, S.C. 29202 or call 803-734-3640 or 803-734-4048.



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803-734-0256

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:

A.	Hunting from a public road	1 year
B.	Unlawfully taking a wild turkey	1 year
C.	Conspiracy to violate natural resource laws	1 year
D.	Obtaining a license, permit, stamp, or tag by fraud	1 year
E.	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
H.	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
M.	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.

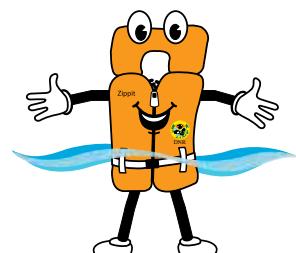


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Operation Game Thief is a program designed to stop game and fish law violators in South Carolina. Citizen involvement is the key to the success of the program. You can help in either of two ways:

- 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.

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Wear it.
Zip it.**



**Take a free boating safety course
1-800-277-4301
www.dnr.sc.gov/education/boated.html**

All Boats

In South Carolina, vessels may not be operated in excess of idle speed within 50 feet of an anchored vessel, wharf, pier, dock, or a person in the water. Vessels may not operate in excess of idle speed within 100 yards of the Atlantic coastline (Sec. 50-21-870).

Equipment

Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) - All boats must have a U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable type PFD for each person on board or being towed. Each PFD must be in good condition, readily available and the proper size for the intended wearer. In addition, boats 16 feet in length or longer must carry a Type IV throwable device. In South Carolina, any person under twelve years of age must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type I, II, III, or V PFD when on board a class "A" (less than 16 ft. long) boat.

Fire Extinguisher - One Coast Guard approved hand-held portable fire extinguisher must be aboard each boat less than 26 ft. if the boat is carrying passengers for hire or if the construction permits the entrapment of flammable vapors or if it has a permanently installed gas tank, including gas tanks that use any type of fastener that would hamper the immediate removal of the tank from the boat. Additional extinguishers are required in boats larger than 26 ft. Contact SCDNR for complete regulations.

Navigation Lights must be on between official sunset and sunrise.

Flares are required for vessels in coastal waters.

Bells, Whistle - All boats less than 39.4 feet must carry an efficient sound producing device. Every vessel from 39.4 to 65.6 feet must carry a whistle and a bell.

Personal Watercraft

In South Carolina, each person on a personal watercraft must wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved Type I, II, III or V PFD.

A personal watercraft may not be operated between sunset and sunrise and must be equipped with a self-circling or lanyard-type engine cutoff switch.

When operating a personal watercraft, one may not operate in a manner so as to leave the water completely while crossing (jumping) the wake of another vessel within 200 feet of the vessel creating the wake.

Marine Events

A permit is required for any boat race or tournament. For permits or information on these and other marine events, contact Marine Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422, 843-953-9302.

Minimum Age of Operators

In South Carolina, boat operators under age 16 must complete a boating course approved by the SCDNR to operate a boat or personal watercraft with a 15 h.p. motor or greater, unless accompanied by an adult age eighteen years or older.

Reporting Boating Accidents

The operator of every vessel involved in a boating accident shall report to the DNR whenever the accident results in loss of life, loss of consciousness, medical treatment or disability in excess of 24 hours, or property damage. For more information, call 843-953-9302.

Restrictions

Airboats are prohibited on public waters of this state from the freshwater-saltwater dividing line seaward, and on 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.

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Boating Education

For boating class schedules or additional information on subjects covered in this section, see page 59 or contact SCDNR, Boating Safety & Education, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422, 843-953-9302, in Columbia call 803-734-3995, statewide 800-277-4301 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education.html.



Watercraft and Outboard Motor Titling and Registration Fees

New SC Watercraft Registration & Title	\$40.00
SC Watercraft or Outboard Motor Title	\$10.00
Renew 3 Year SC Watercraft Registration	\$30.00
Transfer SC Watercraft Registration & Title	\$16.00
Duplicate Watercraft/Outboard Motor Title	\$5.00
Duplicate Watercraft Registration Card	\$5.00
Duplicate Watercraft/Outboard Motor Decal	\$5.00
Late Fee (31-60 days)	\$15.00
Late Fee (61 or more days)	\$30.00

Important for Watercraft/Outboard Motor Owners to Notify SCDNR When...

Change of Address	30 days
Change of Ownership (Sale, disposal, etc.)	30 days
Report Stolen Watercraft/Outboard Motor	Immediately

Property Taxes - The bill of sale or title to any watercraft or outboard motor shall require certification that personal property taxes have been paid by the titled owner as of the date of sale. Check the status of watercraft and outboard motors with South Carolina titles at www.dnr.sc.gov/boating/ under "SC Boat Facts" before you buy.

Registration - Watercraft propelled by any mechanized means must be registered in addition to being titled in the owner's name.

Stolen Watercraft/Outboard Motors - The owner of a watercraft or outboard motor which has been stolen should immediately contact SCDNR Marine Investigations at 803-734-3856 to receive a Theft Report form. Forms can also be found at www.dnr.sc.gov/boating in the Forms section

Titling - The seller of a used watercraft or outboard motor in South Carolina must produce a South Carolina Certificate of Title in his/her name at the time of sale. Titles are valid until the watercraft or outboard motor is sold, traded or exchanged. A title with erasures, white out or information marked through is not valid. The owner must request a duplicate title. Titles are required for all sailboats, all outboard motors 5 horsepower and greater, and all other watercraft except: documented vessels, windsurfers, and those propelled by human power with oars, paddles or similar devices.

Mailing Address - SCDNR Watercraft Section, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202-0167, or call 803-734-3857.

Vessel Sewage Regulations

It is illegal:

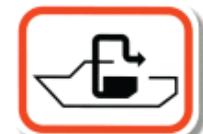
- To have a toilet installed aboard your boat without a marine sanitation device.
- For any boat used for habitation moored at a private dock to discharge raw or treated sewage.
- For houseboats to discharge treated or raw sewage in freshwater.
- For any vessel to discharge in a No Discharge Zone.

Designated No Discharge Zones

- Broad Creek (Hilton Head Island)
- Lake Hartwell
- Lake Murray
- Lake Wylie
- Lake Keowee
- Lake Thurmond

What Can You Do?

To prevent the possible dangers that sewage can cause to humans and the environment, boaters should: use portable toilets, utilize onshore or floating restrooms, or have a Marine Sanitation Device installed on board and use a pumpout at a local marina.



KEEP OUR
WATER CLEAN –
USE PUMPOUTS

For more information, contact Scott Meister at SC-CVA@dnr.sc.gov, 843-953-6686 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/cleanvessel/.

Regulations

Methods and Devices

- Game fish may be caught with only hook and line, fly rod, casting rod, pole and line or hand line. Not more than 2 of these devices may be used by any fisherman at the same time, except when fishing in a boat. An unlimited number of lawful fishing devices may be used if every boat occupant (who would normally be required to have a fishing license) possesses a valid fishing license.
 - Bows and arrows for taking nongame fish only and cast nets for catching nongame bait fish may be in possession while fishing for game fish. Possession of cast nets is prohibited in Game Zone 1 except on Lake Keowee, Hartwell and Twelve Mile Creek.
 - Game fish may be used as bait to catch fish but must be included in daily bag limit.
- Seasons** - No closed freshwater game fish season except in the following areas:
- All watercraft and fishing are prohibited Nov. 1 through Feb. 28 on Caney Bay, Black Bottom and Savannah Branch in Lake Marion.

- Portions of Howard, Corbin and Devil's Fork Creeks in Oconee County are closed to fishing from Nov. 1-Mar. 30, and a portion of Thompson River in Oconee County is closed to fishing from Nov. 1-Mar. 30. Closed sections will be marked with signs.
- Hatchery WMA on Lake Moultrie is closed to fishing each Sat. until 12:00 noon and all day the last Sat. of the waterfowl season.

Prohibited Practices

- Game or nongame fish may not be attracted or taken by explosives, electrical devices, poison or similar means.

Selling and Importing

- No freshwater game fish may be sold in this state except: 1) DNR permitted aquaculturist. 2) DNR wholesale aquaculture license. 3) DNR aquaculture game fish retail license. 4) Private pond owner selling less than \$2,500 in product annually.
- It is illegal to possess, import or sell any fish species that is not native to SC waters without a SCDNR permit.
- Sterile grass carp may only be sold, purchased or possessed under a SCDNR permit.

Game Fish

- A total of 40 game fish may be kept in any one day. This total shall not exceed more than the limits or exceptions listed below.
- Special limits and regulations apply to DNR managed lakes. See chart on page 15.
- Check with State Parks, City Reservoirs or County Parks for special limits and regulations that apply to those areas.

Species	Blue Catfish
Limit	No more than one blue catfish over 36-inches can be taken from Lakes Marion and Moultrie per person in one day.
Species	Black Bass (Largemouth, Smallmouth, Redeye & Spotted)
Limit	10 fish combined total per day, except Slade's Lake, total of not more than 2 largemouth bass per day and not more than 15 fish combined total per day. It is illegal to harvest largemouth bass in Lake Wallace, Marlboro County. 12-inch minimum for largemouth bass on Slade's Lake, Lakes Wylie, Marion, Moultrie, and the Georgia waters of the Savannah River and all its reservoirs.
Species	Striped Bass and/or Hybrids
Limit	10 fish per day
Exceptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Saluda River from Lake Greenwood Dam downstream to the Lake Murray Dam - 5 fish per day and 21-inch minimum size limit. In Lake Murray during July and August, two of the five striped bass creel limit may be less than 21 inches. The Lower Santee River System and the Cooper River system - From June 1 through September 30 no possession of striped bass. From October 1 through May 31 three (3) fish per day and 26-inch minimum size. All stripers must be landed with the head and tailfin intact. The 'Lower Santee River System' includes all waters and tributaries seaward of the Lake Murray Dam, the Columbia Canal Diversion Dam, and the Lake Wateree Dam to the freshwater/saltwater dividing line on the North Santee River and the South Santee River. This includes Lakes Marion and Moultrie, and the Diversion and Re-diversion Canals. The Cooper River system includes all waters and tributaries, including the Tailrace Canal, of the Cooper River from its point of origin seaward to the freshwater/saltwater dividing line. In the Savannah River and its tributaries and distributaries and the lands immediately adjacent to them from the J. Strom Thurmond Lake dam downstream to the mouth of the Savannah River. Defined by a line from Jones Island, S.C. (also known as Oysterbed Island) point at N. 32° 02' W. 80° 53'; across Cockspur Island, Georgia, point at N.32° 01' W.80° 52" to Lazaretto Creek, Georgia, point at 32° 01" W.80° 52". Unlawful to possess more than 2 striped bass, striped bass hybrids, white bass, or any combination of these species. Any lawfully possessed fish of each of these species must be a minimum of 27 inches.
Species	Cold Water Trout
Limit	10 fish per day, 10 in possession.
Exceptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saluda River - not more than five trout may be taken in any one day from that portion of the lower Saluda River between the Lake Murray Dam and the confluence of the Broad River. Chattooga River (SC Hwy 28 upstream to Reid Creek), and Cheohee Creek (SC Forestry Commission property) - 0 trout per day, 0 in possession (catch and release only) from Nov.1 through May 14. Chattooga River (except SC Hwy 28 upstream to Reid Creek), Lakes Tugaloo, Yonah and Hartwell, Lake Hartwell Tailwater and Lake Russell - 8 trout per day, 8 in possession. Whitewater River in Oconee County, Eastatoe River (Heritage Preserve lands) in Pickens County, Middle Saluda River (lower foot bridge at Jones Gap Park upstream to Hwy 276), and Matthews Creek (upstream of Caesar's Head State Park) in Greenville County - 7 trout per day, 7 in possession. Middle Saluda River (Hugh Smith Road upstream to lower foot bridge at Jones Gap State Park) - 0 trout per day, 0 in possession (catch and release year round). Lake Jocassee - 5 trout per day, 5 in possession. Size limit & exceptions: 15-inch minimum.
Bait/tackle restrictions	Artificial lures and bait can be used when fishing for trout.
Bait/tackle Exceptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matthews Creek (from lower boundary of Caesars Head State Park) and Middle Saluda River (Jones Gap State Park lower foot bridge to Hwy 276) in Greenville County, Eastatoe River (Heritage Preserve lands) in Pickens County and Whitewater River in Oconee County - Artificial lures only. Lake Jocassee - It is unlawful to fish with corn, cheese, fish eggs or imitations of them as bait on Lake Jocassee. Chattooga River from SC 28 upstream to Reid (Big) Creek and Cheohee Creek within the property boundary of Piedmont Forestry Center (as posted) between Nov. 1 and May 14. Only artificial lures with single hook may be used. Middle Saluda River (Hugh Smith Rd. to the lower foot bridge at Jones Gap State Park), artificial lures with single hook (no treble hooks).
Seasons	Cold water trout can be fished for year-round unless stated otherwise.

Season Exceptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howard Creek (from Corbin Creek upstream to Limberpole Creek), Corbin Creek (from Howard Creek upstream to SC 130), and Devils Fork Creek in Oconee County are closed to fishing from Nov. 1 through Mar. 30. Chattooga River from SC 28 upstream to Reid (Big) Creek and Cheohee Creek within the property boundary of Piedmont Forestry Center (as posted). All cold-water trout caught between Nov. 1 and May 14 must be released and cannot be harvested. Middle Saluda River (catch and release area) open for fishing only on Mon., Wed., and Sat. during daylight hours with a special daily permit obtained on-site. Cheohee Creek (Forestry Center lands) open to fishing only on Mon., Wed., and Sat. from November 1 through May 14 and June 15 through June 22 of each year during daylight hours.
Species	Crappie, bream (including bluegill, flier, redbreast, warmouth, pumpkinseed and redear, longear and spotted sunfish), white bass, chain pickerel or jackfish, redfin pike, yellow perch, walleye and sauger
Limit	30 fish per day
Exceptions	Walleye and sauger - 8 fish per day on Lakes Tugaloo, Yonah, Hartwell, Russell, Thurmond and the Chattooga River. Crappie - 20 fish per day, 8 inch minimum size on Lake Murray.

Freshwater/Saltwater Dividing Line www.dnr.sc.gov/marine/dividingline.html

The dividing line between saltwater and freshwater on the rivers listed is defined in this section. All waters of the rivers and their tributaries, streams and estuaries lying seaward of the dividing lines are considered saltwaters, and all waters lying landward or upstream from all dividing lines are considered freshwaters for purposes of licensing and regulating commercial and recreational fishing. Except as otherwise provided below, the saltwater/freshwater dividing line is U.S. Hwy. 17:

- 1) On Savannah River the dividing line is the abandoned Seaboard Railroad track bed located approximately one and three-fourths miles upstream from the U.S. Hwy. 17A bridge.
- 2) Wright River is saltwater for its entire length.
- 3) On Ashepoo River the dividing line is the old Seaboard Railroad track bed.
- 4) On New River the dividing line is at Cook's Landing.

- 5) Wallace River, Rantowles Creek, Long Branch Creek, and Shem Creek are saltwater for their entire lengths.
- 6) On Edisto River the dividing line is the abandoned Seaboard Railroad track bed near Matthews Canal Cut.
- 7) On Ashley River the dividing line is the confluence of Popper Dam Creek directly across from Magnolia Gardens.
- 8) On Cooper River the dividing line is the seaward shoreline of Old Back River at the confluence of Old Back River downstream from Bushy Park Reservoir.
- 9) Wando River is saltwater for its entire length.
- 10) On the Intracoastal Waterway in Horry County the dividing line is the bridge across the Intracoastal Waterway at the intersection of S.C. Hwy. 9 and U.S. Hwy. 17.

SCDNR Managed State Lakes

Lake	County	Acres	Open Days*	Boat/Motor	Creel/Size Limits Catfish	Creel/Size Limits Bass	Creel/Size Limits Bream	Minnows Allowed	Boat Ramp	Fishing Pier	Handicap Access
Ashwood	Lee	75	All Days	7.5 H.P.	3	3	20	Yes	X	X	X
Bonneau Ferry WMA**	Berkeley	100	W, Sat, Sun*** Mar. 2 - Oct. 31	Electric Only	No Limit	2	10	Yes	X		
Edgar Brown	Barnwell	100	All Days	10 HP (Gas) North of Hospital Rd eastward. Any size south of Rd.	3	3 (16" minimum)	20	Yes	X	X	X
Cherokee	Cherokee	50	All Days	Electric Only	3	5	25	No	X	X	X
Dargans Pond	Darlington	50	W & Sat (Mar. 1 - Sept. 30)	Electric Only	3	3 (16" minimum) (2 bass may be under the size limit)	20	Yes	X	X	X
John D. Long	Union	80	All Days	Electric Only	3	3	20	No	X	X	X
Edwin Johnson	Spartanburg	40	All Days	Electric Only	3	3 (16" minimum)	20	No	X		
Jonesville	Union	35	M,W,Sat	Electric Only	3	3 (12" minimum)	20	No	X	X	X
Lancaster Resv.	Lancaster	62	Thur & Sat	Electric Only	3	2 (16" minimum)	20	No	X		
Mountain Lake 1	Chester	42	Tue, Thur, Sat, Sun	Electric Only	3	1 (16" minimum)	10 larger than 5". No limit on fish under 5", but state limits apply.	No	X		
Mountain Lake 2	Chester	10	Tue, Thur, Sat, Sun	Electric Only	3	1 (16" minimum)	10 larger than 5". No limit on fish under 5", but state limits apply.	No		X	X
Oak Grove	Greenville	18	W & Sat	Electric Only	3	3 (12" minimum)	20	No			
Oliphant	Chester	40	M,W,Sat	Electric Only	3	3 (14" minimum)	20	No	X	X	X
Star Fort Pond	Greenwood	27	W,Fri,Sat Apr. 1--Nov. 1	Electric Only	3	3 (12" minimum)	20	No		X	X
Thicketty	Cherokee	100	All Days	6 HP (Gas)	No Limit	10	25	Yes	X		
Paul Wallace	Marlboro	280	All Days	10 HP (Gas)	3	0 (No harvesting)	20	No	X	X	X
George Warren	Hampton	400	All Days	10 HP (Gas)	3	3	20	Yes	X	X	X
Webb Center**	Hampton	7&10	All Days***	Electric Only	No Limit	10	30	Yes			
Sunrise	Lancaster	25	M,W,Sat	Electric Only	3	2 (16" minimum)	20	No	X		
Draper WMA***	York	1, 2 & 5	Wed-Mon	No	3	3 (14" minimum)	15	No			

* The days each impoundment is open can change. Contact your nearest SCDNR office to determine the open days of an individual lake.

** Webb Center and Bonneau Ferry Lakes are closed on deer hunting days. Bonneau Ferry closed Saturdays in April until 11:00 AM.

*** Combined daily creel limits from all ponds. Adult/youth fishing only on Bonneau Ferry. Each youth must be accompanied by no more than two adults 18 years of age or older.

Nongame Freshwater Fishing

General Information

Nongame fishing permits and tags may be purchased from SCDNR only. Applications may be obtained at www.dnr.sc.gov or by calling 803-734-3833.

Nongame fishing permits and tags are required, in addition to a valid South Carolina state fishing license (also applies to youth under 16), to use the following devices for recreational purposes: up to 3 trotlines with not more than 150 hooks, 3 to 50 set hooks, 3 to 50 jugs, up to 2 traps, 1 hoop net, 1 gill net no more than 200 yards in length or 5 gill nets, none of which exceed 30 yards in length, 1 skimbow net, 1 seine, 1 minnow seine, or up to 2 eel pots.

This requirement applies to all freshwaters of the state inland of the salt-water-freshwater dividing lines, except privately-owned ponds.

Nongame fishing devices are not allowed in certain waters. The maximum number of devices allowed per area is shown in the Areas & Limits Section on page 18.

A tag must be attached to the device for which it was issued, and each permit and tag identification receipt must be in the licensee's possession while engaging in the activity.

Game fish must be immediately released if caught by net or trap or any other device used for catching nongame fish.

Commercial Fishing

A commercial freshwater fishing license must be in possession to take catfish by any method from public waters and sell or offer for sale such catfish, and/or fish with the following nongame fishing devices: 2 or more gill nets (or 5 gill nets not more than 30 ft. in length), 2 or more hoop nets, 3 or more traps, trotlines with a combined total of 151 hooks or more, or 3 or more eel pots.

All persons involved in commercial catfish fishing must have a commercial freshwater fishing license if they participate in any way in the actual fishing operation. This includes, but is not limited to, operating a boat, baiting hooks, removing fish from lines, traps or nets. No more than one blue catfish over 36-inches can be taken from Lakes Marion and Moultrie in one day.

To qualify for a resident commercial freshwater fishing license, one must have been a resident of this state for the past 12 consecutive months and furnish proof to the SCDNR.

Shad/Herring

To take shad for recreational purposes by hook and line, cast net, or skim bow net in freshwaters a person must have a freshwater fishing license. For other allowances and restrictions, see page 23. Commercial fishing for shad and herring in freshwaters, including for sale as bait and by use of gill nets, is regulated under saltwater fisheries laws regardless of location within the state (Sec. 50-5-1500 and 50-5-1550). Contact the Charleston License office at 843-953-9301 for commercial and gill net information.

Markers and Identification

Trotlines, traps, eel pots and gill nets must be marked with a floating marker with a minimum capacity of one pint and a maximum capacity of one gallon or equivalent size and must be made of solid, buoyant material which does not sink if punctured or cracked. The floating markers must be constructed of plastic, PVC Spongex, plastic foam or cork. No hollow buoys or floats including plastic, metal or glass bottles or jugs may be used except manufactured buoys or floats specifically designed for use with nongame fishing devices; these may be hollow if constructed of heavy duty plastic material and approved by the SCDNR. The floating markers must be colored white when used the 1st through the 15th of the month and yellow when used the remainder of the month. The owner's name and address must be marked clearly on each floating marker.

Hoop Nets set on the Congaree River from the I-77 Bridge to the confluence of the Congaree and Wateree rivers must also be marked with the same floating markers as listed above.

Bait

No game fish, live bait or any bait other than bait listed below shall be used with trotlines, set hooks and jugs: soap, doughballs, cut fish (nongame fish

cut into at least three equal parts), shrimp, grapes or meat scraps (shall not include insects, worms and other invertebrates).

On the Edisto, Black, Sampit, Great Pee Dee, Little Pee Dee, Lumber and Waccamaw rivers, live nongame fish and bream may be used with single-barbed set hooks and trotlines that have a shank-to-point gap of one and three-sixteenths inches or greater.

On the Black, Great Pee Dee, Little Pee Dee, Lumber and Waccamaw rivers, live nongame fish and bream may be used on trotlines having not more than 20 hooks with a shank-to-point gap of one and three-sixteenths inches.

Game fish used as bait must be included in daily creel limit, 30 bream per day (see pg. 18).

There are no restrictions on the type of bait permissible in traps or eel pots except that no game fish or parts thereof shall be used as bait.

Prohibited Areas

No nongame fishing devices of any kind may be used in SCDNR-managed lakes (as listed on page 15), or waters within Game Zone 1, except in Lakes Hartwell and Keowee and Twelve-Mile Creek.

Prohibited Practices

Possession or use on the freshwaters of this state of any device or gear designed or used to catch nongame fish not authorized by law is prohibited.

Possession of game fish or tackle designed to catch game fish is prohibited while fishing traps, trotlines, or other nongame fish devices except cast nets and bows and arrows.

It is unlawful for any person to tamper with, fish, or use in any manner the nongame fishing device or gear owned and tagged by another person, or to take from any such device or gear, any fish caught thereon. No fishing device shall be used, placed, set or fished so as to create a hazard to boating.

No trotlines, traps or eel pots shall be placed within 200 yards of any permanent man-made structure on Lakes Marion and Moultrie nor placed anywhere in the Diversion Canal connecting Lakes Marion and Moultrie, the Tailrace Canal nor the area known as the Borrow Pit (also known as "Bar Pit") in Clarendon County.

Penalties

The boat, motor, fishing gear and fish of any person who is charged with unlawfully fishing, using or having in possession a gill net or hoop net on any freshwater lake or reservoir shall be confiscated.

Any person who tampers with any non-game fishing device with intent to damage or to make it ineffective for the purpose of taking fish shall be fined not less than \$100 nor more than \$200 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days, and for stealing a device or fish caught in the device shall be fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 6 months or both.

Upon the conviction of any commercial freshwater fisherman of illegal possession of game fish or the sale or traffic in game fish, SCDNR shall suspend such person's license or privilege to fish in this state for a period of one year.

Updated regulations and information are provided when nongame fish tags or permits are issued. Tags, permits and commercial freshwater fishing licenses are available by visiting any Regional DNR Office (see page 61 for locations), through the internet at www.dnr.sc.gov, by writing to: SCDNR-License Section, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202-0167 or calling 803-734-3833. Nongame fish tags are issued at each Regional DNR office. Tags purchased through the internet or by mail are mailed from the Columbia office and the privilege is not valid until the tag is received by the licensee.

**Free Fishing Days June 12 & 13, 2010
(For residents only, as specified in Sect. 50-9-730.)**

Nongame Freshwater Fishing Methods and Devices

Some devices are not permitted on certain waters. See Area & Limits on page 18 for devices and limits allowed in each area.

Set Hooks

Description	A single hook and line attached to bushes, limbs, poles, sticks or similar structures.
Permits/Regulations	A permit is required to fish 3 to 50 hooks (50 hook limit). Persons 65 years or older or under age 16 are not required to purchase a Set Hook Permit, but a label with their name, address and age must be attached to each set hook. A fishing license is required. A permit is not required for 2 set hooks with a valid state fishing license.
Hours/Seasons	Must be removed prior to one hour after official sunrise each day and cannot be reattached prior to one hour before official sunset.

Jugs

Description	A single hook and line attached to a free-floating device with a minimum capacity of one pint and a maximum of one gallon. May not have more than one line.
Permits/Regulations	A permit is required to fish 3 to 50 jugs (50 jug limit). Licensee's name and address must be clearly marked on each jug. Jug fishing is legal only in Lakes Greenwood, Secession, Richard B. Russell, Thurmond, and Stevens Creek. A permit is not required for 2 jugs with a valid state fishing license. A jug permit is not required for residents assisting jug permit holders.
Hours/Seasons	Must be removed from the water before one hour after official sunrise each day and not replaced prior to one hour before official sunset.

Trotlines

Description	2 or more hooks attached to a line which is rigged horizontally and marked with a white or yellow floating marker (See Markers and Identification on page 16). Stainless steel hooks are prohibited statewide. Hooks used in Lakes Marion and Moultrie ONLY must measure 7/16 inch or less between point and shank.
Permits/Regulations	A tag is required for each trotline with up to 50 hooks. Trotlines with more than 50 hooks require a tag for every 50 hooks or less. No trotline shall be attached in any manner to another trotline or to the support or float of another trotline. No trotlines allowed within 100 feet of the mouth of any tributary stream.
Hours/Seasons	Trotlines must be inspected and fish removed at least every 24 hours. From Apr. 1 to Oct. 1, no trotline is permitted in any waters from one hour after official sunrise to one hour before official sunset, unless the trotline is sunk to the bottom or a minimum depth of four feet below the surface. From Oct. 2 to Mar. 31, trotlines may be left in the water 24 hours per day at any depth.

Traps & Eel Pots

Description	A device marked with a white or yellow floating marker (See Markers and Identification on page 16)
Permits/Regulations	A tag is required for each trap or eel pot. A permit is required for the harvest of eels in both freshwater and saltwater. Traps and eel pots may be suspended in water at a depth which does not create a hazard to watercraft. No trap or eel pot shall be placed within 100 feet of the mouth of any tributary stream. No crab pot or trap of like design may be used in the fresh waters of this state.
Hours/Seasons	No closed season.
Trap Type 1	The trap may be made of wire or textile material and be cylindrical in shape of a length not more than 6 feet and a width of not more than 3 feet. The mesh shall not be smaller than 1 inch by 1 inch, and there shall be only one application of exterior wire to the trap. The muzzle shall have one of the following designs: A trap door on the second muzzle or catch muzzle which remains in a closed position and which only opens for the entry of fish into the trap; or constructed of netting so that the opening of the small end of the second muzzle or catch muzzle is held in the shape of a slit and the trap configuration constructed such that as the trap rests on the bottom, the slit shall be oriented horizontally with the greatest vertical opening being no greater than 1 inch.

Trap Type 2 The trap may be made of wood strips or slats and be cylindrical or rectangular in shape. The length shall not exceed 6 feet, and the width or diameter shall not exceed 2 feet. The throat opening of the catch muzzle in a resting position shall not exceed 3 inches measured in any direction. The sides, top and rear of the trap shall have a minimum of one inch opening between the slats to allow for the escape of small catfish. This shall apply only to the last 12 inches of the trap.

Eel pot Pots no larger than 24 inches by 48 inches and constructed of wire with a mesh size no smaller than 1/2 by 1/2 inch, except for the throat or muzzle and the end opposite the throat or muzzle. The throat opening shall not exceed 2 inches measured in any direction.

Hoop Nets

Description	Nets made of textile netting (no wire) of a mesh size between 1 and 2 inches square enclosing a series of round hoops with two or more muzzle openings made of a netting material. The maximum size net allowed is 16 feet by 5 1/2 feet.
Permits/Regulations	Hoop nets must rest on the bottom and cannot be placed within 100 feet of the mouth of any tributary stream.
Hours/Seasons	No closed season.

Gill Nets

Description	Nets with a mesh size greater than 4 1/2 inches stretch mesh. The maximum length is 200 yards and no net, cable, line or other device used for support of the gill net can extend more than halfway across the stream or body of water. Nets must be marked with a white or yellow floating marker (See Markers and Identification).
Permits/Regulations	Gill nets shall be placed on a first-come basis, and no net can be placed within 200 yards of another gill net.

Hours/Seasons The season for taking nongame fish other than shad and herring is Nov. 1 to Mar. 1 (where authorized) on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays only. Fishing time begins at 12:01 am on Wednesday, and ends at midnight on Saturday.

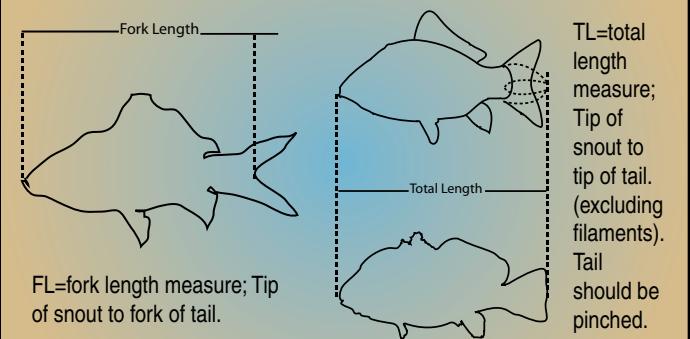
Other Devices

Description	Devices described in this section may be used in any body of fresh water including tributaries of rivers or creeks except in prohibited areas. A state fishing license is required (Lakes & Reservoir Permits are not valid). Tags are not required.
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Bows and Arrows, Spears, Gigs & Cast Nets:

Skimbow Net	A hand-operated dip net with the bow constructed of wood or metal with wire or textile netting with a mesh size not greater than 1 1/2 inches square. The bow shall not exceed 6 feet in any direction and may be used only from February through April 30 for shad or herring.
Minnow Seine	Must not be greater than four feet in width by 20 feet in length with a mesh size of not more than 1/4 inch square mesh. It is unlawful to have in possession a minnow seine from 10 PM to official sunrise.
Tires	Must not exceed 20-inch rim. Rules and regulations of power companies may not allow for the placing of tires.
Seine	A net having a stretch mesh of not less than 1 inch and not more than 1 1/2 inches which does not exceed 75 feet in length or 6 feet in depth. It shall be unlawful to anchor a seine and leave it unattended.

How to Measure a Fish



Nongame Areas and Limits

*Described limits are the maximum number of nongame devices allowed per license holder.

Ashepoo River:

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit

Ashley River:

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit

Big Pee Dee River - See Great Pee Dee River

Black Creek: Darlington, Florence & Chesterfield Counties:

(Lakes Robinson & Prestwood)

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Black River:

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Bridge Lake:

Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Broad River: Includes the waters from the North Carolina state line to the confluence of the Broad and Saluda rivers.

Traps - 5*

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Set hooks - 50

Seines-1 (from Hwy 34 bridge upstream)

Bull Creek: Horry & Georgetown Counties:

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Eel pots - No limit

Traps - 50*

Buffalo Creek:

Seines-1

Bush River: Laurens County:

Seines-1

Catawba River: From Lake Wylie Dam to the backwaters of Lake Wateree, including all reservoirs.

Traps - 2

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Set hooks - 50

Seines - 1 in York County only

Combahee River:

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit

Congaree River: From the Gervais Street Bridge in Columbia to the I-77 Bridge in Columbia.

Traps - 50*

Trotlines - 2000 hooks total*

Hoop nets - 50 w/commercial license.

Congaree River: From the I-77 Bridge to confluence of the Congaree and Wateree rivers.

Traps - 10 max. w/ commercial license.

Trotlines - 2000 hooks total*

Hoop nets - 10 w/commercial license. (see Markers & Identification)

Set hooks - 50

Cooper River: Traps, trotlines, set hooks and eel pots are not permitted upstream from Wadboo Creek.

Traps - 50*

Trotline - 150 hooks total

Fyke Nets - As allowed for eel fishing by regulation

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit

Pump nets - No limit

Coosawhatchie & Tullifinny Rivers:

Set hooks - 50

Durbin Creek:

Seines - 1

Edisto River:

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots-No limit

Enoree River:

Traps - 2

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Set hooks - 50

Great Pee Dee River:

From I-95 to NC state line.
Traps - 50*

Trotlines - 2000 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Hoop nets - 50 w/commercial license.

North of SC 34 only

Great Pee Dee River: From I-95 to the saltwater line.

Nongame gill nets in season

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - Below Highway 701 bridge only, No limit

Traps - 50*

Jefferies Creek: Florence County:
Nongame gill nets in season

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

John's Hole Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Mallards Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Mims Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Mouth of Four Holes Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Mulberry Creek: Greenwood County:

Seines - 1

New River: Set hooks - 50

Old River: Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Pacolet River: Set hooks - 50

Traps - 2

Rabon Creek: Laurens County:

Seines - 1

Redbank Creek: Saluda County

west of Highway 121:

Seines - 1

Reedy River: Set hooks - 50

Traps - 2

Rock's Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Salkehatchie River: Set hooks - 50

Saluda River: From Southern RR in Greenville County downstream

Anderson County:

Seines - 1

Thicketty Creek: Cherokee County:

Seines - 1

Turkey Creek: Edgefield & Greenwood Counties:

Seines - 1

Twelve - Mile Creek:

Traps - 2

Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Tyger River: Set hooks - 50

Traps - 2

Waccamaw River: Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit below junction of Big Bull Creek

Warrior Creek: Laurens County:

Seines - 1

Wateree River: Set hooks - 50*

Traps - 2

Wilsons Creek: Greenwood County:

Seines - 1

Woods Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Lake Greenwood Dam to backwaters of Lake Murray.

Traps - 2

Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Seines - 1 in Anderson, Laurens and Greenville Counties only except in Anderson County seines may be used in river tributaries.

Saluda River: From Lake Murray Dam to the Gervais St. Bridge in Columbia.

Traps - 2

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Sampit River:

Nongame gill nets in season

Traps - 50*

Set hooks - 50

Santee River: Downstream from Wilson Dam on Lake Marion. No non-game gear (except skimbow nets) allowed upstream of U.S.G.S. Gauging Station 1715 about 2.4 miles below Santee Dam.

Traps - 50*

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Eel pots - No limit

Savannah River: Below Stevens Creek Dam.

Traps - 50*

Hoop nets - 50 w/commercial license.

Set hooks - 50

Nongame gill nets in season

Trotlines - 2000 hooks total*

Eel pots - No limit

Shuler Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Steed's Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Stevens Creek: Above Clark's Hill Bridge.

Seines - 1

Thicketty Creek: Cherokee County:

Seines - 1

Turkey Creek: Edgefield & Greenwood Counties:

Seines - 1

Twelve - Mile Creek:

Traps - 2

Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Tyger River:

Traps - 2

Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Seines - 1

Waccamaw River:

Trotlines - 150 hooks total*

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

Eel pots - No limit below junction of Big Bull Creek

Warrior Creek: Laurens County:

Seines - 1

Wateree River:

Traps - 50*

Set hooks - 50

Trotlines - 2000 hooks total*

Hoop nets - 50 w/commercial license

Wilson Creek: Greenwood County:

Seines - 1

Woods Lake: Dorchester County:

Nongame gill nets in season

Set hooks - 50

General Information

The following laws pertain mainly to noncommercial saltwater fishing, shrimping, crabbing and shellfishing for personal consumption. Individuals (age 16 and older) harvesting marine resources, including finfish, oysters, clams, shrimp and crab must purchase an annual or temporary Saltwater Recreational Fishing License - unless fishing on a licensed public fishing pier; fishing on a licensed charter vessel while under hire; using 3 or fewer drop nets, 3 or fewer fold up traps, or 3 or fewer handlines with no hooks and a single bait per line (chicken necking); or shrimp baiting (which requires a shrimp baiting license).

Fishing piers and chartered vessels charging a fee for fishing must purchase a Marine Recreational Fishing license annually. Applications for Pier and Charter Vessel Licenses are available from the DNR office in Charleston.

Any person engaged in selling any fish or fishery product, including bait, must first obtain a license from the Marine Resources Division. Regulations concerning commercial saltwater fishing are provided with commercial licenses and are available through the Marine Resources Division at the address below.

For more information, contact: SCDNR, Marine Resources Division, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422, 843-953-9301, www.dnr.sc.gov.

For federal fishery limits and regulations, contact: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405, 843-571-4366, www.safmc.net.

Saltwater Fishing Methods & Devices

Hook and Line

Permits/License: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. Federal Highly Migratory Species Permit required when fishing for tuna, billfish and swordfish in federal waters and for possession of these species in state waters. For sharks, a federal permit is required only when fishing in federal waters.

Seasons: No closed season.

Restrictions:

- It is unlawful to fish from a boat within 300 feet of commercial fishing piers extending into the Atlantic Ocean.
- Fishing from the shore in the waters under or within 50 feet on either side or beyond the end of any ocean fishing pier in Horry County is prohibited.

Gigging

Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License.

Restrictions:

- It is unlawful to gig red drum or spotted seatrout during Dec., Jan. and Feb.
- It is unlawful in Georgetown County to gig for fish in saltwaters from the northern tip of North Island to the northern tip of Magnolia Beach during daylight hours.

Bangsticks

- It is unlawful to take, have in one's possession or to land or sell any species of fish taken by means of a bangstick or similar device.

Annual License Fees

Saltwater Recreational Fishing License

Annual Resident License	\$10
Annual Non-Resident License	\$35
Temporary Resident License (14 days)	\$5
Temporary Non-Resident License (14 days)	\$11

Shrimp Baiting License

Resident License	\$25
Non-Resident License	\$500
Commercial Pier License (>100 feet)	\$350
Commercial Pier License (<=100 feet)	\$150
Charter Vessel License (6 or fewer passengers)	\$150
(7-49 passengers)	\$250
(50 or more passengers)	\$350

Cast Nets (Other than Shrimp Baiting)

Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required.

Seines & Gill Nets (Anchor, Set, Stake & Drift Nets)

Permits/Licenses:

- Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required.
- To operate a haul seine a commercial license is required.
- Powerboats transporting nets or other commercial fishing equipment must have vessel decals.

Seasons: No closed season in saltwater (except shad, sturgeon and herring).

Restrictions:

- Red drum and spotted seatrout may not be taken by nets. Sharks may not be taken by gill nets.
- Gill nets no longer than 100 feet with a 3-inch minimum stretched mesh size may be used only in unrestricted areas of the Atlantic Ocean. Gill nets no longer than 100 yards with 3-inch minimum stretched mesh size may be used only in special designated inshore areas.
- Gill nets must be marked with one end buoy that is international orange in color with the name and address of the owner. Operator must be within 500 feet of the net, be within hauling distance and have visual contact with the net at all times when deployed.
- Nets may not be set more than halfway across any waterway at any time.
- Stationary or fixed nets, including gill nets, may not be set or placed within 600 feet of a net previously set.
- It is unlawful to use any seine or gill net in any waters within a state park; except, small hand seines and cast nets for taking shrimp are allowed.

Special Information

Special Management Zones - The following Artificial Reefs have been declared "Special Management Zones" and are protected by federal regulations:

BP-25, Beaufort 45, Betsy Ross, Bill Perry, C.J. Davidson, Cape Romain, Capers, Charleston 60, Comanche, Eagles Nest, Edisto 40, Edisto 60, Edisto Offshore, Fripp Island, Georgetown, Greenville, Hilton Head, Hunting Island, Kiawah, Little River Offshore, North Inlet, Paradise, Pawley's Island, Ten Mile, Vermilion, Wayne Upchurch, Will Goldfinch and Y-73. Fishing may be conducted only with handheld hook and line gear and spearfishing gear (excluding powerheads). The use of fish traps, longlines, gill nets and trawls is prohibited. Powerheads (bangsticks) are prohibited except for safety purposes. It is unlawful to possess, land or sell any species of fish taken with a bangstick (reef and non-reef areas).

Unlawful to Sell Gamefish - The following species have been declared gamefish and native caught fish may not be sold: red drum (channel bass), spotted seatrout, striped bass and tarpon. The purchase, barter, trade, or sale of billfish, including marlin, sailfish and spearfish, is unlawful regardless of where taken or landed. Swordfish may be sold under commercial laws only.

Prohibited Practices - The use of dynamite, gun powder, lime or any other explosive in or about any waters of this state is unlawful. The commercial sale of diamondback terrapins is prohibited. Harvest and possession of horseshoe crabs is prohibited without a commercial permit.

It is unlawful to sell or offer for sale any sea turtles or to offer for sale, sell or destroy any sea turtle eggs. Sea turtles are protected by the Federal Endangered Species Act. It is unlawful to display, feed, net, trap, harpoon, molest or otherwise interfere with the well-being or normal activity of marine mammals of the orders Cetacea, Sirenia and Pinnipedia, including but not limited to bottlenose dolphin, spotted dolphin, common dolphin, manatee, porpoise, harbor seal and any species of whale in any waters of the state. Marine mammals are also protected by federal law.

Marine Protected Areas (MPA's) - Four MPA's (Snowy Grouper Wreck, Northern SC, Edisto, and Charleston Deep Artificial Reef) are located off of the SC coast. Fishing or possession (unless gear is appropriately stored) of snapper grouper species and shark bottom longlining is prohibited in these areas. For locations and more details on these MPA's please visit www.safmc.net or call 843-571-4366.

Size & Catch Limits for Saltwater Fish

TL=Total Length, FL=Fork Length; AIW=Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway; **State Waters** extend from the saltwater-freshwater dividing line to the 3-mile limit. **Federal Waters** extend from the 3-mile limit to 200 miles offshore (international waters). For information on how to measure a fish, see page 17.

All species in this section must be landed with head and tail intact.

Species	Limits	Size Limit	Seasons/Restrictions
Sport Fish			
Black Drum	5 per person per day (state waters)	14-inch minimum (TL) and 27-inch maximum (TL) (state waters)	Season: No closed season
Bluefish	15 per person per day (all waters)	No size limit	Season: No closed season
Cobia	2 per person per day (all waters)	33-inch minimum (FL) (all waters)	Season: No closed season Restrictions: Charter and headboats must have a Coastal Migratory Pelagics permit to fish for this species.
Dolphin	10 per person or 60 per boat per day (all waters); headboats have no boat limit.	No size limit	Season: No closed season
Flounders (Southern, Summer & Gulf)	Rod & reel or gigging only - 20 per person per day, not to exceed 40 per boat per day (state waters)	14-inch minimum (TL) (state waters)	Restrictions: Size limits apply to both recreational & commercial fishing.
Greater Amberjack	1 per person per day (all waters) In April, 1 per vessel per trip	28-inch minimum (FL) (all waters)	Restrictions: Commercial harvest restrictions during April. Prohibits sale of fish harvested under bag limit when season is closed.
Hardhead Catfish and Gafftopsail Catfish (Saltwater Catfish)	Possession is prohibited	Possession is prohibited	Season: No open season. If caught, must be released immediately.
King Mackerel	3 per person per day (all waters)	24-inch minimum (FL) (all waters)	Season: March 1 to February 28. Restrictions: Fishery may be closed to all harvest if total allowable catch is met (state & federal waters). Charter and headboats must have a Coastal Migratory Pelagics permit to fish for this species.
Red Drum (Channel Bass/ Spottail)	3 per person per day (state waters) 0 per person per day (federal waters)	15-inch minimum (TL) and 23-inch maximum (TL) (state waters)	Season: May be taken only by rod & reel year-round or by gigging March through November. Restrictions: May not be harvested from federal waters. South Carolina native caught fish may not be sold (state waters).
Sheepshead, Spadefish	No more than 20 per person per day in aggregate with the snapper grouper complex species.	None	Season: No closed season
Spanish Mackerel	15 per person per day (all waters)	12-inch minimum (FL) (all waters)	Season: March 1 to February 28. Restrictions: Fishery may be closed to all harvest if total allowable catch is met (state & federal waters). Charter and headboats must have a Coastal Migratory Pelagics permit to fish for this species.
Spotted Seatrout	10 per person per day (state waters)	14-inch minimum (TL) (state waters)	Season: May be taken only by rod & reel year-round or by gigging March through November. Restrictions: South Carolina native-caught fish may not be sold (state waters).
Striped Bass, Hybrid Bass and Combinations	10 per person per day except 2 per day in Savannah River saltwaters. See page 15.	None in saltwaters, except 27-inch (TL) minimum in Savannah River saltwaters. See page 15.	Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be taken only by rod & reel year-round.• May not be sold (state waters).
Tarpon	1 per person per day (state waters)	No size limit	Restrictions: May be taken only by rod & reel and may not be sold.
Wahoo	2 per person per day	No size limit	Season: No closed season Restrictions: No sale of recreationally caught fish.
Weakfish	10 per person per day (state waters)	12-inch minimum (TL) (state waters)	Season: No closed season
Atlantic Tunas			
Albacore, Skipjack	None	No size limit	Restrictions: Federal permit required.
Bigeye, Bluefin Tuna	Check current federal regulations by calling 1-888-USA-TUNA (1-888-872-8862) or checking www.nmfspermits.com .	27-inch minimum (FL)	Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check current federal regulations by calling 1-888-USA-TUNA (1-888-872-8862) or checking www.nmfspermits.com.• Federal permit required.
Yellowfin Tuna	3 per person per day	27-inch minimum (FL)	Restrictions: Federal permit required.
Porgies & Snappers			
Red Porgy	3 per person per day	14-inch minimum (TL)	Season: No closed season
Vermilion Snapper	10 per person per day (all waters) (recreational)	12-inch minimum (TL) (recreational and commercial)	Restrictions: Seasonal restrictions and possession limit changes pending. Please check with the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council at www.safmc.net or 843-571-4366 before fishing for this species.

Species	Limits	Size Limit	Seasons/Restrictions
Other Snappers (Excluding Vermilion)			
Red Snapper	10 per person per day from this group (including all snapper species except Vermilion), and no more than 2 Red Snapper may be included in the total (state & federal waters).	20-inch minimum (TL)	Restrictions: Possession limit changes pending. Please check with the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council at www.safmc.net or 843-571-4366 before fishing for this species.
Lane Snapper		8-inch minimum (TL)	Season: No closed season
Black Snapper		No size limit	Season: No closed season
Blackfin, Cubera, Dog, Yellowtail, Gray, Mahogany, Silk, Schoolmaster & Queen Snapper		12-inch minimum (TL)	Season: No closed season
Mutton Snapper		16-inch minimum (TL)	Season: No closed season
Hogfish	None	12-inch minimum (FL) (all waters)	Season: No closed season
Sea Bass, Grouper & Tilefish			
Black Sea Bass	15 per person per day (recreational; all waters)	12-inch minimum (TL) (recreational; all waters); 10-inch minimum (TL) (commercial; all waters)	Season: Open unless total allowable catch is met.
Grouper, Tilefish Combinations			
Gag & Black Grouper	5 per person per day from this group; no more than 2 Gag or Black Groupers or more than 1 Snowy Grouper or more than 1 Snowy Grouper or Golden Tilefish may be included in this total (state & federal waters).	24-inch minimum (TL)	Restrictions: Seasonal restrictions and possession limit changes pending. Please check with the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council at www.safmc.net or 843-571-4366 before fishing for these species.
Scamp, Red, Yellowfin & Yellowmouth Groupers		20-inch minimum (TL)	Restrictions: Seasonal restrictions and possession limit changes pending. Please check with the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council at www.safmc.net or 843-571-4366 before fishing for these species.
Blueline Tilefish, Golden Tilefish, Misty Grouper, Sand Tilefish, Snowy Grouper, Yellowedge Grouper		No size limit	Season: No closed season
Coney, Grasby, Red Hind, Rock Hind, Tiger Grouper		No size limit	Restrictions: Seasonal restrictions and possession limit changes pending. Please check with the South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council at www.safmc.net or 843-571-4366 before fishing for this species."
Warsaw, Speckled Hind Groupers	1 Warsaw and 1 Speckled Hind per vessel per trip (included in aggregate bag limit)	No size limit	Season: No closed season
Nassau Grouper, Goliath Grouper	Possession is prohibited		Season: No open season
All Other Snapper Grouper Complex Species Combined			
Species including but not limited to: Lesser Amberjack; Cottonwick; Bluestripe, White, Smallmouth, French and Spanish Grunts; Scup, Sheepshead, Almaco, Bar, Crevalle and Yellow Jacks; Black Margate; Margate; Whitebone, Knobbed, Jolthead, Saucereye, Grass and Longspine Porgies; Porkfish; Puddingwife; Banded Rudderfish; Sailors Choice; Bank Sea Bass; Rock Sea Bass; Spadefish; Gray, Queen and Ocean Triggerfish	20 per person per day from this group	No size limit	Season: No closed season. Restrictions: Bluerunners and tomates are excluded from the bag limit.
Sharks			
Federal Highly Migratory Species Permit required in federal waters. All sharks must be landed with fins, head and tail naturally attached.			
Dogfish (Spiny & Smooth)	None (all waters)	No size limit	
Atlantic Sharpnose	1 per person per day (state and federal waters)	No size limit	
Bonnethead	1 per person per day (all waters)	No size limit	
Blacknose, Blacktip, Blue, Bull, Finetooth, Great Hammerhead, Scalloped Hammerhead, Smooth Hammerhead, Lemon, Shortfin Mako, Nurse, Porbeagle, Spinner, Thresher, Tiger and Oceanic Whitetip Sharks	1 shark per boat from this group	54-inch minimum (FL)	
Atlantic Angel, Basking, Bignose, Dusky, Galapagos, Longfin Mako, Narrowtooth, Night, Caribbean Reef, Sandbar (outside of commercial shark research fishery), Sevengill, Caribbean Sharpnose, Silky, Bigeye Sixgill, Sixgill, Smalltail, Bigeye Thresher, Bigeye Sand Tiger, Sand Tiger, Whale and White Sharks.	Possession is prohibited		Season: No open season. Restrictions: Sharks from this group may not be kept. If caught, sharks from this group must be released immediately.

Species	Limits	Size Limit	Seasons/Restrictions
Billfish			
Blue Marlin	None	99-inch minimum from lower jaw (FL) (all waters)	Restrictions: May be taken only by rod & reel and may not be sold
White Marlin	None	66-inch minimum from lower jaw (FL) (all waters)	Restrictions: May be taken only by rod & reel and may not be sold
Sailfish	None	63-inch minimum from lower jaw (FL) (all waters)	Restrictions: May be taken only by rod & reel and may not be sold
Swordfish	1 per person per day, up to 3 per vessel per trip	47-inch minimum from lower jaw (FL) (state and federal waters)	Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be taken only by rod & reel and handlines.Handlines must be attached to, or remain in contact with, the vessel at all times.• Recreationally taken fish may not be sold.
Longbill Spearfish	Possession is prohibited		
Sturgeon & Shad			
Shortnose Sturgeon	Possession is prohibited		Restrictions: Unlawful to catch, buy, sell, possess, or ship. Classified as an endangered species.
Atlantic Sturgeon	Possession is prohibited		Season: No open season until further notice. Restrictions: Unlawful to catch, buy, sell, possess or ship.
American Shad, Herring	10 shad per person per day except in Santee River and Rediversion Canal (20 per person per day). 1 U.S. bushel of herring per person per day.	No size limit	Season: No closed season for recreational fishing with castnet or hook & line, including rod & reel. Skimbow nets allowed Feb. 1 through Apr. 30. Restrictions: Gillnets allowed as for commercial use. If fishing gillnets recreationally must adhere to recreational limits.

Species	Bag & Size Limits	Seasons/Restrictions
Crabs, Lobster & Shellfish Harvesting		
Blue Crabs	Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. See page 20 for gear exemptions. Limit: None (state waters) Size: 5-inch minimum carapace width (point to point)	Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Females with egg mass (sponge) must be returned to water unharmed immediately.• For recreational purposes no more than two traps (pots) per person with owner's name and address marked on yellow floats only.
Stone Crabs	Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. See page 20 for gear exemptions. Limit: None (state waters) Size: Claws must be 2 3/4-inch minimum forearm (propodus)	Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only crabs with 2 claws may have one removed.• Only the larger of two claws may be kept.• It is unlawful to possess any stone crab body, live or dead.• No claw may be removed from a female with egg mass.• For recreational purposes no more than two traps (pots) per person with owner's name and address marked on yellow floats only.
Spiny Lobster	Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. Limit: 2 per person per day (all waters) Size: Carapace must be over 3 inches	Season: No closed season. Restrictions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of tail at sea prohibited.• No harvest of berried females is allowed.• No explosives, poisons, spears, or piercing devices other than fishing hooks are allowed.
Oysters	Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. Limit: 2 U.S. bushels per person per day from public or state shellfish grounds. No boat or vehicle, or boat and vehicle combination, may contain more than three personal limits regardless of the number of persons on the boat or in the vehicle. In order to possess three personal limits, there must be three persons on the boat or in the vehicle. If there are four or more persons on the boat or in the vehicle, there is a maximum possession limit of three personal limits. Size: No Limit	Season: typically Sept. 16 through May 15; may be shortened or extended by the DNR. Restrictions: A person may harvest shellfish (clams and/or oysters) recreationally no more than two days per seven day period. Shell Recycling: Oyster shells are collected throughout the coastal area and reused for shellfish culture. Call 843-953-9300 for shell drop-off site locations, or visit saltwaterfishing.sc.gov/oyster.html for detailed maps of locations.
Clams	Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. Limit: ½ U.S. bushel per person per day from public or state shellfish grounds. No boat or vehicle, or boat and vehicle combination, may contain more than three personal limits regardless of the number of persons on the boat or in the vehicle. In order to possess three personal limits there must be three persons on the boat or in the vehicle. If there are four or more persons on the boat or in the vehicle, there is a maximum possession limit of three personal limits. Size: 1-inch minimum thickness	Season: Typically Sept. 16 through May 15; may be shortened or extended by the DNR. Restrictions: A person may harvest shellfish (clams and/or oysters) recreationally no more than two days per seven day period. Shell Recycling: Oyster shells are collected throughout the coastal area and reused for shellfish culture. Call 843-953-9300 for shell drop-off site locations, or visit saltwaterfishing.sc.gov/oyster.html for detailed maps of locations.

Species	Bag & Size Limits	Seasons/Restrictions
Crab & Shellfish Methods & Devices		
Crab Pots (Traps)	<p>Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. Licensees can fish no more than two pots recreationally. A commercial Saltwater Fishing License, Vessel Decal, and Gear License are required for over two pots. (Other information is provided with licenses.)</p>	<p>Season: No closed season</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If unattended each pot float must bear name and address or license number of owner. No crab pot shall be left unattended in coastal waters more than 5 days. No crab trap or pot may be set within 100 yards of a public boat landing or launching area or set so as to be left dry at low tide. A float attached to a crab pot or trap must be made of solid, buoyant material which does not sink upon being punctured or cracked. The floats must be constructed of plastic, PVC Spongex, plastic foam, or cork. The primary float for a recreational pot or trap must be yellow in color and at least ten inches in length if rectangular, cylindrical, or conical and at least five inches in diameter or width. Round or spherical floats must be at least six inches in diameter. Buoy lines for crab pots must be made of nonfloating material.
Gathering Shellfish (Oysters & Clams)	<p>Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required.</p>	<p>Seasons: Typically Sept. 16 through May 15 (½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset).</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shellfish may be harvested recreationally from State shellfish grounds and Public shellfish grounds. Public and State shellfish grounds are marked with signs. Recreational harvesting is allowed on culture permit grounds (formerly leases), but only when the harvester has in possession written permission from the culture permit holder. License must be in possession while harvesting. <p><i>Maps of areas where oysters and clams may be gathered in season for recreation may be found on the web at www.dnr.sc.gov or by writing Marine Resources at PO Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422. www.dnr.sc.gov/marine/shellfish/regs.html.</i></p>
Shrimp Harvesting		
Catch Limits for Shrimp - Certain exemptions apply to permitted charter vessels and licensed bait dealers. For information, contact SCDNR, Marine Resources Division, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422 or call 843-953-9312.		
Taking Shrimp Without Bait	<p>Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required. See page 20 for gear exemptions.</p> <p>Limits: Daily catch 48 quarts whole or 29 quarts headed per boat, per person if no boat is used, or per seining party.</p>	<p>Seasons: May 1 through December 15.</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 dozen dead or live shrimp per boat December 16 through April 30.
Shrimp Baiting	<p>Permits/Licenses: Shrimp Baiting License and individual pole marker tags required. A license is not required for residents assisting license holders. License available Monday of the second full week in June.</p> <p>Limits: Daily catch 48 quarts whole or 29 quarts headed per boat or per person if no boat is used.</p>	<p>Seasons: 60-day period set by SCDNR beginning at 12:00 noon on the last Friday on or before Sept. 15. Call 843-953-9312 for season dates.</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shrimp caught over bait cannot be sold. No more than 10 poles can be used per license per day. Poles may not exceed 1-inch in diameter and each pole must have a numbered tag attached which corresponds with the shrimp baiting license. Each pole must also be marked with reflective tape. No more than 10 poles can be used per boat. All poles of a licensed set must be within 100 linear yards of each other and sets of poles must be at least 25 yards apart. Poles may not be set within 50 yards of any dock, public landing or boat ramp. Unattended poles will be confiscated. Owners of private docks or persons with written permission may bait from those docks once properly licensed and with numbered tag displayed. Shrimp pots or traps are prohibited. Individuals who are: 1) owners or officers of a corporation which owns a vessel specified on a trawl license; 2) masters of a vessel specified on a trawl license application; 3) licensed to use a channel net; 4) licensed to use a cast net for a commercial purpose; or 5) licensed as a wholesale seafood dealer may not obtain a shrimp baiting license. Cast nets used for taking shrimp over bait must have a minimum mesh size of ½-inch square (1-inch stretch).
Shrimp Seines	<p>Permits/Licenses: Saltwater Recreational Fishing License required.</p>	<p>Season: No closed season</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum length of shrimp seine 40 feet, maximum depth 6 feet, minimum mesh size, ½ inch square (1 inch stretch), maximum mesh size ¾ inch square (1.75 inch stretch). Tail bags or pockets are not allowed on seines when pulled by hand. Staked seines are considered commercial channel net devices; allowances and restrictions are provided with the purchase of a commercial license. One limit per seine per day.
Trawling	<p>Permits Licenses: Commercial Saltwater Fishing License, Vessel Decal and Gear License required.</p>	<p>Restrictions: Trawling for personal use is restricted to the same license requirements, areas and seasons as commercial trawling. This information is provided with license.</p>



Legislation Changes Saltwater Recreational Fishing License Requirements

What fishing requirements have changed?

Individuals recreationally fishing from shore (beach, bank, private dock, free public pier, etc.) and those recreationally shrimping and crabbing will be required to have a saltwater recreational fishing license.

Who is required to have a fishing license?

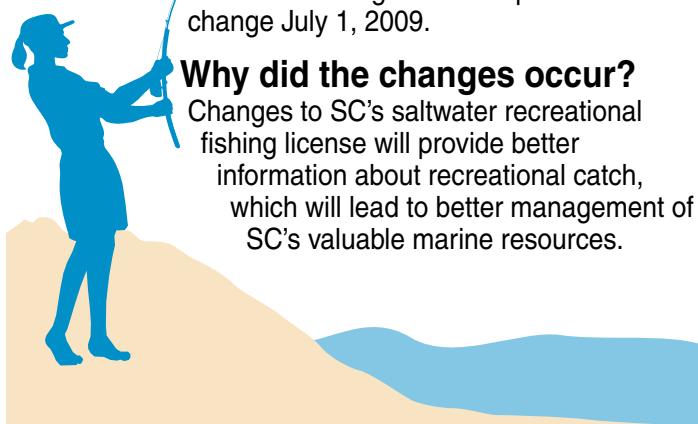
The new legislation will require all who recreationally harvest fish, oysters, clams, shrimp and crab to have a saltwater recreational fishing license. Individuals under the age of 16 will be exempt from licensing requirements and senior and disability license holders will not need to purchase an additional saltwater license. Additional exemptions include individuals fishing on a licensed public fishing pier; individuals fishing on a licensed charter vessel while under hire; individuals using 3 or fewer drop nets, 3 or fewer fold up traps, or 3 or fewer handlines with no hooks and a single bait per line (chicken necking); and individuals shrimp baiting (will still be required to purchase a shrimp baiting license.)

When will the changes occur?

Saltwater fishing license requirements will change July 1, 2009.

Why did the changes occur?

Changes to SC's saltwater recreational fishing license will provide better information about recreational catch, which will lead to better management of SC's valuable marine resources.



Saltwater Fishing License Basics

- License Types & Fees

Annual Resident	\$10
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Annual Non-resident	\$35
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14-day Resident	\$ 5
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14-day Non-resident	\$11
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Senior License*	\$ 9
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Disability License**	NO COST
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- License Term

Annual licenses valid from July 1 - June 30

14-day licenses valid 14 days from date of purchase

* Must be a domiciled SC Resident for six months immediately prior to application and have attained 64 years of age. Includes the saltwater fishing privilege.

**Must be a domiciled SC resident for one year prior to application and determined to be totally disabled. 3 Year Disability Fishing License includes the saltwater fishing privilege. See page 57 in the SCDNR Rules and Regulations for application.

What benefits do I get from the changes?

With the license changes, SC anglers will simply need to purchase one license to fish anywhere in both state and federal saltwaters. Revenue generated from saltwater recreational fishing license sales will be used to directly benefit SC's marine recreational resources.

Where can I buy a fishing license?

Saltwater recreational fishing licenses can be purchased online by visiting www.dnr.sc.gov; by telephone calling 1-866-714-3611, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; or by visiting SCDNR license sales agents across the state. To learn more information about the saltwater recreational fishing license or about SC saltwater recreational fishing visit www.dnr.sc.gov.



Shrimp Baiting License Application

Note: Applications with incomplete information will not be processed and will be returned to the applicant.

Make check payable to SCDNR
Mail to: SCDNR License Section
PO Box 11710, Columbia, SC 29211-1710 (803) 734-3833
PO Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422-2559 (843) 953-9312

Applicant's Social Security

_____ - _____ - _____

Applicant's Name

Last _____ First _____ MI _____ Gender _____ Race _____ / _____ / _____ Date of Birth

Applicant's Address

Street or Box # _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

County of Residence

Telephone

Driver's License No./State

Amount of Money Enclosed

(Circle One)

Residents - \$25

Non-residents - \$500

I understand that persons whose recreational privileges are suspended are not eligible to apply for, hold, or use SCDNR recreational licenses, permits, stamps, or tags.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please complete the above information, sign and return with the appropriate fee to the mailing address above.

FY2009 Saltwater Recreational Fishing License Report

Introduction

The South Carolina Recreational Fishing License Program, since its inception in July 1992, has provided significant benefits to the state. Allocated funds continue to support programs, activities, and resource management functions that are of great value to the protection, maintenance, enhancement, and enjoyment of healthy and diverse marine recreational fisheries, associated fish stocks, and marine habitats. The original Marine Recreational Fishing Stamp program was modified in 2002 to give South Carolina resident and out-of-state anglers a variety of license options from which to choose. The modification has allowed for revenues to double, which provides additional support for activities important to state saltwater recreational anglers.

Since the inception of the license, as of April 30, 2009, approximately 1,674,820 individual saltwater stamps/licenses have been sold to marine recreational anglers over the course of the program's existence. Since July 2008, 124,193 individual saltwater recreational licenses of all available types have been purchased, resulting in the generation of approximately \$1.32 million in total revenue, the vast majority of which by law must be used to benefit saltwater recreational fisheries for the state. The following are highlights of the activities, projects, and programs carried out by the Marine Resources Division that received support from the Saltwater Recreational Fishing License Program over this past fiscal year.

FY 2009 Highlights

Artificial Reefs – Twelve artificial reef construction projects were completed this fiscal year on 9 permitted reef sites along the coast. These projects included the addition of 3 deck barges, 71 concrete pilings, 44 NYC subway cars, and 26 armored personnel carriers. Routine monitoring and assessment of numerous reefs were conducted throughout the year, and 4 missing reef buoys were replaced on offshore reef sites. A second edition of the SC artificial reef guide was completed and is being distributed upon request. Additionally, a project to evaluate the placement of existing artificial reefs off South Carolina in regards to oceanographic features and spawning of reef fishes continued this year. The overall goal of this project is to collect information on both artificial and natural reefs located at similar depths in order to help improve the current network of artificial reefs to take advantage of reef fish spawning and recruitment patterns to enhance reef productivity. - \$166.9K

Marine Fish - SCDNR's Marine Gamefish Tagging Program continues to promote responsible angling ethics and conservation through the support of license-generated funds. Last year, trained volunteer anglers tagged and released 744 fish. Information was received from 124 recaptured fish and 79% of those recaptured were released with the tag intact. 479 of the fish tagged (61%) and released were red drum. One recapture of note was a greater amberjack originally tagged off of Charleston, SC in July 2002 that was recaptured seven years later in May 2009 off of the Florida coast.

Another important component in SCDNR's effort to maintain high quality fishing opportunities is our effort to monitor recreationally important species. Staff collect size, age, and reproductive information from a variety of species. Information is collected using gear designed to catch and record data in a standardized, repeatable fashion using long-lines to catch large adult red drum offshore; trammel nets to catch smaller juvenile red and black drum, flounder, sheepshead, and seatrout inshore; and electro-shocking in estuarine waters farther upstream. SCDNR fisheries biologists also visit fishing tournaments and manage fish drop-off freezers in several locations where participating anglers can donate specimens for scientific study. Over the past year, staff attended five fishing tournaments and collected information from 331 fish specimens comprising 10 different species. Recreational anglers donated 255 additional fish through the drop-off freezer program, and 373 total tag returns were reported for red drum, black drum, and sheepshead.

Saltwater recreational fishing license revenue also helps fund SCDNR's red drum stocking research program. Adult wild red drum maintained in the lab are conditioned to spawn by incrementally changing the day length and temperature similar to what they would experience in the wild. When conditions are right red drum will spawn in the tanks and fertilized eggs can be collected. Larvae that are produced are then carefully maintained in ponds. All animals produced at



the Waddell Mariculture Center have a unique genotype or "genetic fingerprint" so that they can later be distinguished from their wild cohorts. When the fish held in ponds grow to the desired length, they are harvested and transported to stocking sites along the coast. During FY2009, 920,622 red drum were released as part of a license funded project. Specifically, 899,431 total fingerling red drum (1-1.5 inches) were stocked in Winyah Bay and the North Edisto River; 2,401 total advanced juveniles (3-4 inches) were stocked into Winyah Bay, Little River, and Murrells Inlet; 2,000 advanced juveniles will be released in

Winyah Bay later this spring; and an additional 500 fish are being grown out to sub-adult size for release in Winyah Bay. Also during 2008, 1,290 total legal size sub-adult red drum were released into the Ashley River, Winyah Bay, Murrells Inlet, and Little River; and another 15,000 advanced juveniles are currently being grown out for release later this year in the ACE Basin. Genetic techniques using non-lethal sampling allow hatchery fish to be identified from their wild cohorts by having anglers remove a small tissue sample before releasing the fish. This allows scientists to determine the percent contribution stocked fish are making to the overall population in various estuarine systems. During FY2009, over 1,092 red drum samples have been processed by the genetics lab.

An effort to assess the bycatch in the commercial channel net and shad gill net fisheries continued this year to determine the potential impact these fisheries may have on recreationally important finfish species. Additionally a project collected fishery dependent data on coastal and oceanic pelagic species, including species of billfish, dolphin, tuna, and wahoo. During 2008, 868 billfish catches were reported to SCDNR of which 100% were released. - \$441.1K

Oysters - Over 39,522 bushels of shell were planted on 9 public and state shellfish grounds in 4 coastal counties during FY2009. Twenty-three shell recycling sites, located throughout the coastal zone, continue to serve as collection points for donated shell, allowing the public to participate in oyster reef restoration and enhancement in recreational harvesting areas. A record 15,445 bushels of oyster shells were recycled in FY2009. SCDNR biologists are evaluating new ways to enhance and restore local shellfish beds. Researchers are testing different substrates for shell planting, as well as developing efficient and accurate ways to assess oyster reefs including the effects shell planting and recreational harvesting have on these reefs. The SC Oyster Restoration and Enhancement program (SCORE) built oyster reefs at two sites in Charleston Harbor restoring 0.255 acres of shoreline with the help of multiple school groups and civic organizations. Additionally a Marine Recreational Fisheries survey was funded to collect information on the recreational shellfish fishery as well as the attitudes and preferences of SC saltwater recreational fishing license holders. Shellfish maps are available to the public free of charge by writing: Recreational Shellfish Maps, Shellfish Management Program, SCDNR, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29442-2559, by calling (843) 953-9854, or from the SCDNR Web site (www.dnr.sc.gov), click on "Fish," then "Marine," then "SC Public Shellfish Grounds" or "SC State Shellfish Grounds." - \$322.1K

Education, Information, Outreach - The saltwater license website (saltwaterfishing.sc.gov) continues to provide the public with updated information on rules and regulations and saltwater fishing related news. The Carolina Coastal Discovery (CCD) Marine Education Program continues to provide vessel and land based education activities operating out of the Marine Resources Center in Charleston, DNR facilities in the Ashepoo-Combahee-Edisto (ACE) Basin, and in Georgetown and Horry Counties, reaching about 3,500 students, teachers, and adults with education programs during FY2009. The CCD Program's education initiatives included marine animal dissections, salt marsh ecology, marine invertebrate taxonomy, barrier island studies, beach walks, bird and estuarine species identifications, and water quality monitoring. CCD Program information and application forms are now available online at www.dnr.sc.gov/ccd/ - \$176K



Hunting Rules & Regulations www.dnr.sc.gov/regs/huntingregs.html

Regulations in this section apply to both private and public lands statewide, unless otherwise specified.

Licenses and permits are required for hunting in South Carolina. Detailed information on the types of licenses and permits is located in the License Fees chapter of this book. All residents and nonresidents born after June 30, 1979 must successfully complete a hunter education course that is approved by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) before a hunting license can be obtained.

Basic Information on Hunting

Hunting is defined as trying to find, seek, obtain, pursue, or diligently search for game.

Game Zones & WMAs - South Carolina is divided into six game zones, as defined on the map below.

DNR 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. DNR 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 and starlings). Falconers must possess a SCDNR permit.

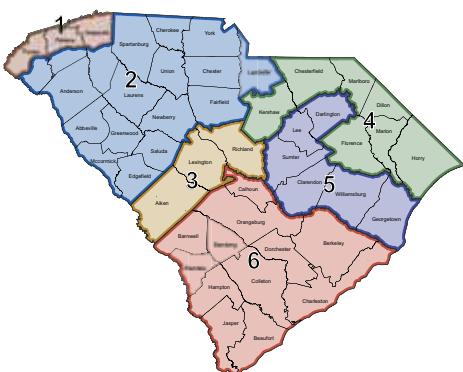
Alligators - It is unlawful to feed or entice an American alligator with food (50-11-750).

Alligators may only be taken and/or possessed under authority of a permit issued by SCDNR. Such permits may be issued for problem alligators and in emergency situations, the Private Lands Program and the Alligator Hunting Season. Hunters will be randomly selected by computerized drawing and may only apply online. 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. Anyone may assist a permitted hunter, but all assistants must possess a hunting license unless under the age of 16. 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.

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.

Armadillos are not a protected species, however, a hunting license is required to hunt armadillos. Harvesting armadillos on WMA lands is limited to the current open season and weapons that are in effect for game species on the WMA. Armadillos may not be hunted at night.

South Carolina Game Zones



Bear - It is unlawful to buy, sell, barter or exchange a bear or bear part. Transportation of a freshly killed bear or bear parts is unlawful except during bear season. Any person violating these offenses must be fined not more than \$2500 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, 50-11-440, 50-1-130, 50-1-125).

All harvested bear must be reported to the SCDNR Clemson office or 864-654-1671, ext. 24 within 24 hours of harvest.

Participants in party dog hunts for bear must register before Sept. 15 with SCDNR. 25 members maximum per party. Write: SCDNR Bear Registration Permit, 311 Natural Resources Dr., Clemson, SC 29631.

Crows - A hunting license and free Migratory Bird (HIP) Permit are 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 November 1 - March 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. In Game Zone 1 no buckshot or rifles greater than .22 rimfire may be used except during deer and bear season (50-11-380). 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 without a federal permit (50 CFR 21.43).

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, and it is unlawful to bait for deer (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 deer while any part of the deer is in water.

Possessing any deer with the head detached while in transit from the point of kill is prohibited.

It is unlawful to hunt deer within 300 yards of a residence without permission of the owner and occupant, except that a landowner may hunt on his own land.

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 (50-11-410).

Antlerless deer may not be possessed, hunted, shot or in any way killed except during special seasons or by special permit.

Antlerless Deer Harvest 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 beginning on page 35.

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)**. Both programs are in effect statewide (50-11-390).

With the **Individual Antlerless Deer Tag Program** hunters can purchase either 2 or 4 tags per person, for \$5 each, which can be used on any day open to deer hunting with the following Game Zone restrictions:

Tags are not valid in Game Zone 1 (Mountains). In Game Zone 2 (Piedmont) tags are valid on public and private land starting Oct. 1. In Game Zones 3-6 (Coastal Plain) tags are valid on private lands and "unnamed" small WMAs starting Sept. 15. Tags are also valid on Sand Hills State Forest WMA in Chesterfield Co., North Dike WMA in Berkeley Co., Longleaf Pine WMA in Lee County, Francis Marion National Forest in Berkeley and Charleston counties during still gun hunts for deer starting Sept. 15. 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.

All persons purchasing tags in past years will be sent a renewal notice in August. New applicants may complete the application provided on page 34 or contact DNR Deer Project at 803-734-3886 to receive an application. The possession and use of these tags are limited to the purchaser. **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. Game Zone 1 (Mountains) tags are valid beginning Oct. 1. Game Zone 2 (Central & Western Piedmont) and Game Zones 3-6 (Coastal Plain) 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 including antlerless deer harvested on either-sex days or by bow and arrow in Game Zones 1 & 2. Tags do not alter the daily or seasonal bag limits or use of weapons during special weapons seasons in Game Zones 1 & 2. A harvest report must be completed by the applicant at the close of the season.

Feral Hogs and Coyotes - A hunting license is required to hunt feral hogs and coyotes. Coyotes may be hunted at night only as prescribed in the "Night Hunting" section on the following page 30. Hogs may not be hunted at night. There is no closed season or weapons restrictions for hunting feral hogs and coyotes on private lands statewide with the following exceptions: in Game Zone 1 it is unlawful to have in possession any firearm loaded with buckshot or larger shot or a rifle or ammunition greater than .22 rimfire except during deer and bear season (50-11-380). Feral hog and coyote hunting on WMA lands is permitted during any open season for game unless otherwise restricted. (See individual WMAs.) On WMA lands, weapons used to hunt hogs and coyotes 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 42. No Sunday hunting on WMA lands. The use of electronic calls for feral hog and coyote hunting is permitted statewide on private and WMA lands. Dog hunting for feral hogs and 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 feral hogs and 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 SCDNR. No hogs may be taken live from any WMA in the state. It is unlawful to release or transport for the purpose of release, hogs for hunting purposes or in an attempt to establish or supplement a free-roaming population (50-16-25).

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 department: a member of the family Cervidae (deer, moose, elk, etc.), coyote, bear, turkey, furbearers (fox, raccoon, opossum, muskrat, mink, skunk, otter, bobcat, weasel and beaver), a nondomestic member of the families Suidae or Tayassuidae (pigs), Bovidae (bison, antelope, mountain goat, mountain sheep) (50-16-20).

The importation or sale of live wolves is prohibited in South Carolina, except for exhibition or scientific purposes upon the approval of SCDNR as provided by regulations. It is unlawful to import coyotes. The sale of coyotes is allowed only by permit from SCDNR (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 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Southeast Region, 1875 Century Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30345.

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

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 igni-

tion systems including flintstone, percussion cap, shotgun primer, disk, or electronic. During primitive weapons season, no revolving rifles are permitted (50-11-310).

Turkey - Season dates: Game Zone 6 private land only, March 15-May 1. Game Zones 1,2,3,4,5 and selected Wildlife Management Areas, April 1-May 1. See page 37 for season dates and regulations for WMA and private land. No Sunday hunting on WMA's.

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 on page 36, hunt dates for these species are from Thanksgiving day through March 1.

Migratory Birds - Migratory birds include: mourning dove, marsh hens, rails, woodcock, common snipe, common moorhens, purple gallinules, ducks, mergansers, sea ducks, coots, blue & snow geese, brant, Canada geese and crows.

Effective July 1,1998, anyone over 16 or all licensed hunters hunting migratory game birds in the United States must have an HIP permit and complete a short questionnaire before hunting. Free permits are available at license vendors.

Seasons, shooting hours, limits and other special restrictions on migratory bird hunting are set by SCDNR in accordance with guidelines set by the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Detailed SCDNR South Carolina Rules & Regulations information on the seasons and restrictions is provided in a separate Migratory Bird Brochure available in September.

Listed below are frequently requested rules for hunting migratory birds.

- Shotguns must be plugged so as to hold no more than 3 shells.
- Baiting or hunting over bait is strictly prohibited.
- All hunting hours end at official sunset.
- The possession of lead shot is prohibited while waterfowl hunting.
- State and Federal Waterfowl stamps are required for hunting ducks, geese, coots and gallinules. (See exceptions in License section on page 8.)

Refer to the Migratory Bird Brochure for complete information on particular species and other restrictions.

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 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.

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. Crows, coyotes or hogs are not game birds/animals and therefore can be hunted using electronic calls during daylight hours on private lands and WMA lands.

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

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 Antlerless 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.

Field Trials - It is unlawful to conduct or participate in any field trial unless a permit for such trial has been obtained from 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.

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 Regulations Page 31 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 hour before official sunrise of the following day (50-11-710).

Night Hunting - Night hunting is unlawful except that raccoons, opossums, foxes, mink, coyotes and skunk may be hunted at night; however, they 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 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.

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 or in one's vehicle any firearm.

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 p.m. 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).

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

Sunday Hunting - Hunting is prohibited on Sundays on all WMA lands. On private lands statewide, Sunday hunting for all game is legal except bear hunting which is prohibited on Sundays in Game Zone 1.

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 31.

Trapping - Regulations are available in a separate brochure.

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.

Clemson office at 864-654-1671 ext. 18 or for Palachucola Range call 803-625-3569.

Pickens County Range - From Easley, take SC Hwy. 8 approximately 4 miles towards Pickens. Turn left on Breazeale Road. Drive ½ mile beyond SC Dept. of Transportation Maintenance Shop and turn left on Porter Rd. Go approximately ½ mile, 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) or as posted. Closed Sunday and Monday. For more information, call 864-855-5747.

SCDNR James O. Thomason Firing Range - (Spartanburg Co.) From Pauline, take SC Hwy. 215 approximately ½ mile east toward Glenn Springs. Turn left on Foster Mill Road 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.

Palachucola Range - (Hampton Co.) - 8:00 am - dark, Wednesday & Saturday except during deer & 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 County) Open Saturday and Sunday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, \$5.00 per day or \$25.00 per year. Closed the first weekend of each month. Hearing protection required. For more information, call 803-494-8196.

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 864-638-2659.

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 (except Leeds Shooting Range). For more information call 864-427-9858 or Fax 864-427-3529.

Francis Marion Shooting Ranges - Year round, daylight hours only. Shooting tables, including one fully-accessible to disabled visitors. For more information call Wambaw District at 843-887-3257 or Fax 843-887-3848 or Witherbee District at 843-336-3248 or Fax 843-336-4789.

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 twice in a three-year period shall lose the privilege of entering WMA land for one year (50-11-2210).



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Shooting Ranges

SCDNR operates three shooting ranges that are open for use during certain hours which are subject to change according to time of year, hunting seasons, etc. To confirm hours of operation, call the SCDNR



WMA Public Drawing Hunts

The SCDNR offers a variety of WMA hunts through computerized drawings. Hunt fees range from \$10 to \$100 per hunter and must be submitted at the time of application. Applications for deer hunts are available in July, waterfowl and quail hunts in September and youth/adult only turkey hunts in February. Deadlines to apply for draw hunts are generally mid-August (deer), mid-October for quail and waterfowl and early March for youth turkey hunts. Applications are available at SCDNR offices statewide (refer to directory on page 61 or write SCDNR Public Drawing Hunts, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or visit our web site at www.dnr.sc.gov/hunting/drawhunts.html).

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.

See page 35 for regulations on private lands in Game Zones 1 & 2. Statutes 50-11-2200 and 50-11-2210 authorize the promulgation of WMA regulations. See specific game zones for seasons.

2.1 Except as provided in these regulations, it is unlawful to 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 landowner or 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 It is unlawful for anyone to 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 is prohibited if the tree stand is constructed by driving nails or other devices into trees or if wire is wrapped around trees. Other tree stands and temporary screw-in type climbing devices are permitted provided they are not permanently affixed or embedded in the tree. All stands 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) who is validly licensed and holds applicable permits, licenses or stamps for the use of WMA lands. Sight and voice contact must be maintained.

2.9 Notwithstanding any other provision of these regulations, the Department may permit special seasons 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, still hunting only, two deer, either-sex.

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.

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 or drugged arrows 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.

3.3 On WMA lands, big game hunters are not allowed to use military or hard-jacketed bullets or .22 or smaller rimfire. Buckshot is prohibited during still hunts for deer or hogs on the Santee Coastal Reserve, Bucksport, Pee Dee Station Site, Lewis Ocean Bay, Great Pee Dee, Crackerneck, Webb Center, Marsh Furniture, Manchester State Forest, Palachoola, Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve, Donnelley, Francis Marion, Moultrie, Edisto River, Bonneau Ferry and McBee WMA lands.

3.4 On WMAs during periods when hunting is permitted, 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 S.C. 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. Unless otherwise specified by the department, only bucks (male deer) may be taken on all WMA lands. Male deer 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. Antler spread is the greatest outside measurement (main beam or points) on a plane perpendicular to the skull. On WMA lands, man drives for deer or hogs 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. On WMA lands, drivers participating in man drives are prohibited from carrying or using weapons. On WMA lands, in Game Zones 1 & 2 man drives will be permitted on the last four (4) 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.

4.2 Deer either-sex days for gun hunts are as follows (See Game Zone sections beginning on page 42 for specific dates):

- Game Zone 1: The first three Saturdays in November.
- Game Zones 2-6: Every Saturday from Oct. 1 to the Saturday after

Thanksgiving Day inclusive; Saturdays in December beginning 23 days after Thanksgiving Day and the last day of the open season. In Game Zones 1 and 2 hunters using archery equipment may take either sex during any open season for deer.

DOGS

5.1 On all WMA lands, dogs may be used for small game hunting unless otherwise specified.

5.2 On all WMA lands in Game Zones 1 & 2, dogs may not be used for rabbit hunting during still gun hunts for deer or bear. Dogs may be used from the close of the gun season for deer until the close of the rabbit season. Dogs may be trained for rabbit hunting from September 1 through September 30 (no guns).

5.3 On WMA lands, dogs may be used for hunting foxes, coyotes, raccoons, bobcats or opossums only between thirty (30) minutes after official sunset and thirty (30) minutes before official sunrise.

5.4 The Department may permit deer hunting with dogs on WMA areas 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.

VEHICLES

All terrain vehicles (ATV's) are not allowed on any Heritage Preserve (51-17-130).

6.1 On all WMA lands, no hunter may shoot from a vehicle except that mobility-impaired hunters may take game from any stationary motor driven land conveyance or trailer which is operated in compliance with these rules. For purposes of this regulation, mobility impaired means individuals who are permanently confined to a wheelchair, permanently require the use of two crutches, permanently require the use of a walker to walk, or persons with single or double leg amputations. Written confirmation of permanent impairment is required from a physician or qualifying agency.

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 It is unlawful to obstruct 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, except hunters for dove, turkey and duck are exempt from this requirement while hunting for those species.

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) are printed annually. The Public Dove Field List is available August 1 by calling 803-734-3886 or on the SCDNR website at <https://www.dnr.sc.gov/mlands/wma>. Specific seasons, limits and regulations for waterfowl hunting are printed annually in the SC Migratory Bird Regulations available in September.

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 to special small game seasons within the regular migratory bird framework.

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 temporary blinds of na-

tive vegetation may be constructed, and once vacated become available for others or portable blinds which are removed at the conclusion of the hunt may be used.

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 Clarks Hill Waterfowl Area is closed to hunting except for waterfowl hunting and other special hunts as designated by the SCDNR.

10.7 Santee Cooper WMA is closed to public access from October 20 until March 1, except for special hunts designated by the SCDNR.

10.8 Sandy Beach Waterfowl Area and impoundments on Bonneau Ferry WMA are closed to public access during the period Nov. 1 until Mar. 1, except for special hunts designated by the Department.

10.9 Broad River Waterfowl Management Area is closed to public access during the period Nov. 1 until Feb. 1, except for special hunts designated by the Department.

10.10 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. 14 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.

10.11 Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area is closed to public access one week prior to opening of waterfowl season through January 31, except for scheduled waterfowl hunts. No fishing one week prior to opening of waterfowl season through January 31. 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. Hunting hours are from 30 minutes before legal sunrise to legal sunset (including the special youth hunt). Hunters may not enter the area prior to 3:00 a.m. on hunt days. No airboats are allowed for hunting or fishing and no hunting from secondary road 260.

10.12 Hunters may not enter Hatchery WMA prior to 3:00 a.m. and must leave the area by 1 PM except on the last Saturday of waterfowl season when hunters may hunt until sunset. Each hunter is limited to twenty-five nontoxic shot shells (steel, bismuth/tin, bismuth, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-iron) per hunt and no buckshot allowed. Hunters must enter and leave Hatchery WMA through the Hatchery Landing and accurately complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. No airboats are allowed in the Hatchery WMA for hunting or fishing during the period Nov. 15 until Jan. 31. No fishing is allowed during scheduled waterfowl hunts.

10.14 The Francis Marion National Forest and Crackerneck WMA are open during special small game seasons within the regular migratory bird seasons; 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 special small game seasons within the regular migratory bird seasons.

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

10.16 Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas include Biedler Impoundment, Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Little Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Lake Cunningham, 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 River Complex (including Ervin Dargan, Horace Tilghman), Great Pee Dee River, Potato Creek Hatchery, Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island), Tyger River, Marsh, Wee Tee, 40 Acre Rock, Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve, Ditch Pond and Woodbury Waterfowl Management Areas. Hunting on Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas is in accordance with scheduled dates and times.

10.17 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.

DESIGNATED WATERFOWL AREAS BAG LIMITS = FEDERAL LIMITS	
Area	Open Dates Inclusive
Biedler Impoundment (Sumter County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Bear Island (Colleton County)	Hunters selected by drawing during the regular season.
Beaverdam (Anderson County)	Hunters selected by drawing during the regular season.
Bonneau Ferry (Berkeley County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Broad River (Fairfield County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Ditch Pond (Aiken/Barnwell Cos.)	Wed. AM only during the regular season.
Donnelley (Colleton County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Dunaway (Union County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Duncan Creek (Laurens County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Dungannon (Charleston County)	Wed. AM only during the regular season. No hunting from boardwalk.
Enoree River (Newberry County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Clemson (Anderson County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Hatchery (Berkeley County)	Sat. AM only and until sunset on the last Sat. of the regular waterfowl season.
Hickory Top (Clarendon County)	Federal waterfowl seasons.
Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir (Clarendon County)	Sat. AM until 11:00 AM only during the regular season. No season on roads or dikes.
Lake Cunningham (Greenville County)	Wed. AM only during the regular season.
Lancaster Reservoir (Lancaster County)	Mon. and Fri. AM only during the regular season.
Little Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Marsh (Marion County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Monticello Reservoir (Fairfield County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Moultrie (Berkeley County)	Mon. through Sat. during the regular season.

DESIGNATED WATERFOWL AREAS BAG LIMITS = FEDERAL LIMITS

Area	Open Dates Inclusive
Parr Reservoir (Fairfield County)	Mon. through Sat. during the regular season.
Potato Creek Hatchery (Clarendon County)	Wed. and Sat. only during the regular season.
Russell Creek (McCormick County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island) (Colleton County)	Thurs. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Samworth (Georgetown County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Sandy Beach (Berkeley County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Santee Coastal Res. (Charleston/George-town counties)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Santee Cooper (Orangeburg County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Santee-Delta (Georgetown County)	Hunters selected by drawing.
Tibwin (Charleston County)	Special hunts by drawing.
Turtle Island (Jasper County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Tyger River (Union County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Great Pee Dee (Darlington County)	Wednesdays during federal waterfowl season. From legal shooting hours until 12:00 noon.
Little Pee Dee River Complex (Horry/Marion counties)	Wednesdays during federal waterfowl season. From legal shooting hours until 12:00 noon.
Waccamaw River HP (Horry County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only.
Wee Tee Williamsburg/George-town counties)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
Woodbury (Marion County)	Wed. and Sat. AM only during the regular season.
40 Acre Rock (Lancaster County)	Sat. AM only during the regular season.

10.18 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.

10.19 Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir is closed to hunting access November 1 until March 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.

10.20 On all state-owned, US Forest Service and other federally-owned Category I and II Waterfowl Management Areas, each hunter is limited to 25 non-toxic shells (steel, bismuth/tin, bismuth, tungsten, polymer, tungsten-iron) per hunt and no buckshot allowed.

10.21 On Enoree River, 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.

10.22 Woodbury Waterfowl Management Area 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 except no waterfowl hunting allowed in the area known as Hass Pond that is bounded on all sides by Hass Pond Road.

AMPHIBIANS AND 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.

123-53. BEAR HUNTING RULES AND SEASONS (50-11-430)

1. The open season for taking bears by still hunting in Game Zone 1 is Monday through Saturday, the 3rd week in October. 1 bear, no bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs at her side.

2. The open season for taking bears with the aid of dogs by a party permitted by the Department in Game Zone 1 is Monday through Saturday, the 4th week in October. 3 bears per party, no bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs at her side. Maximum party size is 25. Groups hunting together are considered 1 party.

3. All parties must register with SCDNR Bear Permit Registration, 311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631 by September 15. All harvested bear must be reported to the Clemson Wildlife Office @ 864-654-1671 ext. 24 within 24 hours of harvest.



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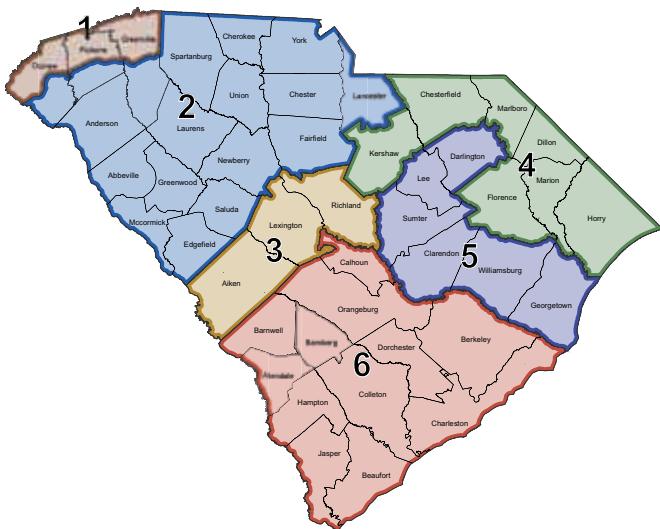


Individual Antlerless Deer Tag Application See pages 28-29 for information. Tags not valid in Game Zone 1.

Make check payable to SCDNR
Mail to: SCDNR License Section
PO Box 11710, Columbia, SC 29211-1710

Applicant's Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____	Applicant's Name Last _____ First _____ MI _____ Gender _____ Race _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____			
Applicant's Address Street or Box # _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____			County of Residence _____	
Telephone _____ - _____ - _____	Driver's License No./State _____ - _____ - _____	Amount of Money Enclosed (Circle One) 2 Tags - \$10 4 Tags - \$20		
<i>I understand that persons whose recreational privileges are suspended are not eligible to apply for, hold, or use SCDNR recreational licenses, permits, stamps, or tags.</i>				
Signature _____ Date _____				

Deer Seasons on Private Lands www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/deer/



- Sunday hunting allowed on private lands.
- Archery and crossbows allowed during all seasons.
- Crossbows are considered archery equipment.
- Limit of 2 antlerless deer on posted either-sex days.
- Limits listed include deer taken on private & WMA lands.
- Individual Antlerless Deer Tags are not valid in Game Zone 1. Tags are valid in Game Zones 3-6 beginning Sept. 15 and in Game Zone 2 beginning Oct. 1. Individual tags are not valid on properties enrolled in the Antlerless Deer Quota Program. Tags do not alter the daily or seasonal limit or change the type of weapon that can be used during special weapons seasons.
- In Game Zones 1 and 2 it is unlawful to pursue deer with dogs and it is unlawful to bait for deer (50-11-310). Salt/minerals are not considered bait.

Game Zone 1 Private Lands

Limit 5 antlered deer for all seasons combined.

Archery & Muzzleloaders: Oct. 1 - Oct. 10, Limit 2 per day, 2 deer total. Archers may take either-sex during all seasons (archery, muzzleloader, and gun). Muzzleloader is buck only.

Gun Hunts: Limit: 2 per day, 7 deer total

Buck only: Oct. 11 - 16, Oct. 31. - Jan. 1

Either-Sex: Nov. 7, 14, 21

Game Zone 2 Private Lands

Limit 5 antlered deer for all seasons combined.

Archery: Sept. 15 - 30, Limit 2 per day, 3 deer total either-sex. Archers may take either-sex during all seasons (archery, muzzleloader and gun).

Muzzleloaders: Oct. 1 - 10, Limit 2 deer total, buck only

Either-Sex: Oct. 3, 10

Gun Hunts: Oct. 11 - Jan. 1, Limit: 2 per day, 10 deer total

Either-Sex: Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1

Statewide Youth Day

Private lands

January 2nd Limit 2 either-sex

No tags required

Game Zone 3 Private Lands

No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 2 antlerless deer on either-sex days.

Archery & Gun Hunts: Aug. 15 - Jan. 1, buck only

Either-Sex: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1

Game Zone 4 Private Lands

No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 2 antlerless deer on either-sex days.

Archery Only: Sept. 1-14, buck only

Gun Hunts: Sept. 15-Jan. 1, buck only

Either-Sex: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1

Game Zone 5 Private Lands

No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 2 antlerless deer on either-sex days.

Archery Only: Aug. 15-31, buck only

Gun Hunts: Sept. 1-Jan. 1, buck only

Either-Sex: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1

Game Zone 6 Private Lands

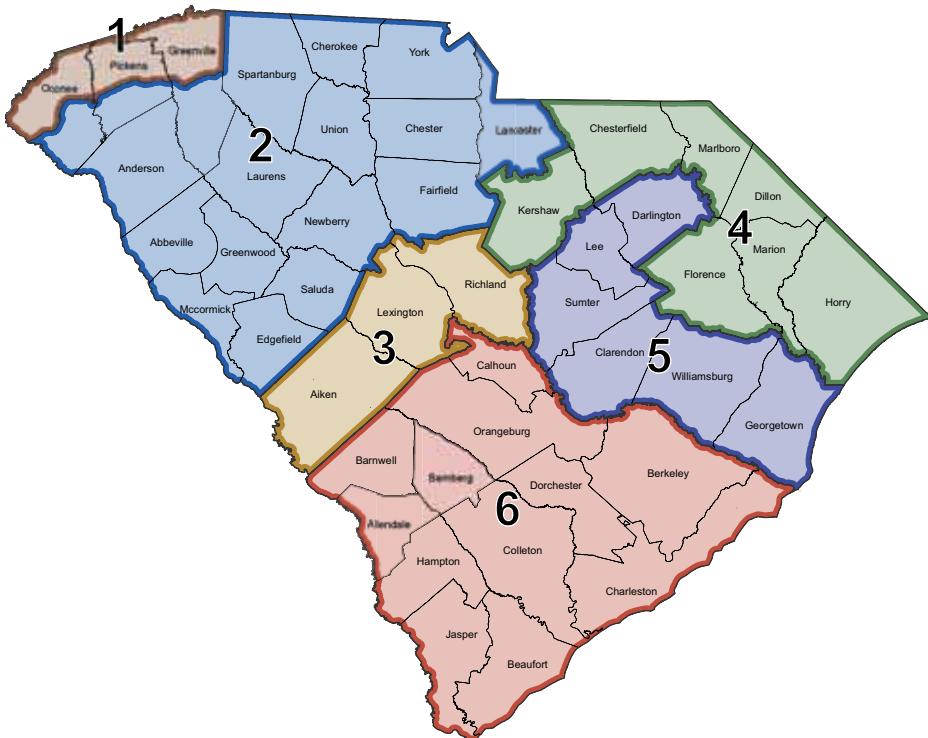
No limit on antlered bucks.

Limit 2 antlerless deer on either-sex days.

Archery & Gun Hunts: Aug. 15 - Jan. 1, buck only

Either-Sex: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1

Small Game Seasons on Private Lands



Statewide Youth Day

Private lands

Game Zone limits apply

Raccoon: September 12, 2009

Squirrel: September 26, 2009

Quail: November 21, 2009

Rabbit: March 6, 2010

All Game Zones

Statewide Seasons on Private Lands

Mourning Doves	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only) Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15	15 per day
Crow	Nov. 1-Mar. 1	No limit
Quail	Mar. 2-Nov. 22, 2009 (dogs only) Nov. 23-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 21, 2010 (dogs only)	12 per day
Rabbit	Mar. 2-Nov. 25, 2009 (dogs only) Nov. 26-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 24, 2010 (dogs only)	5 per day
Squirrel	Mar. 2-Sept. 30, 2009 (dogs only) Oct. 1-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Sept. 30, 2010 (dogs only)	10 per day
Fox	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 (guns & dogs) Mar. 2-Nov. 24, 2010 (no guns)	No limit
Beaver	Year-round	No limit
Coyote Electronic calls are legal	Year-round	No limit
Other Furbearers (Bobcat, Otter, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Weasel)	Nov. 26-Mar. 1	No limit
Grouse	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 Game Zone 1 only	3 per day

Game Zone 1 & 2 Private Lands

Raccoon & Opossum: Mar. 2 - Oct. 14, 2009 (dogs only)
Oct. 15 - Mar. 1, 2010, 3 per party per day
no limit for opossum
Mar. 2 - Oct. 14, 2010 (dogs only)

Special Firearms Note for hunting in GZ 1: No shotguns with buckshot/slugs or rifles larger than .22 rimfire, or muzzleloaders greater than .40 cal. allowed outside of the open season for deer and bear.

Game Zone 3 & 6 Private Lands

Raccoon & Opossum: Mar. 16 - Sept. 14, 2009 (dogs only)
Sept. 15, 2009 - Mar. 15, 2010 (guns & dogs) no limit
Mar. 16 - Sept. 14, 2010 (dogs only)

Game Zone 4 & 5 Private Lands

Raccoon & Opossum: Mar. 16 -Sept. 14, 2009 (dogs only)
Sept. 15, 2009 - Mar. 15, 2010 (guns & dogs)
3 per party per day
no limit for opossum
Mar. 16 -Sept. 14, 2010 (dogs only)

Turkey Seasons on Private Lands and WMAs

www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/turkey/

Game Zone 1 2 3 4 & 5

Private Lands and WMA Lands

Except Named WMAs listed below.

(April 1 - May 1) Possession and use of tags required.

Limit 5 gobblers per season, no more than 2 per day, except 2 total gobblers for Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Horry, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, Richland and Sumter counties.

Game Zone 6 Private Lands

(March 15 - May 1) Possession and use of tags required.

Limit 5 gobblers statewide, no more than 2 per day.

Statewide Youth Day

March 27 Limit 2 gobblers

Possession and use of tags required

Wildlife Management Areas Open to Turkey Hunting April 1 - May 1 (Named WMAs)

AREAS OPEN	LIMIT
¹ Keowee WMA	2
Fants Grove WMA	2
Francis Marion Hunt Unit (WMA Only)	2
Sand Hills State Forest WMA	2
⁴ Webb-Palachucola	2
Manchester State Forest WMA (Wed-Sat Only)	2
Moultrie Hunt Unit (Wed & Sat Only) Greenfield, Hall, North Dike, Porcher	2
Bluefield WMA (Adult/youth Only, Wed & Sat Only)	2
Santee Dam WMA	2
Edisto River WMA (Wed. Only)	2
⁴ Oak Lea WMA (Wed Only)	2
Marsh WMA (Wed & Sat Only)	2
McBee WMA (Wed & Sat Only)	2
Hickory Top WMA	2
⁵ Pee Dee Station Site WMA (Wed & Sat Only)	1
⁵ Great Pee Dee River WMA (Wed & Sat Only)	1
Tillman Sand Ridge WMA (Fri & Sat Only)	2
Lewis Ocean Bay HP (Fri & Sat Only)	1
Waccamaw River HP (Fri & Sat Only)	1
Bucksport WMA (Fri & Sat Only)	1

AREAS OPEN	LIMIT
Cartwheel Bay HP (Fri & Sat Only)	1
³ Little Pee Dee River Complex (Fri & Sat Only)	1
Victoria Bluff WMA (Fri & Sat Only)	1
² Crackerneck WMA (Fri & Sat Only)	5
Worth Mountain WMA (Wed. & Sat Only)	2
Draper WMA (Wed. & Sat Only)	2
Wee Tee State Forest (Wed. & Sat Only)	2
Woodbury WMA (Wed-Sat Only)	2
⁴ Hamilton Ridge WMA	2
Aiken Gopher Tortoise HP WMA	2
Longleaf Pine HP WMA (Wed. & Sat. Only)	2

Statewide Youth Hunt Day (Tags required) March 27. See page 54 for WMAs open on youth day.

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 5 gobblers, no more than 2 per day (Reg. 123-51).
- All hunters, including hunters younger than 16, must possess a set of turkey tags. All harvested turkeys must be tagged prior to transporting. No person may possess more than one set of turkey tags (SC 50-11-544).
- Legal weapons - shotguns, muzzleloading shotguns, bows and crossbows. All other weapons or methods are prohibited including rifles, pistols, 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 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. NOTE: The following activities can result in a baited area if done prior to or during turkey season: discing or manipulating chufa to expose the tubers; mowing or manipulating standing grain crops where grain is scattered or exposed; top sowing of any grains.

SAVANNAH RIVER SITE DRAW HUNTS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Savannah River Site will hold a draw hunt for persons with disabilities in April. For hunt applications, contact Illana Burkhart, NWTF, 800-843-6983 ext 7421.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PUBLIC HUNT DRAWINGS

Donnelley WMA, Santee Cooper WMA, Bonneau Ferry WMA (Adult/Youth) & Belfast WMA (Adult Hunts and Adult/Youth hunts). Turkey hunts available by public hunt drawing ONLY. To receive an application, please write: SCDNR Turkey Hunts, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-734-3886. Deadline for applications is February 29.

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

The turkey season for all US Army Corps of Engineers lands, in Game Zones 1 and 2, is the same as the WMA turkey season unless otherwise posted.

CAROLINA SANDHILLS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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

¹ Keowee WMA - Shotguns only -- north of Hwy 123 and west of the Keowee Arm of Lake Hartwell to Hwy 291 and west of Hwy 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 WMA's, 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 and Marsh WMA all hunters must sign in and sign out.

How to get Turkey Tags

You should request tags each year when you get your new hunting license. Tags will be mailed to you in late February. Look at your hunting license in order to tell if you will receive tags by mail. If "turkey tags" appears on the license, then you should get the tags by mail. If you do not get the tags by mail, they will be available at DNR offices and some local vendors who sell hunting licenses beginning the first week in March. You can also order them online at <http://www.dnr.sc.gov/turkeytags/>. Turkey Tags must be in possession while hunting for wild turkey.

The Heritage Trust Program: Heritage Preserves

<https://www.dnr.sc.gov/mlands/heritage>

The Heritage Trust Program

The Heritage Trust Program, part of the Habitat Protection Section, created in 1976 as the first such program in the Nation, has acquired 70 Heritage Preserves encompassing 82,725 acres statewide. Heritage Preserves are managed by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division and protect significant natural and cultural resources. Public recreation is allowed on most heritage preserves.

Twenty-four preserves (52,032 acres; 64% of the total acreage in the Heritage Trust Program) are also Wildlife Management Areas; these are open to public hunting in accordance with certain guidelines. Hunting is not allowed on some heritage preserves because of their small size, public safety factors or other legal, security, or biological factors.

Many roads are gated because Heritage Preserves contain unique, sensitive and rare elements vulnerable to vehicular and inordinate foot traffic. Bag limits and season lengths on Heritage Preserves are set with the aim of restoring or maintaining ecological integrity. Hunting, besides being an important recreational activity, is an important management tool on and near certain Heritage Preserves. The Heritage Trust

Program has followed the lead of several other WMAs and prohibits fox squirrel hunting.

Cultural resources are strictly protected on Heritage Preserves. All projectile points (arrowheads) are protected. It is illegal to take or otherwise disturb any cultural resource or to possess a metal detector on any Heritage Preserve.

All snakes (including venomous snakes) and other reptiles and amphibians, as well as any non-game plant or animal, are protected on all Heritage Preserves. It is illegal to harm or harass any of these animals or disturb plants.

SCDNR Heritage Preserve 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 or go to <http://www.dnr.sc.gov/mlands/hpregulations.html> then select any heritage preserve then "regulations."

Heritage Preserve WMAs Contact

Game Zone 1

864-654-1671, Ex. 24
Brasstown Creek (Oconee Co.), Buzzard Roost (Oconee Co.), Watson-Cooper (Greenville Co.), Chestnut Ridge (Greenville Co.), Ashmore (Greenville Co.), Eastatoe Creek (Pickens Co.), Laurel Fork (Pickens Co.), Wadakoe Mountain (Pickens County), Chandler (Greenville Co.) Stumphouse Mountain (Oconee Co.)

Game Zone 2

803-419-9374 Rock Hill Blackjacks (York Co.),
Forty Acre Rock (Lancaster Co.)
864-654-1671, Ex. 24 Stevens Creek (McCormick and Edgefield cos.)

Game Zone 3

803-734-3886
Aiken Gopher Tortoise (Aiken Co.)
Ditch Pond (Aiken/Barnwell Co.)
Henderson (Aiken Co.)

Game Zone 4

843-546-3226
Lewis Ocean Bay (Horry Co.), Cartwheel Bay (Horry Co.), Waccamaw River (Horry Co.), Little Pee Dee River Complex (Horry and Marion cos.)

Game Zone 5

803-419-9374
Lynchburg Savannah (Lee Co.), Longleaf Pine (Lee Co.), Great Pee Dee River (Darlington Co.)

Game Zone 6

843-546-3226 Tillman Sand Ridge (Jasper Co.),
Victoria Bluff (Beaufort Co.)
843-844-8957 Botany Bay (Charleston Co.),
Dungannon (Charleston Co.)
843-844-8822 St. Helena Sound (Colleton Co.)

Thanks to Landowners

Landowners providing their land for public hunting and recreation are due much appreciation from 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.

U. S. Forest Service	629,906	Plum Creek.....	4,906	Duke Energy	1,858
SC Department of Natural Resources	220,667	Teredo Timber.....	3,828	York County	1,643
SC Forestry Commission.....	90,301	TIAA Timberlands II (Hancock Forest Mgt.)	4708	Jordan Properties	851
Crescent Resources	9,291	American Timberland II (RMK)	2,991	Upstate Forever	560
SC Public Service Authority (Santee)...	22,738	Georgia Power Company	2,814	Elizabeth and Thaddeus Thomas	594
Department of Transportation	10,877	Wachovia Bank (Brown Trust).....	3,252	Lavinia B. George	569
Clemson University.....	11,265	SC Dept. of Commerce	1,675	City of Walhalla.....	439
Department of Energy	10,470	SC Public Ser. Auth. (Pee Dee)	1,514	City of Clinton	276
American Forest Management	14,929	Corps of Engineers (Santee).....	2,465	Brown Family Partnership & Jack L. Brown	120
SCPRT	7,571	Knightwood (Hancock Forest Mgt.)	1,468	Commission of Public Works (Greer)	100
Corps of Engineers (Thurmond Res.)	6,018	Springland, Inc.....	1,695	Mary L. Phillips	117
S.C. Electric & Gas Company.....	5,296	Carolina Power & Light	1,036	William & Joab Lesesne	92
Timber-Lands L.P.....	1,903	SC Conf. Bd. of Camps & Retreats.....	1,249	TOTAL	1,082,052

Wildlife Management Areas www.dnr.sc.gov/wma/

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 DNR to lease approximately 1.1 million acres of land for wildlife conservation and management.

Heritage Preserves are properties acquired by SCDNR for the primary purpose of protecting habitat for rare and endangered species. Some Heritage Preserves

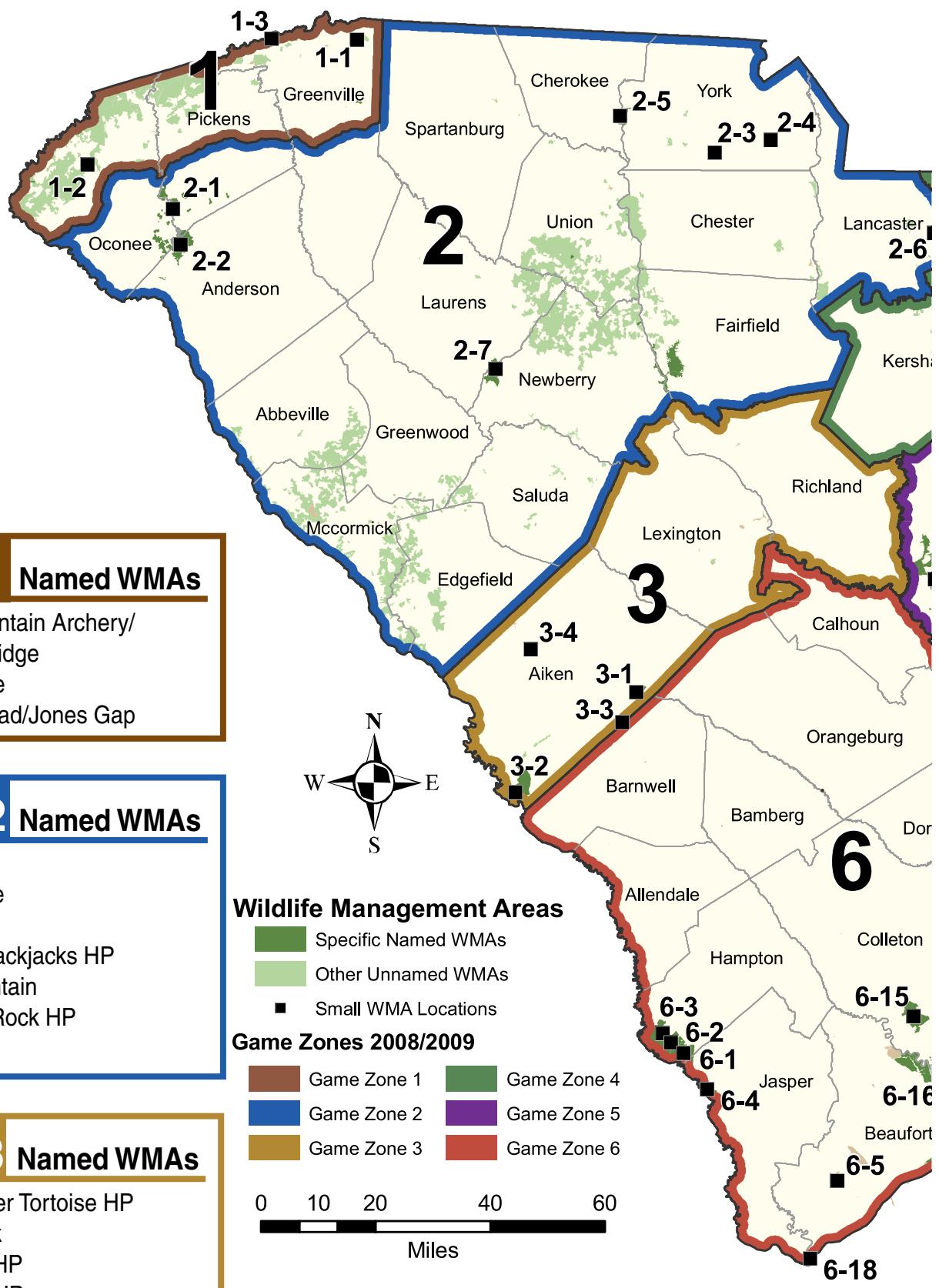
offer game hunting opportunities and are included in the WMA Program. All persons using WMA lands are reminded that only U.S. Forest Service lands and those areas marked by WMA signs are open to the public. Lands not posted with these signs are the property of private individuals, and landowner permission must be obtained.

General locations of the areas described below are shown on the map on pages 40-41. 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.

Wildlife Management Area	Acreage	Map #	County	Telephone	Hunting Opportunities Available							
					Deer	Hogs	Bear	Turkey	Dove	Waterfowl	Quail	Squirrel
Aiken Gopher Tortoise Heritage Preserve*	1,622	3	Aiken	803-755-2834	x		x		x	x	x	x
Bear Island*	12,153	10	Colleton	843-844-8957	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Belfast	4,664	4	Laurens, Newberry	803-734-3886	x		x			x	x	x
Bonneau Ferry*	10,712	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Botany Bay Plantation	4,687	10	Charleston	843-844-8957	x			x	x	x	x	x
Canal	2,491	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387				x	x			
Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve*	568	8	Horry	843-546-3226	x		x		x	x	x	x
Central Piedmont Hunt Unit	183,706	4,5,6	Cherokee, Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster, Laurens, Newberry, Spartanburg, Union, York	803-734-3886	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Crackerneck	10,470	3	Aiken	803-725-3663	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Ditch Pond Heritage Preserve*	233	3	Aiken, Barnwell	803-734-3886	x			x		x	x	
Donnelley*	8,060	10	Colleton	843-844-8957	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Draper*, McConnells*, Ross*	1,360	5	York	864-427-5140	x		x	x		x	x	x
Dungannon Heritage Preserve*	643	9,10	Charleston	843-844-8957	x				x			
Edisto River*	1,394	10	Dorchester	843-844-8957	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Fants Grove	7,444	1,2	Anderson, Oconee, Pickens	864-654-1671	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Francis Marion National Forest	258,816	9,10	Berkeley, Charleston	843-825-3387	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve*	2,725	6,7	Darlington	843-661-4768	x	x		x		x		x
Hamilton Ridge	13,281	10	Hampton	803-625-3569	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Hatchery	2,400	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387	x				x			
Henderson Heritage Preserve*	417	3	Aiken	803-734-3886	x							
Hickory Top	1,105	7	Clarendon	803-655-5809	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Keowee	4,930	1	Pickens, Oconee	864-654-1671	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve*	9,343	8	Horry	843-546-3226	x			x	x	x	x	x
Little Pee Dee Heritage Preserve* Complex	10,238	8	Horry, Marion	843-546-3226	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Longleaf Pine Heritage Preserve*	843	7	Lee	803-419-9374	x		x		x	x	x	
Lynchburg Savannah Heritage Preserve*	291	7	Lee	803-419-9374				x	x	x	x	
Manchester State Forest	23,135	7	Sumter	803-494-8196	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Marsh WMA*	8,560	8	Marion	843-661-4768	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
McBee*, Angelus*, Crossroads*	1,199	6	Chesterfield	843-661-4768	x		x	x		x	x	x
Moultrie	9,480	9	Berkeley	843-825-3387	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Mountain Hunt Unit	154,261	1,2	Greenville, Oconee, Pickens	864-654-1671	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Oak Lea WMA	2,000	7	Clarendon	803-655-5809	x		x	x	x		x	x
Old Island Heritage Preserve*	400	10	Beaufort	803-625-3569	x							
Palachucola*	6,757	10	Hampton, Jasper	803-625-3569	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Parr Hydroelectric Project	4,400	4,5	Fairfield, Newberry	803-609-6992	x				x		x	x
Pee Dee Station Site	2,701	8	Florence	843-661-4768	x	x		x		x	x	x
Rock Hill Blackjacks Heritage Preserve*	291	5	York	864-419-9374	x							
Samworth*	1,588	9	Georgetown	843-546-8665	x	x		x	x			
Sand Hills State Forest	46,000	5,6,7	Chesterfield, Darlington	843-661-4768	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Sandy Island	9,165	9	Georgetown	843-546-3226	x	x						
Santee Coastal*	24,000	9,10	Charleston, Georgetown	843-546-8665	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Santee Cooper	3,144	7	Orangeburg	803-655-5809	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Santee Dam	575	7	Clarendon	803-655-5809	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Santee-Delta*	1,722	9	Georgetown	843-546-8665	x	x			x			
St. Helena Sound Heritage Preserve*	10,302	10	Beaufort	843-844-8822	x				x			x
Tillman Sand Ridge Heritage Preserve*	1,422	10	Jasper	803-625-3569	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Turtle Island*	1,700	10	Jasper	803-625-3569					x			
Victoria Bluff Heritage Preserve*	1,113	10	Beaufort	803-625-3569	x			x			x	x
Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve*	5,387	8	Horry	843-546-3226	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Webb*	5,860	10	Hampton	803-625-3569	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Wee Tee	12,439	9,10	Williamsburg, Georgetown	843-661-4768	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Western Piedmont Hunt Unit	146,561	2,3,4	Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, McCormick, Saluda	864-223-2731	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Woodbury	25,668	8	Marion	843-661-4768	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Worth Mountain	1,643	5	York	864-427-5140	x		x	x	x	x	x	x

Named Wildlife Management Areas

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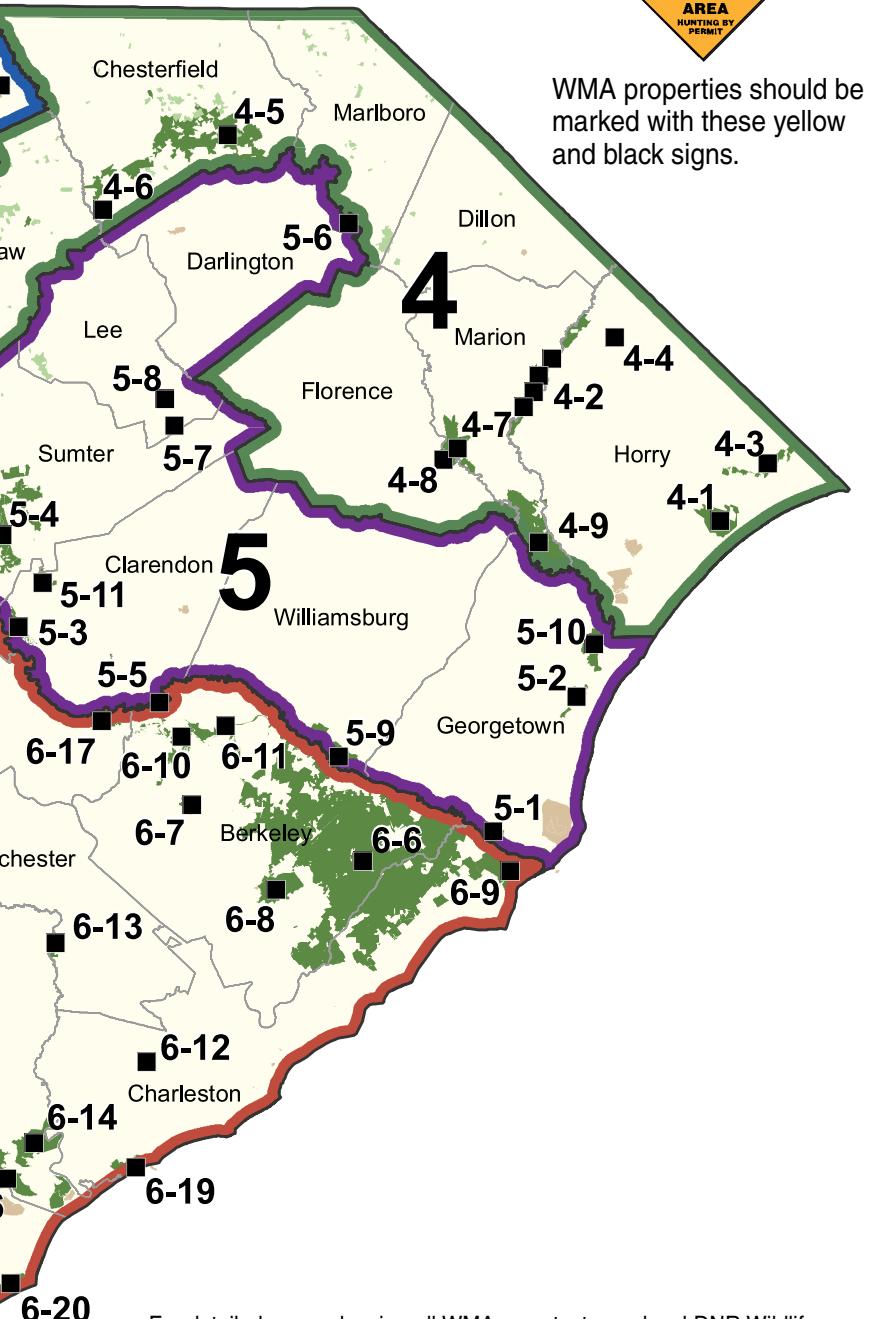


Game Zone 3 Named WMAs

- 3-1 Aiken Gopher Tortoise HP
- 3-2 Crackerneck
- 3-3 Ditch Pond HP
- 3-4 Henderson HP

There are two types of property included in the Wildlife Management Area Program: "specific" named WMA's and "other" unnamed WMAs. Other WMA lands occur as scattered tracts, often leased from private landowners and the forest industry. The hunting seasons for these unnamed properties are set by Game Zone with all the "other" WMA tracts within a particular Game Zone having the same seasons. These "other" WMA lands are shown as unlabeled green tracts on the WMA maps.

"Specific" WMAs are generally larger tracts of land, many owned and managed by DNR and have special seasons. These "named" WMAs are shown as labeled dark green tracts on the WMA maps. The hunting seasons for named WMAs are listed within each Game Zone.



For detailed maps showing all WMAs, contact your local DNR Wildlife Management Office (see page 61) or write: WMA Maps, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202, 803-734-3886. Request by county of interest.

New: To view and print WMA maps from the internet, go to
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Game Zone 4 Named WMAs

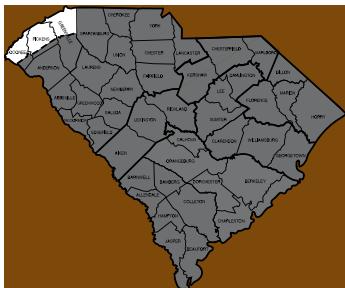
- 4-1 Lewis Ocean Bay HP
- 4-2 Little Pee Dee HP
- 4-3 Waccamaw River HP
- 4-4 Cartwheel Bay HP
- 4-5 Sandhills State Forest
- 4-6 McBee
- 4-7 Marsh
- 4-8 Pee Dee Station Site
- 4-9 Woodbury

Game Zone 5 Named WMAs

- 5-1 Santee-Delta
- 5-2 Samworth
- 5-3 Hickory Top
- 5-4 Manchester State Forest
- 5-5 Santee Dam
- 5-6 Great Pee Dee HP
- 5-7 Longleaf Pine HP
- 5-8 Lynchburg Savannah HP
- 5-9 Wee Tee
- 5-10 Sandy Island
- 5-11 Oak Lea

Game Zone 6 Named WMAs

- 6-1 Palachucola
- 6-2 Webb
- 6-3 Hamilton Ridge
- 6-4 Tillman Sand Ridge HP
- 6-5 Victoria Bluff HP
- 6-6 Francis Marion NF
- 6-7 Hatchery
- 6-8 Bonneau Ferry
- 6-9 Santee Coastal Reserve
- 6-10 Moultrie
- 6-11 Canal
- 6-12 Dungannon HP
- 6-13 Edisto
- 6-14 Bear Island
- 6-15 Donnelley
- 6-16 St. Helena Sound HP
- 6-17 Santee Cooper
- 6-18 Turtle Island
- 6-19 Botany Bay Plantation HP
- 6-20 Old Island HP



Game Zone 1

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 Hwy 183 in Westminister, then north of SC Hwy 183 to intersection of SC Hwy 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.

This section WMA only. For private land laws, regulations and seasons, see pages 28-30, 35-37.

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
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Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Deer - Other WMAs (including US Forest Service Lands in WMA)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on WMAs. Individual antlerless deer tags are not valid on WMA land in Game Zone 1. Limits listed are a combined total per person for both private & WMA lands. No more than 5 bucks total may be taken during all seasons combined, regardless of method (archery, muzzleloader, or gun). Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs during still gun or muzzleloader hunts for deer or bear on WMAs. Archery allowed during all hunt periods (archery, muzzleloader or gun hunts). Crossbows are considered archery equipment. Archery hunters are allowed to take either-sex during all deer seasons. All limits apply. The deer seasons for all US Army Corps of Engineers lands in Game Zone 1 are the same as the WMA deer seasons unless otherwise posted. 	
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 (see page 54 for WMAs) 2 deer/either-sex, no tags required
Archery & Muzzleloader WMA	Oct. 1-10 • Archery either-sex • Muzzleloader buck only 2 per day, 2 deer total
Archery only WMA	Dec. 23-Jan. 1 either-sex • No muzzleloader hunting on WMAs Dec. 23-Jan. 1. 2 per day, 2 deer total
Gun Hunts on WMA Lands	Oct. 12-16, Oct. 31-Dec. 22 buck only Nov. 7, 14, 21 either-sex 2 per day, 7 deer total • No gun hunting for deer on WMAs Dec. 23-Jan. 1. • No deer hunting on Long Creek Tracts (Oconee Co.) on or after Thanksgiving Day. • Archery and muzzleloaders allowed during Gun Hunts.
Bear	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Sunday hunting for bear. Harvested bear must be reported within 24 hours to Clemson DNR at 864-654-1671, ext. 24. Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs during still gun hunts for deer or bear on WMAs. 	
Still Hunt (No Dogs)	Oct. 19-24 no bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs 1 bear
Party Dog Hunts	Oct. 26-31 3 bears per party • No bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs • All parties (maximum party size of 25) must register with SCDNR at 311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631 by Sept. 15. Groups hunting together are considered 1 party.
Small Game - Other WMAs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Except during deer and bear seasons, it is unlawful to have in possession any firearm loaded with buckshot or larger shot or a rifle or ammunition of greater caliber than .22. Hogs & coyotes may be taken during small game hunts with small game firearms only except during open seasons for deer and bear. 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. 	
Mourning Dove	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only) Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15 15 per day
Quail	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns. Nov. 23-Mar. 1 guns and dogs 12 per day
Squirrel	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 10 per day
Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26, 2009-Mar. 1, 2010 guns & dogs 5 per day No rabbit hunting with dogs is allowed during still gun hunts for deer or bear on WMAs.
Grouse	Nov. 26 - Mar. 1 3 per day
Raccoon & Opossum (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Oct. 14 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 3 per party per night Opossum no limit.
Fox (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26-Mar. 1 guns & dogs No limit
Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter & Weasel	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No limit
Beaver	Sept. 1-Mar. 1 No limit
Crow	Nov. 2-Mar. 1 No limit
Named WMAs	
Glassy Mountain Archery Only Area- Chestnut Ridge Heritage Preserve (Greenville Co)	
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 (No Dogs)	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 Archery only buck only Oct. 31-Jan. 1 Archery only either-sex total 2 deer
Stumphouse WMA (Youth Area) Oconee County	
Game Zone 1 seasons, limits, rules and regulations apply except small game hunting only from Thanksgiving Day through March 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.	
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.	
Long Creek Tract (Forest Service) Oconee County	
Game Zone 1 seasons, except small game only between Thanksgiving Day and March 1.	

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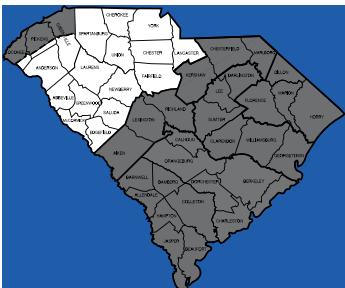


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Game Zone 2

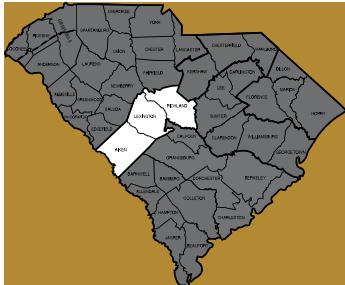
Abbeville, Anderson, Chester, Cherokee, Edgefield, Fairfield, Greenwood, Lancaster, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union, York Counties & those portions of the Counties of Greenville, Oconee & Pickens south of the Game Zone 1 line.

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SCDNR Offices	Wildlife Offices: 311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-1671; 2751 Hwy. 72 E., Abbeville, SC 864-223-2731	Law Enforcement Office: 311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631, 864-654-8266
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Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Other WMAs (including US Forest Service Lands in WMA)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on all WMAs. Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on WMA land starting Oct. 1. Use of tags does not change the type of weapon allowed during specific seasons. Limits listed are a combined total per person for both private & WMA lands. No more than 5 bucks total may be taken during all seasons combined, regardless of method (archery, muzzleloader, or gun). During gun hunts on WMA lands, there shall be no hunting or shooting deer from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic. Feral hogs and coyotes may be taken during all hunts. No hog hunting with dogs during still gun or muzzleloader hunts for deer on WMAs. Archery allowed during all hunt periods (archery, muzzleloader or gun hunts). Archery hunters are allowed to take either-sex during all deer seasons. Daily and seasonal bag limits apply. The deer seasons for all US Army Corps of Engineers lands in Game Zone 2 are the same as the WMA deer seasons unless otherwise posted. 	
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 2 deer/either-sex, no tags required (see page 54 for WMAs)
Archery only on WMAs	Sept. 15-30 2 per day, 3 deer total Nov. 30-Dec. 12 either-sex
Archery & Muzzleloader on WMAs	Oct. 1-10 muzzle loader buck only 2 deer total archery either sex Oct. 3 either-sex, muzzleloader • No muzzleloader hunting on WMAs Nov. 30-Dec. 12 • Muzzleloaders allowed during Gun Hunts
Gun Hunts on WMAs	Oct. 12-Nov. 28, Dec. 14-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1 either-sex 2 per day, 10 deer total • No gun hunting for deer on WMAs Nov. 30-Dec. 12.
Small Game - Other WMAs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hogs & coyotes may be taken during small game hunts with small game firearms only on WMAs. Small game seasons on WMAs are listed below. 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. No hog hunting with dogs during still gun hunts for deer on WMAs. 	
Mourning Dove	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only) 15 per day Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15
Quail	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season, dogs, no guns Nov. 23-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 12 per day
Squirrel	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 10 per day
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26, 2009-Mar. 1, 2010 guns & dogs 5 per day No rabbit hunting with dogs is allowed during still gun hunts for deer or bear on WMAs.
Raccoon & Opossum (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Oct. 14 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 15-Mar. 1 Guns & dogs 3 per party per night Opossum no limit.
Fox (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26-Mar. 1 Guns & dogs No limit
Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter & Weasel	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No limit
Beaver	Sept. 1-Mar. 1 No limit
Crow	Nov. 2-Mar. 1 No limit
Area/ Methods	
Seasons/Limits	
Named WMAs	
Keowee WMA Oconee & Pickens Counties	
Deer Archery	Oct. 15-Dec. 22 either-sex 2 per day, 3 deer total <i>Total may not include more than 1 buck.</i>
Small Game	
Shotguns only north of Hwy. 123, west of the Keowee arm of Lake Hartwell to the Old Clemson Seneca Hwy. Also west of Hwy 291 north and south of the Keowee arm of Lake Hartwell upstream from the Hwy. 291 bridge. All other areas archery only.	
Quail	Nov. 25-Mar. 1, Wed. & Sat. only 10 per day
Other Small Game	Regular Zone 2 seasons & limits except no hunting during Archery Deer Hunts Oct. 15-Dec. 22
Fant's Grove WMA Oconee, Pickens & Anderson Counties	
Deer Archery	Oct. 15-Dec. 7 either-sex 1 buck only 2 per day, 3 deer total Bucks must have at least 4 points on 1 side or minimum 12 inch antler spread.
Deer Gun	1.5 days gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Drawing Hunts on page 31.
Small Game	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Zone 2 seasons and limits except no hunting during Archery Deer Hunts (Oct. 15-Dec. 7) and Special Youth & Quota hunts (Oct. 3, Dec. 14, 15 17, 18). Except dove hunting allowed on designated Dove Fields. Waterfowl hunting allowed on Wed. and Sat. AM only during federal waterfowl season. 	
Quail	Nov. 25-Feb. 27, Wed. and Sat. only
Draper WMA York County	
Deer	Game Zone 2 WMA Seasons & Limits
Small Game	
Dove	Special restrictions apply during all seasons and limited participation will apply opening day.
Quail	Dec. 5, 12, 16, 23 Jan. 2, 6, 9, 13 10 per day sunrise until 4:00 pm
Rabbit	Dec. 2, 9, Jan. 16, 20, 23, 27, 30, Feb. 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 3 per day
Small Game other than Dove, Quail & Rabbit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Zone 2 seasons & limits except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1. No Fox Squirrels.
Broad River Waterfowl Management Area, Fairfield County	
Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 31 either-sex 2 per day, 3 deer total
Small Game - Raccoon, Squirrel, Rabbit & Quail	
	Feb. 2-Mar. 1 Game Zone 2 limits
Rock Hill Blackjacks HP WMA York County	
Archery	Sept. 15-30, Nov. 30-Jan. 1 either-sex 2 per day, 3 deer total
Small Game	Small game hunting is not allowed.
Worth Mountain WMA York County	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality Deer Management Area - Antlered Bucks must have 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch antler spread. Zone 2 seasons and limits apply. Use of individual deer tags and county wide either-sex days apply. 	
Small Game	Zone 2 seasons and limits.

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Belfast WMA Laurens and Newberry Counties	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All hunters must sign in and sign out upon entering or leaving Belfast WMA. All harvested deer and turkeys must be checked in at the Belfast check station. Belfast WMA is closed to public access of all types one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise except for special hunts regulated by DNR. 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 cards are required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving Belfast WMA. Hunters are required to have a data card in possession while on the property during scheduled hunts. Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread. 	



Game Zone 3

Aiken, Lexington & Richland counties

This section WMA Only. For private land laws, regulations and seasons, see pages 28-30, 35-37.

WMA regulations apply to public lands in Game Zone 3. Some WMAs have special seasons or restrictions, and are listed at the end of the hunt seasons section.

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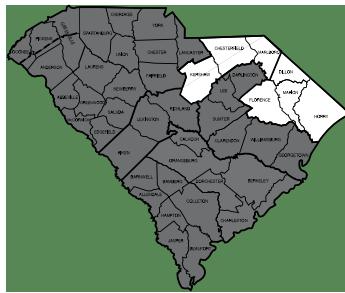
Wildlife Offices: P.O. Box 23, New Ellenton, SC 803-725-3663;
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Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Other WMAs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on all WMAs. Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on other "unnamed" WMAs starting Sept. 15. Tags do not alter the daily or season bag limits. 	
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 2 deer/either-sex, no tags required (see page 54 for WMAs)
Archery & Gun Hunts unnamed WMAs	Sept. 1-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1. either sex No limit on bucks; 2 antlerless deer per day on either-sex days. No hunting on WMAs before Sept. 1.
Small Game - other WMAs	Small Game seasons on WMAs are listed below. 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.
Mourning Dove	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only), Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15 15 per day
Quail	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 23-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 12 per day
Squirrel	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 10 per day
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26, 2009-Mar. 1, 2010 guns & dogs 5 per day
Raccoon & Opossum (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Sept. 14 Running season-dogs Sept. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs No limit
Fox (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26-Mar. 1 guns & dogs No limit
Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter & Weasel	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No limit
Beaver	Sept. 1-Mar. 1 WMA land No limit
Crow	Nov. 2-Mar. 1 No limit

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Belfast WMA Laurens and Newberry Counties (continued)	
Deer Archery	Sept. 21-26 either-sex 2 per day, 3 per hunt period No more than 1 buck (antler restrictions apply)
Deer Archery & Muzzleloader	Oct. 3 either-sex 2 per day No more than 1 buck (antler restrictions apply)
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.
Small Game	Dec. 10-Mar. 1 Game zone 2 bag limits (No open season for fox squirrels, fox or bobcats)

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Crackerneck WMA Aiken County (continued)	
Hog Party Hunts (With Dogs)	Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 Handguns only.
Small Game	
Fridays, Saturdays & Thanksgiving day ONLY during regular Game Zone 3 seasons (closed Dec. 25), except no hunting before Oct. 16 or after Feb. 27. Game Zone 3 limits	No limit.
• 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. 17-Dec. 26 Saturday nights only Jan. 1-Feb. 27 Friday & 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: Saturdays -1 hour after official sunset to midnight. Hunters must exit gate by 1:00 am. Fridays -1 hour after official sunset to 1 hour before official sunrise. Hunters must exit gate by official sunrise.	



Game Zone 4

Kershaw, Chesterfield, Marlboro, Dillon, Florence, Marion & Horry counties

This section WMA Only. For private land laws, regulations and seasons, see pages 28-30, 35-37.

SCDNR Offices

Wildlife Offices:
2007 Pisgah Rd., Florence, SC
843-661-4768
Georgetown, SC
843-546-3226

Law Enforcement Office:
2007 Pisgah Rd, Florence, SC
843-661-4766

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Deer - Other WMAs	
• Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on all WMAs.	
• Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on other "unnamed" WMAs starting Sept. 15. Tags do not alter the daily or season bag limits.	
• Archery allowed during all hunt periods (archery, muzzleloader or gun hunts).	
• Archery hunters are allowed to take either-sex during all deer seasons. All limits apply.	
• During gun hunts on WMA lands, there shall be no hunting or shooting deer from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.	
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 2 deer/either-sex, no tags required (see page 54 for WMAs)
Deer Archery only WMAs	Sept. 1-14 <u>buck only</u> total of 3 deer for all archery hunts, 2 per day
Deer Archery & Gun Hunts WMAs	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 <u>buck-only</u> Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1 <u>either-sex</u> 2 per day 10 deer total with no more than 5 bucks
Small Game - other WMAs	Small Game seasons on WMAs listed below. 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.
Mourning Dove	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only) Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15 15 per day
Quail	Sept. 1-Sept. 30, running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 23-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 12 per day
Squirrel	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns and dogs 10 per day
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26, 2009-Mar. 1, 2010 guns & dogs 5 per day
Raccoon & Opossum (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Sept. 14 running season-dogs, no guns Sept. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 3 per party per night Opossum no limit.

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Ditch Pond Heritage Preserve WMA Aiken/Barnwell County	
Deer Archery Only	Oct. 1-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1 either-sex (1 deer per day, 3 deer total) not to include more than 2 bucks.
Small Game	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 Regular Game Zone 3/6 limits • Fox squirrels may not be hunted or taken. • All reptiles and amphibians are protected. • No raccoon hunting allowed.
Henderson Heritage Preserve WMA Aiken County	
Deer Archery Only	Oct. 1-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26 Jan. 1 either-sex 1 deer per day, 3 deer total, not to include more than 2 bucks.

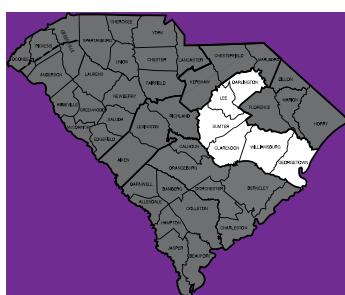


Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Fox (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26-Mar. 1 guns & dogs
Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter & Weasel	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No limit
Beaver	Sept. 1-Mar. 1 No limit
Crow	Nov. 2 - Mar. 1 No limit
Named WMAs	
Marsh WMA Marion County	
• Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Marsh WMA.	
• All visitors must sign in and out at the kiosk.	
• No ATV's.	
• No buckshot or dogs allowed.	
• Wild hogs may only be taken during deer hunts & special hog hunts.	
• A portion of Marsh WMA is designated a youth special hunt area and is closed for hunting except for special draw hunts.	
Deer Archery	Oct. 5-10 either-sex 1 deer per day, Hogs no limit
Deer Archery & Muzzle- loader	Oct. 12-24 either-sex 1 deer per day Hogs no limit
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 26-Nov. 14 <u>buck only</u> 1 deer per day, Hogs no limit
Special Hog Still Gun Hunt	Mar. 1-20 (Mon.-Sat.) Hogs Only May 2-Aug. 28, 2010 (Thurs. - Sat. only) No Limit Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzle-loading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.
Special Hog Hunt with Dogs	Jan 11-23 No Limit • Handguns only • Limit of 4 bay or catch dogs • No live hogs removed

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits			
Marsh WMA Marion County (continued)				
Small Game				
Rabbit, Squirrel, Opossum, & Quail	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 (Wed.-Sat. only) No open season on fox squirrels.	Game Zone 4 limits		
Woodcock	Wed.-Sat. Federal season			
Raccoons	Sept. 15-Mar. 1 (nights only)	3 per party per night		
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 at H. Cooper Black Jr. Headquarters about scheduled events or call 843-378-1555.				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 per day, 3 deer total		
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 1-Jan. 1 buck only			
	Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1 either-sex	2 per day 10 deer total with no more than 5 bucks • Muzzleloaders may be used during all gun hunts. • No buckshot allowed. • Individual antlerless deer tags may be used on days not designated as either-sex after Sept. 15. • No man drives allowed.		
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. • Regular Zone 4 & 5 seasons & limits except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1 and no daytime fox hunting allowed from Sept. 15-Jan. 1.				
McBee WMA Chesterfield County				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Nov. 28 either-sex	2 per day, 3 deer total		
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 1-Nov. 28 buck only			
	Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 either-sex	2 per day, 10 deer total with no more than 5 bucks No dogs during gun hunts. No buckshot.		
Small Game: Quail	Hunts by drawing only. See page 31.			
Small Game other than Quail or Dove	Regular Zone 4 seasons & limits except no hunting before Jan. 11 or after Mar. 1. No fox squirrel hunting.			
Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve WMA Horry County				
• Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Cartwheel Bay HP WMA. • Hogs no limit.				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 3 buck only Oct. 12-Nov. 7 either-sex	1 deer per day 1 deer per day		
Small Game	Nov. 9-Mar. 1 * No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 4 limits		
Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA Horry County				
• Hunters may not take more than 5 deer total from Lewis Ocean Bay HP WMA. • Deer hunters must sign in and out daily and record harvest at the kiosk. • No hunting or shooting from, or on, any roads open to vehicular traffic. • Horseback riding is prohibited during all deer hunts. • No buckshot or dogs allowed.				
Deer Archery	Sept. 21-26, Oct. 5-24 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct 26-Oct. 31, Nov. 9-14 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 30-Dec. 5, Dec. 14-19 buck only	1 buck per day		
Small Game	Jan. 1-Mar. 1 * No fox squirrel hunting	Game Zone 4 limits		
Little Pee Dee Heritage Preserve (HP) River Complex Horry & Marion counties - Includes Little Pee Dee River HP, Tilghman HP, Dargan HP and Ward HP, also Upper Gunters Island and Huggins tracts in Horry County which are part of Dargan HP.				
• Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Little Pee Dee River Complex. • No buckshot or dogs allowed. • Wild hogs may only be taken during deer hunts and designated hog hunts.				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-26 buck only Oct. 1-17 either-sex	1 buck per day 1 deer per day		
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 26-31 buck only Nov. 2-7 either-sex	1 buck per day 1 deer per day		
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 9-28 buck only	1 buck per day		
Special Hog Still Hunt	March 6-20 hogs only, no dogs, no buckshot Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.	No limit		
Special Hog Hunt with Dogs	March 1-5 • Handguns only, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. • No live hogs removed from WMA.	No limit		
Small Game	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 • No Fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 4 limits		
Raccoon	Nov. 28-Feb. 27 Wed and Sat. nights only	3 per party per night		
Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve WMA Horry County				
• Hunters may not take more than 2 deer total from Waccamaw River HP WMA. • No buckshot or dogs allowed. No limit on hogs.				
Deer Archery	Oct. 12-24 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 26-Nov. 7 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 9-28 buck only	1 buck per day		
Small Game				
Dove	Organized hunts only. Seasons and limits are published in the Public Dove Fields List available in August.			
Gray Squirrels & Woodcock* only: No Fox Squirrel Hunting	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 * Woodcock hunting allowed during federal seasons only.	Game Zone 4 limits		
Raccoons	Dec. 2-Feb. 24 (Wed. nights only)	3 per party per night		
Hog Hunt with Dogs	March 6, 13 sidearms only, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs.	No limit		
Pee Dee Station Site WMA Florence County				
• Hunting allowed on east side of SR 57 (Old River Road). • Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Pee Dee Station Site WMA. • Scouting days are Oct. 3-4, 17-18, Oct. 31-Nov. 1 • Must sign in and out at kiosk. • No buckshot or dogs allowed.				
Deer Archery	Oct. 5-10 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 19-24, Nov. 2-7 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Special Hog Still Hunts	Mar. 1-20 Archery, crossbows and muzzleloaders only	Hogs only, No Limit		
Raccoon	Sept. 15-Mar. 1 (Nights only)	3 per party per night		
Small Game	Nov. 28-Feb. 27 (Wed. and Sat. only)	Game Zone 4 limits		

Area/ Methods	Seasons/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. A point must be at least 1 inch long measured from the nearest edge of main beam to the top of the point.		
• No more than 3 bucks total may be taken during all seasons combined regardless of method.		
• All visitors must sign in and out at the kiosk.		
• Hog hunting allowed only during deer hunts and special hog hunts.		
• No buckshot.		
• No ATV's allowed.		
Deer Archery	Sep. 15-Oct. 3 either-sex	1 deer per day, Hogs no limit
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 5-17 either-sex	1 deer per day, Hogs no limit
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 19-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26, Jan 1 either-sex	1 deer per day, Hogs no limit

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Woodbury WMA Marion County (continued)		
Special Hog Still Gun Hunts	Mar. 1-20 (Mon. - Sat.) May 2-Aug. 28, 2010 (Thurs.-Sat only) Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzle-loading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.	Hogs only No limit
Special Hog Hunt with Dogs	Jan. 11-23 Hogs only • Limit of 4 bay or catch dogs • Handguns only • No live hogs removed from Woodbury WMA	No limit
Small Game		
Gray Squirrels & Quail	Dec. 14-Mar. 1 Game Zone bag limits	No open season on fox squirrels
Rabbits	Jan. 1-Mar. 1	Game Zone bag limits
Raccoons	Sept. 15-Mar. 1 (night only)	3 per party per night
Fox	Nov. 27-Mar. 1 (Nights only)	Game Zone bag limits



Game Zone 5

Sumter, Lee, Darlington, Clarendon, Williamsburg & Georgetown Counties

This section WMA Only. For private land laws, regulations and seasons, see pages 28-30, 35-37.

SCDNR Offices	Wildlife Offices: 2007 Pisgah Rd, Florence, SC 843-661-4768; 420 Dirleton Rd, Georgetown, SC 843-546-9489.	Law Enforcement Offices: 2007 Pisgah Rd, Florence, SC 843-661-4766 1000 Assembly St, Columbia, SC 803-734-4303
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Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Deer - Other WMAs		
• Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on all WMAs.		
• During gun hunts on WMA lands, there shall be no hunting or shooting deer from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.		
• Limits listed are a combined total per person for both private & WMA lands.		
• Individual antlerless deer tags are valid on other "unnamed" WMAs starting Sept. 15. Tags do not alter daily or season bag limits.		
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 (see page 54 for WMAs)	2 deer/either-sex, no tags required
Deer Archery: Other WMAs	Sept. 1- Jan. 1 buck only Except on either-sex days	
Deer Gun Hunts: Other WMAs	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 buck only Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 1 either-sex	5 deer total 2 antlerless deer per day on either-sex days.
Small Game-other WMAs		
• Small Game seasons on WMAs are listed below.		
• 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.		
Mourning Dove	Sept. 5-7 (afternoons only) Sept. 8-Oct. 10, Nov. 21-28, Dec. 21-Jan. 15	15 per day
Quail	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 23-Mar. 1 guns & dogs	12 per day
Squirrel	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs	10 per day
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 Running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26, 2009-Mar. 1, 2010 guns & dogs	5 per day
Raccoon & Opossum: Dogs at night only	Sept. 1-Sept 14 Running season-dogs, no guns Sept. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs	Limit 3 3 per party per night Opossum no limit.
Fox (Dogs at night only)	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 running season-dogs, no guns Nov. 26-Mar. 1 guns & dogs	No limit

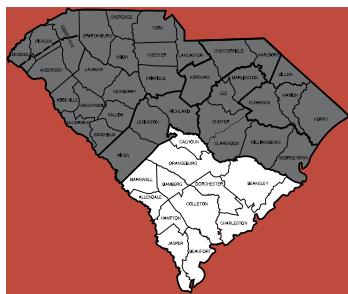
Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter & Weasel		
	Nov. 26-Mar. 1	No limit
Beaver	Sept. 1-Mar. 1	No limit
Crow	Nov. 2-Mar. 1	No limit
Named WMAs		
Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve WMA Darlington County		
• Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Great Pee Dee HP WMA.		
• 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.		
• No buckshot or dogs allowed.		
• Dogs may not be used to hunt hogs.		
• Hogs may be taken only during deer hunts or special hog hunts.		
• Firearms must be unloaded and cased and not readily accessible when not in legal use.		
Deer Archery	Oct. 5-17 either-sex	1 deer per day, hogs no limit
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 26-31 either-sex	1 deer per day (Hogs no limit.)
Deer Gun Hunts	Nov. 2-7 buck only	1 buck per day (Hogs no limit.)
Special Still Gun Hog Hunt	Feb. 1-27 Hogs only Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzle-loading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.	No limit
Small Game		
Gray Squirrels & Woodcock* only	Nov. 9-Jan. 30 No fox squirrel hunting. *Woodcock hunting allowed during federal seasons only.	Game Zone 5 limits
Raccoons	Sept 15-Mar. 1 (Nights only)	3 per party per night

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits			
Longleaf Pine Heritage Preserve WMA Lee County				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individual antlerless deer tags valid on days not designated as either-sex after Sept. 15. No buckshot or dogs allowed. 				
Archery	Sept. 1-14. <u>buck only</u>			
Archery & Gun Hunts	Sept. 15-Nov. 25 either-sex	Game Zone 5 limits		
Small Game	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone 5 limits		
Manchester State Forest (MSF) WMA Sumter County				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunters may not take more than 5 deer total from Manchester State Forest WMA. Dog hunt clubs by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31. No buckshot allowed during gun hunts. No man-drives during either-sex hunts. 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. Hunting is prohibited within 300 yards of a residence. Hogs may be taken only during deer hunts. All hunters are reminded that the Palmetto Trail may be in use by nonhunters. Deer must be checked at Battens or Shop And Go. Some gates may be locked due to wet roads. 				
Deer Archery	Sept. 21-26 either-sex	1 deer per day		
Archery & Muzzleloader	Sept. 28-Oct. 3 <u>buck only</u> Oct 2 only either-sex	1 buck per day 1 antlered buck & 1 antlerless deer per day		
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 5-10, 12-17, 20-23, 27-29, Nov. 3-5, 10-14, 17-19, 23-28 buck only Oct. 8-10, 15-17, 29 Nov. 13-14, 27-28 either-sex 1 buck per day; 1 antlered buck & 1 antlerless deer per day on either sex days.			
Small Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All hunters except dove, duck and turkey hunters are required to wear international orange coat, vest, or hat. Gates may be locked due to wet road conditions. 			
Dove	Sat. afternoons only during 1st season in designated fields only. Any day during 2nd and 3rd seasons on general forest and designated fields. See Public Dove Field Regulations available in August.			
Quail: Manchester State Forest WMA (except Bland & Tuomey Tracts)				
	Nov. 26-Mar. 1	12 per day		
Quail: Bland & Tuomey Tracts	Dec. 9, 19, 30, Jan. 16, 27, Feb. 6	12 per day Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at access points.		
Squirrel	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No squirrel hunting on Bland & Tuomey Tracts during scheduled quail hunts.	10 per day		
Rabbit	Nov. 26-Mar. 1 No rabbit hunting on Bland & Tuomey Tracts during scheduled quail hunts.	5 per day		
Raccoon: Night only	Nov. 26-Mar. 13	3 per party per night		
Fox: Night only	Nov. 26-Mar. 13	No limit during gun season		
Lynchburg Savannah Heritage Preserve WMA Lee County				
Small game only - no deer hunting				
Small Game				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private land seasons and limits apply to this area except, no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1. • No fox squirrel hunting. 				
Sandy Island WMA Georgetown Co.				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total (1 buck) from Sandy Island WMA. Firearms and vehicles are prohibited. No small game hunting is allowed. 				
Deer Archery	Oct. 1-Nov. 30 either-sex Hogs, coyotes no limit	1 deer per day		

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits			
Hickory Top WMA Clarendon Co.				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Hickory Top WMA. Hogs no limit. 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. 				
Deer Archery	Sept. 1-14 buck only Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 bucks per day 2 deer per day		
Deer Muzzle-loader (No Dogs)	Nov. 2-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 deer per day		
Small Game				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Private land seasons and limits apply except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1; quail 8 per day. No open season on fox squirrels. 				
Oak Lea WMA Clarendon County				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunters may not take more than 10 deer total from Oak Lea WMA. Data cards required for hunter access during archery deer hunts, turkey hunts and small game hunts. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving Oak Lea WMA. 				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-30 either-sex	2 deer per day		
Deer *Still Gun Hunts	Party hunts Hunters selected by drawing	3 deer per day, 1 buck/day 20 per hunt *Still Gun Hunters are selected by public drawing. Parties of 8-10 (8 min./10 max.). Parties may hunt for 4 days (Wed.-Sat.). Hunt periods will be approximately weekly (Oct.1-Jan.1). SC Forestry Commission will handle drawing 803-494-8196.		
Small Game	Small game (except quail) Jan. 2 - Mar. 1 except no small game hunting during scheduled quail hunts.			
Quail Hunts	Dec. 9, 19, 30, Jan. 16, 27, Feb. 6	12 per day 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 available in August.			
Santee Dam WMA Clarendon Co.				
Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Santee Dam WMA.				
Deer Archery (No Dogs)	Sept. 1-14 buck only Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 bucks per day 2 deer per day		
Deer Muzzle-loader	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 deer per day (Hogs no limit.)		
Still Hog Hunts (No Dogs) Archery & Muzzle-loader	Jan. 2. 1-Mar 1	No limit		
Small Game	No fox squirrels.			
Dove	Dove hunts on designated days only. Season and limits published in the Public Dove Fields List available in August.			
Small Game	Jan. 2-March 1 - Private land limits apply.			
Wee Tee WMA Williamsburg & Georgetown Counties				
Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Wee Tee WMA.				
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Oct. 3 either-sex (Hogs no limit)	2 deer per day		
Deer Muzzle-loader & Archery	Oct. 5-17 either-sex	2 deer per day Hogs no limit		
Deer Gun Hunts	Oct. 19-Jan. 1 <u>buck only</u> Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26, Jan 1 either-sex	1 deer per day, hogs no limit		
Special Hog Still Gun Hunt	Mar. 1-20 (Mon.-Sat.) May 2-Aug. 28 (Thurs. - Sat. only)	No Limit		

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Wee Tee WMA Williamsburg & Georgetown Counties (continued)		
Special Hog Hunt with Dogs	Jan. 11-23 • Handguns only • No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party • No live hogs removed from WMA	No Limit
Small Game	Jan. 2-Feb. 27 • Gray squirrels only • No open season for fox hunting. • No fox squirrel hunting.	Game Zone limits
Raccoon	Sept. 15-Mar. 1 Nights Only	3 per party per night
Santee Delta WMA Georgetown Co.		
Deer Archery (No dogs)	Oct. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-31 either-sex Deer and hog hunters must sign in and out and complete a data card on harvested animals at the east side of the Delta.	2 deer per day, hogs no limit

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Santee Delta WMA Georgetown Co. (continued)		
Special Hog Still Gun Hunts	March 17-19 (2010) • Wild hogs may only be hunted from elevated stands, shotgun with slug only or muzzleloader, no buckshot. • No live hogs to be removed from WMA.	No limit
Hog Hunts with Dogs	March 20, 27 Handguns only, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party	No limit
Samworth WMA Georgetown Co.		
Archery (Impoundments only)	Oct. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-31 either-sex Hogs no limit. No dogs.	2 deer per day
Special Hog Gun Hunts	March 4-6, 25-27 (2010) • Wild hogs may only be hunted from elevated stands, impoundments only, shotgun with slug or muzzleloader, no buckshot. • No live hogs to be removed from WMA	No limit



Game Zone 6

Allendale, Barnwell, Bamberg, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper & Orangeburg counties

This section WMA Only. For private land laws, regulations and seasons, see pages 28-30, 35-37.

SCDNR Offices	Wildlife Offices: 305 Black Oak Rd, Bonneau, SC 843-825-3387; 585 Donnelley Dr., Hwy 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: 1000 Assembly St., Columbia, SC 803-734-4303, 217 Ft. Johnson Rd., Charleston SC 843-953-9307
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Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits			
Named WMAs				
Sunday hunting for deer is prohibited on all WMAs.				
Youth Deer Hunt Day	Jan. 2 (see page 54 for WMAs)	2 deer/either-sex, no tags required		
Francis Marion Hunt Unit, Berkeley & Charleston counties				
Tibwin special use area (in Wambaw) is closed to hunting except for special hunts. • During still gun hunts for deer, there shall be no hunting or shooting from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic. • 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. • On all still gun and muzzleloader either-sex hunts for all Units, all does must be tagged with an individual antlerless deer tag except when harvested on county-wide either-sex days. Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 Dec. 19, 26 and Jan. 1. • No more than 8 deer total may be taken during gun and muzzleloader 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.				
Hellhole WMA				
Deer Archery	Aug. 15-Sept. 14 buck only Sept. 15 - Sept. 30 either-sex	2 deer per day Hogs no limit.		
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Oct. 1-Jan. 1 either-sex No still hunting during scheduled dog drive hunts.	2 deer per day, Hogs no limit.		
Deer Dog Drive Hunt	Dec. 5 buck only Dec. 11 either-sex • No still hunting and no rifles. • All deer must be checked at Hellhole check station on Dec. 11 only.	2 deer total		
Youth Only	Nov. 21 either-sex			
Northampton WMA				
Deer Dog Drive Hunt	Sept. 26, Oct. 7-8, Nov. 27, Dec. 29 buck only Oct. 17 either-sex.	2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day on either-sex days, Hogs no limit. All deer must be checked at P&C Grocery or Anglers in Jamestown on Oct. 17 only.		
Youth Only	Jan. 2 either-sex			

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Deer Still Gun Hunts		
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Aug. 15-Sept. 14 buck only Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex	2 deer per day, hogs no limit
Deer Dog Drive Hunt	Nov. 7 either-sex Sept. 25, Nov. 18-19, Dec. 12, 26, 28 buck only 2 bucks per day; hogs no limit, 2 deer per day on either-sex days • Still gun hunts only east of Hwy. 17. Rifles allowed. • All deer must be checked at Awendaw check station or Honey Hill Lookout Tower only on Nov. 7.	2 deer per day on either-sex days
Youth Only	Oct. 24 either-sex	
Deer Still Gun Hunts	Aug. 15-Sept. 14 buck only Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex • No still gun hunting during scheduled dog drive hunts. • Rifles are allowed on still gun hunts.	2 deer per day, hogs no limit
Waterhorn WMA		
Deer Archery Only	Sept. 24-Oct. 15 either-sex	2 deer per day
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Oct. 26-Nov. 7 either-sex Hogs no limit.	2 deer per day

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Waterhorn WMA (continued)	
Still Gun Hunts	Aug. 21-22, Sept. 4-5, 11-12, Nov. 13-14 buck only Dec. 7-12, Dec. 26-Jan. 1 either-sex 2 bucks per day; Hogs no limit, 2 deer per day on either-sex days
Hog Hunts with dogs: Francis Marion Hunt Unit	
Waterhorn	Feb. 6, 20, Mar. 13 (Saturdays only) No limit
Wambaw	Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 6 No limit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. No still or stalk hunting permitted. 1 shotgun per party (buckshot only). Sidearms permitted. Hog hunters must have a hunting license, WMA permit, and are required to wear international orange color while hunting. Hogs may not be transported alive. Hogs taken must be brought to the check station and a data card completed. Hog hunters must sign a register at Elmwood Check Station upon entering and leaving Waterhorn WMA. Hog hunters must sign in and out at Honey Hill Lookout Tower or Awendaw Check Station upon entering and leaving Wambaw WMA. Hunts are from legal sunrise to legal sunset. 	
Small Game: Francis Marion Hunt Unit	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Game Zone 6 private land seasons except quail limit 8 per day and no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1. Dogs are allowed during small game gun season only. Closed during scheduled deer and hog hunting periods on Waterhorn and when dogs are used on Wambaw, Northampton, Hellhole and Santee WMAs. No fox hunting is allowed in the Francis Marion Hunt Unit. 	
Bear Island WMA Colleton County	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All hunters must sign in and out at the Bear Island check station Hunting in designated areas only. 	
Archery	Oct. 2-3, 5-10 either-sex 3 deer total, hogs no limit
Gun Hunts (Rifles only)	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.
Party Hog Hunt with dogs	March 4-6, 2010 Handguns only No limit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hog hunters required to wear a hat, coat or vest of international orange while hunting. Hogs may not be taken from Bear Island alive and all hogs harvested must be checked at the check station. No more than 4 dogs per party. Gate opens at 5 am.
Small Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No hog hunting during small game hunts. Hunters must sign in and out at the Bear Island ck station. Hunting in designated areas only.
Dove	Organized hunts only. Season and limits published in the Public Dove Fields List available in August.
Quail	Feb. 2-23 (Tuesdays only) 12 per day
Raccoon & Opossum	Feb. 3 - Feb. 26 Game Zone 6 limits (Wed. & Fri. nights only)
Other Small Game	Feb. 3-Feb. 27 Game Zone 6 limits (Wed. & Sat. only)
Waterfowl	Waterfowl hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.
Donnelley WMA Colleton County	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Open for archery scouting Sept. 30, Oct. 31, Nov. 30. Bucks must have a minimum 4 pts. on one side or a 12" minimum antler spread. Hogs can be taken during all deer hunts. Hog hunters are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of international orange. Hogs may not be taken alive, and all hogs harvested must be checked at the check station. No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. 	
Deer Archery	Oct. 1-Oct. 5, Nov. 2-5 Dec. 1-5 either-sex 4 deer per season. No more than 2 bucks.
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.
Party Hog Hunts	Mar. 4-6, 2010 with dogs No limit Gate open at 5:00 am

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Donnelley WMA Colleton County (continued)	
Small Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No hog hunting during small game hunts. Hunters must sign in and out at the check station. Hunting in designated areas only. Gates will open at 6:00 am.
Dove	Organized hunts only. Season and limits published in the Public Dove Fields List available in August.
Raccoon & Opossum	Dec. 8 - Jan. 26 (Tu. nights only) Feb. 2-26 (Tu. & Fri. nights only) 3 per party per night Opossum no limit
Other Small Game	Dec. 9 - Jan. 27 (Wed. only) Feb. 3-Feb. 27 (Wed. & Sat. only) Game Zone 6 limits Fox squirrels may not be hunted or taken at Donnelley WMA.
Waterfowl	Waterfowl hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.
Hatchery WMA Berkeley County	
Deer Archery	Sept. 1-14 buck only (8 deer total) Sept. 15-Nov. 14 either-sex 2 deer per day Hatchery is closed to fishing each Saturday morning during waterfowl season and all day the last Saturday of waterfowl season.
Bonneau Ferry WMA Berkeley County	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adult/Youth side 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. All hunters must sign in and sign out upon entering and leaving any hunt on Bonneau Ferry WMA. All deer must be checked at the main entrance. Hunting access by boat is prohibited. Hogs no limit, may be harvested during any scheduled hunt. No fox or bobcat hunting with dogs. Hunters may not enter WMA before 5:00 am. Limit 2 deer/day; total 8 deer for all hunts. No more than 2 antlered deer. 	
Deer Archery (Area A)	Sept. 1-14 buck only Sept. 15-20, Nov. 9-30 either-sex
Deer Still Gun Hunts (Area A)	No open season except for hunters selected by computer drawing (Sept. 24-26 Oct. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-31).
Deer Still Gun Hunts: Adult/Youth Only (Area B)	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 (Wed., Fri., Sat. only) and Nov. 23-28, Dec. 21-Jan 1 either-sex
Small Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shotguns must be plugged to hold no more than 3 shots. Quail hunters must pick up, accurately fill out and return data card at the main entrance. No fox squirrel or fox hunting.
Quail (Area A)	Feb 6, 20 Limit 8 quail per day
Quail (Area B)	Feb 6, 20 Adult/youth only Limit 8 quail per day
Area B (Adult/Youth) & Area A	
Other Small Game	
Area B (Adult/Youth) and Area A	Jan. 2-Mar. 1 Game Zone 6 limits Except closed during quail hunts (Feb 6, 20)
Raccoons & Opossum	
Area B (Adult/Youth) and Area A	Jan. 2-Feb. 27 Game Zone 6 limits Tue. & Sat. nights only
Santee Coastal WMA Charleston County	
Deer Archery	Nov. 2-7, 16-21 either-sex 2 deer per day. Hogs no limit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunting is allowed on the mainland only at Santee Coastal WMA. Hunters must sign in and out and complete a data card on harvested deer.
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Dec. 3-5 either-sex 1 deer/day. Hogs no limit. No possession of handguns or sidearms during archery only hunts.

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits
Santee Coastal WMA Charleston County (continued)	
Hog Hunts with Dogs	Feb. 11 & 25, Mar. 19 & 26. No limit, hand guns only, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. Hogs may not be taken from Santee Coastal Reserve alive. All hogs must be checked at check station. Hog hunters must wear international orange.
Small Game	
Quail	Jan. 27-Feb. 27 (Wed. & Sat. only) Limit 8/day
Other Small Game	Jan. 27-Feb. 27 (Wed. & Sat. only) Game Zone 6 limits Fox squirrels may not be hunted.
Raccoons & Opossums	Jan. 26-Feb. 26 (Tues. & Fri. nights only) Regular Game Zone 6 limits
Dungannon Heritage Preserve WMA Charleston County	
Deer Archery (No Dogs)	Oct. 15-Dec. 1 either-sex 2 deer per day total 8 deer per season
Moultrie Hunt Unit Berkeley County	
• No open season on fox squirrels	
• Quail 8 per day	
• No hunting or shooting within 50 feet of the center of any road during gun hunts for deer except for DNR draw youth hunts.	
• Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Moultrie Hunt Unit during gun hunts.	
North Dike WMA	
Deer Gun Hunts (No Buckshot/No Dogs)	Aug. 21-Sept. 30 buck only 2 deer per day Oct. 1-31 either-sex Individual antlerless tags are valid on days not designated as either-sex on or after Sept. 15.
Small Game	
• Small Game seasons and limits on WMAs are the same as Game Zone 6 except quail 8 per day. No hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.	
• Closed to small game hunting Wed. and Fri. during Nov.-Dec. Sandy Beach Waterfowl Area open for Raccoon hunting Feb. 1-March 1.	
Hall WMA except Cross Station Special Use Area	
Deer Archery (No Dogs)	Sept. 1-14 buck only 2 bucks per day Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex 2 deer per day
Small Game	
Jan. 2-Mar. 1 shotguns only	
Greenfield WMA	
Deer Gun Hunts (No Buckshot)	Nov. 2-Jan. 1 buck only 2 per day Nov. 5-7, Dec. 21-Jan. 1 either-sex 2 per day
Small Game	
Sept. 1 - March 1.	
Bluefield WMA: Adult/Youth area only	
Deer Gun Hunts (No Buckshot)	Aug. 15-Sept. 12 buck only (Wed. & Sat. only) 2 deer per day Sept. 16-Dec. 30 either-sex (Wed. & Sat. only) 2 deer per day 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.
Small Game	
Sept. 1-Mar. 1	No small game hunting during scheduled deer hunts.
Porcher WMA	
Deer Archery (No Dogs)	Sept. 1-14 buck only 2 deer per day Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either-sex 2 deer per day
Small Game	
Jan. 2 - March 1	
Cross Station - Designated youth draw deer hunts only.	
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, or be spikes with 2 points (see Regulation 4.1). Campground is open during scheduled deer hunts. Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving Santee Cooper WMA. Total 8 deer per season for all hunts combined. No more than 2 bucks.	
Deer Archery	Oct. 5-10 either-sex 2 deer per day no more than 1 buck per day
Deer Muzzle-loader and Archery	Oct. 12-17, Nov. 2-7, Dec. 14-19 either-sex 2 deer per day no more than 1 buck per day
Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg County (continued)	
Small Game	
Dove	Designated fields on certain days. See Public Dove Fields List available in August.
Small Game other than Dove	Dec. 21-Mar. 1 Quail 8/day Game Zone 6 limits
Raccoon	Dec. 25-Feb. 27 Fri. & Sat. Nights Only
Edisto River WMA Dorchester County	
Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Edisto River WMA for the season.	
Archery	Sept. 15-30 either-sex 1 deer/day. Hogs no limit.
Muzzleloader	Oct. 5-17 either-sex 1 deer/day. Hogs no limit.
Still Gun Hunts	Oct. 19- Nov. 21 buck only 1 deer/day. Hogs no limit. Nov. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21 either-sex 1 deer/day
Small Game	Nov. 23 - Mar. 1 except rabbit season begins Nov. 26. Game zone 6 bag limits except quail - 8 per day.
Canal WMA Berkeley County	
Dove	Designated fields on certain days. See Public Dove Fields List available in August.
Quail Only	Nov. 25, 28, Dec. 9, 12, 23, 26, Jan. 6, 9, 20, 23, Feb. 3, 6, 17, 20 8 per day Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at access points. Shotguns must be plugged so as not to hold more than 3 shells.
Palachucola WMA Hampton & Jasper counties	
• All deer must be checked at check station.	
• No hunting or shooting from, or on, any roads open to vehicular traffic.	
• Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.	
• Hog hunters must sign in and out and are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of international orange.	
• No hog hunting during small game hunts.	
• Hogs may not be taken from Palachucola alive.	
• Hunters may camp at Palachucola camping area nights prior to and during deer, hog and turkey hunts only.	
• Hogs may be taken during all deer hunts.	
• Firearms must be unloaded and cased when not hunting.	
• All deer hunters are required to sign in and out daily.	
Deer Archery	Sept. 30-Oct. 17 either-sex 3 deer total
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Dec. 17-19 either-sex 3 deer total only 1 buck
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See Wildlife Management Area Hunt Drawings on page 31.
Still & Stalk Hog Hunts (No Dogs)	Sept. 3-5, Mar. 18-20 No limit May 13-15 archery & firearms Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.
Hog Hunts with Dogs (Handguns only)	Sept. 10-12 Mar. 4-6, 11-13 No limit • No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party.
Quail	Jan. 9, 13, 23, 27 Feb. 3, 6, 17, 20 8 per day • Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at kiosk.
Other Small Game	Private land seasons and limits apply except, no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1 and no small game hunting on Sept. 30-Oct. 17, 22-24, 29-31, Nov. 12-14, 19-21, Dec. 3-5, 10-12, 17-19. • Fox squirrels may not be hunted at Palachucola WMA.
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.	
Ashe, Beet, Warren, Big & South Williman Islands	
Deer Archery	Oct. 1-Jan. 1 either-sex 3 deer total Hogs no limit.

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Otter Island		
Deer Archery	Nov. 2-30 either-sex	2 deer total Hogs no limit.
Raccoon	Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27 Nights Only	
Tillman Sand Ridge HP WMA Jasper County		
	• All deer must be checked at check station.	
	• All reptiles and amphibians are protected.	
Deer Archery	Oct. 30-Nov. 14 either-sex	2 deer total
Deer Archery & Muzzle-loader	Dec. 14-17 buck only Dec. 11-12, 18-19 either-sex	2 deer total
Small Game	No hog hunting during small game hunts. Private land seasons and limits apply except , no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1 and no small game hunting during scheduled deer hunts. Fox squirrels may not be hunted at Tillman Sand Ridge HP WMA.	
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.	
Victoria Bluff HP WMA Beaufort County		
	All deer must be checked at check station.	
Deer Archery	Oct. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, Nov. 6-14, Dec. 4-12 either-sex 3 deer total per hunt period	
Small Game	Shotguns only (no shot larger than No. 2) Private land, small game seasons and limits apply except , no hunting before Oct. 15 or after Jan. 30 and no small game hunting during scheduled deer hunts. Fox squirrels may not be hunted at Victoria Bluff WMA.	
James W. Webb WMA Hampton County		
	• Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.	
	• Hog hunters must sign in and out and are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of international orange.	
	• Hogs may not be taken from Webb WMA alive.	
	• No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party.	
	• Hunters may camp at Bluff Lake the night prior to hog and turkey hunts only.	
Deer Hunts	Still hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.	
Still & Stalk Hog Hunts	Sept. 3-5, Mar. 18-20, May 13-15 No limit Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only.	
Hog Hunts (With dogs)	Sept. 10-12, Mar. 4-6, 11-13 No limit handguns only	
Dove	Organized hunts only. Seasons and limits published in Public Dove Field list available in August.	
Quail	Jan. 9, 13, 23, 27, Feb. 3, 6, 17, 20 8 per day Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at kiosk.	
Other Small Game	Private land seasons and limits apply except, no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1 and no small game hunting or fishing on Mon. & Fri. afternoons and evenings or on Tues. & Sat. mornings from Sept. 14-Dec. 31. Fox squirrels may not be hunted at James W. Webb WMA.	

Area/ Methods	Seasons/Limits	
Hamilton Ridge WMA Hampton County		
	• Firearms must be unloaded and cased when not hunting.	
	• Hogs may not be taken from Hamilton Ridge alive.	
	• Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.	
	• No more than 3 bucks total may be taken during all seasons combined regardless of method.	
	• Hogs can be taken during all deer hunts.	
	• Scouting and stand placement allowed 1 day prior to hunts.	
	• All hunters must sign-in and sign-out.	
	• No ATVs allowed on area.	
	• Hog hunters are required to wear a hat, coat or vest of solid international orange while hunting.	
	• Hunters may camp at designated camp ground one day prior to and during deer, hog and turkey hunts.	
	• No hunting or shooting from or on any roads open to vehicular traffic.	
Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.	
Deer Archery	Sept. 21-26, Oct. 26-31, Nov. 9-14, Dec. 10-12 either-sex 2 deer per hunt period only 1 of which can be a buck	
Deer Muzzle-loader & Archery	Nov. 2-7 either-sex 2 deer per hunt period only 1 may be a buck	
Hog Hunts (with Dogs)	Sept. 10-12, March 4-6 March 11-13 Handguns only No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party.	No limit
Still & Stalk Hog Hunts	Sept. 3-5, March 18-20, May 13-15 • Archery and Firearms. No dogs. No buckshot. • Archery, crossbows, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns and shotguns with slugs only. • No hog hunting during small game hunts.	No limit
Quail	Jan. 9, 13, 23, 27, Feb. 3, 6, 17, 20 • Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at kiosk.	8 per day
Other Small Game	• Private land seasons and limits apply except no hunting before Dec. 26 or after Mar. 1. • Fox squirrels may not be hunted at Hamilton Ridge WMA.	
Old Island HP WMA Beaufort County		
Deer Archery	Sept. 15-Jan. 1 either sex	2 deer total, 1 deer per day
Botany Bay Plantation HP WMA Charleston County		
	• 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.	
	• Bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12" antler spread.	
	• No buckshot.	
Deer Archery	Sept. 21-Oct. 3, Nov. 23-28, Dec. 21-26 Total 3 deer, either-sex, but only 1 buck	
Deer Gun Hunts	Still gun hunts by drawing only. See WMA Public Draw Hunts on page 31.	
Small Game	Jan. 2-Feb. 27 (Wed. and Sat. only) Game Zone 6 bag limits except quail 8 per day	
Raccoons and Opossum	Jan. 6-Feb. 26 (Wed. and Fri. only) Game Zone 6 bag limits	



Property Watch PROGRAM

If you would like to join the Property Watch Program, simply write to DNR Law Enforcement Division at P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202, Attention: Property Watch Program. For more information about the program, call 803-734-4002 or go to www.dnr.sc.gov/law/PropWatch.html.

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). 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. On WMAs lands, weapons used to hunt hogs are limited to the weapons that are allowed for the current open season on each WMA. 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 more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party, no still or stalk hunting and only handguns permitted except as specified for certain WMAs.

Swine brucellosis is caused by a bacteria and is primarily a reproductive tract disease in 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 degrees F prior to eating.

Game Zn	Area	County	Still Hunting	Special Hunts with Dogs
1	Caesars Head St. Nat. Area	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Chauga	Western Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Gravely	Oconee, Pickens, Anderson	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Jocassee Gorges	Pickens	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Ashmore HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Brassatown Creek HP	Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Buzzard Roost HP	Oconee	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Chestnut Ridge HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Wadakoe Mountain HP	Pickens	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
1	Watson-Cooper HP	Greenville	During open season for game (Game Zn 1 - Sept. 1 - March 1) (no dogs Oct. 1 - Dec. 22)	
3	Crackernack	Aiken	During deer hunts Jan. 8 through February 26 (Fridays only)	
4	Marsh	Marion	During deer hunts and Mar. 1-20, May 2-Aug. 28, 2010 (Thurs. - Sat.) Jan. 11-23	
4	Little Pee Dee River Comp.	Marion	During deer hunts and Mar. 6-21 March 2-5	
4	Woodbury WMA	Marion	During deer hunts and Mar. 1-20, May 2-Aug. 28, 2010 (Thurs. - Sat.) Jan. 11-23	
4	Cartwheel Bay HP	Horry	During deer hunts (archery only) During deer hunts March 6 and 13	
4	Waccamaw River	Horry	During deer hunts During deer hunts and March 1-20	
4	Pee Dee Station	Florence	During deer hunts During deer hunts and March 1-20	
5	Manchester SF	Sumter	During deer hunts During deer hunts and Mar. 4-6, 25-27 (elevated stands only) shotgun with slugs, muzzleloaders During archery only deer hunts (Oct. 1 - Nov. 30)	
5	Samworth	Georgetown	During deer hunts and Mar. 4-6, 25-27 (elevated stands only) shotgun with slugs, muzzleloaders During archery only deer hunts (Oct. 1 - Nov. 30)	
5	Sandy Island	Georgetown	During deer hunts and Feb. 1-27 Archery Sept. 1-Mar. 1, Muzzleloader Sept. 15-Mar. 1	
5	Great Pee Dee	Darlington	During deer hunts Mar. 17-19 (elevated stands only) shotgun with slugs, muzzleloaders Archery Sept. 1-Mar. 1, Muzzleloader Sept. 15-Mar. 1	
5	Santee Dam	Clarendon	During deer hunts Mar. 17-19 (elevated stands only) shotgun with slugs, muzzleloaders Archery Sept. 1-Mar. 1, Muzzleloader Sept. 15-Mar. 1	
5	Santee-Delta	Georgetown	During deer hunts Mar. 17-19 (elevated stands only) shotgun with slugs, muzzleloaders Archery Sept. 1-Mar. 1, Muzzleloader Sept. 15-Mar. 1	
5	Wee Tee	Williamsburg, Georgetown	During deer hunts and March 1-20, May 2-Aug. 28 (Thurs.-Sat.) During deer hunts January 11-23	
6	Bear Island	Colleton	During deer hunts During deer hunts and March 1-20, May 2-Aug. 28 (Thurs.-Sat.) January 11-23	
6	Bonneau Ferry	Berkeley	During any scheduled hunts During deer hunts March 4-6	
6	Donnelley	Colleton	During deer hunts During deer hunts March 4-6	
6	Edisto River	Dorchester	During deer hunts (Sept. 15 - 3rd Sat. in Nov.) During any scheduled hunts February 6, 20, Mar. 13 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)	
6	François Marion Nat. Forest	Heilhole	During any scheduled hunts During any scheduled hunts Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 6 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)	
6	Waterhorn	Berkeley	During any scheduled hunts During any scheduled hunts Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 6 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)	
6	Wambaw	Berkeley	During any scheduled hunts During any scheduled hunts Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 6 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)	
6	Northampton	Berkeley	During any scheduled hunts During any scheduled hunts Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 6 (handguns, shotguns, buckshot only)	
6	Santee	Berkeley	During any scheduled hunts During any scheduled hunts Feb. 11, 25, Mar. 19, 26	
6	Santee Coastal	Charleston, Georgetown	During deer hunts During deer hunts and Sept. 3-5 Mar. 18-20, May 13-15 Sept. 10-12, Mar. 4-6, 11-13	
6	Webb	Hampton	During deer hunts and Sept. 3-5 Mar. 18-20, May 13-15 Sept. 10-12, Mar. 4-6, 11-13	
6	Hamilton Ridge	Hampton	During deer hunts and Sept. 3-5 Mar. 18-20, May 13-15 Sept. 10-12, Mar. 4-6, 11-13	
6	Palafoxula	Hanover, Jasper	During deer hunts and Sept. 3-5 Mar. 18-20, May 13-15 Sept. 10-12, Mar. 4-6, 11-13	
6	Yawkey	Georgetown	Periodic announced hunts	

Special DNR Hunts For Youth and the Mobility Impaired

Age 17 & younger

Youth Hunts	Date	Location	Contact Info.
Turkey	March 27, 2010	Private Lands Statewide; Turkey tags required. All WMA's normally open to turkey hunting except: Bear Island, Donnelley, Keowee, Santee Coastal Reserve, Santee Cooper, Hatchery Waterfowl Area, Bonneau Ferry, Belfast	
Raccoon	Sept. 12, 2009	Private Lands Only	
Squirrel	Sept. 26, 2009	Private Lands Only	
Quail	Nov. 21, 2009	Private Lands Only	
Rabbit	March 6, 2010	Private Lands Only	
Deer	Jan. 2, 2010 Limit 2 deer, either sex; no tags required	Private Lands Statewide; All WMA's normally open to deer hunting except: Bear Island, Crackerneck, Donnelley, Draper, Fants Grove, Keowee, McBee, Palachucola, Santee Coastal Reserve, Santee Cooper, Hatchery, Webb, Bonneau Ferry and Hamilton Ridge	
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Pickens Co.	Pre-registration required. Call Region I DNR 864-654-1671 ext. 16 (Clemson office) Applications available in July. Youth must be accompanied by adult 21 years old.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Abbeville Co. USFS	Pre-registration required beginning August 7, deadline Aug. 17. Call DNR office 864-223-2731. (Greenwood office) Youth must be accompanied by adult 21 years old.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Union County USFS	Pre-registration required beginning July 1, deadline August 17. Call DNR office 864-427-5140. Youth must be accompanied by adult at least 21 years old.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Newberry County USFS	Pre-registration required beginning Aug 1, deadline August 17. Call DNR office 803-734-3898. Youth must be accompanied by adult at least 21 years old.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Draper WMA York Co.	Pre-registration required beginning July 1, deadline Aug. 17. Youth must be accompanied by adult at least 21 years old. Call DNR office 864-427-5140.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Manchester State Forest	Applications available in August. Region 3 DNR 803-734-3898. Pre-registration required.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Oconee Co.	Pre-registration required. Call Region I DNR 864-654-1671 ext. 16 (Clemson office) Applications available in July. Youth must be accompanied by adult 21 years old.
Adult/Youth Dove	Sept. 5	Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg Co.	For information, call Region 3 DNR 803-734-3898
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Nov. 7	Poinsett Gunnery Range Sumter Co.	Applications available in September. Region 3 DNR 803-734-3898 or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 17	Laura Lyn Farm Union Co.	Region I DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Nov. 14	10 Point Hunt Club Spartanburg Co.	Region I DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 3	Fants Grove WMA	Applications available in early Aug. Call Clemson office at 864-654-1671 ext. 16 or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Selected days Oct.-Dec.	Belfast WMA	Applications available August 20 through September 20. Call DNR office 803-734-3898 or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Selected days Oct.-Dec.	Moultrie Hunt Unit	Applications available August 20 through September 20. Call Dennis Wildlife Center at 843-825-3388 or 843-761-8820.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 17, 31 Nov. 14, Dec 5	Samworth WMA	Applications available Sept. 803-734-3898 or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 2-3 Nov. 13-14	Tibwin (Francis Marion Hunt Unit)	Applications available early September. Call U.S. Forest Service at 843-887-3258.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Dec. 19	Clinton House Plantation, Laurens Co.	Region I DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Nov. 7	Yelton Farm Spartanburg Co	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Selected days Nov.-Dec.	Mead Westvaco Orangeburg Co.	Applications available in Sept. Region 3 DNR 803-734-3898 or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 17	Chufa Ridge Farm Union Co.	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Oct. 17	Johnson Farm Laurens Co.	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Nov. 7	Horseshoe Falls Spartanburg Co.	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Nov. 21	Broken Arrow & Big A Hunt Clubs Cherokee Co.	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Youth Only Deer Draw Hunt	Dec. 19	Trophy Buck Club Union Co.	Region 1 DNR 864-427-5140. Call or write for application or download application from DNR website.
Adult/youth deer, turkey and small game	See page 51	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 51 for restrictions, dates and limits. For more information, call Dennis Wildlife Center at 843-825-3388.
Ad/youth deer, sm gm	See page 50	Bonneau Ferry Area B	See page 50 for restrictions, dates. For information call Dennis Wildlife Center 843-825-3388.
Youth Only raccoon	October	Darlington Co.	Contact Columbia DNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Youth Only raccoon	November	Edgefield Co.	Contact Columbia DNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Youth Only raccoon	November	Union Co.	Contact Columbia DNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Youth Only raccoon	November	Georgetown Co.	Contact Columbia DNR office for information at 803-734-3609.
Youth Only raccoon	January 2010	Orangeburg County	For applications call Region 3 DNR 803-734-3898. Applications due before the first Saturday in Jan.
Youth Only raccoon	January 2010	Colleton Co.	Contact Columbia DNR office for information at 803-734-3609.

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Youth Hunts	Date	Location	Contact Info.
S.C. Youth Raccoon Hunting Championship	Feb. 2010	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 adult/youth turkey	Saturdays in April	Santee Cooper, Donnelley, Bonneau Ferry, Belfast	WMA Turkey applications available in late February. Call Columbia office at 803-734-3886. Applications due in March.
Draw Adult/Youth Waterfowl	Sat. during season.	Donnelley & Bonneau Ferry WMAs	Applications available in October. Call Columbia office at 803-734-3609.

Mobility Impaired Hunts	Date	Location	Sponsor/Contact Info.
Deer	Oct.23-24 Dec. 4-5	Tibwin, Charleston Co.	U.S. Forest Service & SCDNR. Call USFS McClellanville 843-887-3257.
Deer	Oct. 23-24 Fri.-pm/Sat.-am	Upstate Private Areas Cherokee, Spartanburg & Union counties	Campbell Property, BD Properties, Longbeard Timber Co., Cow Ford Land Co., Comer Farm LLC & Hunt Club, Bull Run Hunt Club, Keller Property, Wylie Fork Creek LLC, Jimmie's Creek Farm, Tri G Gun Club, Beulah Creek Hunt Club, U.S. Sportsman's Club, Tyger Ranch, Padgett's Creek Hunting Reserve, Rabbit Road Hunt Club, Badlands Hunt Club, Trophy Buck Hunt Club, Laura Lyn Farm, Triangle 113 Farm, Pine Valley Farm, Fairforest Timber Co., Hambright Farm, Elroma Hunt Club, Arcon Land & Timber Co., Chufa Ridge Farm, Hunt Timber Co., U.S. Sportsman's Club No. 2, Carroll Property, Fourth Lane Hunt Club, Broken Arrow/Big A Hunt Club & SCDNR Region 1, 864-427-5140
Deer	Oct. 30-31 Fri.-pm/Sat.-am	Upstate Private Areas Laurens, Newberry, counties	Quaker Creek Farm, Pitts Place, Woollen Farm, Southern Timber Assoc., Clinton House Plantation, Blackmon Farm, Fuller Gray Farm, Sugar Flat Hunt Club, Sundowner Farm, Riveroak Properties, LPW Hunt Club, Triple S Hunt Club, Belfast Hunt Club, The Scott Place (TCA Timberlands), Mudlick, Loftis Hunt Club, Hawk's Nest Hunt Club, Hurricane Hunt Club, Lester Estate, Johnson Farm, Deer Run Hunt Club, Piedmont Conservation Club & SCDNR Region 1, 864-427-5140.
Deer	Dec. 12-13 (Fri.-pm/Sat.-am)	Webb Wildlife Center Hampton County	SCDNR. Call SCDNR Webb Center 803-625-3569.
Turkey	April	Tibwin	U.S. Forest Service & SCDNR. Call USFS McClellanville 843-887-3257.

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.

Wildlife Diseases www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/deer/chronicwasting.html

Chronic Wasting Disease

Chronic Wasting Disease or CWD is a Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) that affects deer and elk. TSE's are fatal neurological diseases characterized by degeneration of the brain. CWD attacks the central nervous system and presents symptoms including extreme weight loss, excessive salivation and urination, odd behavior and poor coordination. The disease is infectious, communicable and always fatal. CWD has a prolonged incubation period and no current test exists to detect the disease in live animals. Diagnosis requires examination of the brain or lymph nodes.

The CWD agent is believed to be a prion, a mutated protein that causes normal proteins in the body to fold abnormally, which causes sponge-like holes in the brain. It is not known exactly how CWD is spread, but it is believed that the agent may be spread both by direct animal-to-animal contact and indirectly by contact with a previously contaminated surface, such as the soil.

There is no indication that CWD of deer and elk can be transmitted between species other than cervids (deer family), and both the World Health Organization and federal Centers for Disease Control have indicated that there is currently no indication that the disease can infect humans.

Although the disease has not been diagnosed in South Carolina, it has been found in the following states: Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming and the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. Hunters traveling to these states should only bring the following carcass parts into South Carolina: 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.

Surveillance conducted by DNR on approximately 2,500 deer over the last 7 years continues to provide no evidence of CWD in SC. South Carolina should continue to have low risk for CWD for two reasons. First, South Carolina is geographically far from any known CWD. Second, there is evidence that movements of deer/elk for commercial purposes may have played a role in the spread of CWD, and DNR has historically had a closed-door policy on importation of cervids for commercial purposes like deer farming or ranching. Please, do not tolerate illegal activity or behavior that threatens your hunting tradition. You can proactively protect South Carolina's deer population by reporting illegal importation of deer or elk by calling 1-800-922-5431.

Avian Influenza

Avian Influenza (AI) is a Type A influenza virus that naturally occurs in certain types of waterfowl and shorebirds around the world. Recently, a highly pathogenic AI has been found in domestic and wild birds in Asia, parts of Europe and North Africa. In these cases there has been significant mortality in infected birds, and humans have become sick from handling the sick birds. Most alarming is the fact that the death rate among the infected humans has been extremely high, averaging about 50%. At this time the experts believe that this is still primarily a bird disease, and the transmission of the virus from birds to humans does not occur easily. The documented human cases have been associated with close contact with infected poultry and wild birds.

The good news is that extensive sampling of domestic and wild birds has been done in North America including South Carolina. To this date, the virus creating the problems in other parts of the world has not been found on this continent. The SCDNR will continue to monitor shorebirds and waterfowl for the occurrence of this, and similar, viruses.

There is no need to panic. It is uncertain how this virus will move and change over time. Hunters should always pay attention to wildlife while afield. Report only multiple dead bird findings to SCDNR, except for birds of prey, as single dead birds are usually the result of various natural causes. Hunters should continue to hunt, take and dress game, cook it properly and eat it. All game should be dressed very soon after harvest and those dressing game should wear protective gear like rubber gloves and eye glasses. All game should be cooked to an internal temperature of at least 160 degrees Fahrenheit.



LIFETIME RECREATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE APPLICATION



SCDNR, License Division • PO Box 11710 • Columbia SC 29211-1710 • 803-734-3833

Lifetime Licenses are only available to South Carolina residents. For the purpose of applying for a Lifetime License "resident" means any person who is a citizen of the United States and who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of the state of South Carolina for a period of 180 consecutive days or more immediately prior to the date of application for license. A legible photocopy of a South Carolina driver's license or South Carolina Identification Card must accompany this application. (Ownership of property or payment of property taxes or both does not necessarily constitute residency.)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

RESIDENCE Street _____ City _____, SC Zip Code _____

MAILING (If different than street address) City _____, SC Zip Code _____ PHONE NO. _____ Home _____ Cell _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____ The disclosure of your social security number is required to obtain South Carolina hunting and fishing licenses. This complies with SC Code of Laws 20-7-949 and Federal law 42 USCA 666(a)(2003), 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.

RECREATIONAL LICENSE TYPES

Lifetime Freshwater Fishing License \$300.00

Lifetime Saltwater Fishing License \$300.00

Lifetime State Hunting License (Small Game Only) \$300.00

Lifetime Combination Licenses (Freshwater Fishing, State Hunting and Big Game)

Under 2 years of age (*Copy of birth certificate and parent's SC Driver's License required*) \$300.00

Saltwater Fishing Privilege Add-On (*Lifetime Combination License required*) \$120.00

Age 2 to under 16 years of age (*Copy of birth certificate and parent's SC Driver's License required*) \$400.00

Saltwater Fishing Privilege Add-On (*Lifetime Combination License required*) \$160.00

Age 16 to under 64 years of age \$500.00

Saltwater Fishing Privilege Add-On (*Lifetime Combination License required*) \$200.00

Lifetime Senior License* (64 years of age or older) \$9.00

Do you plan to fish in saltwater? Yes No I request a commemorative State Migratory Waterfowl Stamp

Gratis License* (Available only to residents born on or before 7/1/1940) NO COST

Do you plan to fish in saltwater? Yes No I request a commemorative State Migratory Waterfowl Stamp

*Lifetime Senior License and Gratis License privileges include State Hunting, Freshwater Fishing, Saltwater Fishing, Big Game, Wildlife Management Areas, State Migratory Waterfowl Permit.

Migratory Bird Permit (*Must be renewed each year to hunt migratory birds*) NO COST

If you are hunting migratory birds in South Carolina this season, you must complete the following HIP Survey questions:

If you hunted migratory birds last season in SC, complete the following for each species:

SPECIES: Dove Duck* Geese* Woodcock Coot/Snipe Marsh Hens/Gallinules

Did not hunt in SC _____

Quantity bagged in SC _____

*To hunt migratory waterfowl (duck, geese or brant) hunters must possess a State Migratory Waterfowl Permit and a Federal Duck Stamp.

HUNTER EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

Hunter Education is required for persons applying for licenses with hunting privileges born after June 30, 1979. If you have completed a Hunter Education course, show state and Hunter Education number.

HUNTER EDUCATION NO. _____ STATE OF ISSUE _____

I affirm that I am not under suspension for any natural resources violation and I am eligible to apply for, hold, and use the above SCDNR licenses and permits and that the information provided above is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant/Parent _____ Date _____ Amount of Check \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE & MAIL TO: South Carolina Wildlife Endowment Fund, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202-0167.

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.



DISABILITY RECREATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE APPLICATION

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Disability Licenses are only available to South Carolina residents. For the purpose of applying for a Disability License, "resident" means any person who is a citizen of the United States and who has been a domiciled (permanent) resident of the state of South Carolina for a period of one year or more immediately prior to the date of application for license. A legible photocopy of a South Carolina driver's license or South Carolina Identification Card must accompany this application. (Ownership of property or payment of property taxes or both does not necessarily constitute residency.)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

RESIDENCE Street _____ City _____, SC Zip Code _____

MAILING _____ (If different than street address) City _____, SC Zip Code _____ PHONE NO. _____ Home _____ Cell _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____ The disclosure of your social security number is required to obtain South Carolina hunting and fishing licenses. This complies with SC Code of Laws **20-7-949** and Federal law **42 USC 666(a)(2003)**, 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.

DISABILITY CERTIFICATION

Any person who has been a domiciled resident of South Carolina for at least one year and who is determined to be totally disabled under one of the programs listed below, may obtain a statewide fishing and hunting license or statewide fishing license at **NO COST**. It is valid only for three years from date of issue and disability recertification will be required for renewal. Check the program below that has certified you as totally disabled and attach a current year copy of such agency certification to this form, SC Code of Laws, Sec. 50-9-510 (16).

Application forms received without such documentation will be returned to the applicant.

Social Security Administration* US Dept. of Veterans Affairs Railroad Retirement Board
 SC State Retirement System Federal Civil Service Medicaid Assistance

*If you are currently receiving disability benefits from Social Security, please attach a current copy of your Benefits Verification Statement to this application. You may request the Benefits Verification Statement from Social Security by calling toll free 1-800-772-1213.

RECREATIONAL LICENSE TYPES

Applicant for: 3 Year Disability License or Lifetime Disability License (Paraplegia or Quadriplegia)*
*Certification of Paraplegia or Quadriplegia is required

Hunting and Fishing License (Valid for State Hunting, Big Game, Wildlife Management Areas, State Migratory Waterfowl Permit, Freshwater Fishing and Saltwater Fishing. Hunter Education certification must be completed if born after June 30, 1979.)

Do you plan to fish in saltwater? Yes No I request a commemorative State Migratory Waterfowl Stamp

Fishing License (Valid for Freshwater Fishing and Saltwater Fishing.)

Do you plan to fish in saltwater? Yes No

Hunting Privilege Add-On to Current Disability Fishing License (Active Fishing License holders who were born after June 30, 1979 and want to add hunting privileges must complete the Hunter Education certification.)

I request a commemorative State Migratory Waterfowl Stamp

MIGRATORY BIRD PERMIT (Must be renewed each year to hunt migratory birds) NO COST

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If you hunted migratory birds last season in SC, complete the following for each species:

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Did not hunt in SC _____

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HUNTER EDUCATION NO. _____ STATE OF ISSUE _____

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Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

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Invasive Aquatic Plants and Animals

Placement or introduction of some aquatic plants and animals into South Carolina waters is environmentally unsafe. Some non-native species rapidly reproduce and harm waterways and native aquatic life.

Preventing the introduction and spread of non-native, invasive species is the responsibility of all outdoor enthusiasts. Residents and visitors should be familiar with state and federal laws and regulations on possession, movement, and introduction of non-native plants and wildlife before introducing any living material into South Carolina waters. Any intentional or unintentional introduction may be a violation of law.

Other than for research or under a permit, it is not lawful to possess, sell, or place into any waters many water plants including hydrilla, water hyacinth, water lettuce, giant Salvinia, and any other plant on the state or Federal Noxious Weed List. Without a permit it is unlawful to introduce, import, possess, or transport for release any species of marine or freshwater fish or invertebrate not already found in the wild or not native to South Carolina. Exemptions are allowed for possession for exhibition purposes only by municipal zoos or parks, circuses, public museums and scientific or educational institutions.

SCDNR will not grant a permit unless it finds that the aquatic species was taken lawfully in the jurisdiction of origin and that the importation, release, or possession of the plant or animal is not reasonably expected to adversely impact South Carolina natural resources or wildlife populations.

SCDNR may issue special import permits to qualified persons for research and education for specific types of non-indigenous freshwater fish, otherwise they are prohibited for possession or sale. Examples include certain catfish, electric eel, walking catfish, piranha, stickleback, Mexican banded tetra, sea lamprey, and snakehead. Stocking of non-reproducing white amur or grass carp hybrids are lawful, but only when approved by SCDNR. **It is unlawful to take grass carp from waters stocked as permitted by State Law Section 50-13-1630(D).** The importation of tropical fish, reptiles, or amphibians for sale as pets generally does not require a permit. However, the importation or possession of a protected species is prohibited unless a permit is issued.

Because of shellfish disease introduction, it is unlawful to place oysters, clams, or mussels brought from other states into the state's saltwaters. Even open shells may have non-native animals attached or harbor diseases that will affect native shellfish. Shellfish growers may be permitted to import shellfish from safe waters.

For more information:

Website - www.dnr.sc.gov/invasiveweeds/
Email - invasiveweeds@dnr.sc.gov
Phone - Aquatic Plants 803-755-2872
 Freshwater 803-734-3808
 Saltwater 843-953-9096
 Shellfish Recycling 843-953-9300

Aquatic Invasive Species of Primary Concern

- Aquatic Plants: hydrilla, water hyacinth, water lettuce, giant salvinia, phragmites
- Invertebrates: Island Apple Snails, Green Mussels, Zebra Mussels (Not here yet)
- Fish: flathead catfish, spotted bass, Asian carp, lionfish

Aquatic Invasive Species Introduction Concerns

- Ornamental pond plants
- Invasive bait fish and crayfish
- Invasive aquaculture species
- Marine fish, shellfish, shrimp, pathogens and diseases
- Ballast water discharge

Don't Give Invasive Species A Free Ride

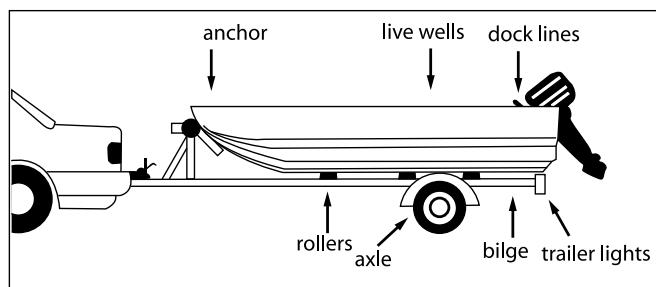


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- Don't Transfer Fish Between Water Bodies
- Dispose of Bait Properly
- Dispose of Shrimp Parts Properly
- Recycle Used Oyster Shells
- Don't Release Aquarium Animals
- Clean Boats and Equipment

Where to Look for Aquatic Hitchhikers on Boats

Regular cleaning of your boat, motor, and trailer before and after using all South Carolina waters can greatly reduce the spread of aquatic nuisance species. It takes just a minute to protect our waterways.



When you leave a body of water:

- Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment.
- Eliminate water from equipment before transporting.
- Clean and dry anything that comes into contact with water (boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.).

SCDNR Education & Outreach Programs

Hunter and Boater Education Classes

To find the class listings and to register for Hunter Education visit dnr.sc.gov/education/hunted.html.

For Boater Education, visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education/boated.html.

You can also call our toll free phone number at 1-800-277-4301.

Hunter Education

All residents and nonresidents born after June 30, 1979, must successfully complete a hunter education course that is approved by DNR before a hunting license can be obtained. The hunter education certificate is not a hunting license.

DNR encourages all hunters in South Carolina to be knowledgeable about their sport and safety-conscious when in the field handling firearms. For this reason, DNR offers a 10-hour Hunter Education Course which includes classroom instruction and hands-on experience in hunter safety and hunting techniques. In addition, students learn about hunting ethics, hunter/landowner relations, and basic conservation and wildlife management principles. The course is available to schools, clubs and the general public. Two home study courses are available free of charge by calling 1-800-277-4301. In addition, two internet courses are available for a fee by visiting our website at dnr.sc.gov/education/hunted.html

If you plan to hunt out-of-state, check with that state to find out if hunter education certification is required. The South Carolina hunter safety course is recognized by all states requiring certification.

Take One Make One™

This program is an outdoor education and mentoring program aimed at developing South Carolina's youth and young adults, 12 to 27 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 803-734-3995. For more information, visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education/tomo.



SC Reel Kids

This program sets goals designed to be fun, educational and active for kids age 16 and under. SC Reel Kids work toward catching their first fish, learning about fish and improving fish habitats. For their efforts, rewards are awarded in recognition of meeting the program goals. For more information on the SC Reel Kids Program and other aquatic education programs call 803-737-8483 or visit www.dnr.sc.gov/screelkids.



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 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 three ways.

- In a classroom** — Share the learning experience with other boaters and a qualified instructor.
- 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 home page, www.dnr.sc.gov/education/boated.html.
- By video** — You and your family can take a boater education course in the convenience of your home by purchasing an informative video and instruction manual. To order by phone, call 1-800-460-9698.

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

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 Bowhunters of South Carolina (BSC) is a nonprofit organization working to promote safe and lawful bowhunting education and instruction. Several times a year SCDNR/BSC conducts these educational classes.



The ultimate goal of the SCDNR/BSC bowhunter education program is to provide bowhunters with the fundamentals of good, safe bowhunting, an appreciation and respect for the environment in which they hunt and a desire to maintain the highest standards of the sport.

For information on the Bowhunters of South Carolina, please visit their website at <http://www.scbowhunters.org>.

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. This is not a "how to trap" course. Qualified instructors with the SC Trappers Association will discuss and demonstrate responsible trapping techniques.

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

Archery in the Schools Program

Designed to teach JOAD-style target archery (Junior Olympic Archery Development) in 4th-12th grades. Core content covers archery history, safety, technique, equipment, mental concentration, and self-improvement. Before presenting the two-week 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 coordinator, Sgt. Dennetta Dawson, at 1-800-277-4301, DawsonD@dnr.sc.gov, write to Investigations & Education, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29422, or go to www.dnr.sc.gov/hunting/archery/.

Scholastic Clay Target Program

The Scholastic Clay Target Program provides school-age participants in grades 12 and under with the opportunity to showcase their competitive shooting skills and earn state and national recognition. The program is designed to instill in participants safe firearms handling, commitment, responsibility, leadership and teamwork. For more information, visit www.dnr.sc.gov/education.html.

Camp Wildwood

Camp Wildwood is a fun-filled week where students experience many aspects of their natural environment. It is a place to discover that we are part of nature and everything we do in some way affects the natural balance. At Camp Wildwood, students acquire the knowledge and appreciation needed to protect and wisely use our natural resources.



Camp Wildwood is for 9th through 12th grade students and is in session for one week in June. For more information, contact your local Garden Club, Wildlife Federation or the Department of Natural Resources, call 803-734-3885 or visit the Camp Wildwood web site at wildwoodfamily.com.

SCDNR Important Information

Get the Facts Before You Buy a Watercraft

Before buying a previously owned watercraft or outboard motor titled in South Carolina, check the status. Visit www.dnr.sc.gov/boating/. The most current information provided to DNR is available on this site to the public free of charge. Users only need the SC registration number or hull identification number for watercraft and the serial number for outboard motors. Potential buyers are alerted to outstanding liens, delinquent property taxes, or status problems that need to be addressed before making a purchase. Don't be a victim of unexpected costs.

National Hunting & Fishing Day

SCDNR and the S.C. Wildlife Federation host an annual event that offers "hands-on" outdoor learning opportunities for every age. Its focus is introducing newcomers to South Carolina's hunting and fishing traditions, as well as rekindling interest of existing hunters and anglers. South Carolina's National Hunting and Fishing Day celebration is free of charge and open to the public at two locations: SCDNR's Cohen Campbell Fish Hatchery, 1529 Fish Hatchery Rd., West Columbia on **9/26/09** and Duke Energy World of Energy, 7812 Rochester Hwy., Seneca, S.C. 29672 on **10/3/09**. For more information, contact SCDNR at 803-734-0256.

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Saltwater Fishing & Shrimp Baiting	843-953-9312
Boating Titling & Registration	803-734-3857
Nuisance Wildlife	Call Regional Wildlife Offices
Education.....	803-734-3885
To Report Violations	1-800-922-5431
To Report Tagged Fish	1-888-TAGS-4-SC
SC Wildlife magazine Subscriptions	1-800-678-7227
Shellfish Recycling	843- 953-9300
Invasive Aquatic Plants.....	803-755-2836

Main Offices

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Mailing Address: PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202	
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Licenses	803-734-3833
Human Resources.....	803-734-4400
Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.....	803-734-3886
Law Enforcement.....	803-734-4002
Heritage Preserves.....	803-734-3893
SC Wildlife magazine.....	803-734-3944
Land, Water & Conservation Division	803-734-9100
Geological Survey, 5 Geology Road, Columbia 29210	803-896-7708

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Regional Offices

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Mailing Address: 311 Natural Resources Dr., Clemson, SC 29631
Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, Land, Water and Conservation, Outreach and Support Services,
Law Enforcement..... 864-654-1671

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Law Enforcement..... 803-734-4303

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Wildlife 843-953-5291
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