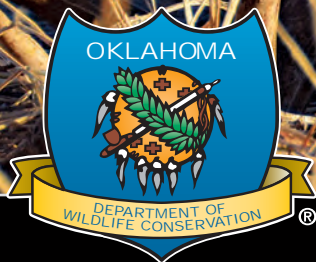


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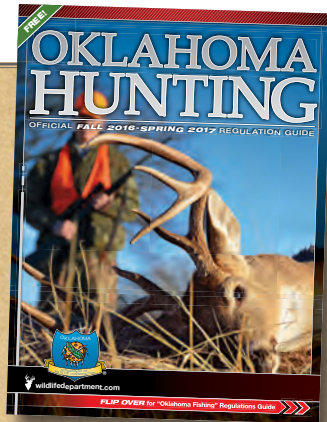


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HIGHLIGHTS OF CHANGES FOR 2016-2017

The following are brief descriptions of regulation changes for the 2016-2017 seasons. This summary of regulation changes is intended to be used as a reference only. You are required to be familiar with all the changes to regulations that apply to each of these items.

- Spring Turkey/Youth Spring Turkey: Shooting hours close at 7:00 p.m. daily on the following WMAs — Altus-Lugert, Beaver River (including McFarland Unit), Black Kettle, Cimarron Bluff, Cimarron Hills, Cooper, Ellis County, Fort Supply, Optima, Packsaddle, Rita Blanca and Sandy Sanders. See Appendix.
- Foss State Park: All shotgun hunting restricted to federally approved non-toxic shot. Dove season open September 15 - October 31. Rabbit season open October 1 - February 15. See Appendix 11.
- Beaver River WMA — McFarland Unit: Quail and pheasant seasons same as statewide, except closed the first nine days of deer gun season. Shooting hours close at 4:30 p.m. daily. See Appendix 7.
- Suppressors (Silencers): If legally acquired and pursuant to all state and federal laws may be used to hunt game animals, game or nongame birds on Department-managed lands.
- Southwest Elk Zone: Zone harvest quota increased to thirty (30) elk, see page 22.
- Shooting Ranges: New rules, see page 44.
- Camp Gruber Training Center: Youth Deer Gun and Deer Muzzleloader open to antlerless hunting; same as statewide season dates. See Appendix 7.
- Cherokee PHA: Deer Muzzleloader open to antlerless hunting; same as statewide season dates. See Appendix 8.
- Kaw WMA: Trapping open to water sets, live box traps and enclosed trigger traps only. See Appendix 14.



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Hunting Licenses

License requirements are listed by game animal throughout this book. For many wildlife species a “hunting license” is one of those requirements. There are many different types of “hunting licenses” that meet this requirement, and rather than listing all of them with every species, we have listed them below. So, if a “hunting license” is required, you must possess any one of the following:

IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT

A “HUNTING LICENSE” IS ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Annual Hunting License
- Annual Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- Annual Youth Hunting License
- Annual Youth Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- Fiscal-Year Hunting License
- Fiscal-Year Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- Fiscal-Year Youth Hunting License
- Fiscal-Year Youth Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- 5-Year Hunting License
- 5-Year Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- 5-Year Disability Hunting License
- Lifetime Hunting License
- Lifetime Combination Hunting/Fishing License
- Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting/Fishing License (*under 60 percent disability*)
- Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting/Fishing License (*60 percent or more disability*)
- Lifetime Senior Citizen Hunting License
- Lifetime Senior Citizen Combination Hunting/Fishing License



IF YOU ARE A NONRESIDENT

A “HUNTING LICENSE” IS ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Nonresident Annual Hunting License
- Nonresident Fiscal-Year Hunting License
- Nonresident 5-Day Hunting License

Note: Nonresidents who hold a resident lifetime license (hunting or combination) have the same exemptions as a resident lifetime license-holder.

The Nonresident Lifetime Hunting, Nonresident Lifetime Combination Hunting/Fishing, Lifetime Nonresident Small Game Hunting and Lifetime Nonresident Combination Small Game Hunting/Fishing licenses are no longer available for purchase. However, these licenses are honored for people already possessing one.



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RESIDENT VS. NONRESIDENT

What's the difference?

A “**Resident**” is any individual who has an established residence in Oklahoma for a period of not less than 60 consecutive days immediately preceding the date the application for a license is submitted. (Note: For the lifetime, senior, and 5-year licenses, the period of residency must be six months or more. For lifetime and senior lifetime, applicants must intend to remain Oklahoma residents as specified on application.) The burden of establishing proof of residency is on the person claiming residency status. A person holding a valid driver license shall be deemed to be a resident of the state issuing the license or permit.

For a valid Oklahoma driver license to be used as the sole source of proof of residency, it shall have been issued not less than 60 days prior to submission of the application. If a person does not hold a valid Oklahoma driver license, the Department may consider other reliable documentation for establishing proof of residency including, but not limited to, resident income tax returns, voter registration, motor vehicle or vessel registrations, and other public records documenting residence.

Residency status of children younger than 18 is presumed to be that of the custodial parent or legal guardian unless otherwise documented. Ownership or possession of real property in the state by a person residing outside the state shall not qualify the person as a resident. A person is not entitled to claim multiple states of residence, with the exception of active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces, and any dependents, when applying for annual licenses.

A “**Nonresident**” is any individual who is a resident of another state or who has resided in Oklahoma for a period of less than 60 days, regardless of whether he or she intends to make Oklahoma his or her home.



All active-duty U.S. military personnel regardless of duty station or state of residency along with their dependents may purchase any resident annual license with documentation of active-duty status.



I'm a Resident Hunter. What Licenses Do I Need?

This is a reference chart only. Please read through this guide for complete information about hunter education, license requirements, and exemptions. This chart does not apply to good-for-life licenses such as the lifetime hunting or senior citizen licenses. See page 14 for information on lifetime licenses exemptions.

Species Hunted	License(s) residents need:
Deer: Archery	Hunting license & Deer archery license for each deer hunted (must be valid for the current calendar year)
Deer: Youth Gun	All: Youth deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted. In addition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-17 years old: hunting license • Younger than 16: exempt from hunting license • Youths may also harvest a turkey in counties having a fall rifle turkey season, provided the hunter has the appropriate turkey license.
Deer: Muzzleloader	Hunting license & Deer primitive firearms license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted
Deer: Gun	Hunting license & Deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted
Deer: Holiday Antlerless	Hunting license & Holiday antlerless deer gun license
Elk	Hunting license & Elk license for each elk hunted and written landowner permission
Antelope	Hunting license & Antelope license for each antelope hunted and written landowner permission
Bear: Archery	Hunting license & Bear license (Must be purchased prior to the start of archery season.)
Bear: Muzzleloader	Hunting license & Bear license (must be purchased prior to the start of muzzleloader season). An unfilled bear archery license is also valid
Squirrel, Rabbit or Prairie Dog	Hunting license
Hog (feral swine)	Depends on the time of year. No hunting license is required to pursue hog, except on public lands (see page 39 for public land information.) However, individuals pursuing hog during antelope, bear, deer, or elk seasons must have the appropriate license for that season.
Quail & Pheasant	Hunting license
Turkey: Fall Archery	Hunting license & Fall turkey license
Turkey: Fall Gun	Hunting license & Fall turkey license
Turkey: Youth Spring	Hunting license & Spring turkey license
Turkey: Spring	Hunting license & Spring turkey license for each bird hunted
Dove, Rail (sora & Virginia), Gallinule (purple gallinule & common moorhen), Woodcock, Common Snipe	Hunting license & HIP (Harvest Information Program) permit
Teal, Resident Canada Goose, Waterfowl (Ducks, Geese)	Hunting license & HIP (Harvest Information Program) permit & State Waterfowl Stamp & Federal Migratory Bird Stamp

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- ◆ These licenses are valid for five (5) years from date of purchase.
- ⌘ Available online and through ODWC headquarters.

- Ω May be purchased by senior citizens who will turn 65 years old or older during the current calendar year.
- Φ Bear licenses have purchase deadlines. See page 25 for more information.

Resident License Costs

(see page 4 for residency requirements)

License / Permit	Cost
Resident Annual Hunting	\$25
Resident Combination Hunting/Fishing	\$42
Resident Youth Hunting (valid for 16 & 17 years old only)	\$5
Resident Youth Combination Hunting/Fishing (valid for 16 & 17 years old only)	\$9
Resident Fiscal-Year Hunting △ (valid July 1 to June 30)	\$32
Resident Fiscal-Year Combination Hunting/Fishing △ (valid July 1 to June 30)	\$53
Resident Youth Fiscal-Year Hunting △ (valid for 16 & 17 years old only, valid July 1 to June 30)	\$7
Resident Youth Fiscal-Year Combination Hunting/Fishing △ (valid for 16 & 17 years old only, valid July 1 to June 30)	\$19
Resident Disability Hunting (see page 12 for details) ◆	\$10
Resident Deer Archery	\$20
Resident Deer Primitive Firearms (antlered)	\$20
Resident Deer Primitive Firearms (antlerless)	\$20
Resident Deer Gun (antlered)	\$20
Resident Deer Gun (antlerless)	\$20
Resident Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun	\$20
Resident Youth Deer Archery (under 18)	\$10
Resident Youth Deer Primitive (antlered) (under 18)	\$10
Resident Youth Deer Primitive (antlerless) (under 18)	\$10
Resident Youth Deer Gun (antlered) (under 18)	\$10
Resident Youth Deer Gun (antlerless) (under 18)	\$10
Resident Youth Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun (under 18)	\$10
Resident Elk	\$51
Resident Antelope	\$51
Resident Bear Φ	\$101
Turkey (spring or fall)	\$10
Fur License (Bobcat - Raccoon - River Otter - Gray/Red Fox) (valid from Dec. 1 - Feb. 28)	\$10
Resident Annual Trapping (valid from Dec. 1 - Feb. 28)	\$10
Oklahoma Waterfowl (waterfowl stamp) △	\$10
Federal Duck Stamp (at post office or duckstamp.com) △	\$25
Federal Harvest Information Program (HIP Permit) Free online △	\$3
Federal Sandhill Crane Permit Free online △	\$3
Resident 5-Year Hunting ◆ ⌘	\$88
Resident 5-Year Combination Hunting/Fishing ◆ ⌘	\$148
Lifetime Hunting	\$625
Lifetime Combination Hunting/Fishing	\$775
Lifetime Senior Citizen Hunting Ω	\$15
Lifetime Senior Citizen Combination Hunting/Fishing Ω	\$25
Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting/Fishing (under 60 percent disability)	\$200
Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting/Fishing (60 percent or more disability)	\$25
Annual Wildlife Conservation Passport	\$26
3-Day Wildlife Conservation Passport	\$15
Land Access Permit (Honobia Creek WMA & Three Rivers WMA)	\$40
3-Day Resident Special Use Land Access Permit (for nonhunting/nonfishing users at Honobia & Three Rivers WMA)	\$10
5-Day Rattlesnake Permit (see page 12 for details)	\$5

Nonresident License Costs

(see page 4 for definition of nonresident)

License / Permit	Cost
Nonresident Annual Hunting (not valid for antelope, bear, deer or elk)	\$142
Nonresident Fiscal-Year Hunting △ (not valid for antelope, bear, deer or elk)	\$176
Nonresident 5-Day Hunting (not valid for antelope, bear, deer, elk, turkey or quail)	\$75
Nonresident Deer Archery (valid from Oct. 1 - Jan. 15)	\$280
Nonresident Deer Primitive Firearms	\$280
Nonresident Deer Gun	\$280
Nonresident Elk	\$306
Nonresident Antelope	\$306
Nonresident Bear Φ	\$506
Turkey (spring or fall)	\$10
Fur License (Bobcat - Raccoon - River Otter - Gray/Red Fox) (valid from Dec. 1 - Feb. 28)	\$51
Trapping (available only through ODWC headquarters) (valid from Dec. 1 - Feb. 28)	\$345
Oklahoma Waterfowl (waterfowl stamp) △	\$10
Federal Duck Stamp (at post office or duckstamp.com) △	\$25
Federal Harvest Information Program (HIP Permit) Free online △	\$3
Federal Sandhill Crane Permit Free online △	\$3
Land Access Permit (Honobia Creek WMA & Three Rivers WMA)	\$85
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E-check offers hunters a more convenient way to report their harvest to Department biologists, who use the information to make the best management decisions. No longer must deer, elk and turkey hunters take their harvested game to a physical check station for reporting, although some locations will offer E-Check as a service to hunters.

Physical checking will continue for bear and antelope harvests.

Deer Processors

Deer hunters can find a list of deer processing sites online at wildlifedepartment.com. Many deer processors participate in the Hunters Against Hunger program, which allows hunters who legally harvest a deer during any deer season to donate the meat to feed hungry Oklahomans.

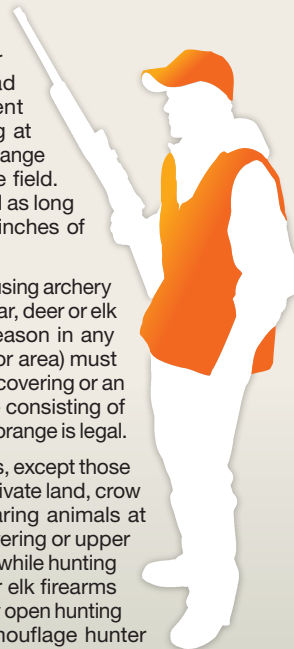


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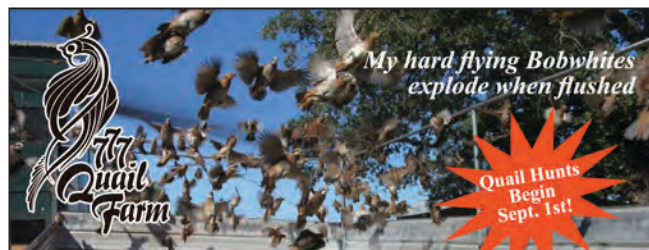
All hunters participating in any antelope, bear, deer or elk season using a firearm (muzzleloader or gun) must wear both a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both totaling at least 400 square inches of hunter orange that are clearly visible while in the field. Camouflage hunter orange is legal as long as there are at least 400 square inches of hunter orange.

Antelope, bear, deer or elk hunters using archery equipment during any antelope, bear, deer or elk firearms (muzzleloader or gun) season in any open hunting area (zone, county, or area) must conspicuously wear either a head covering or an outer garment above the waistline consisting of hunter orange. Camouflage hunter orange is legal.

All other hunters, including trappers, except those hunting waterfowl, feral hogs on private land, crow or crane, or while hunting furbearing animals at night, must wear either a head covering or upper garment of hunter orange clothing while hunting during any antelope, bear, deer or elk firearms (muzzleloader or gun) season in any open hunting area (zone, county or area). Camouflage hunter orange is legal.



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Field Tagging Requirements

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All hunters (including lifetime license holders) who harvest a **turkey** must immediately attach their name and license number securely to the carcass. Annual license holders must also include the date and time of harvest with their field tag and complete the "Record of Game" section on the license form.

All hunters (including lifetime license holders) who harvest an **antelope** must immediately attach their name and license number securely to the carcass. Annual license holders who harvest **antelope** must also complete the "Record of Game" section on the license form. Antelope hunters participating in controlled hunts must also include the date and time of harvest on the field tag.

All field tags can be any item, so long as the tag contains the required information. The information must remain attached to the carcass until it is checked.

Field tagging requirements for **bear** are listed on page 25.

Checking Requirements

All **deer and elk** must be checked within 24 hours of leaving the hunt area through one of the options listed below. All **turkeys** must also be checked within 24 hours of leaving the hunt area, and in all cases prior to processing the carcass.

Deer, elk and turkey must be E-Checked online at wildlifedepartment.com, or with an authorized Department employee. Once checked, the animal will be issued a carcass tag or an online confirmation number. This tag or number must remain with the carcass to its final destination or through processing and/or storage at commercial processing or storage facilities. **Deer and elk** carcasses may be checked in quartered with sex organs naturally attached and head accompanying the carcass.

All **antelope** must be checked within 24 hours of leaving the hunt area at an open check station in Cimarron or Texas counties (see page 24), or with an authorized Department employee assigned to one of the counties where antelope are hunted. Once checked, the **antelope** will be issued a carcass tag that must remain with the carcass to its final destination or through processing and/or storage at commercial processing or storage facilities. The head must remain attached to the carcass until the antelope is checked.

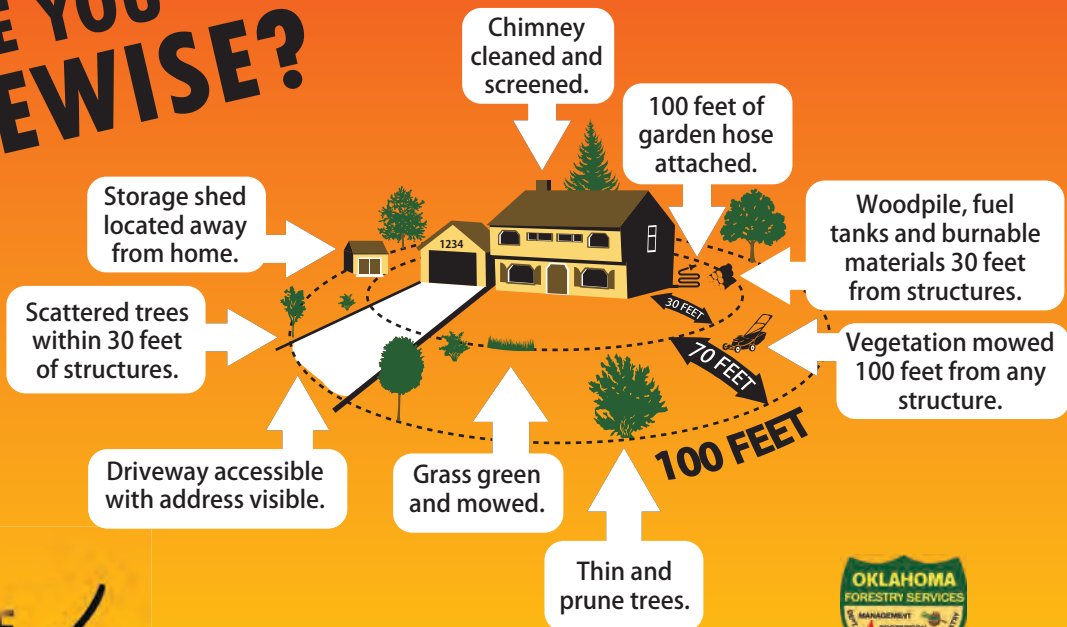
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Go to wildlifedepartment.com and click on "Education." If you can't find your information online, call (405) 521-3855. We'll need to know your name and date of birth. It will help if you know when and where you took the class. We do not have access to card information issued by other states.

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Live classes are scheduled statewide from August through mid-November. At least one class will be scheduled per county. Go to wildlifedepartment.com to see scheduled courses.



Wade Free

I am 9 or younger and not eligible for hunter education certification. Can I still hunt?

Yes, when you are accompanied by a hunter who meets the Accompanying Hunter Requirements. If the game you are hunting requires a license, you can get an apprentice-designated license.

REPLACE LICENSE ONLINE

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To get a replacement application form, just log on to wildlifedepartment.com and click on "License." Then select the type of license or card you wish to replace. Fill out the application form and mail it to us, along with the appropriate fee.

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4. Inspect your tree stand and safety harness before each use.
5. Read and follow the tree stand and safety harness manufacturer's instruction manual.

Small-Game Hunters: 15 or younger must have a hunter education card OR be with someone meeting the Accompanying Hunter Requirements.

APPRENTICE-DESIGNATED LICENSE

Anyone buying a hunting or season specific license who has not completed Hunter Education Certification will have the hunter safety number on that particular license designated as apprentice. An individual who is in possession of an "apprentice-designated" license must abide by accompanying hunter requirements. For those requirements as well as apprentice-designated qualifications, see below:

- **Hunters 30 and younger:** Anyone who is not Hunter Education-certified may buy a hunting license that is apprentice-designated. Such hunters must abide by accompanying hunter requirements.
- **Hunters 9 and younger:** Anyone who is not Hunter Education-certified may buy a hunting license that is apprentice-designated. Such hunters must abide by accompanying hunter requirements.
- **Accompanying hunter requirements:** A person 18 or older who is licensed (unless exempt) and Hunter Education-certified (unless exempt). For big game hunting, an accompanying hunter must be within arm's length of the apprentice hunter or close enough to take immediate control of the firearm or bow of the apprentice. For small game hunting, the accompanying hunter must be within sight of and able to communicate with the apprentice in a normal voice without aid.
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SPECIAL LICENSES & PERMITS

Fiscal-Year Licenses

The fiscal year licenses (hunting, combination, youth hunting, youth combination, nonresident hunting) are valid from July 1 to June 30. These licenses cover many hunting seasons that extend beyond the calendar year.

Resident 5-Year Hunting License or 5-Year Combination Hunting / Fishing License

Persons who have been residents of Oklahoma for at least six months may purchase a 5-year hunting or 5-year combination hunting / fishing license. Holders of these licenses are exempt from the annual hunting license only. Holders of the resident 5-year licenses who become residents of another state during the 5-year period of their license may continue to use their license as a nonresident annual hunting license. However, they must purchase any season-specific licenses, such as antelope, bear, deer, elk or turkey, that are not covered by a resident annual hunting license.

Lifetime Senior Citizen Hunting / Combination License**

Residents born on or after Jan. 1, 1923, upon reaching age 65 (or those who turn 65 during the calendar year) are eligible to purchase a senior citizen hunting license or combination hunting / fishing license which is good for life. The license provides the same exemptions as a resident lifetime combination hunting / fishing license (see page 14). Anyone born before Jan. 1, 1923, is exempt but must carry proof of age such as a driver's license.

Disability Hunting License*

Persons who have resided in Oklahoma for at least six months and who are receiving Social Security disability, Supplemental Security Income benefits, or persons receiving disability benefits under the Federal Railroad Retirement Act or the Multiple Injury Trust Fund may purchase a 5-year disability hunting license for \$10. Applicants for this license are urged to ask for a Benefits Verification Statement from Social Security at (800) 772-1213.

Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting / Fishing License*

This license is available to resident disabled veterans, as certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs. For veterans with a disability of less than 60 percent, the cost of the license is \$200. For veterans with a disability of 60 percent or more, the cost of the license is \$25.

The license provides the same exemptions as a resident lifetime combination hunting / fishing license (see page 14).

Harvest Information Program (HIP) Permit

A Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit is required of all migratory bird hunters, except those under 16 years of age, those 64 years old or older, those who turn 64 during the calendar year in which they intend to hunt migratory birds and landowners hunting on their own property.

The permit is valid from July 1 through the following June 30, and may be obtained free of charge at wildlifedepartment.com or is available at all state hunting license dealer locations for \$3.

Land Access Permits

A \$40 annual land access permit is required of all residents who hunt or fish on Honobia Creek

and Three Rivers WMAs, unless exempt. Non-residents are required to purchase a \$85 annual permit, no exemptions.

A \$10, 3-day special use land access permit is available to residents for non-hunting and non-fishing related activities. Individuals who possess the \$40 annual land access permit are exempt from the special use permit.

Oklahoma residents who are under 18 years of age on the first day of the current calendar year or are 64 years old or older are exempt from land access permit requirements.

3-Day/Annual Wildlife Conservation Passport

The Wildlife Conservation Passport is required on certain ODWC lands, although individuals who possess any current hunting or fishing license issued by the ODWC are exempt from the passport.

Motor Vehicle Permit to Hunt from a Motorized Vehicle*

Use of a motor vehicle for hunting is intended only as a means of facilitating access. During the actual taking of any wildlife, the vehicle being used by the permittee must be stopped and the engine must be turned off.

A 5-year motor vehicle permit to hunt or take wildlife with the aid of a motor-driven vehicle on Department-managed lands may be issued to residents having a permanent disability which confines them to a wheelchair, or requires the use of crutches, a walker or other means of support or assistance for body mobility as certified by a medical doctor licensed to practice in Oklahoma or any state which borders this state.

Use of a vehicle on Department-managed lands by a motor vehicle permittee is authorized only on roads or trails specifically designated as open for such activity. Off-road travel by a motor vehicle permittee is prohibited.

Non-ambulatory Permit to Hunt from a Motorized Vehicle*

Use of a motor vehicle for hunting is intended only as a means of facilitating access. During the actual taking of any wildlife, the vehicle being used by the permittee must be stopped and the engine must be turned off.

A 5-year non-ambulatory permit to hunt or take wildlife with the aid of a motor-driven vehicle on Department-managed lands may be issued to residents who are unable to walk due to a single or double leg amputation, paralysis of lower extremity(ies) and/or disease or injury and are confined to the use of a wheelchair as their primary source of mobility, as certified by a medical doctor licensed to practice in Oklahoma, or any state which borders this state.

Off-road use of a vehicle on Department-managed lands by a non-ambulatory permittee is authorized only on lands specifically designated as open for such activity. Maps of areas open to off-road use may be obtained from Department headquarters in Oklahoma City.

5-Day Rattlesnake Permit

Any person hunting, pursuing, trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized rattlesnake hunting event or festival must have a rattlesnake permit, unless exempt.

PASSPORT OR LICENSE?

People who use Department-owned areas for nonhunting or nonfishing activities, such as birdwatching or photography, are required to have either a Wildlife Conservation Passport or any current hunting or fishing license issued by the Wildlife Department.

Buying a hunting or fishing license can cost less than buying a Wildlife Conservation Passport. Plus, license holders are granted the privileges of that license and can enjoy those activities during the license term.

Residents who are younger than 18 at the start of the calendar year, and students and instructors participating in bona fide educational tours or activities sponsored or organized by an education institution or any other organized event sanctioned by and approved in advance by the Wildlife Department are exempt from the Wildlife Conservation Passport requirement.

For a list of Wildlife Management Areas and Fishing Areas where a passport is required, visit <http://www.wildlifedepartment.com/regs/passport.htm>.

Persons with a valid hunting or combination hunting / fishing license are exempt from the rattlesnake permit.

Permits are available by calling (405) 521-3852, online at wildlifedepartment.com, or at any hunting or fishing license dealer.

Cherokee Nation Compact License

Cherokee Nation citizens who are Oklahoma residents will receive a state issued / authorized combination hunting / fishing license purchased by and distributed by the Cherokee Nation. In addition, one deer (deer gun antlered) and one turkey (spring turkey) will be included. Nonresidents are not eligible. This is a tribal / state, dual jurisdiction compact license.

These compact licenses will cover the same privileges as provided to other Oklahoma citizens. All regulations including checking of deer and turkey are the same. All the same statewide regulations apply to holders of a compact license regardless of where the person hunts or fishes, including tribal lands. More restrictive tribal standards may be imposed by the Cherokee Nation to hunting and fishing on the Cherokee Nation's Indian Country.

No refunds will be provided by ODWC to tribal members for licenses that have already been purchased, including lifetime licenses.

For additional Cherokee license information, call the Cherokee Nation (918) 453-5000.

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LICENSE EXEMPTIONS

Residents

Under 16 Years of Age

Residents under 16 years of age are exempt from the purchase of the hunting license, federal duck stamp, Oklahoma waterfowl license, Wildlife Conservation Passport, land access permit and HIP requirements.

Under 18 Years of Age

Any person under 18 years of age in the physical custody of a child-care facility is exempt from the purchase of a hunting license.

Also, any person under 18 years of age is exempt from the Wildlife Conservation Passport and land access permit.

64 Years Old or Older

Residents 64 years old or older are exempt from the purchase of a land access permit and HIP requirements (including those who will turn 64 during the calendar year in which they intend to hunt migratory birds). Residents 65 years old or older are exempt from the purchase of the Oklahoma waterfowl license.

Lifetime Licenses

(Hunting, Combination, Senior Citizen & Disabled Veteran)

All resident holders of a lifetime hunting, lifetime combination, senior citizen hunting, senior citizen combination or lifetime disabled veteran combination hunting/fishing license are exempt from the purchase of the annual hunting license; deer, elk, antelope and turkey licenses; Oklahoma waterfowl license, trapping license and the fur license.

Holders of these lifetime licenses are not exempt from the purchase of the federal duck stamp, bear licenses, land access permit, HIP requirements or federal sandhill crane permit, unless exempt by age as listed above.

Landowners or Tenants

Resident landowners or tenants who hunt only on land owned or agriculturally leased by them (not including hunting leases) are exempt from the hunting license. Resident landowners who hunt waterfowl and other migratory game birds only on their own property are exempt from the Oklahoma waterfowl license and HIP requirements.

Only resident landowners or tenants or such individuals' children who trap on land owned or agriculturally leased by such owners or agricultural lessees (not including hunting leases) are exempt from purchasing a trapping license.

Persons residing in another state who own land in Oklahoma but do not live on that land are considered nonresidents and are not exempt.

Landowners or Agricultural Lessees

Landowners or agricultural lessees who kill bobcats, raccoons, gray/red foxes or river otters actually found destroying livestock or poultry are exempt from the purchase of the fur license.

No landowner or agricultural lessee who takes these species under the depredation exemption may remove any part of the fur or unskinned carcass from the premises where taken.

Landowners or agricultural lessees taking furbearers in open season with intent to sell must possess a fur license. This license is not required for those who run or chase furbearers with dogs but do not take.

Disability

Residents having a proven permanent disability which renders them non-ambulatory and confines them to a wheelchair, as certified by a medical doctor, are exempt from the hunting license.

Proof of Exemption

Proof of exemption from a license or permit must be carried while in the field.

Veterans Affairs Disability Exemptions

Resident veterans 60 percent or more disabled, as certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs, are exempt only from the hunting license.

Resident veterans 100 percent disabled, as certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs, are exempt from the hunting license and all deer licenses.

Veterans may contact the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs at 1 (888) 655-2838 for a card that verifies their exemption; or they may carry V.A. documentation stating their percent of disability.

Nonresidents

Under 14 Years of Age

Nonresidents under 14 years of age are exempt from the purchase of a hunting license, HIP requirements and federal duck stamp.

Under 16 Years of Age

Nonresidents under 16 years of age are exempt from the purchase of the federal duck stamp and HIP requirements.

Under 18 Years of Age

Any person under 18 years of age in the physical custody of an Oklahoma child-care facility is exempt from the purchase of a hunting license.

Lifetime Licenses held by former residents

Nonresidents who formerly lived in Oklahoma and purchased a resident lifetime hunting, resident lifetime combination, resident senior citizen hunting, resident senior citizen combination or lifetime disabled veteran license may still use the license with all the same privileges. Those privileges are listed on this page in the "residents" column.

Nonresident Lifetime Licenses

Nonresidents who hold a nonresident lifetime hunting or combination license are exempt from the purchase of a nonresident annual hunting license. To hunt antelope, bear, deer or elk, nonresident lifetime license holders must purchase a nonresident antelope, bear, deer or elk license.

The owner of a nonresident lifetime license must purchase a nonresident annual hunting license in addition to a turkey license to hunt turkey.

Nonresident lifetime license holders need the following for certain types of migratory bird hunting: a HIP permit to hunt migratory game birds, a federal sandhill crane permit to hunt sandhill cranes, a federal duck stamp and an Oklahoma waterfowl license to hunt waterfowl.

Landowners

There are no license or permit exemptions for nonresident landowners.

Military Personnel

All active-duty U.S. military personnel regardless of duty station or state of residency along with their dependents may purchase any resident annual license with documentation of active-duty status.



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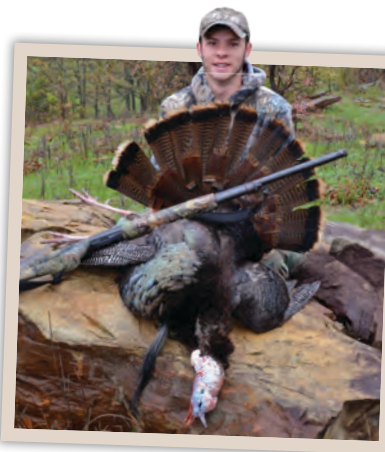
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Dogs For Hunting

Dogs may not be used in taking bear, deer, elk, antelope and turkey.

Except as otherwise provided, nothing shall prohibit the year-round pursuit of game (species that can be lawfully hunted with dogs) for dog training or sport only. However, unless otherwise provided, no person in pursuit of game with hunting dogs outside the regular harvest season shall possess the means to harvest such game.

Final Destination

For purposes of pheasant, turkey, bear, deer, elk, Eurasian collared dove and antelope, "final destination" shall be the hunter's residence or place of consumption.

Headlighting / Spotlighting

No person may attempt to take, take, attempt to catch, catch, attempt to capture, capture, attempt to kill, or kill any deer, feral animal or other wildlife, except fish and frogs or except as provided by law, by the use of a vehicle-mounted spotlight or other powerful light at night, by what is commonly known as "headlighting" (or "spotlighting") or use any light enhancement device (night scope). Provided, however, nothing in this code shall prevent one from possessing a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or .22 caliber rimfire pistol and a light carried on his person while in pursuit of furbearers with hounds during the legal open furbearer season, while possessing a valid hunting license and fur license, unless exempt.

Hunting During Big Game Seasons

Any person hunting any wildlife in open areas during the youth deer gun, bear muzzleloader, deer muzzleloader, deer gun, holiday antlerless deer gun (in open zones), elk gun (in open counties) or September antelope gun (in open areas) seasons with a shotgun and rifled slug, or any rifle or handgun larger than a .22 caliber long rifle, must possess a valid bear, deer, elk, or antelope license, unless otherwise exempt.

Hunting From Motor Vehicles

No person may harass, attempt to capture, capture, attempt to take, take, kill or attempt to kill any wildlife with the aid of any motor-driven land, air or water conveyance, except a non-ambulatory person may hunt from said conveyances with a non-ambulatory or motor

vehicle permit. Provided, however, nothing in this code shall prevent the use of motor-driven land or water conveyances for following dogs in the act of hunting, when use of said conveyances is restricted to public roads or waterways. Said conveyances may be used on private property for following dogs in the act of hunting with the landowner's or occupant's permission.

Landowner Permission

Hunters must obtain permission to enter any posted or occupied land or land primarily devoted to farming, ranching or forestry purposes.

Nothing in this guide shall be interpreted as permitting hunting or allowing access into any area, public or private, without permission from the owners or custodian as required by law. All persons are prohibited from entering land owned by another without permission for the sole purpose of retrieving domestic livestock or other animals.

Consent is not valid for more than one year, unless the owner, lessee, or occupant specifically grants consent for a specified period of time.

Possessing Wildlife

No person may possess any game bird, animal or other wildlife, or portions thereof, that have been taken by another person unless written information giving the taker's name, address, license number, date taken and the number and kinds of game birds, animals or other wildlife, is attached to the game birds, animal or other wildlife, or portions thereof. In addition, information on turkey, bear, deer, elk, and antelope must include where game was checked or the online confirmation number. The person's name and address receiving said wildlife must also appear on the written information.

It shall be unlawful for any person to have in their possession any meat, head, hide, or any part of the carcass of any wildlife not legally taken. The keeping of wildlife as pets and the sale of wildlife or parts is strictly controlled by state and federal laws.

Protected Species

All migratory birds, which include all hawks, owls, eagles, songbirds and all other birds except resident game birds, house sparrows and starlings are protected by federal and state law. House sparrows and starlings are the only birds that are not protected by either federal or state law. However, federal regulations provide for the control of black-birds under a depredation order. For complete regulations, see 50 CFR, Part 20.43.

Endangered and threatened species are protected by federal and/or state law.

Oklahoma's Endangered and Threatened Species

Mammals: Gray bat, Northern Long-eared bat, Ozark big-eared bat, Indiana bat. **Birds:** Whooping crane, piping plover, interior least tern, black-capped vireo, red knot, red-cockaded woodpecker. **Fish:** Ozark cavefish, leopard darter, Neosho madtom, Arkansas River shiner, black-sided darter, long-nosed darter. **Invertebrates:** Winged mapleleaf mussel, Neosho mucket, scaleshell mussel, Ouachita rock pocketbook, rabbitsfoot mussel, Oklahoma cave crayfish. **Insect:** American burying beetle. **Plant:** Harperella.

Selling of Wildlife

Except as otherwise provided for by law, no person may buy, barter, trade, sell or offer, or expose for sale all or any part of any fish or wildlife or the nest or eggs of any bird, protected by law.

Shooting From Road

Shooting from or across any public road, highway (or right-of-way) or railroad right-of-way is prohibited. Public roadways are defined as any governmental or corporate roadways where vehicular traffic is not restricted and the roadway is routinely used by the general public.

Shotgun Pellet Size

No person in the field may possess or attempt to harvest any wildlife, except waterfowl and crane, with a shotgun using shot larger than conventional BB (.180 in. diameter). Hogs are not considered wildlife; see page 39 for shotgun provisions for hogs.

Suppressors (Silencers)

Hunters are allowed to use legally acquired and possessed suppressors to hunt game animals, game or nongame birds on both private and public lands.

Taking of Wildlife

No person, including but not limited to persons licensed for commercial hunting or wildlife breeders, may hunt, chase, capture, shoot, shoot at, wound, attempt to take or take, attempt to kill or kill, or slaughter an antelope, moose, whitetail or mule deer, bear, elk, mountain lion, Rocky Mountain big-horn sheep, wild turkey, or any subspecies except as otherwise provided by statute or commission rule.

Transportation of Firearms, Bows & Crossbows

Except as otherwise provided, no person may transport a loaded firearm in a land or water motor vehicle. "Loaded firearm" shall mean any firearm that has live rounds in an inserted clip, attached magazine, cylinder or chamber, or a capped muzzleloader with a loaded powder charge and bullet. No bow may be transported at full or partial draw in a motorized vehicle.

Muzzleloaders may be transported with a loaded powder charge and bullet as long as the gun is uncapped or battery is disconnected.

Crossbows may not be transported in a motorized vehicle unless uncocked or disassembled.

Use of Fire

No person shall concentrate, drive, molest, hunt, take, capture, kill, or attempt to take any wildlife by aid of any fire or smoke whether man-made or natural.

Wanton Waste

No person may capture, kill or destroy any wildlife protected by law and remove the head, claws, teeth, hide, antlers, horns or any or all of such parts from the carcass with the intent to abandon the carcass. No person may kill any wildlife protected by law and abandon the carcass without disposing of the carcass in the most appropriate manner. No person may dump the carcass of any dead animal in any well, spring, pond, or stream of water or leave it within 1/4 mile of any occupied dwelling or public highway without burying the carcass in an appropriate manner where it will not become exposed through erosion of the soil or where such land is subject to overflow. Penalties and fines have been increased for anyone convicted of improperly disposing of wildlife.



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Youth Licenses

Resident Youth Hunting, Resident Youth Combination Hunting/Fishing, Fiscal-Year Youth Hunting, Fiscal-Year Youth Combination Hunting/Fishing: Legal residents of Oklahoma who are 16 or 17 years old are eligible to purchase any of the youth hunting licenses.

- **Resident Youth Deer Archery:** Available to legal residents of Oklahoma who are under 18 years of age. The youth deer archery license may be used during the regular deer archery season.
- **Resident Youth Deer Gun and Resident Youth Deer Primitive:** Available to legal residents of Oklahoma who are under 18 years of age. Each license costs \$10. The youth deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) may be used during the youth deer gun season or during the regular deer gun season. The youth deer primitive license (antlered or antlerless) may be used during the regular deer muzzleloader season.
- **Resident Youth Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun:** Legal residents of Oklahoma who are under 18 years of age are eligible to purchase the \$10 youth Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun license. It may only be used during the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season.

Nonresident Deer Licenses

Nonresidents may purchase three season-specific deer licenses: a nonresident deer archery license, a nonresident deer primitive firearms license or a nonresident deer gun license. Each of the three types of nonresident deer licenses permit the hunter to hunt for all deer allowed during the specified season. For the specific season limits, see the information for each season. The combined season limit of all seasons remains six deer per individual with no more than two antlered deer.

These licenses are valid on both public and private lands. Licenses are not transferable between seasons. The nonresident deer gun license also covers the holiday antlerless deer season.

Combined Season Limit

The combined season limit for deer archery, youth deer gun, deer muzzleloader and deer gun seasons is no more than six deer per individual. This limit may include no more than two antlered deer.

Deer taken by a hunter participating in Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season or controlled hunts are not included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Deer taken during Jan. 1-15, 2017, count toward the 2016 combined season limit.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Antlered Deer Definition

Any deer, regardless of sex, with at least three inches of antler length above the natural hairline on either side.

White Deer

Hunters are permitted to harvest white deer (albino or piebald) as part of their season limit.

Field Tagging & Checking

For field tagging and checking requirements for deer, see page 9.

More Than One Method of Take in the Field

Hunters are allowed to carry both archery equipment and a muzzleloader during the muzzleloader season provided they have the appropriate licenses and follow other muzzleloader season regulations.

Hunters also are allowed to carry both archery equipment and legal firearms during any modern gun season, again provided they have the appropriate licenses and follow other regulations to participate in those seasons.

Tracking Devices

Telemetric radio tracking devices for deer hunting are legal. However, thermal tracking devices are illegal.

Carcass Disposal

No person may dump the carcass of any dead animal in any well, spring, pond, or stream of water or leave it within 1/4 mile of any occupied dwelling or public highway without burying the carcass in an appropriate manner where it is not liable to become exposed through erosion of the soil or where such land is subject to overflow.

Youth Deer Gun

Age Requirements

Youths under 18 years of age: All youths while hunting are required to be accompanied by an adult, 18 years old or older. The adult cannot gun hunt, but may archery hunt while accompanying the youth hunter. The adult hunter may not possess any firearms except under provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and Oklahoma Firearms Act.

License Requirements

Resident youths under 16 years of age must possess a youth deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) or an apprentice-designated youth deer gun license or proof of exemption, and they are exempt from the purchase of a hunting license.

- **Resident youths 16 and 17 years old:** Must possess a hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption, and must possess a youth deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Nonresident youths 17 years of age and younger:** Must possess a nonresident deer gun license or apprentice-designated nonresident deer gun license, and are exempt from a hunting license.

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 14-16, 2016; statewide.

Youth Deer Gun Limit

Two deer, only one of which may be antlered.

The harvest of antlerless mule deer is prohibited during the youth deer gun season.

Deer taken by youth hunters participating in the youth deer gun season are included in the hunter's combined season limit but do not count as part of the regular deer gun season limit.

Youths hunting during Youth Deer Gun Season may also harvest a turkey in counties listed below, provided they have the appropriate fall turkey license (unless exempt). Dates and legal means of taking are the same as for Youth Deer Gun Season. A turkey taken during Youth Deer Gun Season counts toward the statewide fall turkey bag limit. **One-tom limit** in Alfalfa, Caddo, Canadian, Carter, Cimarron, Cotton, Creek, Custer, Garfield, Grady, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Hughes, Jefferson, Kay, Kiowa, Love, Murray, Noble, Okfuskee, Pawnee, Seminole, Stephens, Texas and Washita counties. **One either-sex turkey limit** in Beaver, Beckham, Blaine, Comanche, Dewey, Ellis, Harper, Jackson, Kingfisher, Logan, Major, Osage, Payne, Roger Mills, Tillman, Woods and Woodward.

Youth Deer Gun Licenses

Resident youth hunters who do not harvest a deer during the youth deer gun season may use their unfilled youth deer gun license(s) during the regular deer gun season to take a deer.

Resident youth hunters who do harvest a deer during the youth deer gun season may purchase another youth deer gun license and harvest a deer during the regular deer gun season.

Legal Means of Taking

Equipment described as legal for deer gun season. See page 18.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

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Field Tagging & Checking

For field tagging and checking requirements, see page 9.

Deer Archery

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, all deer hunters must possess a deer archery license for each deer hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Resident Youths:** Youth hunters 16 or 17 years old must purchase a hunting license (see page 4). All youth hunters under 18 years of age may purchase a youth deer archery license.
- **Nonresident:** Nonresident deer hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting deer, but they must possess a nonresident deer archery license. Non-residents possessing a resident lifetime hunting or lifetime combination license are exempt from a deer archery license. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing a deer archery license.
- **Jan. 1-15:** All hunters must possess a deer archery license for the current calendar year and a current hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. A nonresident archery license is valid from Oct. 1 - Jan. 15 of the following calendar year.

Deer taken during this time count toward the hunter's 2016 bag limit.

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017; statewide.

Archery Limit

Six deer, which may include no more than two antlered deer.

Deer taken by a hunter participating in archery season are included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Bow:** Any compound bow of 30 pounds or more draw weight; any recurve, longbow or self-bow of 40 pounds or more draw weight. Hand-held releases are legal. Devices that permit a bow to be held mechanically at full or partial draw are allowed.
- **Broadheads:** Arrows / bolts must be fitted with hunting type points not less than 7/8 inches wide, including mechanical broadheads meeting this width requirement when fully open.
- **Crossbows:** Minimum of 100 pounds draw weight and equipped with safety devices. Bolts must be a minimum of 14 inches in length. Leverage gaining devices are legal.
- **Firearms Restriction:** No person may carry or use any firearm in conjunction with archery equipment during the archery season while hunting deer, except under provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and the Oklahoma Firearms Act.

Hunters are allowed to carry both archery equipment and a muzzleloader during the

muzzleloader season provided they have the appropriate licenses and follow other muzzleloader season regulations.

Hunters also are allowed to carry both archery equipment and legal firearms during any modern gun season, again provided they have the appropriate licenses and follow other regulations to participate in those seasons.

- **Illegal Devices:** Laser sights (unless certified 100% disabled or legally blind), thermal tracking devices, and light enhancement devices (including nightscopes) from sunset to sunrise.

Deer Muzzleloader (Primitive Firearms)

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, you must possess a deer primitive firearms license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Resident Youths:** Youth hunters 16 or 17 years old must purchase a hunting license (see page 4). All youth hunters under 18 years of age may purchase a youth deer primitive license (antlered or antlerless).
- **Nonresident:** Nonresident deer hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting deer, but they must possess a nonresident deer primitive firearms license or proof of exemption. Nonresidents possessing a resi-

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dent lifetime hunting or lifetime combination license are exempt from a deer primitive firearms license. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing a deer primitive firearms license.

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 22-30, 2016; statewide.

Antlerless deer may only be harvested on specified days and in zones open to antlerless harvest (see page 20).

Muzzleloader Limit

One antlered and two antlerless deer. If you harvest two antlerless deer, at least one must be harvested in Zones 2, 7 or 8. See page 20 for more information.

Deer taken by a hunter participating in muzzleloader season are included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Unfilled Deer Primitive Firearms Antlered License

Hunters who do not harvest an antlered deer during muzzleloader season may use their unfilled deer primitive firearms antlered license to harvest an antlerless deer on the last day of the muzzleloader season in zones open to antlerless harvest.

Hunters must still comply with the limit restriction of no more than two antlerless deer during muzzleloader season. At least one must come from Zone 2, 7 or 8 (see page 20).

Unfilled deer primitive firearms licenses are not valid during any other deer season.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Muzzleloading rifles, muzzleloading shotguns or muzzleloading pistols:** .40 caliber or larger rifle or pistol, or 20-gauge or larger shotgun, firing a single slug or ball that is loaded from the muzzle.
- No person shall carry or use any modern firearm in conjunction with any legal primitive firearm (muzzleloader) during the primitive firearm (muzzleloader) deer season while hunting deer with a muzzleloader, except under the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season.
- **Illegal devices:** Blackpowder firearms loaded from the breech, laser sights (unless certified 100% disabled or legally blind) thermal tracking devices, and light enhancement devices (including nightscopes) from sunset to sunrise.

Deer Gun

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, you must possess a deer gun license (antlered or antlerless) for each deer hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Resident Youths:** Youth hunters 16 or 17 years old must purchase a hunting license (see page 4). All youth hunters under 18 years of age may purchase a youth deer gun license (antlered or antlerless).

- **Nonresident:** Nonresident deer hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting deer, but they must possess a nonresident deer gun license or proof of exemption. Non-residents possessing a resident lifetime hunting or lifetime combination license are exempt from a deer gun license. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing a deer gun license.

Dates & Open Areas

Nov. 19 - Dec. 4, 2016; statewide.

Antlerless deer may only be harvested on specified days and in zones open to antlerless harvest (see page 20).

Deer Gun Limit

One antlered and two antlerless deer. If you harvest two antlerless deer, at least one must be harvested in Zones 2, 7 or 8 (see page 20).

The harvest of antlerless mule deer is prohibited during deer gun season.

Deer taken by a hunter participating in deer gun season are included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Unfilled Deer Gun Antlered License

Resident hunters who do not harvest an antlered deer during deer gun season may use their unfilled deer gun antlered license to harvest an antlerless deer on the last day of the deer gun season.

Resident hunters must still comply with the limit restriction of no more than two antlerless deer during deer gun season. At least one must come from Zone 2, 7 or 8 (see page 20).

Unfilled resident deer gun licenses are not valid during the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Rifles:** Centerfire rifles firing at least a 55-grain weight soft-nosed or hollow-point bullet and having an overall cartridge case length of 1.25 inches or longer (9 mm rifles are not legal). Clips or magazines of all .22 caliber centerfire firearms may not be capable of holding more than seven rounds of ammunition.
- **Muzzleloaders:** Equipment described as legal for deer muzzleloader season and blackpowder firearms loaded from the breech are legal.
- **Shotguns:** 20-gauge or larger, firing a single rifled slug, are legal.
- **Centerfire handguns:** Chambered for .24 caliber or larger and 100 grain or heavier soft-nosed bullet having an overall cartridge case length of 1.25 inches or longer are legal (.357 or larger) and a minimum barrel length of 4 inches.
- **Semi-automatic handguns:** Chambered for any centerfire ammunition with a 100-grain or heavier soft-nosed bullet and having a cartridge case size of .40 caliber or larger (includes 10 mm, .357 Sig., and 40 cal. or larger) and a minimum barrel length of 4 inches.
- **Handguns chambered for any centerfire rifle ammunition:** Chambered for any centerfire rifle ammunition using at least a 55-grain

soft-nosed bullet and having an overall cartridge case length of 1.25 inches or longer and a minimum barrel length of 4 inches.

- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season.
- **Suppressors (Silencers):** Hunters are allowed to use legally acquired and possessed suppressors on both private and public lands.
- **Illegal devices:** Fully automatic firearms, laser sights (unless certified 100% disabled or legally blind) thermal tracking devices, and light enhancement devices (including nightscopes) from sunset to sunrise.

Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, hunters must possess a Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun license or proof of exemption.
- **Resident Youths:** Youth hunters 16 or 17 years old must purchase a hunting license (see page 4). All youth hunters under 18 years of age may purchase a youth Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun license.
- **Nonresident:** Nonresident deer hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting deer, but they must possess a nonresident deer gun license or proof of exemption. Non-residents possessing a resident lifetime hunting or lifetime combination license are exempt from a deer gun license. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing a deer gun license.

Dates & Open Areas

Dec. 16-25, 2016, only in open areas. Refer to Antlerless Deer Hunting Zones map on page 20.

Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun Limit

One antlerless deer.

The harvest of antlerless mule deer is prohibited during the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season.

Deer taken by a hunter participating in the holiday deer season are not included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Unfilled Deer Licenses

Unfilled resident youth deer gun, deer primitive firearms and deer gun licenses are not valid during the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season.

Resident hunters participating in the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun season must purchase a Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun license or a youth Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun license (under 18), unless exempt.

Legal Means of Taking

Equipment described as legal for deer gun season. See page 18.

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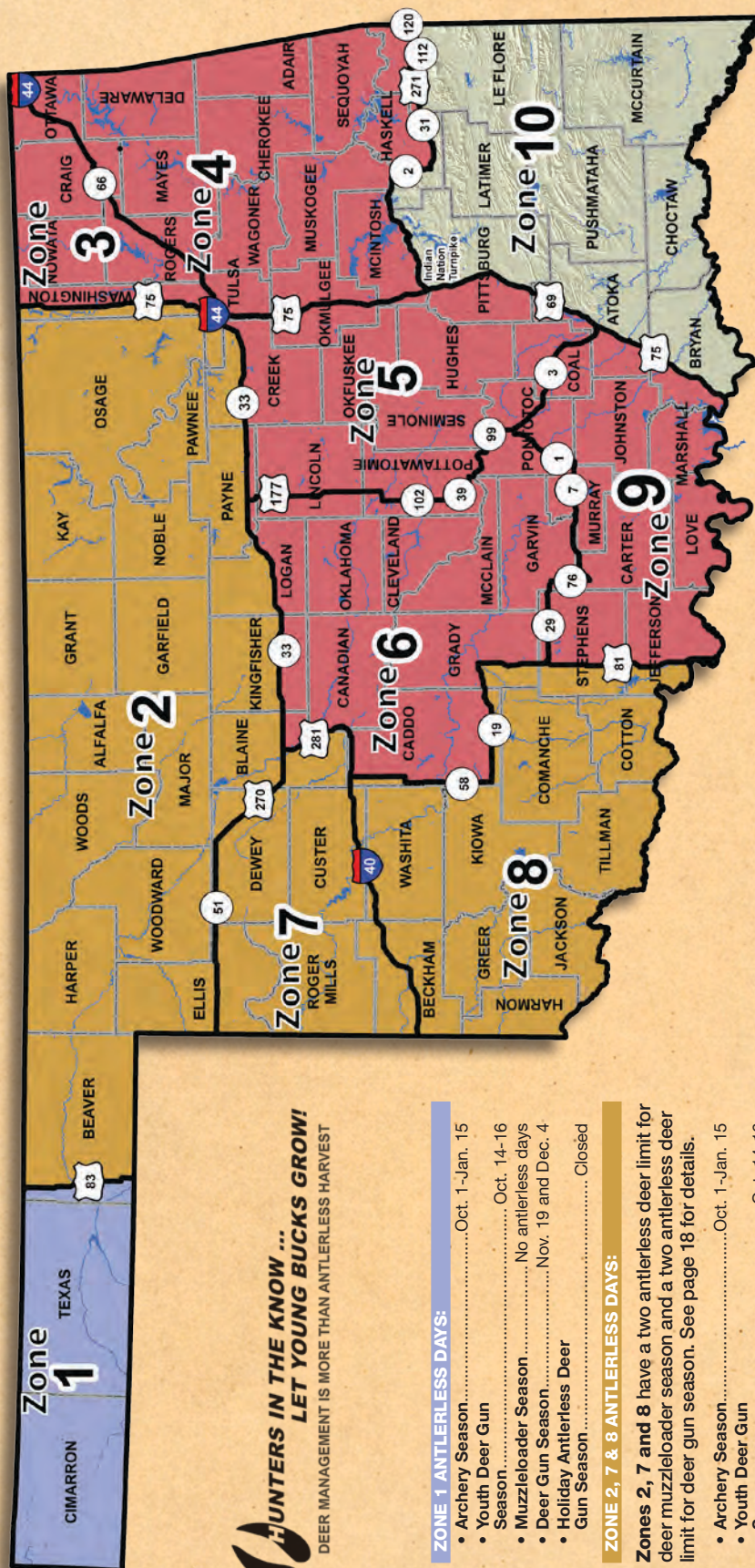
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2016-2017 ANTLERLESS DEER ZONES

Seasons on **public lands** may vary. Consult the Public Lands section beginning in the Appendix.

The harvest of **antlerless mule deer** is prohibited during the youth deer gun, deer gun and the Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun seasons.

Background: Oklahoma is a biologically diverse state with habitats ranging from short-grass prairie in the Panhandle to piney woods and swamps in the Southeast. Wildlife, deer in particular, are not distributed evenly across the state.

When a hunter checks a harvested deer, the hunter must identify the Deer Kill Location (DKL). These are

small units; a county will contain several DKLs, and they often straddle county lines. The Antlerless Deer Zones are groupings of DKLs with similar herd dynamics and habitat, although encompassing a much broader area. DKLs and Antlerless Deer Zones do not abide strictly by habitat features. Rather, they are laid out with easily identifiable road or river boundaries so hunters can more easily identify where they were on the map.

Using the larger antlerless zones allows the Department to manage on a scale smaller than statewide but larger than a micro scale such as with DKLs.

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ELK

License Requirements

- **Residents:** Must possess a hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, all elk hunters must possess an elk license for each elk hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Nonresidents:** Nonresident elk hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting elk, but they must possess a nonresident elk license for each elk hunted or proof of exemption. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing elk licenses.
- **Jan. 1-31:** All hunters must possess an elk license for the current calendar year and a current hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

Written Permission

All elk hunters must possess written permission from the landowner or, where appropriate, the lessee (tenant). Permission must be carried on the person while hunting elk. Elk hunters may only hunt on those lands for which they have written permission.

Combined Season Limit

The combined statewide season limit for elk is two (2) elk, regardless of sex or method of taking. Elk taken by hunters participating in controlled hunts are not included in the hunter's combined season limit.

Any elk harvested from Jan. 1-31, 2017, will count toward the hunter's 2016 combined season limit.

Harvesting a holiday antlerless elk DOES count against zone quotas and your season bag limit.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Public Lands

Elk hunting is closed on all Department-owned or managed lands, except for controlled elk hunt permittees on areas and dates designated on their controlled hunt permit.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Field Tagging & Checking

For field tagging and checking requirements for elk, see page 9.

Zone Harvest Quota

Before hunting, all hunters must check the Wildlife Department's website at www.wildlifedepartment.com to ensure the quota has not been met for the zone in which they will be hunting. Once the zone quota has been met, the season is closed.

Legal Elk Definitions

A legal bull is defined as any antlered bull, except in the Special Southwest Zone, where a legal bull must have at least five points on at least one side of the antlers (a point is defined as the tip of the main antler beam and any projection arising from the main antler beam that is at least one inch in length).

An antlerless elk is defined as any elk with no visible antlers, regardless of sex.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season. See page 17.
- **Muzzleloader:** Equipment described as legal for deer muzzleloader season. See page 18.
- **Gun:** Equipment described as legal for deer gun season. See page 18.

Season Dates
(only in open zones)

- **Elk Archery:** Oct. 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017.
- **Youth Elk Gun:** Oct. 14-16, 2016.
- **Elk Muzzleloader:** Oct. 22-30, 2016.
- **Elk Gun:** Nov. 19 - Dec. 4, 2016.
- **Holiday Antlerless Elk Gun:** Dec. 16-25, 2016.

Open Zones

Panhandle Zone: All private lands in Beaver, Cimarron, and Texas counties.

- **Zone bag limit:** Two (2) elk, one of which must be antlerless.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Sixty (60) elk.

Special Northwest Zone: All private lands in Woodward, Dewey and Ellis counties, and a portion of Roger Mills County north of State Highways 33 and 47 to the north county line and west to the state border and east to the county line.

- **Zone bag limit:** One (1) elk, regardless of sex.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Two (2) elk. (No increase in the annual elk quota for this zone is anticipated until 2021 unless through legislative action.)

Northwest Zone: All private lands north of Interstate 40 and west of Interstate 35, excluding the counties in the Panhandle Zone and counties or parts thereof in the Special Northwest Zone.

- **Zone bag limit:** One (1) elk, regardless of sex.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Eight (8) elk.

Northeast Zone: All private lands north of Interstate 40 and east of Interstate 35.

- **Zone bag limit:** One (1) elk, regardless of sex.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Twenty (20) elk.

Southeast Zone: All private lands south of Interstate 40 and east of Interstate 35.

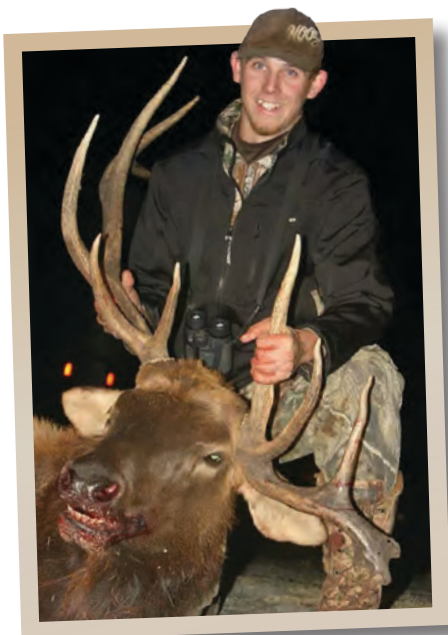
- **Zone bag limit:** One (1) elk, regardless of sex.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Five (5) elk.

Southwest Zone: All private lands south of Interstate 40 and west of Interstate 35, excluding the counties in the Special Southwest Zone.

- **Zone bag limit:** One (1) elk, regardless of sex.
- **Zone harvest quota:** Thirty (30) elk.

Special Southwest Zone: All private lands in Caddo, Comanche, and Kiowa counties. Season dates:

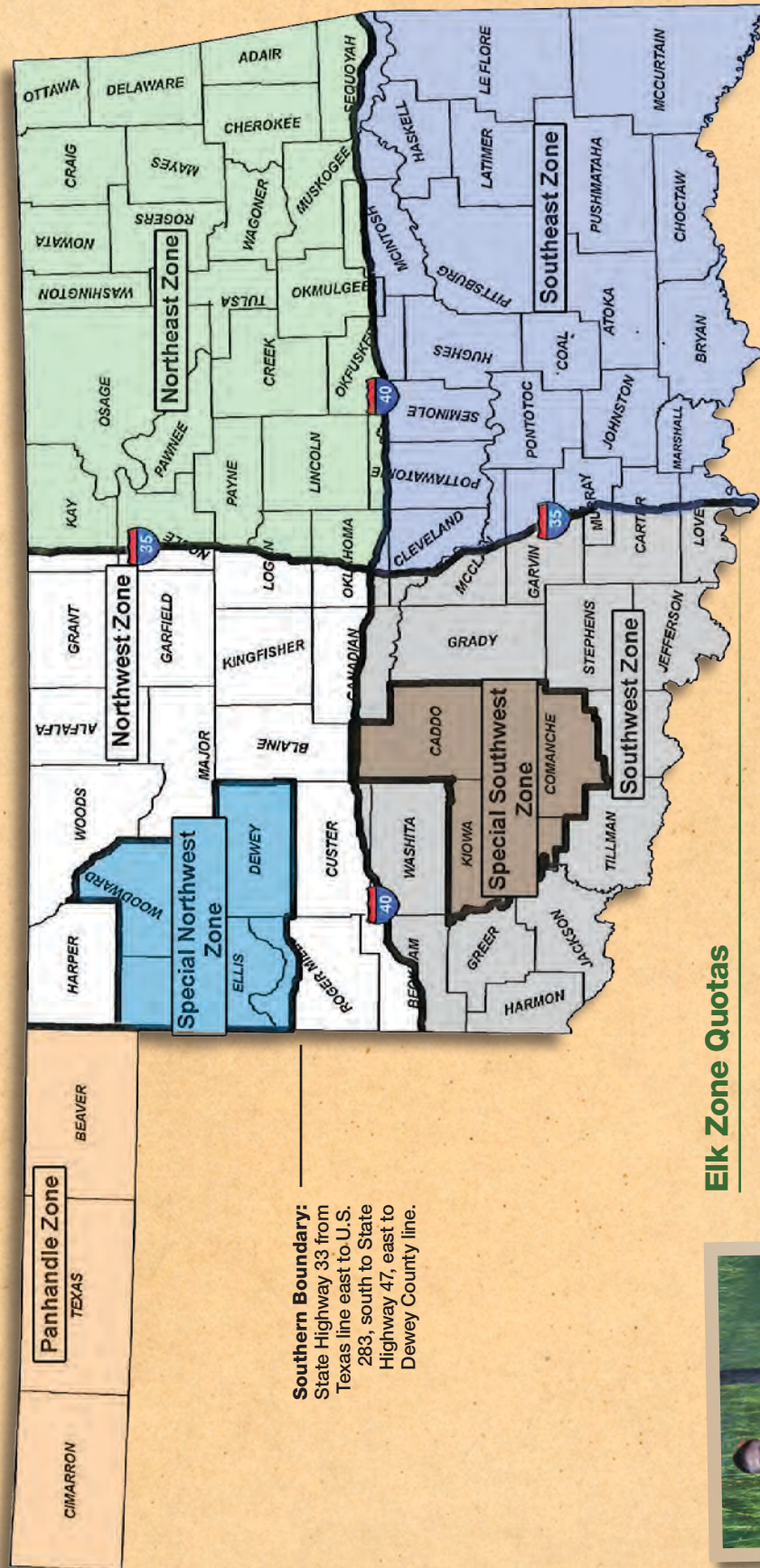
- **Archery:** Oct. 1-5, 2016 and Dec. 10-14, 2016.
- **Muzzleloader:** Season closed.
- **Gun:** Oct. 6-9, 2016 and Dec. 15-18, 2016.
- **Youth Elk Gun:** Oct. 14-16, 2016.
- **Additional Antlerless Season:** Nov. 19 - Dec. 4, 2016 and Jan 1-31, 2017; antlerless only.
- **Zone bag limit:** Two (2) elk, regardless of sex, one of which must be antlerless.
- **Zone harvest quota:** There is no quota in this zone.



Zach Huffman with the non-typical bull elk he harvested in Kiowa County. One side of the antlers had 6 pts. and the other side had a beam that came straight out with 3 pts. and a mass at the end.

2016-2017 ELK ZONES FOR PRIVATE LANDS

(Statewide Elk Season)



Elk Zone Quotas

Panhandle Zone Quota	60
Northwest Zone Quota	8
Special Northwest Zone Quota	2
Northwest Zone Quota	20
Southwest Zone Quota	30
Special Southwest Zone Quota	None
Southeast Zone Quota	5

- Each elk hunting zone (except the Special Southwest Zone) has a quota established that limits the number of elk that may be harvested in that zone.
- Hunters must go online to wildlifedepartment.com before hunting to check the elk quota status for the zone in which they are hunting.
- Successful hunters are required to E-Check their elk harvest within 24 hours of leaving the hunt area at wildlifedepartment.com.
- Once a zone's quota has been met, elk season is closed in that zone.



Jack Waymire

ANTELOPE

License Requirements

- **Residents:** Must possess a hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, all antelope hunters must possess an antelope license for each antelope hunted or proof of exemption.
- **Nonresidents:** Nonresident antelope hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting antelope, but they must possess a nonresident antelope license for each antelope hunted or proof of exemption. Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing antelope licenses.
- **Jan. 1-15:** All hunters must possess an antelope license for the current calendar year and a current hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

LEGAL ANTELOPE BUCK VS. DOE



Any antelope that does not have a black cheek patch is legally considered a doe. Does can have horns.

Written Landowner Permission

All antelope hunters must possess written permission from the landowner or, where appropriate, the lessee (tenant). Permission must be carried on the person while hunting antelope. Hunters may only hunt on those lands for which they have written permission. Landowners, operators and immediate family are exempt from written permission.

Open Areas

Cimarron County and that portion of Texas County west of State Highway 136.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from state-wide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Combined Season Limit

Two antelope combined, which may include no more than one buck, regardless of season or method of take. Antelope taken between Jan. 1-15 are included in the hunter's 2016 combined season limit.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Legal Buck Definition

Any antelope, regardless of sex, with a black cheek patch.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Field Tagging & Checking

All pronghorn antelope must be checked-in at one of these physical check stations:

- **Cimarron County:** Bourks, 8 N.W. Square, Boise City; Hitching Post Bed and Breakfast, two miles east of Kenton.
- **Texas County:** Guymon Fire Department, 309 N. Roosevelt, Guymon.

For field tagging and checking requirements for antelope, see page 9.

Antelope - Archery

Dates

Oct. 1-14, 2016.

Legal Means of Taking

Equipment described as legal for deer archery season. See page 17.

Archery Limit

Two antelope, only one of which may be a buck. Archery antelope are not bonus and are included in the hunter's 2016 combined season limit.

Antelope - Gun (Drawing only)

Antelope gun hunting is only available through the Department's controlled hunts program or through the Landowner Permit Drawing (see wildlifedepartment.com).

Dates

Sept. 8-11 and Sept. 12-21, 2016 and Dec. 3, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017.

Legal Means of Taking

Equipment described as legal for deer gun season. See page 18.

Gun Limit

Two antelope, only one of which may be a buck. Antelope taken through controlled hunts or landowner permit are not bonus and count against the statewide combined season limit for antelope.

Legal sex and specific season dates will be designated on the controlled hunt or landowner permit.

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BEAR - ARCHERY & MUZZLELOADER

License Requirements

- **Residents:** Must possess a hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, resident bear hunters must possess a bear license.

Lifetime License holders are **not** exempt from the purchase of a bear license.

- **Nonresidents:** Nonresident bear hunters are exempt from a hunting license while hunting bear but must possess a nonresident bear license.

Holders of nonresident lifetime hunting and lifetime combination licenses are not exempt from purchasing a bear license.

- **License Purchasing Deadlines:** Bear licenses for the archery season must be purchased prior to Oct. 1, 2016. No bear licenses will be sold after Sept. 30 for the archery season. An unfilled bear license from the archery season is valid for muzzleloader season.

Bear licenses for the muzzleloader season must be purchased prior to Oct. 22, 2016. No bear licenses will be sold after Oct. 21 for the muzzleloader season.

Season Dates & Open Areas

- **Archery: Oct. 1-16, 2016;** only in Latimer, Le Flore, McCurtain and Pushmataha counties. **There is no harvest quota for bear archery season.**
- **Muzzleloader: Oct. 22-30, 2016** (unless quota is met earlier), only in Latimer, Le Flore, McCurtain and Pushmataha counties.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Combined Season Limit

One bear, regardless of season hunted.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Prohibited Activities

No baiting is allowed on wildlife management areas. Shooting of cubs or females with cubs is prohibited. No den shooting of bears. Pursuing bears with dogs is prohibited.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season. See page 17.
- **Muzzleloader:** Equipment described as legal for deer muzzleloader season. See page 18.

Field Tagging & Checking

Upon harvesting a bear, all hunters must immediately attach their name and license number securely to the carcass and complete the "Record of Game" section on the license form.

The attached item can be anything, as long as it contains the required information. This information must remain attached to the carcass until it is checked.

Upon harvesting a bear, all hunters must call Joe Hemphill, Southeast Region supervisor, at (580) 421-7226 or Jeff Ford, biologist, at (918) 527-9918.

The carcass must be checked in by the hunter who harvested the bear. After the carcass is checked, a carcass tag will be issued, which must remain with the carcass to its final destination or through processing and/or storage at commercial processing or storage facilities.

The head must remain attached to the carcass until the bear is checked. Bear carcasses may be checked-in quartered, with or without skin, but sex organs must remain naturally attached until checked by a Department employee.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.



Michael Bergin

MUZZLELOADER BEAR QUOTA

The Wildlife Department has set the 2016 muzzleloader harvest quota at 20 bears. The muzzleloader season will be open until 20 bears have been harvested or the season ends. Hunters must check via telephone whether the quota has been reached before going hunting each day. Once the quota has been reached, the season will close.

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MOUNTAIN LION

License Requirements

- **Residents & Nonresidents:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

Dates & Open Areas

There is no season on mountain lions. However, mountain lions can be taken year-round when committing or about to commit depredation on any domesticated animal or when deemed an immediate safety hazard.

Individuals who kill a mountain lion must immediately call a game warden (see list in Appendix) or other Department employee.

The carcass (including hide) must be presented to a Department employee within 24 hours for biological data collection, which may include the removal of a tooth.

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TURKEY

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.
In addition, all hunters must possess a turkey license for each bird to be hunted, unless otherwise exempt.
- **Nonresident:** A nonresident hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, all hunters must possess a turkey license for each bird to be hunted, unless otherwise exempt. Nonresident lifetime license holders are required to purchase a nonresident annual hunting license and turkey license(s). The nonresident 5-day hunting license is not valid for hunting turkey.
- **Jan. 1-15:** All fall archery turkey hunters must possess a current hunting license as well as a fall turkey license for the current calendar year, unless exempt. Annual hunting and turkey licenses are valid from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 only, while fiscal-year hunting licenses are valid July 1 to June 30 of the following year.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Tom Turkey Definition

Any bearded turkey, regardless of sex.

Identification

Evidence of sex (one leg with foot) or beard must remain on the bird until it has been checked. Beards on hens must remain intact and not removed from the turkey until the bird has reached its final destination.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Roost Shooting

Roost shooting is prohibited.

Decoys & Recorded Calls

Artificial decoys are permitted. Live decoys and recorded calls are prohibited. It is illegal to use a smartphone as an electronic call during turkey season.

Field Tagging & Checking

For field tagging and checking requirements for turkey, see page 9.

Baiting

Turkeys may not be hunted or taken within 100 yards of any bait. Baiting is the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain or other feed so as to constitute for such birds a lure, attraction or enticement, on or over any area where hunters are attempting to take them. The taking of turkey over standing crops, grain crops, properly shucked on the field

where grown or grain found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations is permitted. See page 43 for rules about baiting on Department-managed lands.

Fall Turkey

Dates

- **Archery:** Oct. 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017.
- **Gun:** Oct. 29 - Nov. 18, 2016.

Open Areas & Limits

- **Fall Season Limit:** One turkey, regardless of method of taking.
- **Archery:** The limit is one turkey of either sex, statewide.
- **Gun - The following counties have a limit of one tom turkey:** Alfalfa, Caddo, Canadian, Carter, Cimarron, Cotton, Creek, Custer, Garfield, Grady, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Hughes, Jefferson, Kay, Kiowa, Love, Murray, Noble, Okfuskee, Pawnee, Seminole, Stephens, Texas and Washita.
- **Gun - The following counties have a limit of one turkey of either sex:** Beaver, Beckham, Blaine, Comanche, Dewey, Ellis, Harper, Jackson, Kingfisher, Logan, Major, Osage, Payne, Roger Mills, Tillman, Woods and Woodward.
- **Gun - The following counties are open to shotgun hunting only and have a limit of one tom turkey:** Adair, Cherokee, Craig, Haskell, McIntosh, Muskogee, Nowata, Sequoyah, Wagoner and Washington.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season. See page 17.
- **Rifle:** Centerfire rifles, .22 Magnum rimfire, 5 mm Magnum rimfire, .17 HMR and .17 Winchester Super Magnum are legal. All other rimfire rifles are illegal.
- **Muzzleloader:** Muzzleloader rifles and handguns of .36 caliber or larger are legal.
- **Shotgun:** Conventional or muzzleloading, using shot no larger than BB (.180 of an inch in diameter) are legal.
- **Handgun:** Centerfire, .22 Magnum rimfire, 5 mm Magnum rimfire and .17 HMR are legal. All other rimfire handguns are illegal.
- **Concurrent Seasons:** Conventional handguns and rifles and muzzleloaders smaller than .40 caliber are not permitted for turkey hunting during the two-day period when fall turkey season and deer muzzleloader season overlap.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Youth Spring Turkey

Age Requirements

Open to youths younger than 18. All youths while hunting are required to be accompanied by an adult, 18 years old or older. The adult may not hunt or possess any archery equipment or firearms except under provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and Oklahoma Firearms Act.

License Requirements

- **Resident youths under 16 years of age:** Exempt from a hunting license, but must possess a turkey license or proof of exemption.
- **Resident youths 16 and 17 years old:** Must possess a hunting license (see page 4) and a turkey license or proof of exemption.
- **Nonresident youths under 14 years of age:** Exempt from a hunting license, but must possess a turkey license or proof of exemption.
- **Nonresident youths 14-17 years old:** Must possess a nonresident annual hunting license and a turkey license for each bird to be hunted unless otherwise exempt.
- **Nonresident lifetime license holders:** Must purchase a nonresident annual hunting license and turkey license(s).

The nonresident 5-day hunting license is not valid for hunting turkey.

Dates & Open Areas

- **April 1-2, 2017:** statewide except in the Southeast Region.
- **April 15-16, 2017:** Southeast Region only.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Season Limit

The limit for both youth seasons combined is one tom turkey.

Turkeys taken by a youth turkey hunter participating in the spring youth turkey season are included in the youth hunter's county and regular spring season limits.

Unfilled Spring Turkey License

Youth hunters who do not harvest a turkey during the spring youth turkey season may use their unfilled turkey license during the regular spring turkey season.

Spring Turkey

Dates & Open Areas

- **April 6 - May 6, 2017, statewide, except in the Southeast Region** (see map on page 27).
- **April 17 - May 6, 2017, in the Southeast Region only.**

Season Limit

The season limit is three tom turkeys. Hunters may take more than one tom turkey per day, up to the season limit of three toms. However, no more than one tom may be taken in any county with a one-tom season limit and no more than two toms may be taken in any county with a two tom season limit. No more than one tom may be taken from the combined eight counties in the Southeast Region (Atoka, Choctaw, Coal, Latimer, Le Flore, McCurtain, Pittsburg, Pushmataha).

County Limits

- **The Southeast Region (the following eight counties) have a combined season limit of one tom turkey:** Atoka, Choctaw, Coal, Latimer, Le Flore, McCurtain, Pittsburg, Pushmataha.

- **The following counties have a season limit of one tom turkey:** Adair, Beaver, Bryan, Canadian, Carter, Cherokee, Cimarron, Cleveland, Craig, Creek, Custer, Delaware, Garfield, Garvin, Grady, Grant, Haskell, Hughes, Johnston, Kay, Kiowa, Lincoln, Logan, Love, Marshall, Mayes, McClain, McIntosh, Murray, Muskogee, Noble, Nowata, Okfuskee, Oklahoma, Okmulgee, Osage, Ottawa, Paw-





nee, Payne, Pontotoc, Pottawatomie, Rogers, Seminole, Sequoyah, Texas, Tulsa, Wagoner and Washington.

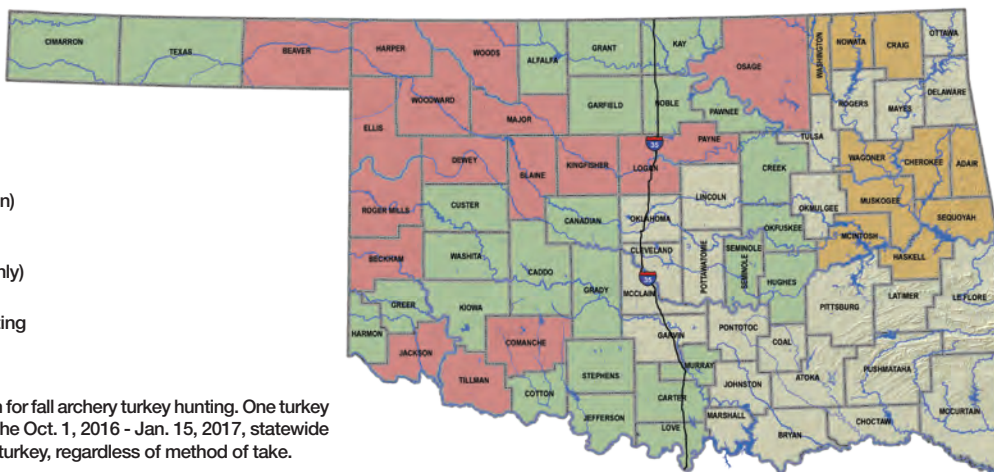
- **The following counties have a season limit of two tom turkeys:** Alfalfa, Beckham, Blaine, Caddo, Comanche, Cotton, Dewey, Ellis, Greer, Harmon, Harper, Jackson, Jefferson, Kingfisher, Major, Roger Mills, Stephens, Tillman, Washita, Woods and Woodward.

Legal Means of Taking

- **Archery:** Equipment described as legal for deer archery season. See page 17.
- **Shotgun:** Conventional or muzzleloading, using shot no larger than BB (.180 of an inch in diameter) are legal.
- **Illegal Firearms:** Rifles and handguns may not be used during the spring season.

FALL TURKEY (2016)

-  Oct. 29 - Nov. 18, 2016
One tom turkey (gun)
-  Oct. 29 - Nov. 18, 2016
One turkey of either sex (gun)
-  Oct. 29 - Nov. 18, 2016
One tom turkey (shotgun only)
-  Closed to fall turkey hunting with a gun.



Note for Archers: All counties are open for fall archery turkey hunting. One turkey of either sex may be harvested during the Oct. 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017, statewide archery season. Fall turkey limit is one turkey, regardless of method of take.



Turkeys taken anywhere statewide, fall or spring, must be checked in using E-Check at wildlifedepartment.com.

Seasons and limits on **public lands** may vary. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

SPRING TURKEY (2017)

April 1-2, 2017:
Youth season statewide except in the Southeast Region.

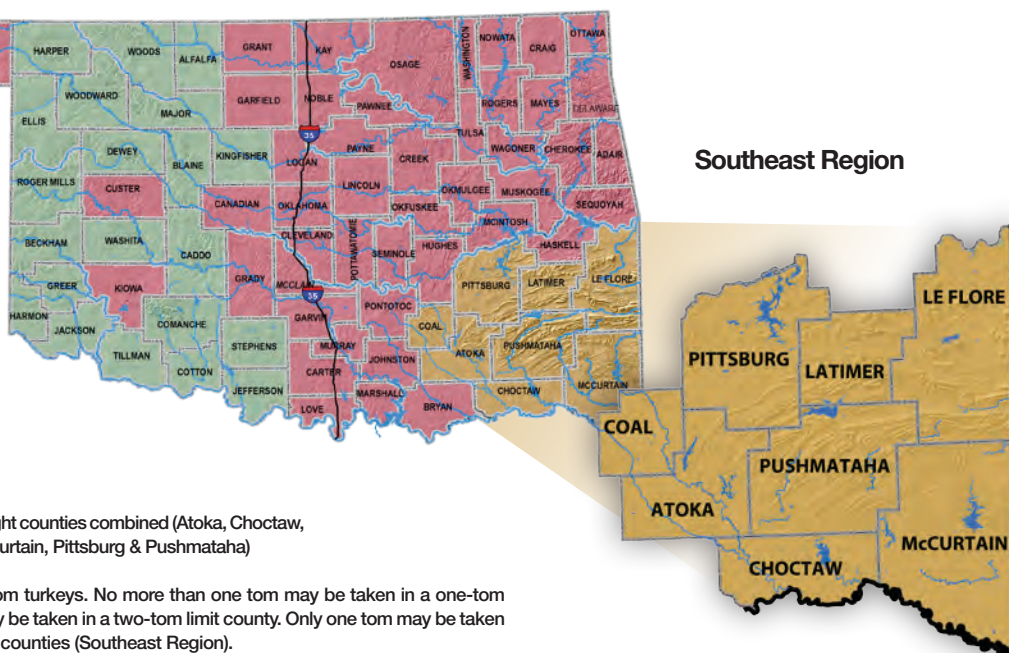
April 15-16, 2017:
Youth season Southeast Region only.

-  April 6 - May 6, 2017
Two tom turkey limit per county
-  April 6 - May 6, 2017
One tom turkey limit per county

Southeast Region

April 17 - May 6, 2017

One tom turkey limit for all eight counties combined (Atoka, Choctaw, Coal, Latimer, Le Flore, McCurtain, Pittsburg & Pushmataha)



Bag Limit: The season limit is three tom turkeys. No more than one tom may be taken in a one-tom county and no more than two toms may be taken in a two-tom limit county. Only one tom may be taken from the combined eight southeastern counties (Southeast Region).



QUAIL (BOBWHITE & SCALED)

License Requirements

Residents & Nonresidents: An appropriate hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. However, a 5-day nonresident hunting license is not valid for quail hunting.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Dates & Open Areas

Nov. 12, 2016 - Feb. 15, 2017; statewide.

Daily Limit

10 daily, 20 in possession after the first day.

Shooting Hours

Official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Legal Means of Taking

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), archery equipment, legal raptors and as otherwise provided under General Hunting Regulations.

Pot Shooting

At no time may any quail or covey be shot while resting on the ground, commonly called "pot shooting."

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.



Janice Holloway via Facebook

PHEASANT

License Requirements

Residents & Nonresidents: A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Dates & Open Areas

Dec. 1, 2016 - Jan. 31, 2017.

Open areas include Alfalfa, Beaver, Cimarron, Garfield, Grant, Harper, Kay, Major, Noble, Texas, Woods and Woodward counties; the portion of Osage County west of State Highway 18; and the portions of Blaine, Dewey, Ellis, Kingfisher and Logan counties north of State Highway 51.

Daily Limit

Cocks only: Two cocks daily; four in possession after the first day.

Persons who hunt in two states having separate daily limits may not exceed the largest number of birds that can legally be taken in one of the states in which they take birds.

Shooting Hours

Official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Legal Means of Taking

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), archery equipment, legal raptors, hand-propelled missile, slingshot and as otherwise provided under General Hunting Regulations.

Identification

Evidence of sex (head or one foot) must remain on the bird until it has reached its final destination.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.



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MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

License Requirements

Residents & Nonresidents: A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption. In addition, all hunters, unless otherwise exempt, must carry afield the HIP permit (see page 12 for HIP permit information.)

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from state-wide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset, unless otherwise provided.

Legal Means of Taking

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading) archery equipment or legal raptors and as otherwise provided under General Hunting Regulations.

Restrictions

No person shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun slug, shotgun larger than a 10-gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine

gun, fishhook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance.

- With a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells, in the magazine and chamber combined, unless otherwise provided.
- From or by means, aid, or use of a sink box (a low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.)
- From or with the aid or use of a vehicle or other motor-driven land conveyance, or any aircraft, except that paraplegics and single- or double-amputees of the legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance. Paraplegic means an individual afflicted with paralysis of the lower half of the body with involvement of both legs usually due to disease of or injury to the spinal cord.
- From or by means of any motorboat or sailboat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased.
- By the use or aid of live decoys. All live, tame or captive ducks and geese shall be removed for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to hunting, and confined within an enclosure

which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such tame birds from the sight of migratory waterfowl.

- Using records or tapes of migratory bird calls, or sounds or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls, unless otherwise provided.
- By driving, rallying, or chasing birds with any motorized conveyance or any sailboat to put them in range of the hunters.
- By the aid of baiting on or over any baited areas where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after complete removal of any bait. Baiting includes placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could serve as a lure or attractant for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Agriculture areas must be prepared in accordance with official recommendations to be legally hunted. It is a separate offense to place or direct placement of bait on or adjacent to an area that causes, induces, or allows another to hunt by the aid of bait on or over a baited area. Hunters are responsible for ensuring that an area has not been baited and should verify its legality prior to hunting.



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MIGRATORY GAME BIRD REGULATIONS

Field Possession Limit

No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit, tagged or not tagged, while in the field or while returning from the field to one's vehicle, hunting camp, home, etc.

Wanton Waste

All downed migratory game birds shall be retrieved, if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field.

Field Tagging

No person shall give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another person unless the birds are tagged by the hunter with the hunter's name, signature and address, total number of birds involved by species and the dates such birds were killed.

Tagging is required if the birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if the birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment, or taxidermy services.

Possession of Live Birds

Wounded birds shall be immediately killed and included in the daily limit.

Shipment

No person shall ship migratory game birds unless the package is marked on the outside with the name and address of the person sending the

birds, the name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent, and the number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

Field Dressing

No person shall completely field dress any migratory game bird (except doves and band-tailed pigeons) and then transport the birds from the field. The head or one fully feathered wing must remain attached to all such birds while being transported from the field to one's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility.

Importation

For information regarding the importation of migratory birds killed in another country, hunters should consult 50 CFR 20.61 through 20.66. One fully feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between the port of entry and one's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. No person shall import migratory game birds killed in any foreign country except Canada, unless such birds are dressed (except as required in 20.63), drawn, and the head and feet are removed. No person shall import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

Hunting in Two States

A hunter who hunts in two states having separate daily limits, may not exceed the largest number of birds that can legally be taken in one of the states in which they take birds.

Dual Violation

Violations of state migratory game bird regulations are also violations of federal regulations.

Additional Information

For a more complete summary of federal regulations, visit wildlifedepartment.com/hunting/fedregs.htm.

Hunter Orange


For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Reference

Federal regulations related to migratory game birds are located in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20, Caution: more restrictive regulations may apply to National Wildlife Refuges open to public hunting. For additional information of federal regulations, contact Resident Agent-In-Charge, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, (405) 715-0617.

Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (federal duck stamp)


Federal law requires that every waterfowl hunter 16 and older must carry on their person a valid Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp, signed in ink across the face. These are available for \$25 at U.S. post offices, some Okla-



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Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting License (waterfowl stamp)

Every resident 16 years of age and over and every nonresident (regardless of age) must have in their possession an Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting license while hunting waterfowl, unless exempt. Licenses are available from any Oklahoma license dealer. Licenses are also available at wildlifedepartment.com (a \$3 convenience fee will be applied to your total). "Waterfowl" refers to ducks, mergansers and geese only. No state waterfowl license is required for coot or sandhill crane hunting. Valid July 1 through the following June 30.

Sportsmen exempt from the Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting License include:

- Residents under 16 years of age.
- Residents age 65 or older.
- Oklahoma resident lifetime hunting, resident lifetime combination, senior citizen lifetime hunting or senior citizen lifetime combination and lifetime disabled veterans license holders.

- Resident landowners hunting on their own land.
- Anyone holding a Lifetime Oklahoma Duck Stamp.

Federal Sandhill Crane Permit

All crane hunters must possess a \$3 federal sandhill crane permit (valid July 1 to the following June 30). Permits are available from any Oklahoma hunting license dealer. Permits also are available free of charge at wildlifedepartment.com.

Nontoxic Shot Regulations

All waterfowl (ducks, mergansers and geese) and coot hunting is restricted to use of federally approved nontoxic shot in all areas of the state. Unless otherwise provided, all shotgun hunting on state wetland development units and state waterfowl refuges is restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot only. Possession of lead shot while hunting waterfowl or coots and for all shotgun hunting on state wetland development units and state waterfowl refuges is prohibited. For more information on federally approved nontoxic shot types, see fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/nontoxic.htm.

REPORT FEDERAL BANDS

If you harvest a migratory bird with a federal bird band, please report it online at:



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Waterfowl Hunting Blinds on Reservoirs

- Waterfowl hunting blinds constructed on public lands are of two types: permanent blinds constructed for seasonal use, and temporary blinds constructed for only one hunting trip and removed at the end of said trip.
- Temporary blinds only are allowed on Altus-Lugert, Arbuckle, Birch, Broken Bow, Chouteau (L&D 17), Copan, Fort Cobb, Heyburn, Hugo, Hulah, Kaw, Keystone, Newt Graham (L&D 18), Mountain Park, Oologah, Optima, Pine Creek, Robert S. Kerr (L&D 15), Skiatook, Tenkiller, Texoma and Wister reservoirs.
- Hunters wishing to construct permanent blinds on Corps of Engineers reservoirs where blinds are permitted must first obtain a permit. Permits are not required for temporary blinds. Contact the local Corps office for more information.
- Permanent or temporary blinds can be constructed on Canton, Eufaula, Fort Gibson, Fort Supply, W.D. Mayo (L&D 14), Waurika and Webbers Falls (L&D 16) reservoirs.
 - » Permanent blind permits are issued by public drawing, annually for Eufaula, Fort Gibson, W.D. Mayo (L&D 14), Waurika and Webbers Falls (L&D 16) reservoirs. The drawings will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016. Drawings for Eufaula Lake, Fort Gibson Lake, and Webbers Falls Reservoir will be held at the ODWC office near Porter (9097 N 34th St.). Registration for Fort Gibson Lake begins at 7 a.m., registration for Eufaula Lake begins at 9:30 a.m. and registration for Webbers Falls begins at noon. The drawings are held an hour after registration begins. Registration and drawing for W.D. Mayo will be held at Spiro City Hall (510 S. Main St.) at 10 a.m. Registration and drawing for Waurika Lake will be held at the Waurika Lake Corps of Engineers office at 9 a.m.
 - » Permanent blind permits are issued on a first come, first served basis for Canton and Fort Supply reservoirs.
 - » In some cases, permanent blind permits remain after the drawing. Contact the biologist of the area of interest to see if any permits are available after the drawings.
- Applicants for permanent blind permits must be at least 16 years old and possess a valid hunting license, HIP permit, a signed Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp (federal duck stamp) and a valid Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting license (state duck stamp), unless exempt.
- All individuals wanting a permanent blind permit must attend the permit drawings.

- Permit holders must conspicuously display the permit number in the blind throughout the waterfowl season.
- Blinds must be constructed within 25 yards of designated locations. No blinds, whether temporary or permanent, shall be constructed within 250 yards of another blind.
- Blinds must be constructed two weeks prior to the opening day of waterfowl season, otherwise the blind permit may be reissued on a first-come, first-served basis. All blinds must be removed within 14 days after the close of waterfowl season. Blinds remaining after this date shall become the property of the Department.
- Permit holders will have priority use on their blind each day until 7:30 a.m. After this time, unoccupied blinds will be available to others. Blinds must not be locked.
- Noncompliance with regulations will result in a citation or forfeiture of right to obtain a blind permit the next year.

YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

Youth hunters enjoy youth-only seasons in Oklahoma. Help the youth of Oklahoma get involved in the sport of waterfowl hunting and take a kid with you on your next hunt, or encourage them to participate in the youth-only opportunities below.

Youth Waterfowl Weekends

- Panhandle: Oct. 8-9, 2016
- Zone 1: Oct. 22-23, 2016
- Zone 2: Oct. 29-30, 2016

These weekends are special waterfowl hunting opportunities for youths, providing two additional days outside of the regular waterfowl season. Youth hunters must be 15 or younger. An adult must accompany the youth hunter into the field. The accompanying adult must be 18 or older and hunter education certified or exempt, regardless of whether the youth is hunter education certified. This adult cannot hunt ducks, mergansers or coots; but may participate in other open seasons. All species and sex specific limits are the same as during the regular seasons.

ODWC Guided Youth Waterfowl Hunts

These guided hunts offer the opportunity to experience the joys of waterfowling to youths who don't have a mentor who hunts waterfowl.

- **Dates:** Set by hunter and guide.
- **Locations:** Altus-Lugert Lake, Arkansas River (Noble Co.), Fort Cobb State Park, Fort Gibson Lake, Hackberry Flat WMA, Keystone Lake, Vann's Lake and Wister Lake Refuge.



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- **Age:** Applicants must be 12 to 15 years of age, have proof of successfully completing a certified hunter education course, and have an adult guardian who can accompany them on the hunt.
- **Application Deadline:** Monday, Nov. 7, 2016.
- **How To Apply:** Apply online at wildlifedepartment.com/education/youthopp.htm.

For more information, call Jeff Neal, migratory game bird technician, at (405) 396-2503 or e-mail jeff.neal@odwc.ok.gov.

Tom Roster's

2016 Nontoxic Shot Lethality Table[©]

Proven Nontoxic Shot Loads For Waterfowl, Doves & Upland Game Birds ¹ Load Velocity: 1,225 - 1,700 FPS	Observed Hunters' Typical Shooting Range During Activity (Yards)	Most Effective Nontoxic Shot Size(s) For Birds Listed Under ACTIVITY At The Distances Listed In The Second Column	Minimal Load Weight (Ounces)	Minimal Pellet Hits Needed on Lethal Areas for Clean Kills	Minimum Pattern Count Needed at Any Distance for Clean Kills (# of Pellets in 30" Circle)	Most Effective Choke(s) at Distance (Given in Lead Shot Choke Designations)	NOTE: The pellets in the steel shot loads listed in this table were traditional, highly spherical ball-shaped pellets of ~ 7.86 g/cc density and 90-95 DPH hardness. The HEVI-Shot pellets were of 12.0 g/cc density and are harder than traditional steel pellets.
ACTIVITY							
Large Geese At Long Range Giant, Western, Atlantic and Interior Canadas	50-65	Steel BBB to T	1-1/4	1-2	50-55	Improved Modified	
	50-70	HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/2	1-2	50-55	Improved Modified, Full	
Large Geese Over Decoys	35-50	Steel BB to BBB	1-1/4	1-2	50-55	Improved Cylinder, Modified	
	35-50	HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/2	1-2	50-55	Improved Cylinder, Modified	
Medium/Small Geese Long Range Snow, White-fronted, Lesser Canadas	50-65	Steel BB to BBB	1-1/4	1-2	60-65	Improved Modified	
	50-65	HEVI-Shot 2	1-1/2	1-2	60-65	Improved Modified, Full	
Medium/Small Geese Over Decoys	35-50	Steel 2 to BB	1-1/8	1-2	60-65	Light Modified, Modified	
	35-50	HEVI-Shot 4 to 2	1-1/4	1-2	60-65	Improved Cylinder, Modified	
Large Ducks At Long Range Mallard, Black, Pintail, Goldeneye, Gadwall	45-65	Steel 2 to 1	1-1/8	1-2	85-90	Improved Modified, Full	
	45-65	HEVI-Shot 4	1-1/4	1-2	85-90	Improved Modified, Full	
Large Ducks Over Decoys	20-45	Steel 6 to 2	3/4 - 1	1-2	85-90	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
	20-45	HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	1-2	85-90	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
Medium Ducks Over Decoys Wigeon, Scaup, Shoveler	20-45	Steel 6 to 3	1	1-2	115-120	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
	20-45	HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	1-2	115-120	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
Small Ducks Over Decoys Teal, Ruddy, Bufflehead	20-45	Steel 6 to 4	1	1-2	135-145	Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds)	
	20-45	HEVI-Shot 6	1-1/8	1-2	135-145	Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds)	
Ring-Necked Pheasants	20-50	Steel 3 to 2	1	2-3	90-95	I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds)	
	20-50	HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	2-3	90-95	I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds)	
Turkeys (Head and Neck Shots)	20-40	Steel 4	1-1/4	3-4	210-230	Full or Extra Full	
Mourning Doves	20-45	Steel 8 to 7	5/8 - 3/4	1-2	200-210	IC-8's/LM-7's (20-30 Yds); Mod>30 Yd	
	20-45	HEVI-Shot 7 1/2	3/4	1-2	200-210	I.C. (20-30 Yds); Light Mod (30-45 Yd)	
Northern Bobwhite Quail	20-30	Steel 7	5/8 - 3/4	1-2	200-210	Improved Cylinder, Light Modified	
Swatter Load For Wounded Birds	20-30	Steel 7 to 6	1	1	175	Improved Modified, Full	

This table summarizes Tom Roster's analyses to date of the waterfowl lethality data bases for certain of the 16 U.S. steel versus lead waterfowl & dove shooting tests run between 1968 & 2014 & one steel-only pheasant shooting test (1999) plus lethality data bases owned by ammunition companies for birds taken with nontoxic shotshell loads Roster tested for them & the CONSEP organization.

Note: Steel #BBB (.190") and HEVI-Shot #2 (.150") have exhibited the best all-around performance for taking geese; steel #3 (.140") and HEVI-Shot #4 (.130") the best all-around performance for taking ducks; and steel #2 and HEVI-Shot #4 the best all-around performance for taking ring-necked pheasants; & steel 7's (.100") the best all-around performance for taking doves.

¹These findings are derived from testing 2 3/4" 28 gauge; 3" 20 gauge; 2 3/4" 3" and 3 1/2" 12 gauge; and 3 1/2" 10 gauge steel loads; plus 2 3/4" 28 gauge; 2 3/4" & 3" 20 gauge; and 2 3/4" and 3" 12 gauge HEVI-Shot loads.

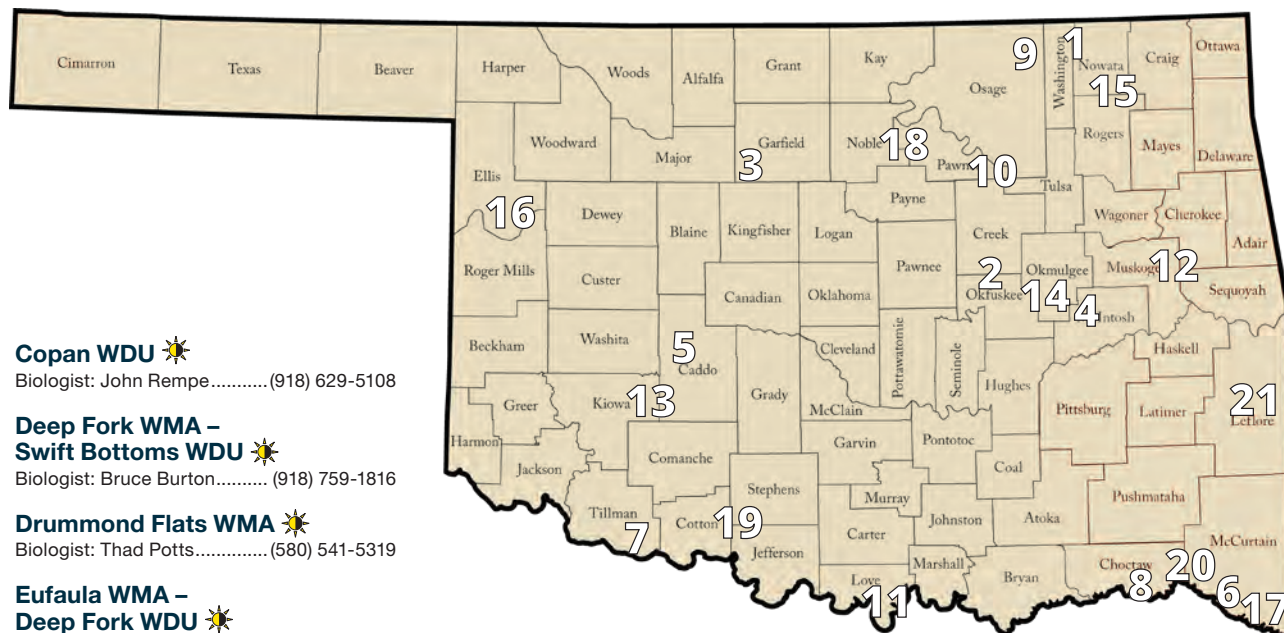
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Wetland Development Units

Wetland Development Units (WDUs) are wetland units where all shotgun hunting is restricted to federally-approved nontoxic shot and the possession of lead shot is prohibited. In addition, shooting hours for waterfowl close at 1 p.m. daily.

Wetland Development Units (WDUs) are areas specially managed to provide waterfowl hunting and important habitat and refuge resources to waterfowl and other migratory birds. Many WDU maps are available at wildlifedepartment.com.



1. **Copan WDU** ☀
Biologist: John Rempe.....(918) 629-5108
2. **Deep Fork WMA – Swift Bottoms WDU** ☀
Biologist: Bruce Burton.....(918) 759-1816
3. **Drummond Flats WMA** ☀
Biologist: Thad Potts.....(580) 541-5319
4. **Eufaula WMA – Deep Fork WDU** ☀
Sr. Biologist: J.D. Ridge.....(918) 617-1113
5. **Fort Cobb WMA – Walnut Slough WDU** ☀
Habitat Coordinator:
Kent Swanda.....(580) 595-0347
6. **Grassy Slough WDU** ☀ ⊘
Biologist: Richard Beagles.....(580) 320-3176
7. **Hackberry Flat WMA/WDU** ☀ ⊘
Biologist: Kelvin Schoonover (405) 823-8425
8. **Hugo WMA – Hugo/Kiamichi River & Sawyer WDUs** ☀
Biologist: Richard Beagles.....(580) 320-3176
9. **Hulah WMA – Whipporwill WDU** ☀
Biologist: John Rempe.....(918) 629-5108
10. **Keystone WMA – Boston Pool, Buckeye Creek & Cottonwood Creek WDUs** ☀
Biologist: Matt Mattiotta.....(918) 629-4625
11. **Love Valley WMA – Stevens Springs WDU** ☀
Biologist: Brandon Baker.....(405) 823-9038
12. **McClellan-Kerr WMA – Billy Creek & Chouteau WDUs** ☀
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13. **Mountain Park WDU** ☀
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14. **Okmulgee WMA – Okmulgee East & Okmulgee West WDUs** ☀
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15. **Oologah WMA – Overcup Bottoms & Upper Verdigris WDUs** ☀
Biologist: Russell Perry.....(918) 629-5286
16. **Packsaddle WMA – South Canadian WDU** ☀
Biologist: Scott Parry.....(580) 515-2030
17. **Red Slough WDU** ☀ ⊘
Biologist: Richard Beagles.....(580) 320-3176
18. **Sooner Lake** **TT SS**
Contact.....(405) 396-2503
19. **Waurika WMA – Waurika WDU & Walker Creek WDU** ☀
Habitat Coordinator:
Kent Swanda.....(580) 595-0347
20. **White Grass Flats WDU** ☀ ⊘
Biologist: Richard Beagles.....(580) 320-3176
21. **Wister WMA – Joe Johnson WDU & Fourche Maline WDU** ☀
Biologist: Chris Parker.....(918) 721-2990

Key



Closed to all air-driven watercraft.



Hunting by permit only in designated areas Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.



Maps of Sooner Lake are available at east boat ramp or online.



Hunting on these areas is limited to half-day hunting: one-half hour before official sunrise to 1 p.m. daily. On Wetland Development Units (WDUs), no permanent blinds are permitted. All shotgun hunting on state Wetland Development Units is restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot only and the possession of lead shot is prohibited.

WOODCOCK

Dates & Open Areas

Nov. 1 - Dec. 15, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit

Three daily, six in possession after the first day, nine in possession after the second day.



SEPTEMBER TEAL & SPECIAL RESIDENT CANADA GOOSE

Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp: Federal law requires each waterfowl hunter 16 or older must carry a valid Migratory Bird Hunting & Conservation Stamp (federal duck stamp), signed in ink across the face. Hunters also must carry the HIP permit, unless exempt.

Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting License: All nonresidents and residents 16 or older must have in their possession proof of purchase of an Oklahoma waterfowl license or proof of exemption while hunting waterfowl.

Nontoxic Shot Regulations: All waterfowl and coot hunting is restricted to the use of federally approved nontoxic shot in all areas of the state. Possession of lead shot while hunting waterfowl or coots is prohibited. See www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/currentbirdissues/nontoxic.htm for a complete list.

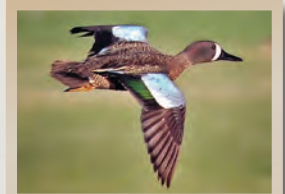
SEPTEMBER TEAL

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 10-25, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit

Six daily, 12 in possession after the first day, 18 in possession after the second day.



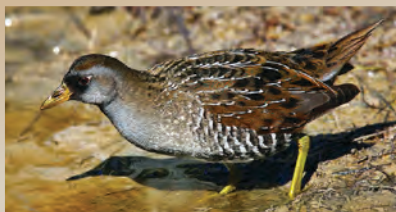
SPECIAL RESIDENT CANADA GOOSE

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 10-19, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit

Eight daily, 16 in possession after the first day, 24 in possession after the second day.



RAIL (SORA & VIRGINIA)

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit

25 daily, 50 in possession after the first day, 75 in possession after the second day.



WILSON'S (COMMON) SNIPE

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 1, 2016 - Jan. 15, 2017; statewide.

Daily Limit

Eight daily, 16 in possession after the first day, 24 in possession after the second day.



GALLINULE (PURPLE GALLINULE & COMMON MOORHEN)

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit

15 daily, 30 in possession after the first day, 45 in possession after the second day.



DUCKS, MERGANSERS AND COOTS



Dates & Open Areas

PANHANDLE COUNTIES (High Plains Mallard Management Unit)

- Oct. 15, 2016 - Jan. 11, 2017.
- Youth Waterfowl Days: Oct. 8-9, 2016.

ZONE 1

- Oct. 29 - Nov. 27, 2016 & Dec. 10, 2016 - Jan. 22, 2017.
- Youth Waterfowl Days: Oct. 22-23, 2016.

ZONE 2

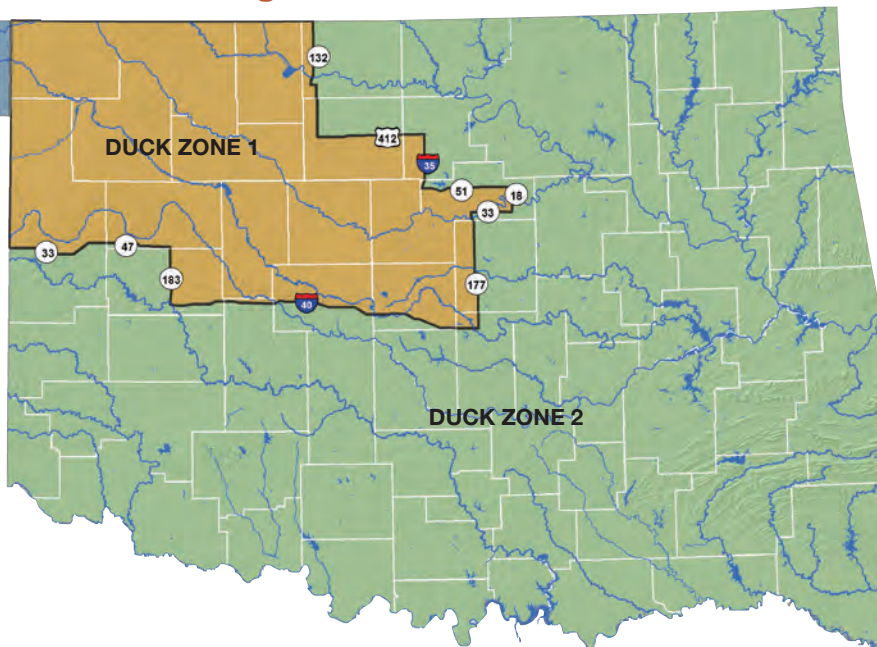
- Nov. 5-27, 2016 & Dec. 10, 2016 - Jan. 29, 2017.
- Youth Waterfowl Days: Oct. 29-30, 2016.

Duck Hunting Zones

PANHANDLE COUNTIES (High Plains Mallard Management Unit)

Boundary Dividing Zone 1 and Zone 2:

Beginning on State Highway 33 at the Texas border, east to State Highway 47, east to U.S. 183, south to Interstate 40, east to U.S. 177, north to State Highway 33, east to State Highway 18, north to State Highway 51, west to Interstate 35, north to U.S. 412, west to State Highway 132, north to the Kansas border.



Possession Limits

The possession limit is one daily bag limit for anyone who has hunted for one day. The possession limit increases to two daily bag limits for anyone who has hunted for two days. The possession limit increases to three daily bag limits for anyone who has hunted for three days. No one may possess more than three daily bag limits at any time.

Shooting Hours

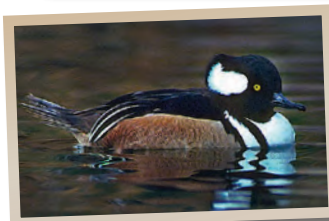
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DUCKS

Daily Bag Limit

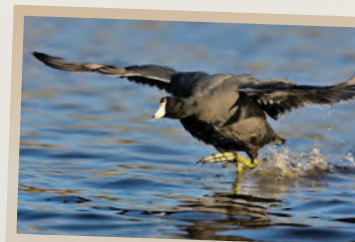
Six. The daily bag limit may include no more than five mallards (only two may be hens), three wood ducks, three scaup, two redheads, two pintails, and two canvasbacks.



MERGANSERS

Daily Bag Limit

Five. The daily bag limit may include no more than two hooded mergansers (shown left).



COOTS

Daily Bag Limit

15.

GEESE AND SANDHILL CRANES

Possession Limits & Shooting Hours for All Goose and Sandhill Crane Seasons

Possession Limits

The possession limit is one daily bag limit for anyone who has hunted for one day. The possession limit increases to two daily bag limits for anyone who has hunted for two days. The possession limit increases to three daily bag limits for anyone who has hunted for three days.

No one may possess more than three daily bag limits at any time. For light geese, there is no possession limit.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before sunrise to sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.



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CANADA GEESE

Dates

Oct. 29 - Nov. 27, 2016 & Dec. 10, 2016 - Feb. 12, 2017.

Daily Bag Limit

Eight. Hunting allowed statewide.

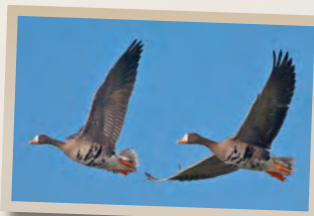
WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

Dates

Oct. 29 - Nov. 27, 2016 & Dec. 10, 2016 - Feb. 5, 2017.

Daily Bag Limit

Two. Hunting allowed statewide.



SANDHILL CRANES

Dates

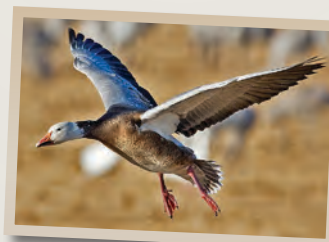
Oct. 22, 2016 - Jan. 22, 2017.

Daily Bag Limit

Three. Hunting allowed west of I-35 only.

Federal Sandhill Crane Permit Required

See page 31 for full information on this permit.



LIGHT GEESE SNOW, BLUE & ROSS'

Dates

Oct. 29 - Nov. 27, 2016 & Dec. 10, 2016 - Feb. 12, 2017.

Daily Bag Limit

50. Hunting allowed statewide.

CONSERVATION ORDER LIGHT GOOSE SEASON (COLGS)

Dates

Feb. 13 - March 30, 2017.

Daily Bag and Possession Limits

There are no daily or possession limits. Hunting allowed statewide.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Special Provisions

Electronic calls allowed; unplugged shotguns allowed; shooting hours extended to one-half hour after sunset; no daily or possession limits.

This season is designed to increase harvest and allow hunters to help reduce the population of mid-continent light geese (snow, blue & Ross'). All other waterfowl regulations apply, including use of federally approved nontoxic shot. All participants are required to have in their possession while hunting all necessary licenses, waterfowl stamps and a Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit.

Federal regulation requires an estimate of the COLGS light goose harvest. To participate in COLGS, hunters must register for a harvest survey either online at wildlifedepartment.com or by sending name, address and telephone number to:

Oklahoma Department of Wildlife
Conservation - Attn: COLGS
P.O. Box 53465
Oklahoma City, OK 73152





MIGRATORY GAME BIRD REGULATIONS

DOVE (MOURNING, WHITE-WINGED & EURASIAN COLLARED)

Dates

Sept. 1 - Oct. 31 and Dec. 17-25, 2016; statewide.

Daily Limit and Possession Limit

15 daily, 30 in possession after the first day, 45 in possession after the second day. The limit may consist of any combination (aggregate) of mourning, white-winged and fully dressed Eurasian collared doves (those without a head or fully feathered wing naturally

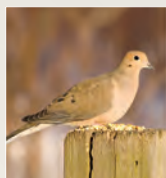
attached to the carcass).

However, there is no bag limit on Eurasian collared doves provided that the head or one fully feathered wing remains naturally attached to the carcass of all such birds while being transported to their final destination.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Dove Identification



Mourning Dove



White-Winged Dove



Eurasian Collared Dove

CROW



Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Legal Means of Taking

Firearms, archery equipment and legal raptors as provided under General Hunting Regulations. Shotguns larger than 10-gauge are prohibited.

Depredation Order

Federally approved nontoxic shot must be used when taking crows under depredation order. Federal law provides for a depredation order for crows when committing or about to commit depredations or when concentrated in such numbers and manner as to constitute a health hazard or other nuisance. For a complete copy of the Depredation Order, see 50 CFR, Part 21.43.

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 10 - Nov. 16, 2016, and Dec. 9, 2016 - March 4, 2017.

Daily Limit

No limit.

License Requirements

Residents & Nonresidents: A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.



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PRAIRIE DOG

License Requirements

Residents and Nonresidents: A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

Public Lands

Prairie dog hunting is closed on all Department-owned or Department-managed lands.

SQUIRREL & RABBIT

License Requirements

Residents and Nonresidents: A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Legal Means of Taking

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), rifle (conventional or muzzleloading), handgun, archery equipment, legal raptors, hand-propelled missile, air-propelled missile, sling-shot and as otherwise provided under General Hunting Regulations.

Legal Means of Taking

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), rifle (conventional or muzzleloading), handgun, archery equipment, legal raptors, hand-propelled missile, air-propelled missile and slingshot.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Squirrel (Fox & Gray)

Dates & Open Areas

May 15, 2016 - Jan. 31, 2017; statewide.

Daily Limit

10 fox and gray squirrels combined per day, 20 in possession after the first day.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Dates & Open Areas

Open year-round, except it is unlawful to hunt, take or attempt to take prairie dogs from dark to daylight with the aid of any artificial light and/or any sight dog.

Limits

No daily, season or possession limit.

Rabbit (Cottontail, Swamp & Jackrabbit)

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 1, 2016 - March 15, 2017; statewide, except no open season on jackrabbits east of Interstate 35.

Daily Limit

- **Cottontail:** 10 daily, 20 in possession after the first day.
- **Swamp:** Three daily, six in possession after the first day.
- **Jackrabbit:** Three daily, six in possession after the first day, except Cimarron, Texas and Beaver counties are 10 daily, 20 in possession after the first day.

HOG (FERAL SWINE)

Hog Definition

Hogs are defined as any hogs, including Russian and European wild boar, which are running at large, free-roaming or wild.

Landowner Provisions

Landowners experiencing damage and depredation caused by feral hogs may contact their local game warden to request a night shooting permit to control the hogs.

Landowners may obtain a free hog control permit from the local game warden allowing them to harvest hogs during antelope, bear, deer and elk firearm seasons without purchasing the corresponding big-game license.

Releasing Hogs

The "Judas pig tagging system" is legal. This is a population control technique in which a feral swine is caught, radio-collared and released at the trap site, then tracked down after it joins other feral swine so that those swine can be removed. The feral hog must be released onto the same private land on which it was caught within 24 hours of its capture. For more details, go online to www.ag.ok.gov/ais/feralswine.

Shooting Hours

One-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset. For sunrise/sunset table, see page 46.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Private Lands

Hogs may be taken year-round on private land during daylight hours with the landowner's permission.

The pursuit of feral hogs with a shotgun on private property is not restricted by shot size.

- **Resident & Nonresident License Requirements:** No hunting license required. All persons pursuing hogs during youth deer gun, bear muzzleloader (in open counties), deer muzzleloader, deer gun, Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun (in open zones), elk gun (in open counties) and antelope gun (in open areas) seasons with a shotgun and rifled slug, or any rifle or handgun larger than .22 caliber rimfire, must possess a filled or unfilled license appropriate for the current season, unless otherwise exempt.

Public Lands

Hogs may be taken on Department-managed lands during any established hunting season with methods authorized by the Department for that hunting season, except that during any open deer and/or turkey season, only appropriate methods, hunting hours and legal equipment for that deer and/or turkey season are authorized for taking or pursuing feral hogs. No feral hogs may be removed alive from a WMA.

In addition, persons pursuing hogs must comply with all other WMA regulations (see page 43). However, hogs may not be taken by the aid of a light or light enhancement device (night scope).

Resident & Nonresident License Requirements: All persons pursuing hogs with a firearm or archery equipment must possess a hunting license (see page 4), unless otherwise exempt. In addition, persons pursuing hogs on WMAs open during youth deer gun, bear muzzleloader (in open

counties), deer muzzleloader, deer gun, Holiday Antlerless Deer Gun (in open zones), elk gun (in open counties) and antelope gun (in open areas) seasons with a shotgun and rifled slug, or any rifle or handgun larger than .22 caliber rimfire, must possess either a filled or unfilled license appropriate for the current season, unless otherwise exempt.

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food & Forestry Feral Swine Rules

Under the Feral Swine Control Act, The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry (ODAFF) administers the licensing program for feral swine transporters and handling/hunting facilities. Regulations require a "Transporter" license for any person transporting any number of live feral swine any distance. The feral swine transporter license is free of charge, and those licensees may maintain live feral swine in a holding pen for up to 7 days. If a person intends to maintain live feral swine for a period longer than 7 days, a "Handling" facility license is required. Live feral swine may only be sold to a licensed handling or hunting facility. If for any reason a person handles live feral swine, it is strongly recommended that he or she become familiar with the Feral Swine Control Act and administrative rules. These regulations, applications, management guides, lists of licensed handling/hunting facilities, and more can all be found on the ODAFF Feral Swine web page, www.ag.ok.gov/ais/feralswine. This web page has valuable information for feral swine hunters, trappers, and landowners. For more information, visit the web page cited above or contact Dr. Justin Roach of ODAFF at (405) 522-6124 or e-mail justin.roach@ag.ok.gov.



FURBEARER REGULATIONS

License Requirements

- **Resident:** A hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

In addition to a hunting license, a trapping license is required for all persons who trap any furbearer, unless otherwise exempt. The trapping license is valid from Dec. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017.

A fur license (bobcat-raccoon-river otter-gray/red fox license) is required for all persons (regardless of age) who take these species by any means (trapping, firearms or archery) unless exempt. The fur license is valid from Dec. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017.

Lifetime licenses (lifetime hunting, lifetime combination, senior citizen hunting, senior citizen combination or lifetime disabled veteran) are exempt from the fur license and the trapping license.

- **Nonresident:** A nonresident hunting license (see page 4) or proof of exemption.

In addition, a nonresident (professional) trapping license is required for all persons who trap any furbearer. This trapping license is valid from Dec. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017.

A nonresident fur license (bobcat-raccoon-river otter-gray/red fox license) is required for all persons who take these species by any means (trapping, firearms or archery). Such license is valid Dec. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017.

Public Lands

Seasons on public lands may vary from statewide seasons. Consult special area regulations in the Appendix.

Hunter Orange

For hunter orange requirements, see page 8.

Sale of Carcasses

Carcasses or parts of legally acquired furbearing animals and coyotes may be purchased, bartered, traded, sold or offered for sale.

Bobcat & River Otter Tagging Requirements

No bobcat or river otter pelt may be held in possession after 10 working days after the close of furbearer season by the taker or buyer, sold, purchased or bartered within Oklahoma, nor taken out of Oklahoma, without having first affixed a permanent tag to the pelt. This tag shall serve as an export tag. The tag must be affixed by an authorized employee of the Department or designated private tagging agent.

It is the responsibility of the possessor of the bobcat or river otter pelt, not the Department, to ensure that the pelt is legally tagged. No untagged bobcat or river otter harvested in another state may be possessed in Oklahoma. Tags are available from any game warden, wildlife biologist, state fish hatchery, Department field office and specifically designated private tagging station.

Designated private tagging stations may charge a fee of 75 cents per tag. 2016-2017 bobcat or river otter export tags will not be affixed after March 14, 2017.

Sale of Furs

Persons taking pelts during the season shall have 10 working days after the close of the season to sell or dispose of the pelts or notify the Department in writing of intent to hold pelts after the 10-day deadline. All pelts held after the 10-day deadline must be inventoried on a form provided by an authorized Department employee. All bobcats and river otters must have a permanent tag affixed for the current year, prior to being held for later sale.

Possession of Carcasses or Hides

It shall be illegal to possess live animals, carcasses or raw furs of ringtail, spotted skunk or swift fox unless it can be proven that each carcass or hide was taken legally outside of Oklahoma. Proof of legality or origin for carcasses or green hides shall be a tag or other marking or device attached to or imprinted on each and every hide in such a way that it cannot be removed intact. The tag or marking must be the official method used by the issuing agency. If an identification is not required by the issuing agency, a hunting or trapping license appropriate to the species taken is required as proof.

Tagging Hints

All bobcats and otters must be tagged with a plastic tag that is looped under the skin from the eye

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to the mouth. If you choose to freeze your bobcat or otter whole prior to tagging, it is best to open a 1/2-inch wide slot under the skin from the eye to the gum line with a knife or sharp screwdriver and install some sort of spacer that can be removed later to allow tagging once the bobcat or otter is frozen.

Taking these few simple steps will allow the spacer to be removed and the tag attached in the proper location without having to thaw the bobcat or otter. Otherwise, partially thaw the carcass before taking it to be tagged.

Legal Means of Taking

Firearms or Archery

- **Daylight only:** Any legal firearm or archery equipment.
- **Nighttime only:** Hunters may possess a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or .22 caliber rimfire pistol and a light carried on the person while in pursuit of furbearers with hounds during the legal, open furbearer season, while possessing a valid hunting license, unless exempt.
- **Laser sights:** Nothing in this section shall prevent a person from possessing a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or pistol with a laser sighting device while hunting or taking furbearers with hounds during legal, open furbearer season, while possessing a valid hunting license.

Traps

- **Legal traps:** Box traps; smooth-jawed, single-spring, leg-hold steel traps with a jaw spread no greater than eight inches; smooth-jawed, double-spring offset jawed, leg-hold steel traps with a jaw spread no greater than eight inches; enclosed trigger traps (dog-proof traps). Any trap not listed here is illegal.
- **Setting traps:** No trap may be set in the open or in paths, roads, or runways commonly used by persons, dogs or other domestic animals.
- **Visiting traps:** Traps must be tended once each 24-hour period.
- **Legal number of traps:** Residents trapping under the general annual resident trapping license may use no more than 20 traps. Residents possessing a lifetime hunting license or a professional trapping license, and nonresident trapping license holders have no limit on the number of traps.
- **Identification of traps:** All traps shall bear the name of the owner of the traps, except for any traps set on property owned or leased by the owner of the traps. All traps on Department-managed lands, regardless of species being sought, must have the owner's name attached.
- **Posting of traps:** When smooth-jawed double-spring offset traps are used, the posting of signs shall be required at all entrances from public roads and highways. The requirement to post signs shall not apply if the person is trapping on property owned or leased by the person. Signs must have minimum dimensions of five inches by eight inches and the wording "Traps" must be included and be conspicuous on the signs and printed in letters at least two inches tall. Persons trapping on their own property are not subject to this requirement.
- **Permission to trap:** No person may trap on the inhabited land of another without first obtaining from the owner or occupant thereof a written

permit to do so. This permit must be carried whenever traps are being tended. Said permission is also required to hunt but it need not be in writing.

Exemptions from Regulations

Nothing in this regulation prevents the killing of furbearers actually found destroying livestock or poultry. In addition, nothing in this regulation prevents the running or chasing of coyote, bobcat, fox or raccoon with dogs for sport only, except on those public lands where such activity is prohibited.

**RACCOON, BOBCAT,
BADGER, GRAY FOX,
RED FOX, MINK,
MUSKRAT, OPOSSUM,
RIVER OTTER & WEASEL**

Dates & Open Areas

Dec. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017; statewide.

Limits

- **Bobcat:** No daily limit, season limit 20, possession limit 20 per license.
- **Gray Fox / Red Fox:** Daily combined limit two, with no more than one red fox. Season combined limit six, with no more than two red foxes.
- **Raccoon:** Daily limit 10, season limit 40, possession limit 40 per license.
- **River Otter:** No daily limit, season limit four.
- **Other species:** No limit.

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License Requirements

Any person while in the act of taking or attempting to take reptiles and amphibians or possessing reptiles or amphibians must first possess:

1. Any resident or nonresident hunting license, unless otherwise exempt, for land-dwelling reptiles or amphibians, with the exception of (3) and (4) of this paragraph.
2. A resident or nonresident fishing license, unless otherwise exempt, for water-dwelling reptiles or amphibians, with the exception of (3) and (4) of this paragraph.
3. A commercial turtle harvester license for legal water-dwelling turtles if the taking or possession is for commercial purposes. **Note:** Not all bodies of water are open for commercial harvest.
4. A commercial resident or nonresident minnow dealers license for legal aquatic salamanders if the taking is for commercial purposes.

Bullfrogs may be taken with hook and line, gig, spear, bow and arrow or other methods except firearms under the resident or nonresident fishing license. Bullfrogs may be taken with firearms under the resident or nonresident hunting license.

Persons possessing a current resident or nonresident hunting license, unless otherwise exempt, may sell lawfully-taken rattlesnakes only to those individuals holding a commercial or noncommercial wildlife breeders license during open season. A commercial wildlife breeders license is required of all who buy and resell live rattlesnakes.

5-Day Rattlesnake Permit

Any person hunting, pursuing, trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized rattlesnake hunting event or festival must have a rattlesnake permit, unless exempt.

Persons with a valid hunting license (see page 4) are exempt from the rattlesnake permit.

Permits are available online at wildlifedepartment.com, by calling (405) 521-3852, or at any hunting or fishing license dealer.



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Rattlesnake Dates & Daily Limits

March 1 - June 30, 2017.

The following reptiles are legal to harvest with no daily limit: prairie rattlesnake, western diamondback rattlesnake, timber rattlesnake and massasauga.

Other Reptile Dates & Daily Limits

There is a statewide closed season on the following reptiles: Texas horned lizard, desert side-blotched lizard, checkered whiptail, American alligator, western chicken turtle, northern map turtle, wandering garter snake, gulf crayfish snake, alligator snapping turtle, earless lizard, roundtail horned lizard and western mud snake.

All other reptiles, excluding rattlesnakes, have a year-round season. The limit is six (6) per day or in possession for each species.

Nuisance Reptiles

Nothing prohibits the control of reptiles other than those listed as endangered or threatened, by landowners, lessees, or occupants of such land when such reptiles are creating a nuisance.

Legal Means of Taking

It is unlawful to introduce, deposit, place or drain any deleterious, noxious, toxic or petroleum based substance into or around any underground dens or rock crevices for the purpose of taking reptiles or amphibians.

The method of taking legal water turtles and aquatic salamanders for commercial purposes and the taking of bullfrogs is restricted to provisions in the current statutes and regulations. With the exception of water turtles and aquatic salamanders taken for commercial purposes (when licensed) and all legal species of frogs, all other reptiles and amphibians may only be taken by hand or any other legal means.

Commercial Harvest

It shall be unlawful to engage in any commercial activities involving any species or subspecies, if more than one (1) exists, of reptiles or amphibians collected from the wild that are indigenous to or whose range extends into Oklahoma, except for provisions for rattlesnakes, water turtles and aquatic salamanders (*Necturus* and *Ambystoma*, except *Ambystoma talpoideum*) and *Ambystoma annulatum*.

Commercial & Noncommercial Breeding

All persons so licensed for captive breeding of reptiles and amphibians must keep detailed breeding and hatching records in addition to those records already required by law.

The Director may make exceptions for education or research purposes to holders of Oklahoma scientific collector's permits for reptiles and amphibians.

Possession of American Alligators

It is unlawful to possess an American alligator.

Amphibian Dates, Areas, Legal Species & Daily Limits

There will be a statewide year-round open season for all amphibians except for the following salamanders that have a statewide closed season: Sequoyah slimy salamander, Kiamichi slimy salamander, western slimy salamander, Rich Mountain salamander, Ozark zigzag salamander, four-toed salamander, grotto salamander, Oklahoma salamander, cave salamander, mole salamander, ringed salamander, Ouachita dusky salamander and three-toed amphiuma.

Aquatic frogs (except bullfrog and crawfish frog), Woodhouse's toad and aquatic salamanders of the genera *Necturus* and *Ambystoma* (except mole and ringed salamander) have no limit.

The daily limit and possession limit for bullfrogs is 15. It is illegal to sell bullfrogs or ship them out-of-state at any time. Bullfrogs may not be taken in the Wichita Mountains NWR.

The limit for crawfish frog and all other species of amphibians, except those listed as closed, is four (4) per day or in possession of each species.

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The primary objective on all lands owned or managed by the Department is the sound management and use of fish and wildlife resources resident thereon. Public use of Department-managed lands is permitted according to the following priorities:

1. Hunting, fishing, trapping, running dogs for sport and associated activities.
2. Other wildlife-oriented activities (nature observation or photography, and conservation education).
3. Non-wildlife related activities, when such activities do not conflict with the wildlife management objective (picnicking, hiking, backpacking, short-term camping, horseback riding).
4. Large group activities (military training, organized trail rides).

Terms Defined

Wildlife Management Area (WMA)

All lands owned, licensed, leased, or under the management of the Wildlife Division (except for the McCurtain County Wilderness Area) are designated WMAs to accurately reflect the overall objectives for these lands and the results of management activities conducted thereon. Depending on the specific management objectives, all or part of any particular WMA may also be designated as a public hunting area, game management area, migratory bird refuge, waterfowl refuge portion or wetland development unit.

Public Hunting Area (PHA)

Areas where most forms of wildlife harvest are permitted under statewide hunting, fishing, and furbearer regulations, unless specific regulations for the area indicate otherwise.

Game Management Area (GMA)

Areas where hunting and public use are more closely regulated than on PHAs.

Migratory Bird Refuge or Waterfowl Refuge Portion (WRP)

Areas closed to all public use and access from Oct. 15 - Jan. 31, except for controlled hunt permittees on days of their hunt, and unless specifically noted otherwise. In addition, all shotgun hunting is restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot and the possession of lead shot is prohibited.

Conservation Education Area (CEA)

Areas whose primary purpose is conservation education. All activities are regulated by the Department.

Wetland Development Unit (WDU)

Wetland units where all shotgun hunting is restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot and the possession of lead shot is prohibited. In addition, shooting hours for waterfowl close at 1 p.m. daily during waterfowl seasons.

Wildlife Management Unit (WMU)

Lands owned or managed by the Department. Open for limited hunting (see Tishomingo WMU and Lower Illinois River Public Fishing and Hunting Area, Watts Unit).

Army Ammunition Plant (AAP) & Joint Maneuver Training Center (JMTC)

Lands owned and operated by the U.S. Department of the Army. Open for limited hunting (see McAlester AAP and Camp Gruber JMTC).

National Recreation Area (NRA)

Lands owned and operated by the U.S. Department of the Interior. Open for limited hunting (see Chickasaw NRA).

National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)

Lands owned and operated by the U.S. Department of the Interior. May be open for limited hunting and/or controlled hunts.

Area Regulations

Policies governing situations not covered under these regulations are determined by the Director or his designated representatives, and their decision is binding until such time as the Wildlife Commission can formulate permanent policy on the issue.

Public lands not specifically listed as open are closed.

It is the responsibility of the area users to become knowledgeable of, and comply with, any regulations applicable to specific areas.

Alcoholic Beverages

No person shall possess, consume or use any intoxicating beverage or low-point beer (as defined in O.S. Title 37), except in camping and parking areas, on any lands or waterways subject to the control of the Department, except U.S. Forest Service regulations shall apply to the Black Kettle, Ouachita and Rita Blanca WMAs.

Baiting

It shall be unlawful to place and/or hunt over bait on lands owned or managed by the Department of Wildlife Conservation, including Corps lands, see U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Lands on page 45. "Bait" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain or other feed. Examples of prohibited bait can be found on page 44.

Buildings & Private Developments

No permanent or temporary structure (buildings, earthworks, corrals, boat docks, marinas, boat landings, launch ramps, etc.) may be constructed on Department-managed lands.

Camping

Camping is limited to a maximum of 14 days, except on areas open only to hunter camping for special seasons. Camping on these areas is

limited to two days longer than the period the camper (hunter) is authorized to hunt.

Quiet hours are enforced from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.

All dogs or other pets must be kept on a leash or otherwise confined while in camping areas.

See specific WMA regulations in the Appendix for camping restrictions within WMAs.

Concessions & Businesses

It shall be unlawful to operate any private (including guide services) or non-Departmental business or concession, including soliciting and/or advertising for any such venture, on any Department-managed lands without prior written approval from the Department.

Controlled Hunts

Unless otherwise provided, no person is allowed in a controlled hunt area during specified dates and times without a controlled hunt permit.

Deer Stands

No permanent type stands may be constructed in or on a tree nor shall cleats be driven into a tree to gain access to a portion of any tree nor shall any person hunt from such a stand. Only portable type stands, that do not require the use of any fastening device that has the potential of damaging a tree, are permitted. Stands shall be removed from the tree immediately following the closure of the hunt for which they were used. Stands remaining after 14 days become the property of the Department to be disposed of in the best practical manner.

Department Lakes

Hunting seasons on the following Department lake areas are the same as statewide seasons, except open only from Sept. 1 through spring turkey season each year: American Horse, Burtschi, Evans-Chambers, Hall, Jap Beaver, Nanih Waiya, Ozzie Cobb, Schooler and Vanderwork. All of these areas are closed to antlerless deer gun hunting, deer hunting is restricted to shotgun or archery only, and all other hunting is restricted to shotgun with pellets or archery.

For hunting regulations pertaining to Dahlgren, Doc Hollis and Vincent, see special area regulations for Lexington WMA (Dahlgren), Sandy Sanders WMA (Doc Hollis) and Ellis County WMA (Vincent) in the Appendix.

The following lake areas are closed to hunting or taking of wildlife by any means: Elmer, Etling, Raymond Gary, Watonga and Wayne Wallace.

See specific WMA regulations for other restrictions that may apply to lakes within WMAs (see Appendix). Trapping is prohibited.

Dog Training

All training of bird dogs on Department-managed lands is closed from June 1 - Aug. 31, annually.

No person who owns or operates a commercial bird dog training business or is an employee in such a business whereby bird dogs are sold and/or trained for a price or a fee may use Department-managed lands for such training purposes.

No person may train or have in possession more than three bird dogs on any Department-managed lands outside the regular harvest season.

DEPARTMENT-MANAGED AREA RULES

Individuals who work no more than three personal hunting dogs outside the regular harvest season and not in a business as described above are exempt and may use Department-managed lands to train such dogs, except as otherwise provided.

Firearms, Fireworks & Explosives Restrictions

Fully automatic firearms are prohibited for use on any Department-managed lands, except as otherwise provided for military training.

No person shall use or possess any explosive devices, including fireworks, firecrackers or exploding targets, on Department-managed lands.

The possession of loaded firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, explosives or explosive devices of any kind including fireworks is prohibited on all U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project lands except as permitted for hunting purposes during authorized hunting seasons or being used at an authorized shooting range.

Firearms & Crossbow Transport

It is unlawful for any person to transport a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle on any Department-managed area, except under provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.

Muzzleloaders may be transported in a motor vehicle with a loaded powder charge and bullet as long as the gun is uncapped or battery is disconnected.

No crossbow may be transported in a motor vehicle unless uncocked or disassembled. No bow that is at full or partial draw may be transported in a motor vehicle.

Horses & Mules for Hunting

Hunting on, from or with the aid of horses or mules on WMAs (except U.S. Forest Service lands, Honobia Creek and Three Rivers WMAs) is prohibited during daylight hours during the period of Oct. 1 - Jan. 1 and during spring turkey season. Persons holding non-ambulatory permits or motor vehicle permits are exempt.

See specific WMA regulations in the Appendix for other restrictions that may apply.

Horses & Mules for Nonhunting Activities

No person shall ride, drive, lead or keep a horse or other livestock on Department-managed lands (except on Honobia Creek and

Three Rivers WMAs) during the period of Oct. 1 - Jan. 1 and spring turkey seasons without prior written approval from the Department. Individuals or parties of less than 25 may ride on areas with prior written approval of the local biologist during the closed period if no hunting conflict is determined by the biologist.

During deer muzzleloader and deer gun seasons, riders must wear both a head covering and outer garment above the waistline consisting of hunter orange color totalling not less than 400 square inches.

U.S. Forest Service regulations shall apply to those lands owned by the U.S. Forest Service.

See specific WMA regulations in the Appendix for other restrictions that may apply.

Language or Disorderly Assemblage

No person shall use threatening, abusive, or indecent language, participate in a disorderly assemblage, nor publicly appear nude or intoxicated on any Department-managed lands.

License Requirements

All persons carrying a firearm or archery equipment on Department-managed lands must possess a hunting license (see page 4).

Littering

Disposal of garbage, trash, refuse, litter, sewage, debris or any other form of solid waste is prohibited, except in designated trash containers.

Livestock

It is unlawful for any person to willfully or neglectfully allow unauthorized livestock to encroach upon any Department-managed lands.

Non-Ambulatory & Motor Vehicle Permittees

Off-road use of a vehicle on public lands is prohibited except for non-ambulatory permittees on designated areas open to non-ambulatory permittees and area roads designated as open to non-ambulatory permittees and motor vehicle hunt permittees.

SHOOTING RANGE RULES

1. Open year-round, unless specified otherwise in the Special Area Regulations Appendix (controlled hunt closures) or signs at the range.
2. Shooting hours are official sunrise to official sunset, daily.
3. Any person using the shooting range under the age of 16 must be immediately supervised by an adult (18 years old or older).
4. All firearms shooting single projectiles or any pellets larger than conventional BB (.180" dia.) must be shot at approved berms and target areas only. Air-borne clay targets may be shot using pellets no larger than conventional BB (.180" dia.).
5. All rifle, pistol, shotgun, and muzzleloader targets will consist of paper or clay targets only.
6. All paper targets must be removed before leaving the shooting area.
7. Centerfire rifles and pistols .50 caliber and larger are prohibited.
8. Fully automatic firearms are prohibited.
9. Fireworks, explosive devices, exploding targets, tracer and incendiary rounds are prohibited.
10. Eye and ear protection shall be worn while shooting.
11. Shooters, and accompanying adult, must possess a valid Oklahoma hunting license or Oklahoma combination hunting/fishing license unless exempt.

BAITING ON ODWC OWNED AND/OR MANAGED LANDS (INCLUDING CORPS LANDS):

What you need to know

The use of or hunting over bait, or "baiting," is prohibited on lands owned or managed by the Wildlife Department.

Definition:

Baiting is defined as the placing, depositing, exposing, distributing or scattering of shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain or feed.

Legal Examples

- Salt or mineral blocks
- Sardines or other lures used for trapping furbearers
- Commercial scents such as doe in estrous (heat)

Illegal Examples

- Salt or mineral blocks containing corn, oats or other grain or feed
- Feed products such as cattle cubes or sweet feed
- Fruits or vegetables such as apples or potatoes
- Gathering naturally occurring food sources (such as acorns) into a pile

Non-ambulatory permittees may ride an Off-Road Vehicle/All-Terrain Vehicle from parking area or campsite to designated non-ambulatory areas. Firearms must be unloaded and/or cased while on roads. Use on county or state roads must comply with Title 47 requirements.

Non-ambulatory permittees may carry firearms with ammunition in the magazine only while upland game hunting from an ATV and while on designated non-ambulatory areas.

Off-road travel by non-ambulatory permittees with ORV/ATV is permitted in designated areas only. ORV/ATV vehicles will be restricted to utility type vehicles weighing less than 1,250 pounds.

Shooting Ranges

The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation is in the initial stages of refurbishing a number of the shooting ranges on wildlife management areas across the state. Detailed rules will be posted at each range or for more information contact the wildlife biologist at that area.

On all wildlife management areas the discharge of firearms for purposes other than hunting is restricted to specific target or shooting ranges provided for public use. Target shooting is not allowed on areas where shooting ranges are not provided. Exemptions may only be granted by the Director of the Department upon prior submission of a written application setting forth the location, date, nature, and purpose of such activity.

All persons using shooting ranges must possess a valid Oklahoma hunting or combination license, unless otherwise exempt.

Spotlighting

No person may take, catch, capture, kill or pursue wildlife or otherwise attempt to use for any purpose a vehicle-mounted spotlight or other powerful light at night for any purpose on Department-managed lands, except as otherwise provided for hunting of furbearers and predators, taking of frogs, or for navigational purposes while in a water conveyance.

Theft or Vandalism of State Property

It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot at, deface, damage, destroy, remove or steal all or any part of any buildings, granaries, residence, privies or other physical structures, any equipment or machinery, fences or fencing materials, cattleguards, gates, signs, or any other state property on Department-managed lands.

It shall be unlawful to cut, dig, damage or remove any crops, trees, shrubs, timber (including dead standing trees), water, gravel, sand, earth, rocks, minerals or other natural resources other than legally harvested fish and wildlife from Department-managed lands without prior written approval from the Department. Removal of such resources from National Forest lands is subject to the regulations of the U.S. Forest Service.

It shall be unlawful to cut any living trees, shrubs, or other woody vegetation for use as camouflage, blinds, stands or firewood. Fallen dead trees may be so used, but shall not be removed for use off the Department-managed lands.

It shall be unlawful to remove any historical, cultural or archaeological artifacts (including arrowheads) from Department-managed lands.

Trapping

All traps on Department-managed lands, regardless of species being sought, must have the owner's name attached. Posting of traps is required; see page 41.

Under 16 Years of Age

Any person under 14 years of age must be immediately supervised by an adult while afield. Minors 14-16 years old must be immediately supervised by an adult, unless they possess hunter safety certification.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Lands

Corps lands open to hunting but not licensed to the Department are open during the same dates and under the same regulations as Department-managed lands at the respective projects, unless otherwise provided. Other Corps lands not normally open to hunting may be open with certain restrictions. Contact the respective Corps lake office or the Tulsa District Office at (918) 669-7370 for information.

Vehicles

Only those vehicles registered as legal to operate on Oklahoma public roadways may be used or parked on Department-managed lands, except on specified areas designated for off-road use, unless otherwise provided for non-ambulatory persons holding valid permits. All vehicles used by non-ambulatory permittees must conspicuously display a sticker designating the vehicle is being used by a non-ambulatory permittee and motor vehicle hunt

permittees must conspicuously display a sticker designating the vehicle is being used by a motor vehicle hunt permittee. These permits may be obtained from the License Section of the Department.

Except as otherwise provided, all motorized vehicles are required to stay on roads designated as open for public or hunter use. There are no exceptions for motorcycles, four-wheel drive vehicles, snowmobiles or all-terrain vehicles. Travel on roads which are gated and locked, closed by earthen mound or designated as closed is prohibited, unless otherwise specified in annual regulations for non-ambulatory persons holding valid permits.

For definition purposes on both the Honobia Creek and Three Rivers WMAs, a "maintained road" open for vehicle and ATV use is any permanent road not gated and locked or closed with an earthen mound. Additionally, a "maintained road" will be constructed with man-made ditches on one or both sides of the road to control rainwater runoff, and will not have vegetation present on the road that would impede easy travel by a two-wheel drive automobile.

Maximum speed limit is 25 mph unless otherwise posted.

It is unlawful for any person to hunt, chase, capture, shoot, attempt to shoot, wound or kill any wildlife from a motor-driven vehicle on Department-managed areas, except as provided for persons holding a non-ambulatory or motor vehicle permit.

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2	7:03	7:55	7:26	7:12	7:53	6:34	7:22	5:17	7:40	5:29	7:29	5:59	6:58	6:27	7:15	7:53	6:37	8:17
3	7:04	7:54	7:27	7:10	7:54	6:33	7:23	5:17	7:40	5:30	7:28	6:00	6:57	6:27	7:13	7:54	6:36	8:18
4	7:05	7:52	7:28	7:09	7:55	6:32	7:24	5:17	7:40	5:31	7:27	6:01	6:55	6:28	7:12	7:54	6:35	8:19
5	7:06	7:51	7:29	7:07	7:56	6:31	7:25	5:17	7:40	5:32	7:26	6:02	6:54	6:29	7:11	7:55	6:34	8:20
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13	7:12	7:39	7:35	6:57	7:04	6:24	7:31	5:18	7:39	5:39	7:18	6:11	6:43	6:36	7:00	8:02	6:27	8:26
14	7:12	7:38	7:36	6:55	7:05	6:24	7:32	5:18	7:39	5:40	7:17	6:12	6:42	6:37	6:58	8:03	6:26	8:27
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24	7:20	7:23	7:45	6:43	7:15	6:19	7:37	5:23	7:35	5:50	7:06	6:21	6:28	6:45	6:46	8:11	6:19	8:35
25	7:21	7:22	7:46	6:42	7:16	6:18	7:37	5:24	7:34	5:51	7:05	6:22	6:26	6:46	6:45	8:12	6:19	8:36
26	7:21	7:20	7:47	6:41	7:17	6:18	7:38	5:24	7:34	5:52	7:03	6:23	6:25	6:47	6:44	8:12	6:18	8:36
27	7:22	7:19	7:48	6:40	7:18	6:18	7:38	5:25	7:33	5:53	7:02	6:24	6:23	6:48	6:43	8:13	6:18	8:37
28	7:23	7:17	7:49	6:39	7:19	6:18	7:38	5:26	7:32	5:54	7:01	6:25	6:22	6:49	6:41	8:14	6:17	8:38
29	7:24	7:16	7:49	6:38	7:20	6:17	7:39	5:26	7:32	5:55			7:20	6:49	6:40	8:15	6:17	8:38
30	7:25	7:14	7:50	6:37	7:20	6:17	7:39	5:27	7:31	5:56			7:19	6:50	6:39	8:16	6:17	8:39
31			7:51	6:36			7:39	5:28	7:30	5:57			7:18	6:51			6:16	8:40

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Public Hunting Areas & ODWC Wildlife Offices

The Sooner State offers plenty of opportunities for waterfowl hunting from border to border. This map depicts the locations of public hunting areas operated by, or in cooperation with, the Wildlife Department, listed in alphabetical order, as well as ODWC wildlife offices. The region the area is located in the state can be found in parentheses.

ODWC Wildlife Offices

A. DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

P.O. Box 53465, Oklahoma City, 73152
2145 NE 36th St., Oklahoma City, 73111
(405) 521-2739
Wildlife Division Chief - Alan Peoples
Wildlife Division Assistant Chief - Bill Dinkines

B. WOODWARD OFFICE

3014 Lakeview Dr., Woodward, 73801
(580) 254-9173, (580) 254-9174
(Call for hours of operation)

C. PONCA CITY OFFICE

417 S. Silverdale Lane, Ponca City, 74604-7315
(580) 762-2248
(Call for hours of operation; situated on the west end of Kaw Dam)

D. JENKS OFFICE

300 Aquarium Drive, Jenks, 74037-9998
(918) 299-2334
(Adjacent to the Oklahoma Aquarium)

E. PORTER OFFICE

9097 N. 34th St. W., Porter, 74454-2743
(918) 683-1031
(On U.S. 69 1.5 miles north of Muskogee Turnpike)

F. BYRON STATE FISH HATCHERY

71082 Jefferson Road, Burlington, 73722-4625
(580) 474-2663
(Two miles north, 1 mile west of S.H. 38 & 11)

G. LAWTON OFFICE & J.A. MANNING STATE FISH HATCHERY

19333 S.H. 49, Lawton, 73507-6015
(580) 529-2795
(West of I-44 on S.H. 49 in Medicine Park)

H. OKLAHOMA FISHERY RESEARCH LABORATORY

500 E. Constellation, Norman, 73072-7900
(405) 325-7288

I. HOLDENVILLE STATE FISH HATCHERY

3733 S.H. 48, Holdenville, 74848-6009
(405) 379-5408
(Below Holdenville Dam)

J. CADDO OFFICE & DURANT STATE FISH HATCHERY

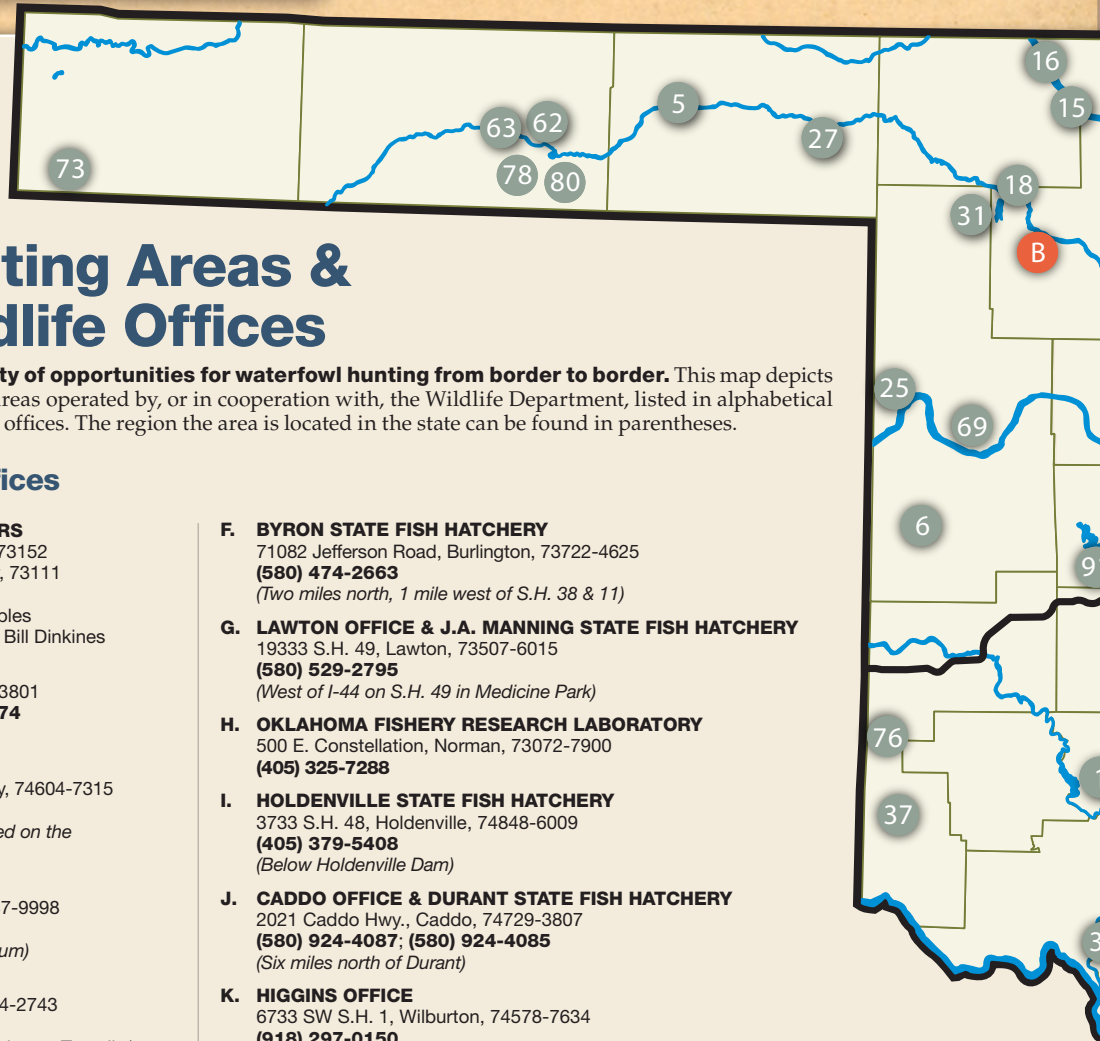
2021 Caddo Hwy., Caddo, 74729-3807
(580) 924-4087; (580) 924-4085
(Six miles north of Durant)

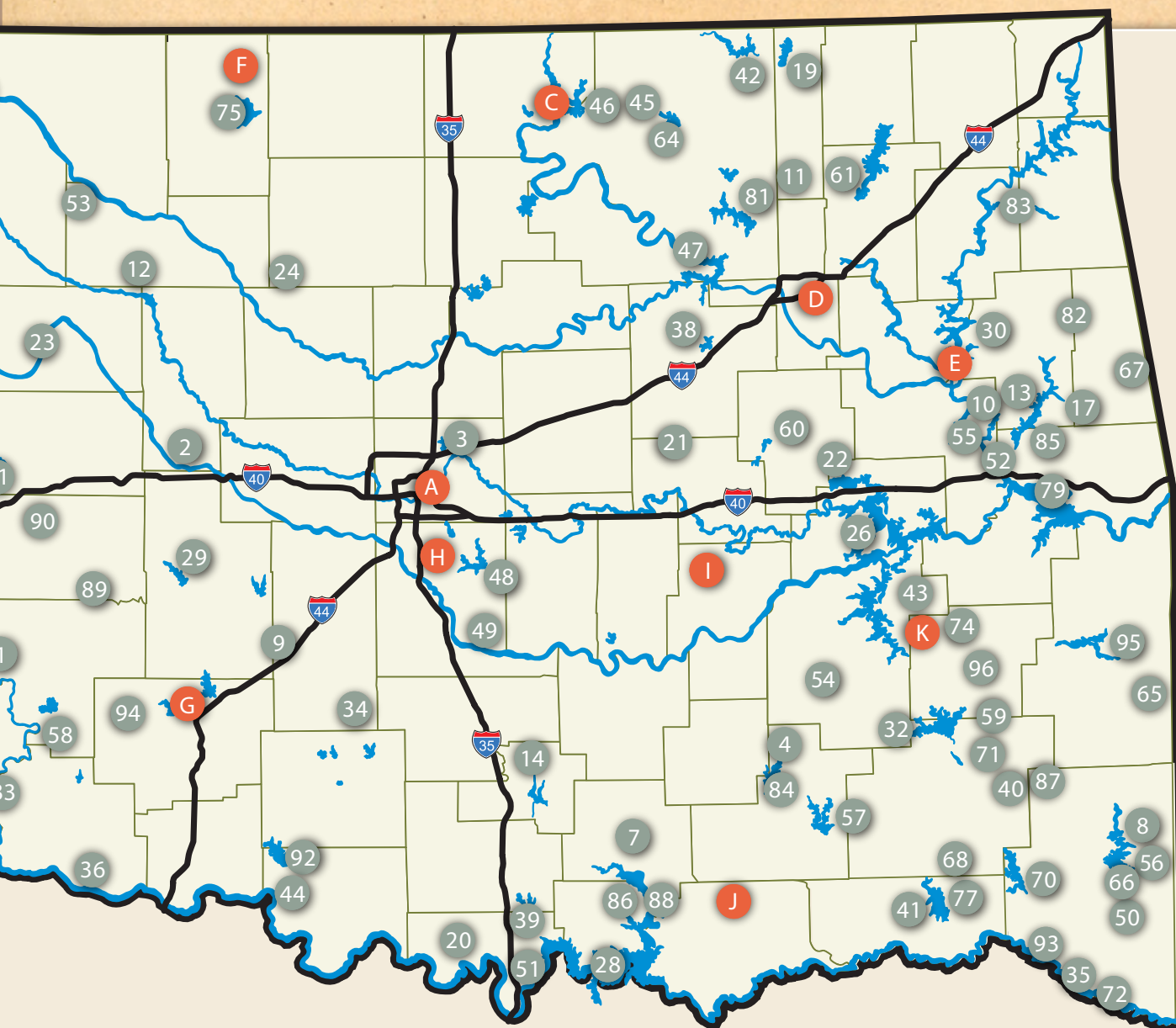
K. HIGGINS OFFICE

6733 SW S.H. 1, Wilburton, 74578-7634
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Public Hunting Areas

1. ▲ Altus-Lugert (SW)
2. ◆ American Horse** (NW)
3. ◆ Arcadia CEA (NE)
4. ▲ Atoka PHA / ◆ Atoka WMA (SE)
5. ◆ Beaver River (NW)
6. ▲ Black Kettle* (NW)
7. ◆ Blue River (SE)
8. ▲ Broken Bow (SE)
9. ◆ Burtschi** (SW)
10. ★ Camp Gruber (CGTC)* / ★ CGTC Areas #4 & #6 (NE)
11. ◆ Candy Creek (NE)
12. ◆ Canton WMA / ◆ Canton WRP (NW)
13. ★ Cherokee (NE)
14. ◆ Chickasaw NRA* (SE)
15. ◆ Cimarron Bluff (NW)
16. ◆ Cimarron Hills (NW)
17. ★ Cookson (NE)
18. ▲ Cooper (NW)
19. ◆ Copan (NE)
20. ◆ Cross Timbers (SW)
21. ◆ Deep Fork (NE)
22. ○ Deep Fork NWR* (NE)
23. ◆ Dewey County (NW)
24. ◆ Drummond Flats (NW)
25. ▲ Ellis County/Vincent** (NW)
26. ◆ Eufaula (SE)
27. ◆ Evans Chambers** (NW)
28. ◆ Fobb Bottom (SE)
29. ◆ Fort Cobb (SW)
30. ◆ Fort Gibson WMA / ◆ Fort Gibson WRP (NE)
31. ▲ Fort Supply (NW)
32. ◆ Gary Sherrer (SE)
33. ◆ Gist (SW)
34. ◆ Grady County (SW)
35. ◆ Grassy Slough (SE)
36. ◆ Hackberry Flat WMA / ◆ Hackberry Flat WRP (SW)
37. ◆ Hall** (SW)
38. ◆ Heyburn (NE)
39. ◆ Hickory Creek (SE)
40. ▲ Honobia Creek (SE)
41. ◆ Hugo WMA / ◆ Hugo WRP (SE)
42. ◆ Hulah (NE)
43. ◆ James Collins (SE)
44. ◆ Jap Beaver** (SW)
45. ◆ John Dahl (NE)
46. ◆ Kaw (NE)
47. ◆ Keystone (NE)
48. ○ Lake Thunderbird SP* (SE)
49. ◆ Lexington (SE)
50. ○ Little River NWR* (SE)
51. ◆ Love Valley (SE)
52. ◆ Lower Illinois River (NE)
53. ◆ Major County (NW)
54. ◆ McAlester AAP* (SE)
55. ◆ McClellan-Kerr WMA / ◆ McClellan-Kerr WRP (NE)
56. ◆ McCurtain County WA (SE)
57. ◆ McGee Creek (SE)
58. ◆ Mountain Park (SW)
59. ◆ Nanih Waiya** (SE)
60. ◆ Okmulgee (NE)
61. ◆ Oologah (NE)
62. ◆ Optima (NW)
63. ○ Optima NWR* (NW)
64. ◆ Osage (Rock Creek) / ★ Osage (Western Wall) (NE)
65. ◆ Ouachita — Le Flore (SE)
66. ▲ Ouachita — McCurtain (SE)
67. ◆ Ozark Plateau (NE)
68. ◆ Ozzie Cobb** (SE)
69. ▲ Packsaddle (NW)
70. ◆ Pine Creek (SE)
71. ◆ Pushmataha (SE)
72. ◆ Red Slough WMA / ◆ Red Slough (WRP) (SE)
73. ◆ Rita Blanca* (NW)
74. ▲ Robbers Cave (SE)
75. ○ Salt Plains NWR* (NW)
76. ▲ Sandy Sanders (SW) (including Doc Hollis Lake**)
77. ◆ Schooler** (SE)
78. ◆ Schultz (NW)
79. ○ Sequoyah NWR* (SE)
80. ◆ Shorb (NW)
81. ◆ Skiatook (NE)
82. ◆ Sparrow Hawk (NE)





83. ★ Spavinaw GMA /
 ▲ Spavinaw PHA (NE)
 84. ▲ Stringtown (SE)
 85. ◆ Tenkiller (NE)
 86. ◆ Texoma-Washita Arm (SE)

87. ▲ Three Rivers (SE)
 88. ○ Tishomingo NWR /
 ◆ Tishomingo WMU (SE)
 89. ◆ Vanderwork** (SW)
 90. ◆ Washita County (SW)

91. ○ Washita NWR* (NW)
 92. ◆ Waurika (SW)
 93. ◆ Whitegrass Flats (SE)
 94. ○ Wichita Mountains NWR* (SW)

95. ◆ Wister WMA /
 ◆ Wister WRP (SE)
 96. ▲ Yourman (SE)

Waterfowl Hunting Legend

- ◆ Same as statewide season dates
- ▲ Same as statewide season dates, except closed the first nine days of deer gun season.
- Closed to waterfowl hunting
- ◆ Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery through the first nine days of deer gun season

- ★ Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery through the end of deer gun season
- ✱ Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer muzzleloader through the end of deer gun season
- Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer gun season

- ◆ Same as statewide season dates, except closed from Oct. 15 – Jan. 31
- ★ Open from Dec. 11 through the close of the statewide season date or Martin Luther King Day of the following calendar year, whichever comes first
- See the Special Area Regulations in the Appendix of the current Oklahoma Hunting Regulations Guide

* Denotes areas that are not managed by the Wildlife Department. These areas are owned by other agencies and hunting opportunities are managed in cooperative partnerships with the Wildlife Department.

** Denotes Wildlife Department Fishing Area.

NOTE: The descriptions above are a general overview. Refer to the WDU map on page 34, general waterfowl hunting regulations on page 29 and the Special Area Regulations in the Appendix of the current Oklahoma Hunting Regulations Guide for specific information, including controlled hunt closures, hunting hours, WDU and boating rules, etc.