



Division of Wildlife, Ohio Department of Natural Resources

OTTAWA CONTROLLED WATERFOWL HUNTING INFORMATION



The enclosed special hunting permit is required to hunt on the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge.

REGULATIONS FOR CONTROLLED WATERFOWL HUNTS

The migratory waterfowl hunting laws are in effect with the following additional restrictions:

1. **October hunts check in at 5:30 a.m. November hunts check in at 4:30 a.m.** Hunter check in is at the back entrance to the Magee Marsh check station. Blinds will be assigned during check in.
2. Your special hunting permit must be presented at the check station along with your hunting license with state wetlands habitat stamp endorsement, and federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp and HIP registration endorsement.
3. Hunting hours – Legal shooting time until NOON.
4. Bag limit per hunter for ducks, coots, and Canada geese – as determined by the Chief, Division of Wildlife.
5. All shooting must take place at the assigned blind, or within 75 yards of the assigned blind.
6. Two hunters allowed per blind.
7. Each hunter may possess not more than 25 non-toxic shot shells.
8. Hunting blinds are located in marsh areas with uneven bottoms. Chest waders are required to retrieve birds (retrievers are recommended). Come prepared to hunt in these conditions.
9. Hunters will be directed to designated parking areas. Hunters do not need to bring a boat. Do not leave your assigned hunt area until your party is ready to check out, no later than 12:00 p.m.
10. No person shall participate in this controlled hunt on this area more than once during the open season.
11. A handicapped accessible blind is available. Please contact Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge at (419) 898-0014, Ext. 31 one week prior to scheduled hunt.
12. Don't forget you need all of the following:
 - Your hunting license
 - Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp
 - State Wetlands Habitat Stamp endorsement
 - HIP Registration endorsement
 - Special Area Hunting Permit
13. If unable to attend the hunt on your assigned day, please attempt to transfer your permit or call Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge (419/898-0014, Ext. 31) in advance so it may be reassigned. NOTE: It is unlawful for any person to buy, sell, trade, or barter any Division of Wildlife issued controlled hunting, fishing or trapping permit.