



Signs and Boundaries

Please respect the rights of our refuge neighbors. Become familiar with refuge boundaries and avoid trespassing on private land. Signs are useful tools in regulating the use of a public area. The wording of the sign applies to the area behind the sign. Please respect the following signs.



This sign delineates the refuge boundary. Always know the regulations before entering.



All hunting and possession of any weapon is prohibited beyond this sign.



The area beyond this sign is closed to all public entry. Exceptions are stated on sign.

Hunting Regulations 2009- 2010

Hunters are authorized to take only species listed on season permits and during season dates. Harming or needlessly disturbing plants or other wildlife is a violation of refuge regulations.

Hunt Season	Season Dates (2007/2008)	Hunting Hours	Bag Limit	Hunt Areas	Refuge Permit Requirements
Archery Deer	Oct 1 - Jan 31 Closed Oct 31, Nov. 1, Nov 20, 21, and 22	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	1 deer, either sex, per day	North Bend East, North Bend West, Centerville, Bayou Sale, Garden City-(Franklin Unit Closed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunt Permit Daily Check Card State Hunter Education Cert.
Gun Deer Lottery only	Nov 20, 21 and 22	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	1 deer, either sex, per day	Centerville, Garden City, North Bend-East, North Bend-West, (Franklin and Bayou Sale Units closed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunt Permit Season Permit (by lottery) Daily Check Card State Hunter Education Certification
Gun Deer - Youth No Lottery	Oct 31 and Nov.1	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	1 deer, either sex, per day	Centerville, Garden City, North Bend-West, North Bend-East Units (Franklin and Bayou Sale Units closed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunt Permit Daily Check Card State Hunter Education Certification (Youth hunters and adult supervisors)
Small Game (squirrel, rabbit) Closed to hunting during state Spring squirrel season	October 3 through last date of State waterfowl season in west zone, 7 days per week Closed Oct 31, Nov. 1, Nov 20, 21 and 22	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	State of Louisiana bag limit	Centerville, Garden City, Bayou Sale, North Bend-East and North Bend-West Units (Franklin Unit closed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunt Permit Daily Check Card State Hunter Education Certification
Waterfowl (closed during teal season) Centerville Unit is in east zone. Rest of refuge is in west zone.	State waterfowl season 7 days per week Closed October 31, Nov. 1, Nov. 20, 21, and 22	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon-all equipment decoys, blinds, etc. must be removed by 1 pm daily	State of Louisiana bag limit	Centerville, Garden City, Bayou Sale, North Bend East, and North Bend West Units (Franklin Unit closed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunt Permit Daily Check Card State Hunter Education Certification

Black Bears are Protected

The Louisiana black bear is listed as a threatened species under the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973. This National Wildlife Refuge was established to help conserve this special animal. Do not disturb or harass black bears found on the Refuge. Hunters, please note sightings of black bear on your daily check card.

Be aware that it is unlawful for anyone to take, harass, disturb, etc., any Louisiana black bear. Criminal penalty: up to \$50,000 and 1 year imprisonment.

Be Bear Aware! Do not leave game or snack food available for bears. Always identify your target before shooting. Report sightings on daily check out cards.