Upland Game

Only ruffed grouse, cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare and gray squirrels may be hunted.

Only shotguns, muzzleloaders, or archery equipment may be used on open areas east of the Missisquoi River and on Shad Island.

Hunting is not permitted from the end of snowshoe hare and rabbit season through September 1.

Open season will run concurrent with VT Fish and Wildlife seasons as provided in the VT Fish and Wildlife Regulations Guide.

Big Game

Only deer may be hunted.

Only shotguns, muzzleloaders, or archery equipment may be used on open areas east and north of Vermont Route 78. Rifles may not be used in these areas at any time.

During the State-designated muzzleloader season and Youth Deer Hunting Weekend, hunters may hunt the Long Marsh and Metcalfe Island areas, in addition to other open areas.

The refuge strongly recommends wearing hunter orange, at a minimum, wear a hat and vest while hunting deer.

Permanent tree stands and ground blinds are prohibited. You may use portable tree stands in accordance with State regulations guiding their use on State Wildlife Management Areas with the following exception: We allow only one tree stand or ground blind for each big game/upland game permit issued. This does not grant exclusive use of area or site. Stands/blinds may only be erected after September 1st and must be removed by the third Saturday in December.

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Prohibited Activities

Littering

Spotlighting - artificial light may not be used to locate wildlife.

Baiting or hunting over bait, salt or any attractant.

Target practice

Use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting.

Taking of wildlife or plants (including cutting trees or brush) other than as specified in this brochure.

Driving or screwing a nail, spike or other metal object into a tree or to hunt from any tree in which such an object has been driven.

Searching for or removing any object of antiquity including arrowheads, pottery or other artifacts.

Use of motorized vehicles in hunting areas.

The use of drones

Guidance for Completing Harvest Reports

Hunt Area Choices:
- East Side of Missisquoi River/Shad Island
- Tobor Road/Maquam Swamp and Bog
- Long Marsh/Metcalfe Island

Date of Hunt: Include all dates hunted
Total Hours Hunted: Include total combined hours

SPECIES NOT ALLOWED TO BE HUNTED ON MISSISQUOI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Feral Hog
Raccoon

Turkey
Opossum

Pheasant
Coyote

Bobwhite Quail
Fox

Chukar Partridge
Woodchuck

Jackrabbit
Moose

Gambel's Quail
Black Bear

California Quail
Scaled Quail
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