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ATTENTION OF WATERFOWL HUNTERS DIRECTED TO SOME RESTRICTIONS

Waterfowl hunters are reminded by Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior officials that the practice of completely field dressing ducks and geese is not permitted. The head, head plumage, and feet must remain attached for identification purposes while the birds are being transported from the place where taken to the personal abode of the hunter or to a commercial preservation facility.

There is also a prohibition against possessing any live migratory game birds taken by hunting. Any wounded migratory game bird reduced to possession by the hunter must immediately be killed and shall become a part of the hunter's daily bag.

A crossbow may not be used in hunting migratory game birds this year but a longbow may be used. The prohibition against snares, traps, rifles, swivel guns, and machine guns continues.

Previous regulations specifically required that the one-piece filler used to plug the magazine of repeating shotgun must be of wood or metal. The amended regulation permits the use of a one-piece filler made from any material. Any gun so plugged must be capable of holding no more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined and the plug must be inserted so that it cannot be removed without disassembling the gun.

That section of the regulations which limited hunters to the out-of-State shipment of only one possession limit in any one calendar week has been revoked. Hunters may now ship their legal possession limit out-of-State as often as desired.

Two publications are being issued by the Department of the Interior relative to the "dos and don'ts" of migratory game bird hunting. One of these is the official Regulations for 1960-1961. The other is a Digest of the regulations which will give the hunter the main facts he should know about the waterfowl hunting regulations. The Digest will be as correct as an abbreviated publication can be but is not to be considered an "official" document.

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