

J. Clark Salyer National Wildlife Refuge

Hunting Information



The Blue Goose is the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of lands and waters managed for the benefit of wildlife and people.



Welcome

Welcome to J. Clark Salyer National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), one of over 565 refuges and 38 wetland management districts in the National Wildlife Refuge System – a network of lands set aside specifically for wildlife. The Refuge System is a living heritage, conserving wildlife and habitat for people today and for generations to come.

The Refuge was established in 1935 as a breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife. The diversity of wetlands, native grasslands, and woodlands found here provide excellent habitat for a variety of wildlife species.

General Information

The Refuge is open to hunting in accordance with State and Refuge-specific regulations. Species open to hunting include deer, fox, grouse, moose, partridge, pheasant, turkey, and waterfowl (coot, duck, goose, and merganser). To provide an enjoyable hunting experience and ensure the safety of all visitors, please familiarize yourself with the following information and regulations.

Hours and Location

The Refuge is open daily from 5:00 am to 10:00 pm.

Headquarters, including the Refuge office and visitor center, is located 2 miles north of Upham, North Dakota, on State Highway 14. The office and visitor center is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Vehicles, Bicycles, and Parking

Vehicle and bicycle travel is restricted to public roads. When parked, vehicles should not block gates. Access to Refuge land is walk-in only.

The use of ATVs, UTVs, ORVs, OHVs, snowmobiles, amphibious vehicles, and other off-road vehicles is not allowed.

Prohibited Activities

- Use of ATVs, UTVs, ORVs, OHVs, snowmobiles, amphibious vehicles, and other off-road vehicles.
- Use of horses, mules, or similar livestock.
- Entering areas posted with No Hunting Zone signs (area surrounding Headquarters).
- The use of screw-in steps, nails, or screw-in devices that attach a tree stand or ladder stand to a tree.
- Use of trail cameras or any electronic or photographic monitoring devices.
- Possession or use of bait.
- Use of flagging, ribbon, reflective tacks, or any other trail marker.
- Overnight camping and open fires.
- Littering.
- Using or possessing alcoholic beverages while hunting.
- Possession of controlled substances.
- Disturbing, harming, or collecting any animal or plant, except legally taken fish and game animals.
- Searching for or collecting shed antlers.
- Disturbing or removing artifacts and historic items.
- Use of unmanned aircraft systems, including drones.
- Target shooting and/or target practice.

Firearms

Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on National Wildlife Refuge System lands must comply with all provisions of State and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with refuge regulations (50 CFR 27.42 and specific refuge regulations in 50 CFR Part 32.)

Hunting Regulations

Hunting is allowed in accordance with Federal regulations governing public use on national wildlife refuges as set forth in Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, State regulations, and the Refuge-specific regulations in this brochure.

Areas Open to Hunting (See map)

Hunting Area 1 – There are nine areas included in Hunting Area 1. These areas are open to deer, grouse, moose, partridge, pheasant, and waterfowl (coot, duck, goose, and merganser) hunting in accordance with State regulations, State seasons, and Refuge-specific regulations.

Hunting Area 2 – This area is open to deer, grouse, moose, partridge, pheasant, and turkey hunting in accordance with State regulations, State seasons, and Refuge-specific regulations.

Hunting Area 3 – This area is open to a special late-season hunt that opens the day after the close of the State rifle deer season. Grouse, partridge, and pheasant may be hunted through the end of the State season. Fox may be hunted through March 31.

Area Closed to Hunting

The area surrounding Headquarters is closed to hunting. The area is posted with No Hunting Zone signs.

Equipment

All hunting equipment must be removed from the Refuge at the end of each day.

Accessibility

Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs and activities of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is available to all individuals regardless of physical or mental ability. For more information please contact the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Equal Opportunity, www.doi.gov/accessibility.

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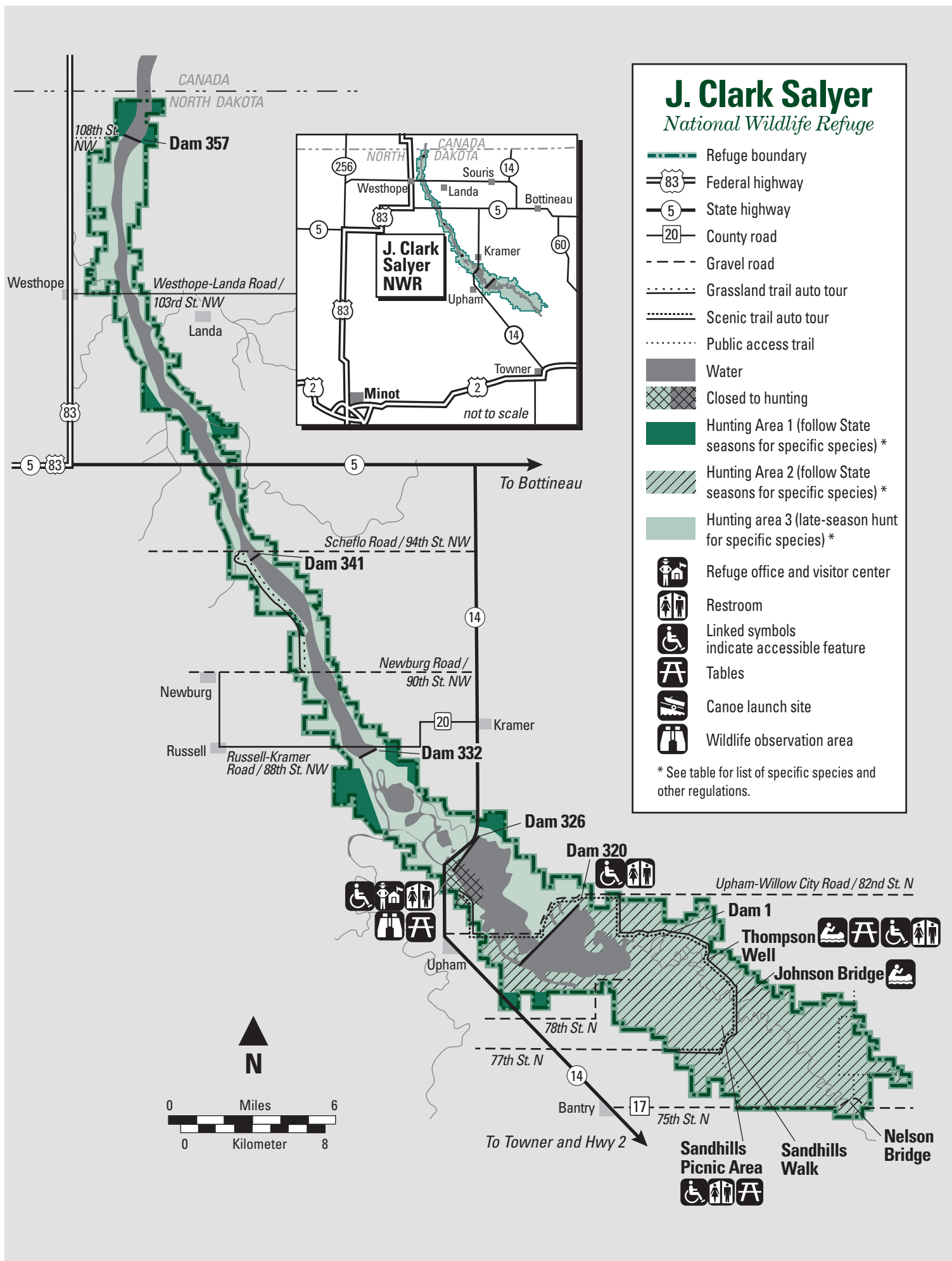
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Hunting is in accordance with State regulations; in addition, Refuge-specific regulations must be followed and are listed in the table below.

Activity	Season Dates	Hunt Areas (see map)	Other Regulations
Deer (bow, rifle, muzzleloader)	Youth season and regular State season	Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3	Pre-season scouting is not allowed. Hunters may not enter the Refuge prior to 12:00 pm (noon) on opening day. Portable ground blinds and portable tree stands are allowed. Only strap-on tree steps or removable climbing ladders are allowed. All equipment must be removed from the Refuge at the end of the day.
		Hunting Area 2	To access hunting area, deer hunters may use non-motorized boats or boats with electric trolling motors on the river from Johnson Bridge to Dam 1.
		Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3	Rifle hunters with a Special Refuge Permit (Unit 3A4 - J. Clark Salyer NWR, Antlered Deer) issued by the North Dakota Game and Fish (NDGF) Department are allowed to hunt in Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3. Rifle hunters with a Unit Permit for Unit 3A4, Antlerless Deer, issued by the NDGF Department are allowed to hunt in Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3. Muzzleloader hunters are required to have a special muzzleloader deer permit issued by the NDGF Department and are allowed to hunt in Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3.
		Hunting Area 1	Rifle hunters with a Unit Permit for Unit 3A4, Antlered Deer, issued by the NDGF Department are restricted to hunting in Hunting Area 1.
Moose (bow, rifle)	State season	Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3	Archery and rifle hunters with a unit permit for Unit M9 (Moose, Antlered or Antlerless), issued by the NDGF Department, are allowed to hunt in Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3.
Fox	Late season - opens the day after the close of the State rifle deer season until March 31.	Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3	If hunting with a shotgun, hunters may possess and use only non-toxic shot.
Waterfowl - coot, duck, goose, merganser	State season	Hunting Area 1	Non-motorized boats or boats with electric trolling motors are allowed for waterfowl hunting on the area located north of Dam 357. Hunters may retrieve legally taken waterfowl within 100 yards of exterior Refuge boundary and interior boundaries of designated public hunting areas, but may not carry a firearm. Dogs may be used and must be under direct control of the hunter.
Grouse, partridge, pheasant	State season	Hunting Area 1	Possession and use of only non-toxic shot.
	Late season - opens the day after the close of the State rifle deer season.	Hunting Areas 1, 2, and 3	Blaze orange vest and cap must be worn when hunting during deer firearm season. Dogs may be used and must be under direct control of the hunter.
Turkey	State season	Hunting Area 2	Hunters must possess a State-issued unit tag from NDGF Department. Weapons may include shotgun, muzzleloader shotgun, and archery equipment. Muzzleloader rifles and handguns are not allowed. Possession and use of only non-toxic shot.