

Kirtlands Warbler

Wildlife Management Area Hunting Regulations



Welcome

The Kirtland's Warbler Wildlife Management Area is part of the National Wildlife Refuge System. The Wildlife Management Area was established in 1980 to conserve fish or wildlife which are listed as endangered species or threatened species. It is managed to promote jack pine ecosystems that contribute to a sustainable population of Kirtland's Warblers and associated wildlife species.

Safety

Hunters must wear an article of blaze orange or pink consistent with state regulations.

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.)

Vehicles

Licensed motor vehicles are permitted only on public use roads and trails. ATVs and UTVs are prohibited.

Accessibility Information

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 Civil Rights, <https://www.doi.gov/pmb/eeo/public-civil-rights>.

Hunting Regulations

Hunting and fishing are permitted in accordance with Federal regulations governing public use on National Wildlife Refuges as set forth in Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

- No hunting due to the Kirtland's warbler breeding season from May 1 to Aug. 15.
- Migratory bird and small game hunters must remove boats, decoys, blinds, and blind materials at the end of each day.
- Deer hunters may place one blind each and must be labeled and removed as defined by state regulations.
- We allow the use of dogs while migratory bird hunting, provided the dog is under the immediate control of the hunter at all times.
- Hunters using shotguns, including turkey hunters, are required to use and possess only non-toxic shot.
- During the small game and migratory bird seasons, hunting dogs must be under the immediate control of the hunter.

Office is located at:

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Seney, MI 49883-9509

906-586-9851

TTY Federal Relay System: 1-800-877-8339

Email: seney@fws.gov

Website: <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/kirtlands-warbler-wildlife-management-area>

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
1-800-344-WILD (9453)

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- We prohibit the use of electronic or photographic trail monitoring devices such as game cameras.
- State regulations apply

Access

Access to the refuge is open from 1 hour before sunrise until 1 hour after sunset unless otherwise posted or stated in hunting regulations.

Prohibited Activities

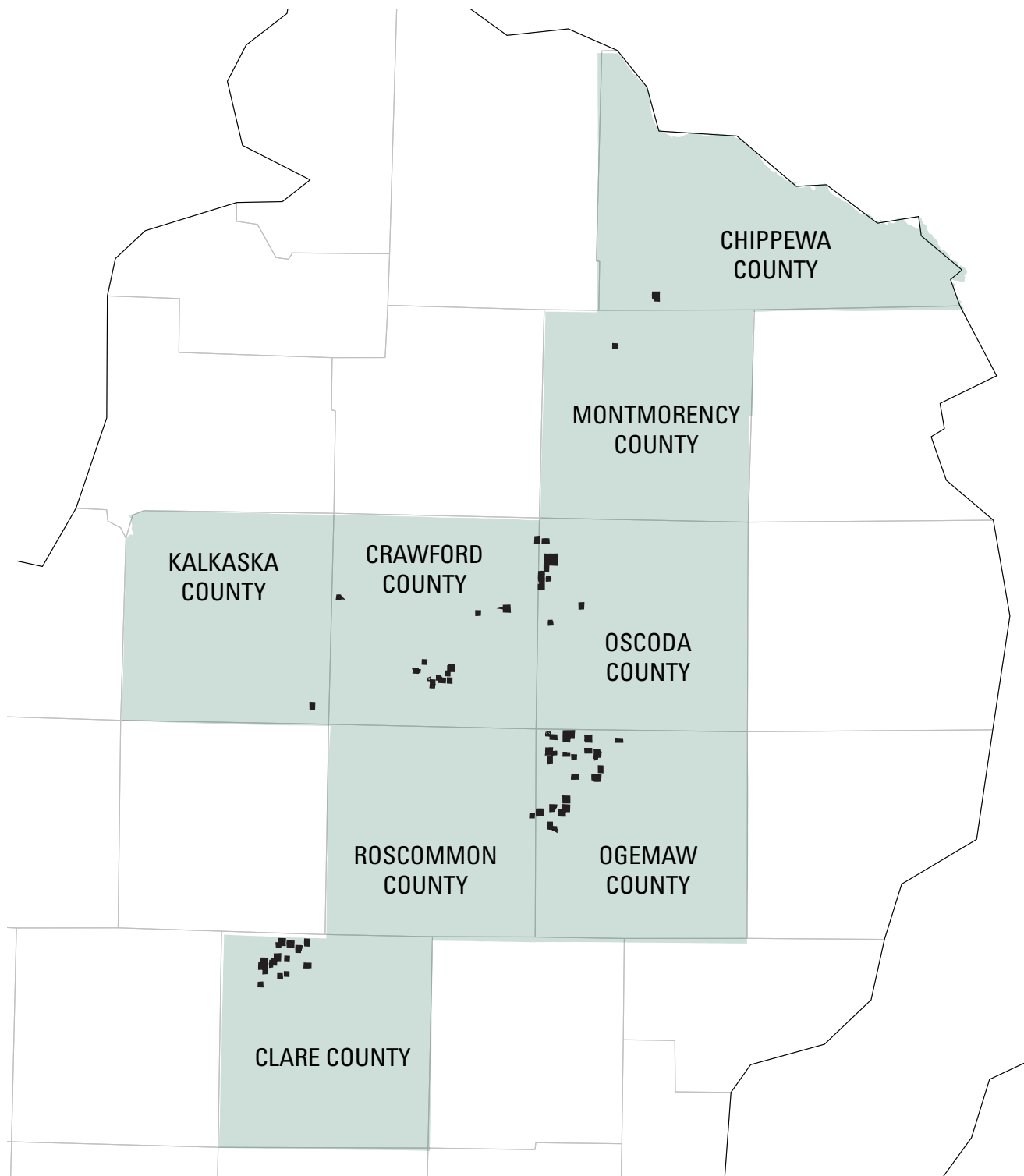
By law, recreational activities on national wildlife refuges are prohibited unless expressly permitted.

- Trapping and fishing
- The use of artificial lights or automobile headlights to locate or take wildlife.
- Distribution of or hunting over bait, including salts, minerals or attractants.
- Disposal of animal carcasses.
- Fires (including cooking fires), camping and overnight parking.
- Cutting, mowing, sawing, digging, collecting, injuring or removing vegetation.
- Target shooting or any non-hunting discharge of firearms.
- Searching for or removal of any natural or cultural items, including shed antlers, stones, plants and animals.
- Littering. All trash, including shotgun shell casings, must be packed out.
- Use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting.
- Use or possession of any illegal drug or drug paraphernalia

To Report Violations

- Turn In a Poacher (TIP) Line: 1-800-292-7800
- Fish & Wildlife Service TIP Line: 1-844-397-8477.

Activity	Huntatable Species	Seasons/Hours
Small Game	Crow, Grouse (ruffed and sharp-tailed), Greater prairie chicken, Mourning dove, Partridge, Pigeon, Porcupine, Quail (other than northern bobwhite) Ring-necked pheasant, Rabbits (cottontail and jack, and snow-shoe hare), Squirrels (red/pine, gray, and fox), Woodchuck/Groundhog	Nontoxic shot is required Open in accordance with state regulations and seasons except closed May 1- Aug 15
Waterfowl	American coot, American Woodcock, Snipe (common and Wilson's), Ducks, Geese, Gallinule, Merganser, Teal, Rail (sora and Virginia)	Open in accordance with state regulations and seasons except closed May 1- Aug 15
Turkey	Wild Turkey	Open in accordance with state regulations and seasons except closed May 1- Aug 15
Furbearer Hunting	Beaver, Badger, Fox (red and gray), Raccoon, Mink, Muskrat, Opossum, Otter, Weasels (long and short-tailed), Bobcat, Coyote, Striped Skunk	Open in accordance with state regulations and seasons except closed May 1- Aug 15
Furbearer Trapping	Closed	Closed
Big Game	White-tailed deer (firearm, archery, muzzleloader), Bear, Elk, Feral hogs (incidental take)	Open in accordance with state regulations and seasons except closed May 1- Aug 15
State regulations apply for bag limits.		



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