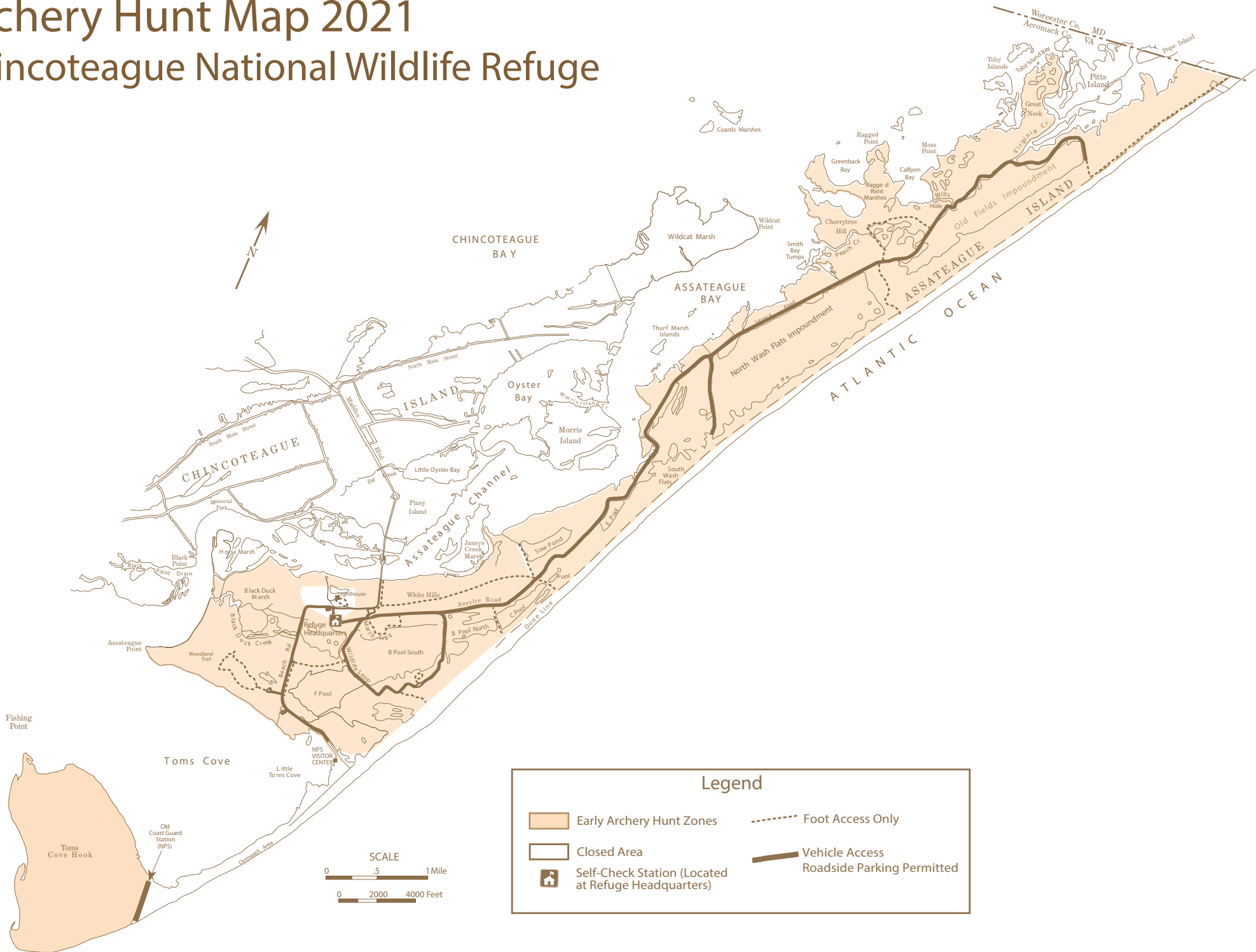


Archery Hunt Map 2021

Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge



White-tailed Deer and Sika

Early Archery Hunt Dates

- October 2 - November 12, 2021
- No hunting on Sundays.

Hunt Hours

In accordance with state law. Refuge main gate opens at 5:00 am.

Daily Hunter Limit

On a first come, first served basis, a maximum of 125 archers are allowed in the field daily.

Bag Limits

Sika: Hunters may take up to five sika daily, two of which may be antlered.

White-tailed Deer: Limits apply for all seasons regardless of weapon used.

- Only one antlerless deer may be taken per license year.
- Only one antlered buck, having at least (3) antlered points one inch or larger on one side may be taken per license year.

The taking of wildlife other than sika and white-tailed deer is prohibited.

General Regulations

We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and sika in designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State law subject to the following federal regulations:

1. We allow holders of a refuge hunt permit to access areas of the refuge typically closed to the non-hunting public. All occupants of a vehicle or hunt party must possess a refuge hunt permit and be actively engaged in hunting. We allow an exception for those persons aiding a disabled person who possesses a valid State-issued Commonwealth of Virginia Disabled Resident Lifetime License or Commonwealth of Virginia Resident Disabled Veteran's Lifetime License.
2. No hunting within 100 feet (30.5 meters) of any building.
3. You must park your vehicle in designated areas (See map).
4. You must sign in at the hunter register station prior to entering your hunt zone and sign out upon exiting your hunt zone. All hunters must

sign out no later than 2 hours after the end of legal shooting hours.

5. Areas of the refuge may need to close for management purposes, or other hazardous conditions that pose a threat to human health and safety. Such closures will be posted at the hunt register station.
6. We allow the use of portable tree stands, but stands must be removed at the end of each day's hunt.
7. Virginia Deer Population Reduction Program (DPOP) tags will be provided by refuge staff and must be used on sika elk taken on the refuge.
8. We prohibit deer drives. We define "drive" as four or more persons involved in the act of chasing, pursuing, disturbing, or otherwise directing deer so as to make the animal more susceptible to harvest.
9. You may not hunt, discharge a weapon, or nock an arrow or crossbow bolt within 50 feet (15.2 meters) of the center line of any road or trail, whether improved or unimproved.
10. Hunters are required to pay the refuge entrance fee. Federal Duck Stamps are accepted.

The Toms Cove Hook

- Four-wheel drive vehicles are required to access this area.
- All oversand vehicles must carry a shovel, jack, tow rope or chain, a board or similar support for the jack, and a low pressure tire gauge.

Hunters With Disabilities

Please contact the hunt coordinator at 757/336 6122 x2308 for additional information.

Hunt Orientation

For more information about this hunt see the online Hunt Orientation: <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Chincoteague/visit/hunting.html>

Permits

PRINT, SIGN BELOW AND RETAIN A COPY OF THIS BROCHURE, WHICH SERVES AS YOUR HUNT PERMIT IN THE FIELD. This permit must be displayed on your vehicle dashboard. You do not need to submit a copy to the refuge.

By signing below I acknowledge that I have read and understand the refuge hunt regulations and agree to abide by the regulations governing hunting on the refuge.

Hunter Name - Printed

Hunter Signature

Parent/Guardian Name - Printed

(Required for hunters less than 16 years old)

Parent/Guardian Signature

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