



Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge

Hunt Regulations

Those hunting within the refuge must follow all regulations as described in the New Hampshire or Maine hunting regulations, seasons, and bag limits as well as refuge-specific regulations outlined below.

Hunters will not be required to obtain permits to hunt on the refuge.

General Guidelines

- Refuge hunting hours coincide with state hunting hours. The refuge is closed to night hunting (50 CFR 32.48).
- When state and refuge regulations differ, the more restrictive rule applies.
- Any commercial/profit making venture on refuge lands, including guiding, requires a Special Use Permit (contact refuge office).
- Cars and trucks are welcome to drive on logging roads (as depicted on the map) to access the refuge, however, driving on skid roads or skidder trails is prohibited. ATVs and UTVs are prohibited [50 CFR 27.31(f)].
- Hunting over bait is prohibited [50 CFR 32.2 (h)].
- All species harvested must be retrieved.

Non-toxic Shot Requirement

- Hunters may only possess non-toxic shot when hunting migratory game birds or upland game (50 CFR 20.21(j) and 32.2(k).
- When hunting big game, non-toxic bullets and shot are recommended (but not required) to reduce the risk of lead poisoning.

Hunting With Dogs

We allow the use of dogs to assist in hunting, and in retrieval of harvested game. ■ Dog training is not permitted on the refuge (50 CFR 27.91 and 26.216).

Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds

■ We allow hunting of duck, goose, snipe coot, crow and woodcock.

Big Game

 We allow hunting of black bear, coyote, white-tailed deer, wild turkey, and moose.

Upland Game

We allow hunting of fox, raccoon, woodchuck, red and eastern gray squirrel, porcupine, skunk, snowshoe hare, ring-necked pheasant and ruffed grouse.

Blinds and Tree Stands

- Permanent waterfowl blinds are available at various locations on the refuge in NH.
- Reservations for permanent blinds may be made beginning the first Monday in August at noon. Reservations are for one week, Monday through Sunday during the hunting season.
- Reservations for additional weeks may be made up to one week in advance on a space available basis.
- Temporary waterfowl blinds are permitted, but must be removed daily (50 CFR 27.93-27.94).
- Temporary tree stands and blinds (for hunting species other than waterfowl) are permitted on the refuge and may be erected no earlier than 14 days prior to the hunting season and must be removed within 14 days after the hunting season (50 CFR 27.93-27.94).
- Tree stands and temporary blinds must be clearly marked with the owner's hunting license number.



■ The refuge is currently not open to trapping

Wild turkey

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