

Application Instructions for Opening Weekend 2022 Waterfowl Hunting Season

In order to hunt Modoc National Wildlife Refuge during the first two days of the hunting season, you must apply to hunt and be drawn in the lottery. The number of hunters to be drawn will be determined at the time of the lottery due to habitat conditions on the refuge but will NOT EXCEED 132 hunters.

- Complete one Waterfowl Lottery Application for **each adult member** of your party. Maximum party size is 4 adults. Staple all applications together with the party leader's application on top. Applications that are incomplete, illegible, duplicated or do not include the total application fee will be rejected.
- A \$3.00 non-refundable application fee must be submitted **for each applicant in the hunt party**. Submit **only one check or money order** to cover the entire party. Make the money order or check (NO cash please) payable to the: **U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service**.
- Hunters may submit **ONE** application only and may **NOT** apply for the Modoc Refuge hunt if they also apply for opening weekend hunts at Tule Lake or Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuges.
- America the Beautiful, Golden Age or Golden Access Passport Applicants: to receive reduced permit fees you **must** provide proof at time of successful draw and payment of permit fees. No refunds will be made if this information is not provided.
- Up to two Junior hunters may accompany parties with permits. Do **NOT** list Junior hunters on this application. They will not be charged a fee, but we will ask for names and DOB if your party is successful in the drawing. Junior hunters must be accompanied by an adult permit holder and carry a junior license while hunting. **Juniors count as part of the 4-person limit for the Spaced Blinds and Grandma Tract Assigned Hunt Units.**
- If you are interested in applying to the drawing for one of the Assigned Hunt Units available on the Grandma Tract, please use question #6 "Special Hunt" to write in Assigned Hunt Units and then use question #5 "Hunt Location Choices" to indicate your order of preference for the four units (2, 4, 8, 10 ***check update above for those units available**). **The Assigned Hunt Units are limited to a maximum of 4 persons (this includes junior hunters).** If you are selected, you will only be allowed to hunt at your assigned unit for the entire weekend. **The status of these hunt units varies from year to year and applicants are strongly encouraged to check on their availability and status before applying. Unsuccessful applicants will not be put into the Free roam drawing.**
- If you are interested in applying to the drawing for one of the three Universally Accessible (ADA) Blinds available, please use question #6 "Special Hunt" to write in ADA Blinds and then use question #5 "Hunt Location Choices" to indicate your order of preference for the three blinds (1, 2, 3). To be eligible, at least one person in your party **MUST** have a state issued handicapped placard in his/her vehicle. **An ADA Blind can only accommodate a total of 4 persons (this includes junior hunters).** If you are selected, you will only be allowed to hunt at your assigned ADA Blind for the entire weekend.
- Place all applications in an envelope, with the party leader on top, include your check or money order, and mail to: Modoc NWR Waterfowl Hunting App. PO BOX 1610, Alturas, CA 96101-1610
- This application **must be received by July 29, 2022** to be considered.
- The party leader will be notified by mail if the party was successfully drawn. **Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.**
- Permit fees of \$10.00 per hunter (\$5.00 per America the Beautiful, Golden Age or Golden Access hunter) will be charged to successful applicants to hunt both days of opening weekend.
- If you have any questions, please call the Refuge at 530.233.3572. **Good Luck!**