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National Wildlife Refuge through  
the Federal Information Relay System:  
800/877-8339

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[www.fws.gov/refuge/Neal\\_Smith](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Neal_Smith)

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
1-800/344-WILD



# Neal Smith

## National Wildlife Refuge

### Hunting Regulations 2014-2015

For deer hunting, Refuge access is from one hour before official sunrise to one hour after official sunset.

Trapping of fur-bearing animals is prohibited anywhere on the Refuge, including road ditches.

Construction or use of permanent stands or ladders is prohibited. Portable stands may be used but must be removed at the end of each day. Steps, ladders, and stands will be erected in such a way that the trees are not damaged.

Shooting on, from, or over any Refuge road within 50 feet of the center line is prohibited.

The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited on all National Wildlife Refuges.

The use of hunting dogs is allowed for hunting in accordance with state laws, during the state approved season, provided the dog is under the immediate control of the hunter at all times.

The training of dogs on the Refuge is prohibited.

Falconry is prohibited on the Refuge.

**Please respect our neighbors. State law prohibits shooting within 200 yards of buildings inhabited by people or livestock. Poles marking that distance are located throughout the Refuge. The poles are marked with the color orange.**

**Please refer to the State of Iowa Hunting Regulations for clothing requirements, definition of approved weapons, bag limits, license requirements, and other important information. Contact the Iowa Department of Natural Resources at (515)281-5918 or check their web page at [www.iowadnr.gov](http://www.iowadnr.gov).**

**Report all accidents and injuries to the Refuge:**

**Law Enforcement Officer: (515) 422-4020 (cell)  
Refuge Headquarters: (515) 994-3400**

Fires on the Refuge are prohibited.

Camping on the Refuge is prohibited.

Firearms are permitted on Refuge land in accordance with Federal and State laws. Except for authorized hunting activities, discharge of firearms on Refuge land is prohibited.

Parking is allowed at designated areas which are marked with a "P" for parking. Do not park in any field entrance. (*Access must be maintained for emergency, fire and patrol vehicles.*) Do not drive into fields or grassland areas.

Overnight parking is prohibited.

Use of spotlights or other artificial lights to spot, locate, or take any wildlife within the boundaries of any Refuge or along the right-of-way on public or private roads is prohibited.

Shed antler collection is prohibited.

### REFUGE SPECIFIC HUNTING REGULATIONS

Non-toxic shot is required for the hunting of all small game and upland game birds, including turkey.

A special refuge permit is required for all hunting. A copy of this brochure in your possession will suffice as a permit.

All successful turkey hunters are required to report their harvest to the Refuge using the form on this brochure and to Iowa DNR.

Hunting is permitted for:

Species	Season
Rooster Pheasant (Youth)	Oct. 18 - Oct. 19
Rooster Pheasant	Oct. 25 - Jan. 10, 2015
Bobwhite Quail	Oct. 25 - Jan. 31, 2015
Rabbit (Cottontail)	Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2015
Squirrel (Gray and Fox)	Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2015
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 30 and Jan. 14 - Jan. 31, 2015
Pigeon	Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2015
Coyote	Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2015
Turkey (Gun/Bow)	Oct. 13 - Oct. 31
Turkey (Archery only)	Dec. 22 - Jan. 10, 2015
Fox (Red and Gray)	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31, 2015
Doves (Morning and Eurasian Collared)	Sept. 1 - Nov. 9
Waterfowl	
Special Teal	Sept. 6 - Sept. 21
Ducks, Mergansers, and Coots	Oct. 4 - 8 and Oct. 18 - Dec. 11
Youth Hunt	Oct. 11 - 12
Canada Geese and Brant	Oct. 4 - Jan. 9, 2015
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 4 - Dec. 16
Light Geese	Oct. 4 - Jan. 16, 2015
Whitetail Deer	
Youth Season	Sept. 20 - Oct. 5
Disabled Hunter Season	Sept. 20 - Oct. 5
Archery Season	
Early Split	Oct. 1 - Dec. 5 and Dec. 22 - Jan. 10, 2015
Late Split	Oct. 11 - 19
Early Muzzleloader	Oct. 11 - 19
Late Muzzleloader	Dec. 22 - Jan. 10, 2015
Shotgun	
Season 1	Dec. 6 - 10
Season 2	Dec. 13 - 21
Non-resident Holiday	Dec. 24 - Jan. 2, 2015

#### TURKEY HARVEST REPORTING FORM

NAME of HUNTER: \_\_\_\_\_

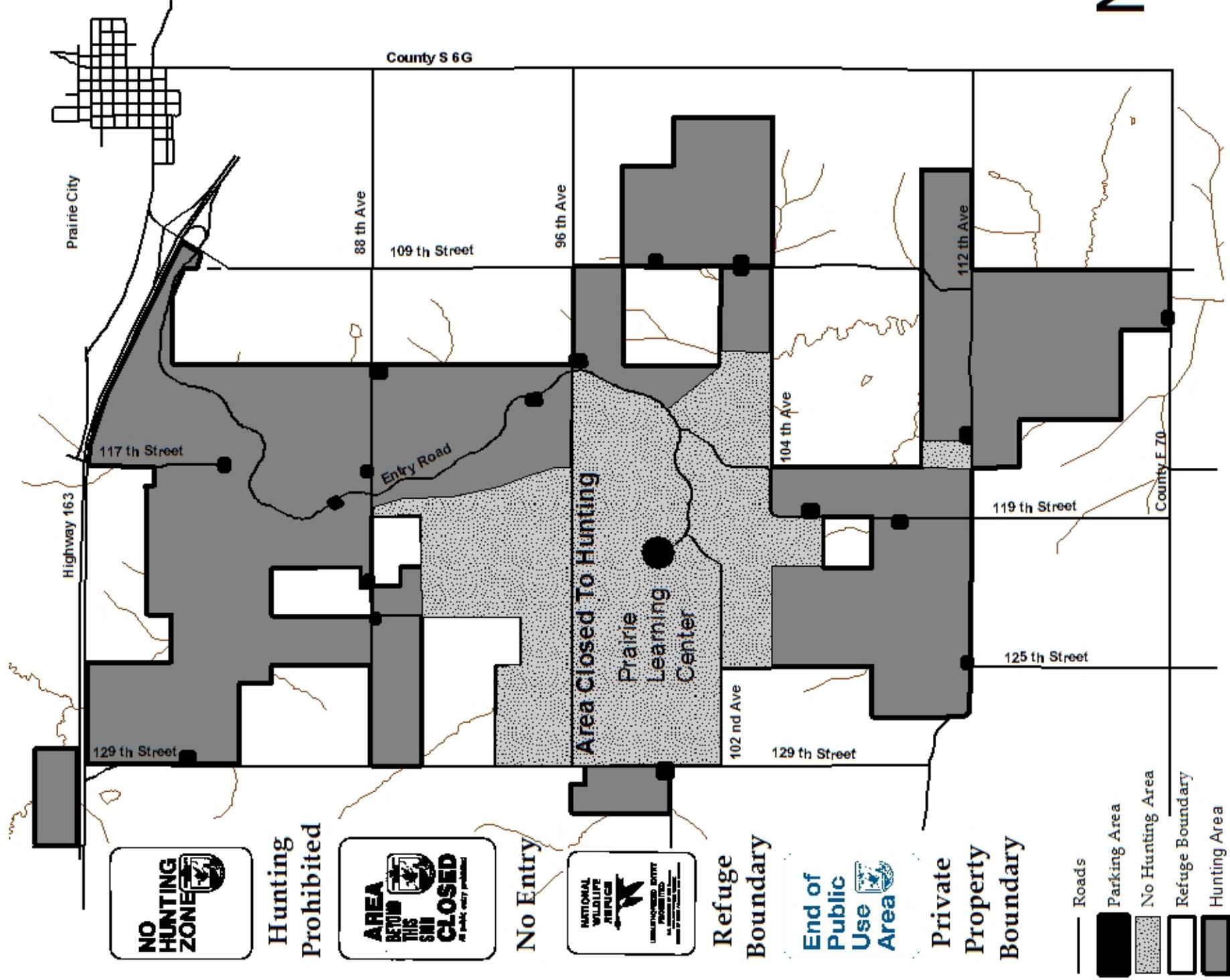
Date of Harvest: \_\_\_\_\_

Male or Female Harvest? \_\_\_\_\_

Return form to Visitor Center

October 7, 2014

# Neal Smith NWR Hunting Area Map 2014 - 2015



Contact Refuge Before Hunting for current Prescribed Fire Units