



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge



2015- 2016 Okefenokee NWR Hunts

HUNTS

Deer and Feral Hog

Archery (Either Sex)

Cowhouse Unit: September 12-28, October 4-6, October 11-15, Sign-in.

Pocket Unit: September 12-October 9, Foot traffic only off paved road, No dogs, Sign-in/Out.

Primitive weapons (Either sex)

Cowhouse Unit: September 30- October 3, Check-in. October 8-10, Sign-in.

Firearms (Buck only)

Cowhouse Unit: October 17-18, October 24-27, Sign-In.

Firearms (Either Sex)

Cowhouse Unit: November 5-7, Check-in. November 25-29, Sign-in. December 6-9, Sign-in.

Suwannee Canal Unit: October 23-24, Quota 30; First come-first serve. Permit fee of \$15.00 and check-in/out required.

Suwannee Canal Unit (Chesser Island): October 23-24, **Wheelchair Hunters and/or Youth Only.** Quota 10; First come-first serve. Permit fee of \$15.00 and check-in/out required.

Small Game

Firearms (See State Regulations)

Cowhouse Unit (Quail, Rabbit, & Squirrel Only): August 15- September 28, October 4- November 3, November 8- February 29. Pointing dogs allowed for quail hunting only. No furbearer season. Sign-in at Dixon Memorial WMA and at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

Turkey

Firearms (Shotgun)

Cowhouse Unit: March 26- May 15, 2016. In accordance with Dixon Memorial WMA regulations. Sign-in at Dixon Memorial WMA and at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

Alligator Hunting is prohibited on the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Suwannee Canal Unit: Chesser Island for wheelchair and/or youth hunters only. Shotguns with slugs or muzzleloaders only. Check-out by noon. Hunt is first come-first serve and limited to the first 30 hunters (10 additional slots reserved for wheelchair and/or youth hunters); hunters will be charged a \$15.00 permit fee. Hunters may line up for check-in no earlier than 4:00 a.m. A special refuge tag will be provided for up to two harvested deer upon check-out. Harvested deer do not count towards state bag limit. No dogs allowed. Check in/out required.

Cowhouse Island Unit: Foot and bicycle traffic only; No dogs allowed except pointing dogs for hunting quail; Sign-in/out at Dixon Memorial WMA and at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

Pocket Unit: Foot traffic only off paved roads; No dogs allowed; Sign-in/out required.

FREE HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES

Residents and non-residents born on or after Jan. 1, 1961 and are 12 years old or older must successfully complete a hunter education course prior to purchasing a season hunting license to hunt outside their own land. To register for a course, sign-up online at www.gohuntgeorgia.com/education.

For more information, contact the refuge Visitor Center at (912) 496-7836, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. daily.