



## U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

# 2017 Feral Hog Hunting Regulations and Information

## Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge

Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge will hold a limited-permit feral hog hunt in March 2017. A total of 170 permits will be available. Shotguns, muzzleloaders, and bow and arrow are allowed as hunting weapons. The Goode, Meyers, Big Mineral, Sandy, Godwin and southeast portion of Harris Creek Units will be open to hunting. Hunters may select which unit they wish to hunt, however *one or more units may be designated as archery hunting only depending on demand*. This will be determined once all applications have been received and the drawing completed.

### Hunt Applications and Permits

For the 2017 hunt, applications will be accepted at Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge beginning **December 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016**. A random drawing will be held January 9th and selected applicants notified later that week via e-mail. There is a \$5 application/processing fee (non-refundable) per hunter to apply and a \$25 permit fee per hunter if drawn. **Hunters may list one buddy on their application.**

To apply, send your name (and your buddy's name if applicable), address, e-mail address, phone number, **and whether you will be hunting with a gun, bow, or both on an index card to:**

2017 Feral Hog Hunt  
Hagerman NWR  
6465 Refuge Road  
Sherman, TX 75092

You may also come to the Refuge Office Monday–Friday, 7:30–4:00 and apply in person. **Cash will not be accepted. You must bring a check or money order made out to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.**

Note: All applicants who will be hunting with a bow must have completed a Bowhunter Education Course\* before applying for the hunt and must provide their Bowhunter Education Certificate Student Number when applying.

\***IBEP** courses are conducted locally and statewide. Contact your local bow shop or contact the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, Hunter Education Division at 1-800/792-1112 or see internet site: [www.tpwd.state.tx.us](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us).

### Significant Dates

#### Hunt Dates for Segment A and B:

Segment A. Friday Morning March 3 to  
Sunday Evening March 5, 2017

Segment B. Friday Morning March 17 to  
Sunday Evening March 19, 2017

### Hunt Fees for Drawn Applicants

#### Hunt Fee Deadline is January 31st

There is a \$25 permit fee per hunter. Personal check, cashier's check, or money-order only made out to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be accepted for payment. If mailed, it must be **postmarked no later than January 31, 2017.**

*Cash will not be accepted.*

### Hunter Qualifications

**License & Tags:** A valid State of Texas hunting license is required. All Texas State regulations apply. **Note:** The Refuge has no licenses or stamps for sale. Photo ID, hunting license, and hunt permit are required for registration.

**Hunter Education.** In accordance with State regulations.

**Bowhunter Education Card.** Required if hunting with a bow.

### Firearms

Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on National Wildlife Refuges must comply with all provisions of state and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with Refuge regulations (50 CFR 27.42 and specific refuge regulations in 50 CFR Part 32). Units will have a hunting type of weapon restriction (shotgun, or archery) due to safety concerns.

### Regulations

- Only lead free, non-toxic (steel, bismuth, copper or tungsten) bullets, slugs, or 00 buckshot may be used and possessed while hunting feral hogs on the Refuge.
- We do not allow baiting or hunting over bait.
- Permitted hunters only allowed in the field during the hunt.
- We do not allow possession of alcohol during a hunt.
- No trees or limbs greater than one inch may be cut.

- We do not allow collecting shed antlers.
- We do not allow camping on the refuge; public camping facilities are available off refuge.
- A complete set of hunting regulations will be provided to selected hunters.

**Legal Game.** Feral hogs

**Bag Limits:** There is no bag, age, sex, or size limit on hogs.

**Reporting:** All harvested hogs must be reported to the Refuge on the day it was bagged. Report on the sign-in sheet or call 903/786-2826.

**Methods:** Hunting is from stands, blinds or by stalking (still hunting) only. Only one (1) stand per hunter is allowed. Only portable blinds and stands are allowed and must be removed at the close of the hunt segment. The hunt units will be closed to public entry the day prior to each hunt segment. Permitted hunters will be allowed to place hunt stands on trees the day before their hunt segment begins, **but must first check in at the hunter check station (anytime after 7:00 am) and must leave the unit by 2:00 pm.** Any hunter that has not left the hunt unit by 2:00 pm on stand placement day will be disqualified from the hunt.

### Hours of Access

A self-serve check station will be used for the hunt. All hunters **MUST** check-in and check-out daily. You may check-in beginning at 5:00 a.m. each of the three hunt days. Check-out time each day is one hour after legal sunset. Failure to check-in/out may impact your future hunts at the Refuge.

### Scouting

Scouting is encouraged (daylight hours only), but is not allowed during hunt segment, including the day before each segment. No weapons may be discharged except when hunting.

### For Further Information

Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge  
6465 Refuge Road  
Sherman, TX 75092-5817  
903/786-2826  
Monday thru Friday, 7:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

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