

Great Bay National Wildlife Refuge

2020-2021 Waterfowl Hunting



Open Areas
3.3 miles of shoreline
Closed Areas
2.2 miles of shoreline, specifically:
Within 300 ft of private home on Fabyan Point, per State law.
Within 2,700 ft of northern refuge boundary, to ensure safety of William Furber Ferry Way Trail users.
Within 1,640 ft of the Stubbs Pond dike, to prevent disturbance to resting waterfowl in Stubbs Pond.

We allow hunting of waterfowl on designated areas of the refuge subject to certain conditions.

Please refer to the New Hampshire Fish and Game Hunting and Trapping Digest for shooting hours, definition of approved weapons, bag limits, license requirements, and other important information. Contact the NH Fish and Game Department at (603) 271-3421 or check their web page at <https://wildlife.state.nh.us/index.html>.

All hunters must comply with Federal, State and refuge-specific rules and regulations.

Allowed Species

Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, coots, and sea ducks may be hunted in accordance with all State regulations posted in the NH Hunting and Trapping Digest.

Access

Access to the refuge shoreline for waterfowl hunting is by boat launched from off-refuge sites only.

Of the 5.5 miles of refuge shoreline, 3.3 miles are open to waterfowl hunting and 2.2 miles are closed (see map).

Permits

A refuge permit is not required for waterfowl hunting.

Reminders

- Areas closed to hunting and waterfowl retrieval are marked with “Area Closed” sign.
- Waterfowl hunting and retrieval is permitted within 20 feet of the tidal shoreline, in open areas, only.
- Dogs are allowed for waterfowl hunting; however, they must be under the hunter’s control at all times.
- Decoys, blinds, boats, and other hunting equipment may not be left on the refuge overnight.
- Littering, including shotgun shell hulls, is prohibited.

For more information, contact:

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Legend

- Open to Waterfowl Hunting
- Closed to Waterfowl Hunting
- Refuge Boundary

Map Projection: GCS_North_American_1983
 Graticule Units: degrees, minutes, seconds
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