



The "Blue Goose" symbolizes the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of over 566 refuges protected and managed for wildlife, habitat, and people.

**Welcome to Sherburne**

This 30,700 acre refuge was established in 1965 to help protect and restore the habitats associated with the St. Francis River Valley for migratory birds and other wildlife. Recreation is encouraged where it is compatible with the needs of wildlife and the land. Limited sport hunting is permitted on the refuge in accordance with all applicable Federal and Minnesota State laws subject to the following special refuge regulations:



**Public Access**

Foot travel is permitted throughout the refuge Sept. 1 - Feb. 28, except in closed areas. The refuge is closed to public access during the wildlife sanctuary period Mar. 1 - Aug. 31, except areas designated in the Public Use Regulations & Map. Access beyond fences is permitted in open hunting areas. Vehicles are permitted only on roads designated on the map. Brande Rd. Entrance off CR 9 is open Sept. 1 until winter closure and is maintained for vehicles to Long Pool Rd. through firearm deer season. The Wildlife Drive is closed to vehicles during firearm deer season.



**Parking**

Vehicles may be parked in parking areas shown on the map or on the shoulder of the road in accordance with county and state regulations. Blocking gates and overnight parking is not permitted.



**Hunting**

Hunting is permitted as set by federal and state laws. **The refuge is NOT OPEN for deer muzzleloader, mourning dove, crow, predator, coyote, bear, raccoon or general turkey hunting.**



**Hunters with Disabilities**

Blinds for hunters with disabilities may be available by reservation during waterfowl, spring turkey, and firearm deer seasons. For more information, contact the Refuge Headquarters.



**Firearms and Ammunition**

Hunting weapons are prohibited in areas closed to hunting. Hunting weapons must be cased and unloaded when traveling on refuge roads through no hunting zones. Shotgun hunters must possess and use only **non-toxic shot** while hunting small game and migratory birds on the refuge. NO target or indiscriminate shooting is permitted.



**Accidents**

Serious injuries or accidents occurring on the refuge should be reported to 911 and also to the Refuge Headquarters.



**Protected Species**

Species not listed in this brochure are protected and may NOT be killed. It is YOUR responsibility to be able to identify your game and the protected species. Bald eagles, swans and other protected birds are common in hunting areas.



**Bicycling**

Non-motorized bicycles are permitted on the Wildlife Drive year-round and on service roads from Sept. 1 - Feb. 28. Off-road travel is not permitted. Electric bikes, off-road utility vehicles, and horses are not permitted.



**Camping**

Camping is not permitted on the refuge. Camping is available at the Sand Dunes State Forest.



**Fire**

Fire danger can be extremely high during spring and fall. Please take special precautions with all flammable materials. *Campfires are not permitted.*



**Boats**

Motorized watercrafts are prohibited, including electric motors. Watercrafts can be launched at designated access sites only.



**Refuge Boundary**

This sign delineates the refuge boundary.



**Area Closed**

This area is closed to ALL entry all year.



**No Hunting Zone**

This area is closed to ALL hunting.



**Gates**

All refuge roads must remain accessible for fire and emergency situations.

Emergencies.....911

**To Report Violations:**

**Sherburne Refuge Headquarters...763-389-3323**  
**Turn in Poachers (TIP) Line.....1-800-652-9093**  
 ...Key in #TIP on a Cell Phone

**For MN DNR Hunt Information:**

**Information Line.....651-296-6157**  
**Website: www.dnr.state.mn.us/hunting**

**For Refuge Information:**

**Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge**  
**17076 293rd Ave NW**  
**Zimmerman, MN 55398**

**763-389-3323 FAX 763-389-3493**  
**TTY users may access the Federal**  
**Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339**

**Sherburne Website Address:**  
**www.fws.gov/refuge/sherburne/**

**Sherburne Email Address:**  
**sherburne@fws.gov**



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## National Wildlife Refuge

### Hunting Regulations & Map



## Huntable Species on the Refuge

All hunting is prohibited March 1 to August 31, during the refuge sanctuary period. This includes early goose hunting prior to September 1.

### Small Game

Ruffed Grouse  
Gray & Fox Squirrel  
Rabbit & Hare  
Pheasant

Area A	Area B	Area C
State Season	State Season	Closed
State Season	State Season	Closed
State Season	State Season	Closed
State Season	State Season	Closed

### Migratory Birds

Ducks, Coots & Geese  
Rails, Woodcocks & Snipe

Closed	State Season	Closed
Closed	State Season	Closed

### Big Game *(Not open for deer muzzleloader season)*

Deer - Archery  
Deer - Firearms  
MN DNR Zone 200 | Permit Area 224

State Season	State Season	*Closed
State Season	State Season	State Season

\*Area C is closed to archery deer hunting, except during the state firearm deer season.

### Spring Turkey

Spring turkey hunt for youth and hunters with disabilities may be available by special use permit. Contact Refuge Headquarters for details.

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## Special Refuge Hunting Regulations

- All hunters must be licensed and abide by all applicable federal and state regulations.
- Permanent stands are not permitted. Portable stands or temporary blinds are permitted, but must be removed at the end of each day. Nails, wire, bolts or screw-in steps may not be used to attach a stand or to support a hunter or equipment.
- The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
- Field possession of migratory birds is prohibited in areas closed to migratory bird hunting.
- All property brought onto the refuge must be removed each day. This includes vehicles, boats, decoys, trash, trail cameras, and hunting equipment.
- Cutting, mowing, sawing, digging, collecting, injuring, or removing vegetation is prohibited.
- Brande Rd. entrance off CR 9 is open Sept. 1 until winter closure and is maintained for vehicle access to Long Pool through firearm deer season. Following that it will close when weather warrants.
- Collecting or removal of antler sheds is prohibited.
- Hunting dogs are permitted, but must be under the immediate control of the hunter at all times, and used only during the state hunting season, in areas open to hunting. Training and allowing pets off leash are prohibited at all other times.
- Entry into hunting areas earlier than 2 hours before legal shooting hours is prohibited.
- Deer pushes or deer drives on areas closed to white-tailed deer hunting are prohibited.

# Sherburne NWR Hunting Map

