

# News Release

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### **Prime Hook NWR Announces Upcoming Deadlines for Preseason Lottery Hunting Applications**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently announced deadlines for preseason lottery hunting applications at Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge (PHNWR) for the 2015-2016 hunting season. These applications are available through the web-based lottery permitting program operated by the vendor (Kinsail) at [www.primehookpermits.com](http://www.primehookpermits.com) or by telephone at (703) 994-4194.

Preseason lottery hunting applications for deer hunts in the Headquarters Area and for hunters with disabilities in the Island Farm Area are available now. The application period started on July 15 and ends August 31. The drawing and notification to hunters will take place on September 7.

The application period for accepting preseason lottery hunting applications for waterfowl hunts for hunters with disabilities in the Island Farm Area starts on August 15 and ends September 15. The drawing and notification to hunters will take place on September 21.

Any vacancies not claimed during the preseason lottery drawing will be available to hunters on a standby basis throughout the season through Kinsail's website or by telephone. Hunters should check for updates on the website to learn when these vacancies will be released.

Many changes have been made to the hunting program for the 2015-2016 season at Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge. Refuge-specific hunting regulations are available on the refuge's website at [http://www.fws.gov/refuge/prime\\_hook/](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/prime_hook/), on Kinsail's website at [www.primehookpermits.com](http://www.primehookpermits.com), and at the refuge office. Hunters should take the time to become familiar with these new regulations and are encouraged to call the refuge office at (302) 684-8419 with any questions.

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