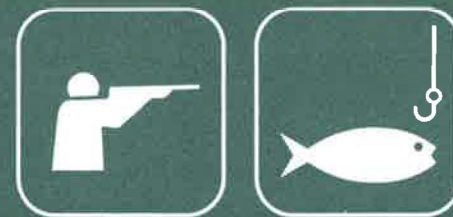


# Quivira

## National Wildlife Refuge

### Hunting and Fishing Information



#### Welcome

Quivira National Wildlife Refuge is one of a system of over 565 refuges administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Quivira NWR is primarily managed to provide food, water, and resting areas for migratory waterfowl. A system of canals and water control structures diverts water from Rattlesnake Creek to 34 water units ranging from 10 to 1,500 acres.

#### General Refuge Regulations

##### Vehicles and Parking

Motorized vehicles are permitted only on developed roads and parking areas. Driving off roads or on roads marked as closed by signs or barriers is prohibited. Parking in front of gates or on bridges or water control structures is prohibited.

##### Hours

The Refuge is open from 1-1/2 hours before sunrise to 1-1/2 hours after sunset.

##### Camping, Fires, and Boating

- Overnight camping is not permitted.
- No fires of any type are permitted within the Refuge.
- The use of boats, canoes, and other watercraft is not permitted.

##### Littering

Littering is prohibited. Please remove all trash, including spent shell casings, from the Refuge.

##### Refuge and Cultural Resources

All government property, including natural items such as antlers, plants, historic, and archaeological features are protected by Federal law. Searching for or removal of objects of antiquity or other value is strictly prohibited.

#### Hunting Regulations

Hunting is permitted on 8,000 of the Refuge's 22,135 acres in accordance with applicable Federal and State regulations and the following special regulations. All hunters must possess a Refuge hunting permit. For all Refuge hunts, **this brochure, when signed and in your possession, serves as a permit for all Refuge hunts.**

##### Seasons

Refuge hunting areas are open September 1 through February 28. Refuge hunting areas may be closed to hunting without notice when whooping cranes are present or if emergencies arise.

##### Permitted

**Waterfowl, pheasants, quail, doves, squirrels, and rabbits** may be hunted during the regular State seasons that fall within the September 1 through February 28 period.

##### Not permitted

**Deer, turkey, sandhill cranes, snakes, or other species not listed cannot be hunted on Quivira NWR.**

##### Firearms

Shotguns are the only firearm allowed for taking permitted game. Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on National Wildlife Refuge lands 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), for the taking of game animals in legal hunting areas.

##### Non-toxic Shot

Steel shot, bismuth, or other approved non-toxic shot is required when hunting any game on the Refuge. The possession of lead shot in the field is prohibited.

##### Areas Closed to Hunting

Parts of the Refuge are posted as "Public Hunting Area" and are shown on the map. Hunting is not permitted outside these shaded areas, or from across roads, trails, or parking areas.

#### Accessibility

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to participate in Refuge hunts and other activities. Contact the Refuge manager for guidelines to obtain special use access. Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs and activities of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is available to all individuals regardless of physical or mental ability. Dial 711 for a free connection to the State relay service for TTY and voice calls to and from people with hearing and speech disabilities. For more information or to address accessibility needs, please contact the Refuge staff at 620 / 486 2393, or the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Equal Opportunity, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

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**TTY / Voice: 711**

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**For Refuge Information**  
**1 800 / 344 WILD**

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#### REFUGE HUNTING AND FISHING PERMIT

##### Quivira National Wildlife Refuge

The signing of the permit validates it as your general Refuge hunting and fishing permit and must be in your possession while participating in authorized Refuge hunting and fishing activities. This permit is valid from the date of signature until June 1 of the following year. I have read and understand these Refuge regulations.

**Participant's**  
**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## Hunting Regulations (continued)

### Game Retrieval

Retrieving non-permitted species is prohibited on all Refuge land. Retrieving permitted species from areas closed to hunting is also prohibited.

### Dogs

The use of dogs for hunting and retrieving is encouraged. Dogs and other pets must be under owner's control. From March 1 through August 31, all dogs and other pets must be leashed.

### Blinds

Portable devices or temporary blinds of natural vegetation are permitted. Permanent blinds or pits are not permitted. All devices and blinds must be removed daily. An accessible hunting blind is available on Unit 30. Reserve the blind by contacting staff at the Refuge headquarters.

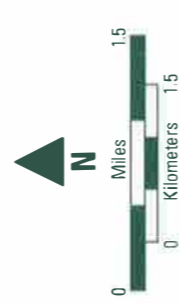
### Trapping, Baiting, and Spottlighting

Trapping and baiting are prohibited on the Refuge. The use of artificial light or light-gathering equipment to locate wildlife is prohibited.

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### Fishing & Hunting Areas



13 mi. to U.S. 281  
& Kansas Hwy. 19

## Signs and Boundaries

Signs are useful tools in regulating the use of a public area. Obey all posted signs. The wording of the sign applies to the area located behind the sign, with the exception of parking signs.

The signs shown below are only a few of the signs you will see on the Refuge.



Entry permitted in accordance with Refuge regulations.



All entry prohibited.



Hunting, weapons, and game retrieval prohibited.

## Fishing Regulations

All Refuge waters are open to sport fishing in accordance with State fishing regulations with the exceptions listed below.

### Kids' Fishing Pond

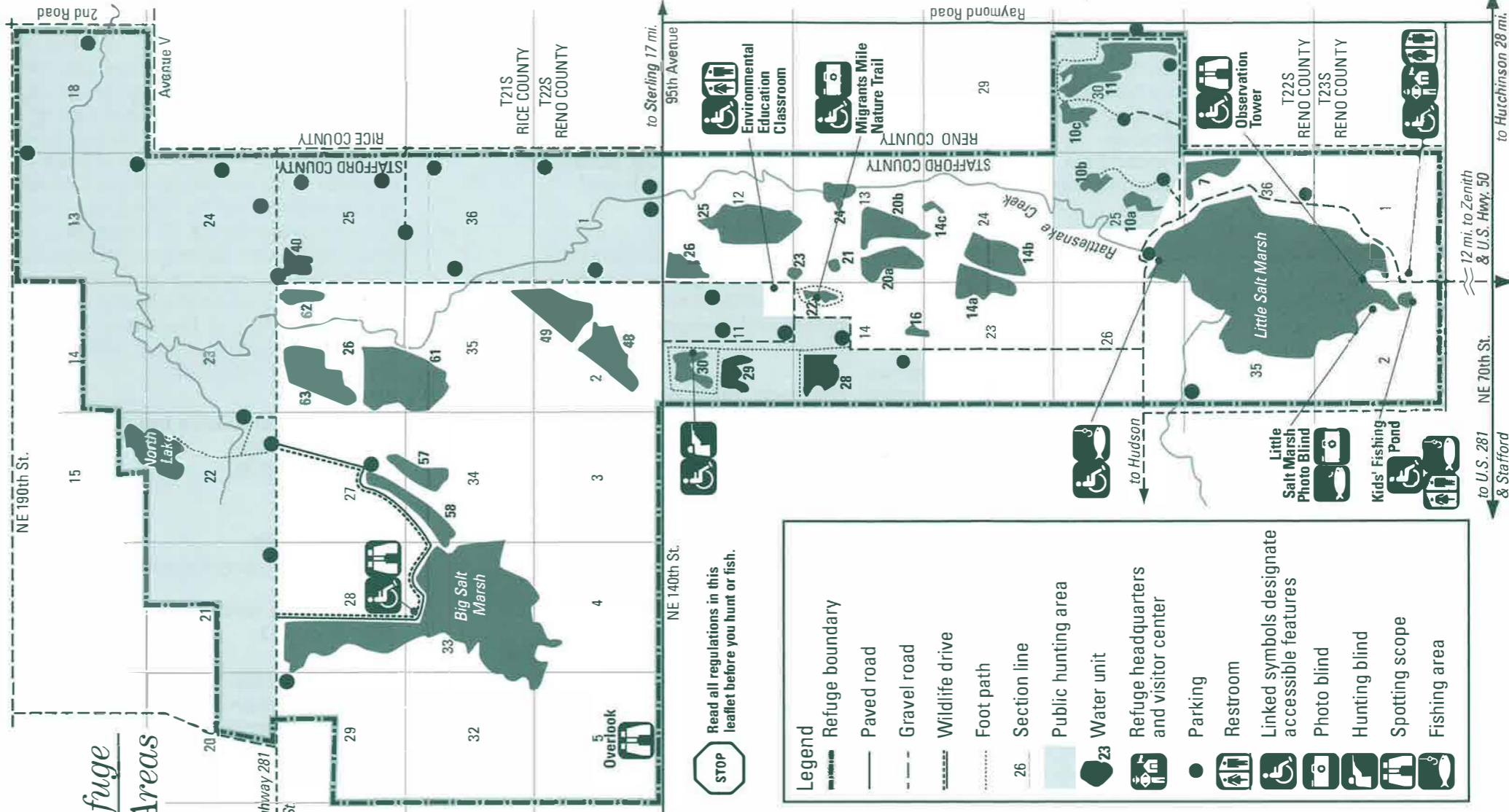
The Kids' Fishing Pond is open for youth 14 years and younger. Adults may fish at the Pond only if accompanying a youth. Only one fish may be taken per person per day.

### Legal Species

Fish species listed in the State fishing regulations may be taken. All other wildlife species, including turtles and frogs are protected and may not be disturbed or removed from the Refuge.

### Exceptions

Fishing with trotlines and setlines is prohibited. The use of seines for taking bait is not permitted. Fishing from water control structures and bridges is prohibited.



**STOP**  
Read all regulations in this leaflet before you hunt or fish.

Legend	
	Refuge boundary
	Paved road
	Gravel road
	Wildlife drive
	Foot path
	Section line
	Public hunting area
	Water unit
	Refuge headquarters and visitor center
	Parking
	Restroom
	Linked symbols designate accessible features
	Photo blind
	Hunting blind
	Spotting scope
	Fishing area