

Activities Prohibited throughout the Savannah Coastal Refuges Complex continued

- Cutting or removing any live vegetation, limbs, etc.;
- Disturbing, collecting, injuring, or attempting to disturb, collect, or injure any plant, artifact, rock, or animal on any refuge;
- Feeding or harassing wildlife;
- Littering;
- Fires;
- Blocking gates or roadways with vehicles;
- Removal of any object or equipment owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service;
- Camping and/or overnight parking;
- Pets are not allowed on any refuges within the complex.

Pinckney Island NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Pinckney Island NWR is permitted on designated areas of the refuge, in accordance with all applicable state regulations, and subject to the following conditions:

Saltwater fishing is permitted year-round in the estuarine waters adjacent to the refuge.

Freshwater fishing is prohibited.

A South Carolina saltwater fishing license is required.

Savannah NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Savannah NWR is permitted on impounded waters, tidal creeks, and canals within the refuge boundaries. Sport fishing shall be in accordance with all applicable state regulations and subject to the following special conditions:

Fishing from boats is permitted year-round in Kingfisher Pond (non-motorized or electric motor boats only) and all tidal creeks, unless otherwise posted.

Fishing from boats (non-motorized or electric motor boats only) within all other impounded waters and canals is permitted **March 1 – November 30**.

Bank fishing is permitted year-round throughout the refuge, unless otherwise posted.

Only non-motorized boats and boats with electric motors are permitted on Kingfisher Pond and other impounded waters and canals.

All areas posted with “Area Closed” signs are closed to all activities including fishing.

No one will be allowed on the refuge before sunrise and all persons must be off the refuge no later than one half hour after sunset.

A Georgia fishing license is required for fishing in GA waters; A South Carolina freshwater fishing license is required for fishing in SC waters (includes refuge impoundments and bank fishing from Laurel Hill Wildlife Drive.)

Wassaw NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Wassaw NWR is permitted on designated areas of the refuge, in accordance with all applicable state regulations, and subject to the following special conditions:

Saltwater fishing is permitted year-round in the estuarine waters adjacent to the refuge.

Bank/beach fishing into estuarine waters is permitted only from sunrise to sunset (except during managed hunts when refuge is closed.)

Freshwater fishing is prohibited.

Boater Caution: Coastal waters are subject to extreme tidal fluctuations of six feet. Fishermen should be familiar with the tide tables, and monitor coastal weather conditions before navigating to the barrier island refuge.

A Georgia fishing license and SIP permit are required.

Harris Neck NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Harris Neck NWR is permitted on designated areas of the refuge, in accordance with all applicable state regulations, and subject to the following special conditions:

Saltwater fishing is permitted year-round in the estuarine waters adjacent to the refuge.

Bank fishing into estuarine waters is permitted year-round, from sunrise to sunset (except during managed hunts when refuge is closed).

Freshwater fishing is prohibited.

Barbour River Landing (boat ramp and parking area) is open 24 hours, with a not to exceed 72 hours limit.

A Georgia fishing license and SIP permit required.

Directions to Barbour River Landing: From I-95, take Exit 67 and travel south on U.S. 17 for 1.0 miles to GA 131 (Harris Neck Road). Turn left and drive approximately seven miles to the end of Harris Neck Road. Veer left onto Barbour River Road and follow to the boat landing parking area.

Blackbeard Island NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Blackbeard Island NWR is permitted on designated areas of the refuge, in accordance with all applicable state regulations, and subject to the following special conditions:

Saltwater fishing is permitted year-round in the estuarine waters adjacent to the refuge.

Bank/beach fishing into estuarine waters is permitted only from sunrise to sunset (except during managed hunts when refuge is closed.)

Freshwater fishing is prohibited.

Boater Caution: Coastal waters are subject to extreme tidal fluctuations of six feet. Fishermen should be familiar with the tide tables, and monitor coastal weather conditions before navigating to the barrier island refuge.

A Georgia fishing license and SIP are required.

Wolf Island NWR Specific Regulations

Sport fishing on Wolf Island NWR is permitted on designated areas of the refuge, in accordance with all applicable state regulations, and subject to the following special conditions:

Saltwater fishing is permitted year-round in the estuarine waters adjacent to the refuge.

All beach, marsh, and upland areas are closed to the public.

A Georgia fishing license and SIP permit are required.

Signs Protect Visitors and Resources

Millions of people visit national wildlife refuges each year. The impact of human activity, if not regulated, can degrade these wild lands. Signs control recreational activities while protecting natural resources on the refuge. Please respect the following signs:



National Wildlife Refuge
This sign marks the boundary of the refuge. Consult the refuge manager for authorized activities.



Area Closed
Certain areas of the refuge are closed to visitors for safety and management purposes. Unauthorized entry beyond this sign is prohibited.



No Vehicles
Unauthorized motor vehicles are not allowed beyond this sign. This applies to all cars, trucks, jeeps, ATV's, and motorcycles. Walking and non-motorized bicycles are allowed. Please do not block access through refuge gates.



No Wake Zone
Boat speeds are managed to improve public safety and to reduce bank erosion.

Common Fish

Freshwater



Largemouth Bass



Bowfin



Channel Catfish



Black Crappie



Bluegill



Redear Sunfish



Striped Bass

Saltwater



Spotted Sea Trout



Red Drum



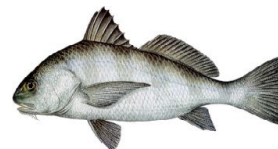
Striped Mullet



Sheepshead



Flounder



Black Drum



Southern Kingfish (Whiting)

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