

**2019 YOUTH TURKEY HUNT INSTRUCTIONS**  
**EASTERN NECK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**  
Department of the Interior - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

**Application Instructions:**

1. Only youths ages 12 through 16 on the day of the hunt who were not chosen for previous youth turkey hunts are eligible.
2. All interested applicants must complete a Big Game Hunt application form. Applicants must complete all boxes in sections 3, 6, 8a, and 9. In Section 6, please indicate your first and second choice for your hunt date – April 13 or April 20, 2019. If you are selected and your first date choice is full, you will be offered your second date choice.
3. Both the applicant and the applicant's guardian must sign the application.
4. Write *Youth Hunt* on the outside of the envelope.
5. Completed applications for permits must be received by **March 28, 2019**. Mail to Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge, 1730 Eastern Neck Road, Rock Hall, MD 21661. Completed applications may be dropped off no later than **March 28, 2019 at 3:00 pm** at the Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge Office at 1730 Eastern Neck Road, Rock Hall, MD 21661. Or completed applications will be accepted by email no later than **March 28, 2019 at 3pm**, to [easternneck@fws.gov](mailto:easternneck@fws.gov).

**Information/Regulations:**

1. The drawing to select youth hunters will be held on Friday **March 29, 2019**, and all successful applicants will be notified by telephone on **March 29, 2019 by 4 pm**.
2. Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge (refuge) Youth Turkey Hunt permits are non-transferable.
3. The refuge Youth Turkey Hunt permit is valid only when signed by refuge staff.
4. Youth hunters **must email ([easternneck@fws.gov](mailto:easternneck@fws.gov)) or fax (410-228-3261) their valid state hunting license one week prior to the hunt day**.
5. The morning briefing will be held at 5:15 a.m. the day of the hunt at the refuge office/ headquarters.
6. Youth hunters must possess a valid hunting license and carry the license with them on the day of the hunt.
7. Youths (ages 12 through 16 years of age on their hunt date) must be accompanied by a licensed, non-gun carrying adult from the National Wild Turkey Federation. The National Wild Turkey Federation will provide a guide for all youths selected. Youths may also be accompanied by a non-gun carrying parent or guardian.
8. Legal hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to noon.  
Sunrise April 13, 2019: 6:31 a.m.                      Sunrise April 20, 2019: 6:21 a.m.
9. Loaded weapons are not permitted in parking areas or on paved or graveled roads.
10. Hunting of turkey is permitted only in designated areas of the refuge. See 2019 Turkey hunt map.
11. Bag limit is one bearded turkey.

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12. All other Maryland State rules and regulations related to the state's spring turkey season are applicable and will be enforced during the special hunt on the refuge.

