Restrictions and Prohibited Activities
No hunting animals allowed in or over any springs or stream channels, except for incidental entry to retrieve game.

No carcasses or offal in trash cans.

No predator hunting.

No shooting from or across maintained refuge roads.

Fishing, off highway vehicles (OHVs), horseback riding, and collecting of antiquities, artifacts, plants, wildlife, or other natural objects is not allowed.

No fires, fireworks, or smoking outside vehicles or outside designated smoking areas.

No use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting.

No overnight parking or camping.

Private Property and Multiple Uses
Visitors, staff, and private landowners are always present on the refuge and will not be wearing orange safety vests. Always use caution!

Do not enter private lands or restricted areas for any reason.

Vehicle Use and Refuge Roads
Vehicles must be street legal and stay on public roads. Speed limit is 25 mph if not posted.

Refuge staff is not allowed to remove or service vehicles. Contact local towing services for assistance.

Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge is home to over 26 species of plants and animals that exist nowhere else on earth.

The refuge was established and is managed to protect threatened and endangered plants, animals and their habitats. The information in this pamphlet supports the refuge management plan.
Hunters must adhere to all state hunt regulations for the current year, except where federal regulations differ to protect visitors, staff or natural resources. Hunters must follow state regulations in regards to time of day that hunting may commence and must stop.

Season and approved species

During the appropriate season, as outlined in Nevada hunt guide, hunting for the following is allowed: quail, geese, ducks, coots, moorhen, snipe, dove, cottontail and jackrabbits. Hunting of jackrabbits is permitted only during the state cottontail season.

Hunting is allowed daily according to the state and refuge hunt regulations except for when the refuge is closed to hunting one week prior to the annual Christmas Bird Count. Visit the website or contact the refuge for the exact dates.

Firearms and ammunition

Shotguns are the only firearms permitted and must be used in regulation with state hunt program. Only non-toxic shot may be possessed by hunters in the field.

All firearms must be unloaded and dismantled or cased while in vehicles.

Hunters are responsible for picking up litter, including discharged shells.

Waterfowl hunting

Waterfowl hunting is allowed only at Crystal Reservoir, Peterson Reservoir, Horseshoe Marsh, and Lower Crystal Marsh. Decoys may be used but cannot be left overnight.

Boats

Non-motorized and electric motor boats and float tubes are allowed only in Crystal Reservoir and Peterson Reservoir and must be thoroughly cleaned prior to entry.

Hunting dogs

Dogs may be used to retrieve waterfowl, but must be under voice-command at all times and leashed when not hunting.