Welcome to Sherburne

Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1965 to help protect and restore the habitats associated with the St. Francis River Valley for migratory birds and other wildlife. Today the refuge encompasses over 30,700 acres of land. Recreation is encouraged where it is compatible with the needs of wildlife and the land. Limited sport hunting is permitted on the refuge in accordance with all applicable Federal and Minnesota State laws subject to the following special refuge regulations:

Public Access

Vehicles are permitted only on roads designated on the map. Foot travel is permitted throughout the refuge Sept. 1 - Feb. 28 except in Closed Areas. The refuge is closed during the sanctuary period Mar. 1 to Aug. 31, except areas designated in Public Use Regulations & Map. Access beyond fenced is permitted in

Parking

Vehicles may be parked in parking areas shown on the map or on the shoulder of the road in accordance with County and State regulations. Overnight parking is not permitted.

Accidents

Serious injuries or accidents occurring on the refuge should be reported to the Refuge Headquarters.

Boats

Motorized watercrafts are prohibited, including electric motors. Watercrafts can be launched at designated access sites only.

Camping

Camping is not permitted on the refuge. Camping is available at the Sand Dunes State Forest and private campgrounds.

Fire

Fire danger can be extremely high during spring and fall. Please take special precautions with all flammable materials. Campfires are not permitted.

Hunting

Hunting is permitted as set by Federal and State laws. The refuge is NOT OPEN or closed to hunting. Shotgun hunters must possess and use only non-toxic shot while hunting small game and migratory birds on the refuge. ND target or indiscriminate shooting is permitted.

Protected Species

Species not listed in this brochure are protected and may NOT be killed. It is YOUR responsibility to be able to identify your game and the protected species. Bald eagles, swans and other protected birds are common in hunting areas.

Weapons and Ammunition

Hunting weapons are prohibited in areas closed to hunting. Shotgun hunters must possess and use non-toxic shot while hunting small game and migratory birds on the refuge.

Hunters with Disabilities

Blinds for hunters with disabilities may be available by reservation during waterfowl, spring turkey and firearms-deer seasons. For more information, contact the Refuge Headquarters.

Refuge Boundary

This sign delineates the refuge boundary.

Area Closed

This area is closed to ALL entry all year.

Gates

All refuge roads must remain accessible for fire and emergency situations.

Emergencies

To Report Violations:
Sherburne NWR Headquarters.....763-389-3323
TIP Line..............................1-800-652-9093

For MN DNR Hunt Information:
Information Line......................1-800-766-6000
Website:
http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/hunting/index.html

For Refuge Information:
Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge
17076 293rd Avenue
Zimmerman, MN 55398
763/389-3323 FAX 763/389-3493
TTY users may access the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339

Sherburne website address:
http://www.fws.gov/refuge/sherburne/
Sherburne email address:
sherburne@fws.gov
www.exploresherburne.org

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Refuge Open For Hunting
Only These Species

**Small Game**
- Ruffed Grouse: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Gray & Fox Squirrel: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Rabbit & Hare: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Ducks, Coots & Geese: Area A (Closed), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Deer - Archery: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)

**Migratory Birds**
- Ducks, Geese, & Snipe: Area A (Closed), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Ruffed Grouse: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Gray & Fox Squirrel: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Rabbit & Hare: Area A (State Season), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Migratory-waterfowl: Area A (Closed), Area B (State Season), Area C (Closed)
- Hiking Trails: Area A (Open to vehicles), Area B (Open to vehicles)
- Refuge Service Roads: Open to foot travel Sept. 1 to Feb. 28.
- Refuge Headquarters: Area A (Open to vehicles), Area B (Open to vehicles)
- Refuge Access: Area A (Open during migratory bird season)
- Area C (Open during migratory bird season)

**Special Refuge Hunting Regulations**
- All hunters must be licensed and abide by all applicable federal and state regulations.
- The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
- Field dressing or possession of migratory birds is prohibited in areas closed to migratory bird hunting.
- All property brought onto the refuge must be removed daily. This includes vehicles, boats, canoes, trash, trail cameras, and hunting equipment.
- Cutting, mowing, sawing, digging, collecting, injuring, or removing vegetation is prohibited.
- During gun-deer season, Brande Rd off CR 9 is closed to all-access including foot travel.
- Collecting or removal of underwater sheds is prohibited.
- Hunting dogs are permitted, but must be under the immediate control of the hunter at all times, and used only during state hunting season, in areas open to hunting. Training and allowing pets off leash are prohibited at all other times.
- Entry into hunting areas earlier than 2 hours before legal shooting hours is prohibited.
- Deer pushes or deer drives on areas closed to white-tailed deer hunting are prohibited.
- Permanent stands are not permitted. Portable stands or temporary blinds are permitted, but must be removed at the end of each day. Nails, wire, bolts or screw-in steps may not be used to attach a stand or to support a hunter or equipment.

Sherburne NWR Hunting Map