

Theodore Roosevelt NWR Complex

Hillside, Holt Collier,
Mathews Brake, Morgan
Brake, Panther Swamp,
Theodore Roosevelt, and
Yazoo

National Wildlife Refuges Hunting and Fishing Regulations 2007-2008

This brochure is designed to provide the public with information and a summary of regulations pertaining to hunting and fishing on Theodore Roosevelt NWR Complex. These regulations supplement regulations governing hunting and fishing on National Wildlife Refuges as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations and applicable state regulations. Violation of Refuge or State regulations may result in confiscation of Refuge Permit in addition to prosecution.

Request permits and additional information from:
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
728 Yazoo Refuge Road
Hollandale, MS 38748
662/839 2638

Brochures can be downloaded at the following websites:

<http://www.fws.gov/hillside>
<http://www.fws.gov/holtcollier>
<http://www.fws.gov/mathewsbrake>
<http://www.fws.gov/morganbrake>
<http://www.fws.gov/pantherswamp>
<http://www.fws.gov/trcomplex>
<http://www.fws.gov/trnwr>
<http://www.fws.gov/yazoo>

Permit, Stamp and License Requirements

Persons utilizing the refuge are required to have appropriate licenses, stamps, and permits. All persons hunting on this refuge must have the following in their possession:

1. Applicable State hunting license(s), permit(s) and stamp(s). Consult current Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Regulations for details.
2. Refuge Annual Public Use Permit (\$12): Each person 16 years of age and older hunting during an unlimited hunt or fishing on the refuge(s) must have with them a valid Refuge Annual Public Use Permit which certifies that they understand and will comply with the regulations contained in this brochure.

This permit is not transferable nor refundable and is valid for all lands open to hunting and fishing within the Theodore Roosevelt NWR Complex. Consult individual refuge regulations in this brochure.

3. Refuge Limited Hunt Permit (\$12.50): Panther Swamp NWR Deer Gun, Muzzleloader, Turkey and Yazoo NWR Deer Senior Citizen, Youth and Muzzleloader Hunts require a Limited Hunt Permit which is assigned by random computer drawing. If drawn, this permit is required to be on your person while hunting during the designated hunt. These Permits are not transferable nor refundable. Consult individual refuge regulations in this brochure. Possession of the Refuge Annual Public Use Permit is not required for Limited Hunts.
4. Each day before hunting or fishing, all participants must obtain a pink User Information Card available at the Visitor Information Stations (see maps) and follow the printed instructions on the card. All harvested game must be recorded and cards submitted daily.

Refuge Annual Public Use Permit Application Procedures

Mail the complete name, address, and telephone number for each applicant on a plain sheet of paper (8 1/2 x 11) to the address on cover.

Enclose a money order or cashier's check **payable to USFWS (no personal checks will be accepted)** which includes \$12.00 for each permit requested. Permits are also available at the Complex headquarters on Yazoo NWR Monday - Friday, 7:30 am - 4 pm. Permits will be available beginning July 25, 2007. There is no deadline for obtaining Refuge Annual Public Use Permits. Refuge Annual Public Use Permits expire on July 31.

Refuge Limited Hunt Permit Application Procedures

To apply provide the following information on a plain sheet (8 1/2 x 11) of paper:

1. Complete name, address and telephone number for each applicant.
2. Specify refuge name and the type and dates of hunt for which you are applying. Consult individual refuge regulations in this brochure.
3. Sign application and mail to the address on cover. Group application must be signed by at least one applicant.

Limited hunt drawings will be conducted in mid-October. Only successful applicants will be notified of procedures to submit the \$12.50 fee for the limited hunt permit. Duplicate applications will be rejected.

Bag and Possession Limits

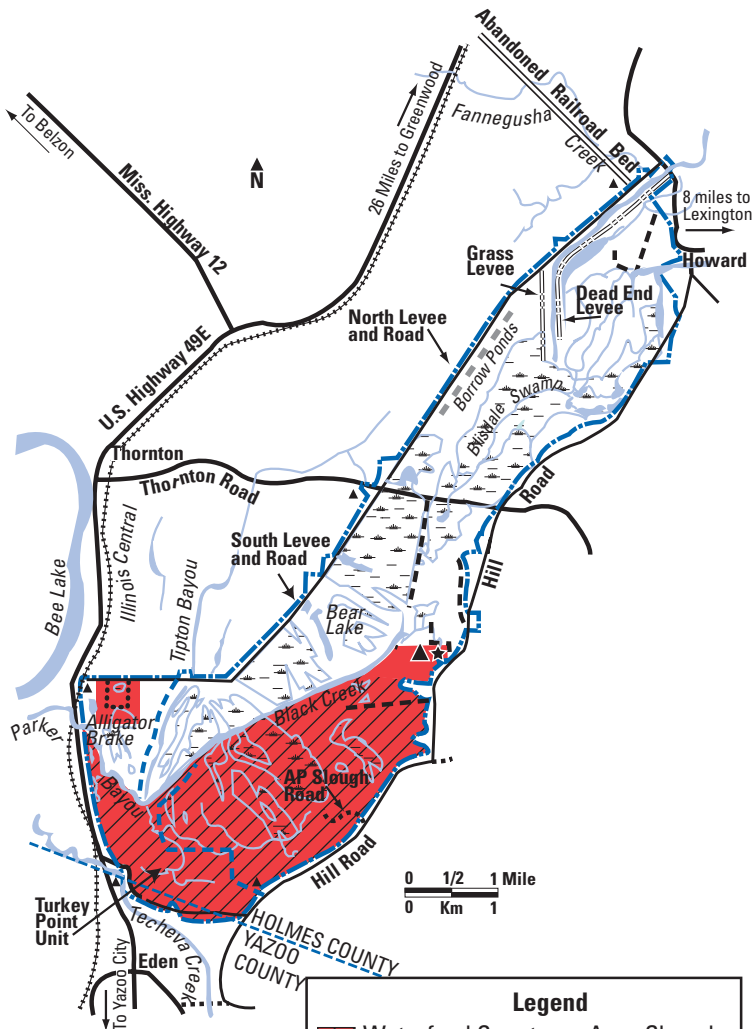
Unless further restricted by refuge regulations, State bag and possession limits apply. Consult current Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks Regulations for details.

General Area Regulations












1. During all gun or muzzleloader hunts for deer, the rabbit with dog hunts, and quail hunts, all participants must wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent-orange material visible above the waistline while hunting and enroute to and from hunting areas. In addition to the above, ground blinds must visibly display 500 square inches of fluorescent-orange material.
2. Use or possession of any drug or device for employing such drug for hunting is prohibited.
3. Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
4. Plastic flagging tape is prohibited.
5. Hunting or entry into areas designated as "CLOSED" is prohibited (see maps).
6. Camping is prohibited.
7. Fires are prohibited.
8. Littering is prohibited.
9. No person shall cut or destroy any tree, shrub or bush on the refuge.
10. During all gun and muzzleloader deer hunts, all other public use on that refuge is prohibited.
11. By state law non-residents may not take antlerless deer.

12. Man-drives are prohibited.
13. Deer must be field dressed prior to removal from refuge.
14. Hunting from or shooting across open fields from ground level is prohibited during deer gun/muzzleloader hunts.
15. All commercial activities are prohibited, including guiding or participating in a paid guided hunt.
16. During all limited permit hunts, each hunter may possess only his/her current permit and/or tags.
17. Dogs are permitted for the squirrel, waterfowl, raccoon, quail, and February rabbit hunts only. Consult individual refuge regulations in this brochure.
18. Valid permit holders may take hogs incidental to other refuge hunts with archery equipment and firearms as authorized in these regulations during designated hunts. Also, raccoon, opossum, coyote, beaver, bobcat, and nutria may be taken in season incidental to other refuge hunts.
19. Crossbows are only permitted in accordance with state law. State crossbow permit required.
20. The use of artificial light, including vehicle headlights, to locate or take any animal except as authorized in these regulations, is prohibited.
21. A loaded gun is defined as shells in the gun or percussion caps on muzzleloaders.
22. Guns are allowed only during periods in which their use for hunting is allowed.
23. Handguns are prohibited at all times.
24. During deer gun/muzzleloader hunts, all firearms must be **unloaded** while standing beside (unless in an elevated platform - see regulation #35), in, or walking across any portion of a field, tree plantation, road, pipeline, or powerline right-of-way.
25. Guns transported in/on vehicles, ATVs, and boats under power must be unloaded and cased.
26. The use or possession of .22 magnum and .17 caliber guns is prohibited.
27. Vehicles may be operated only on designated roads (see maps). No motor vehicle shall be operated on any part of the refuge designated and posted as "CLOSED" due to inclement weather, poor road conditions, construction, management activities or wildlife surveys. Refuge roads may be posted to ATV use only.

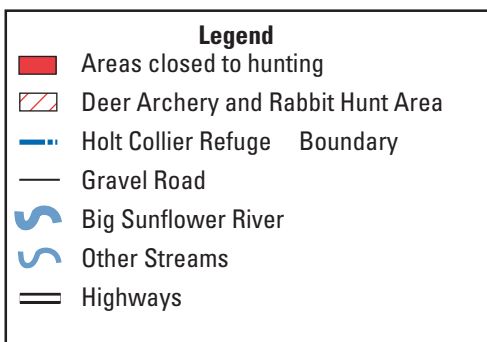
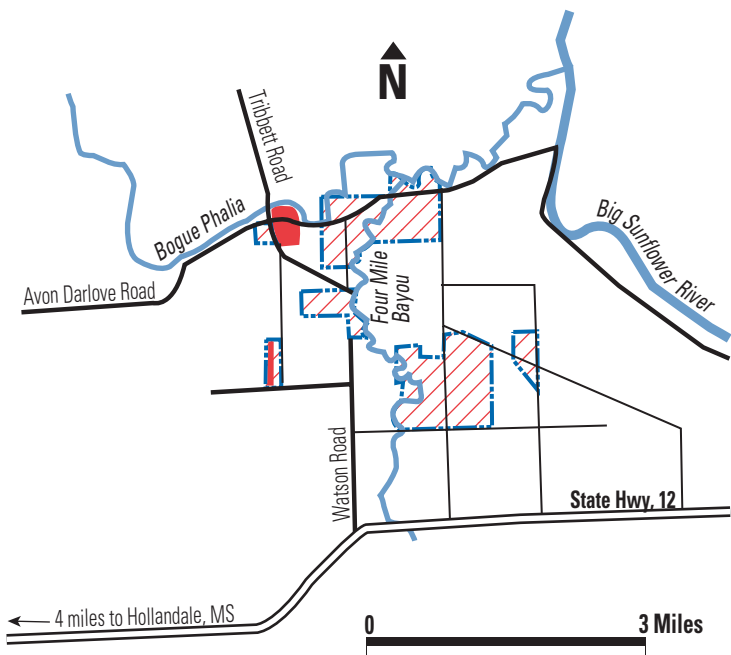
28. ATVs are permitted on designated refuges for hunting purposes only and will not be allowed off trails to retrieve deer. Consult individual refuge regulations in this brochure.
29. Vehicles shall not be parked in such a manner as to obstruct roads, gates, turnrows or firelanes.
30. Boats left unattended for more than 72 hours will be considered abandoned and will be confiscated.
31. U.S. Coast Guard and State boating regulations including personal floatation device, lighting, and registration requirements shall apply.
32. Horses are prohibited.
33. Driving or screwing a metal object into any tree or hunting from such a tree is prohibited. The use or possession of climbing spikes is prohibited.
34. During deer gun/muzzleloader hunts, hunting from free-standing platforms is prohibited in fields and tree plantations.
35. Stand platforms adjacent to fields and tree plantations must be a minimum of 10 feet above the ground.
36. Permanent blinds and stands are prohibited.
37. Stands may not be attached to any power or utility pole.
38. Stands, climbing devices, and all other equipment must be removed from the tree daily. Free standing platforms must be laid on the ground or removed daily. Any hunting equipment found 72 hours after the close of the refuge deer season will be confiscated.
39. A youth hunter is defined as anyone under 16 years of age. Youth hunters are not required to possess a Refuge Annual Public Use Permit.
40. Youth Hunters must possess a Hunter Safety Course Card or Certificate and be in the immediate presence of an accompanying adult 21 years of age or older at all times. An adult may supervise only one youth.



Legend

-  Waterfowl Sanctuary Area Closed to all Public Use except for October-December deer, squirrel and February rabbit hunts
-  Waterfowl Hunt Area
-  Area Closed to all Hunting
-  Swamp
-  Information Station
-  Refuge Boundary
-  Refuge Shop/Deer Check Station
-  Paved Road
-  Nature Trail
-  Gravel Road
-  ATV Trail

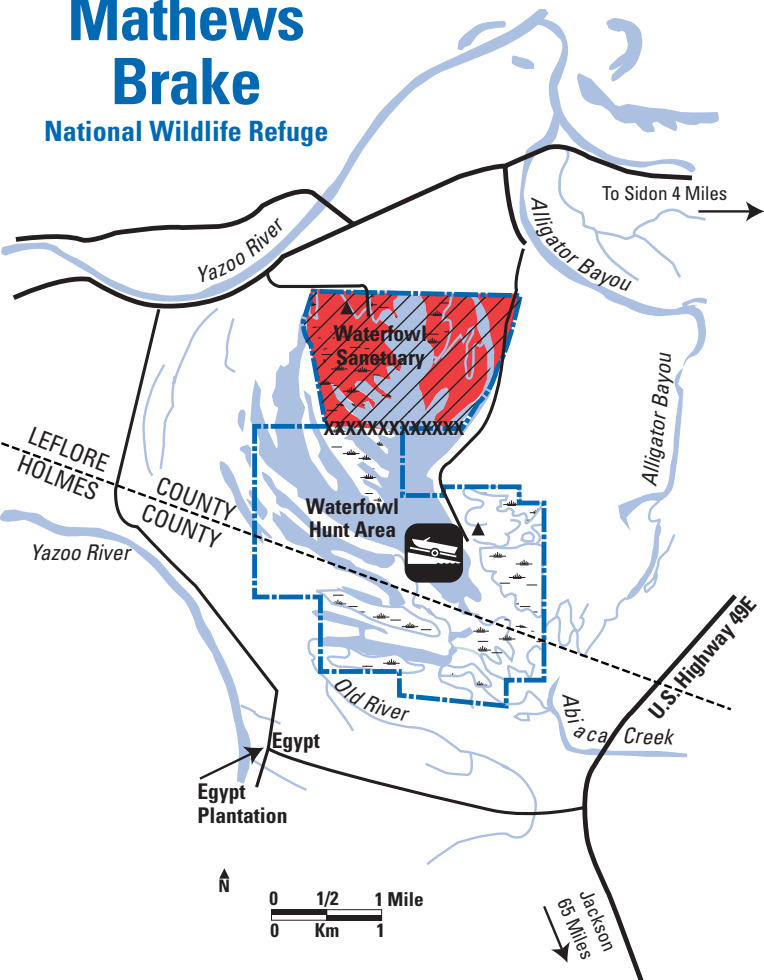
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







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National Wildlife Refuge

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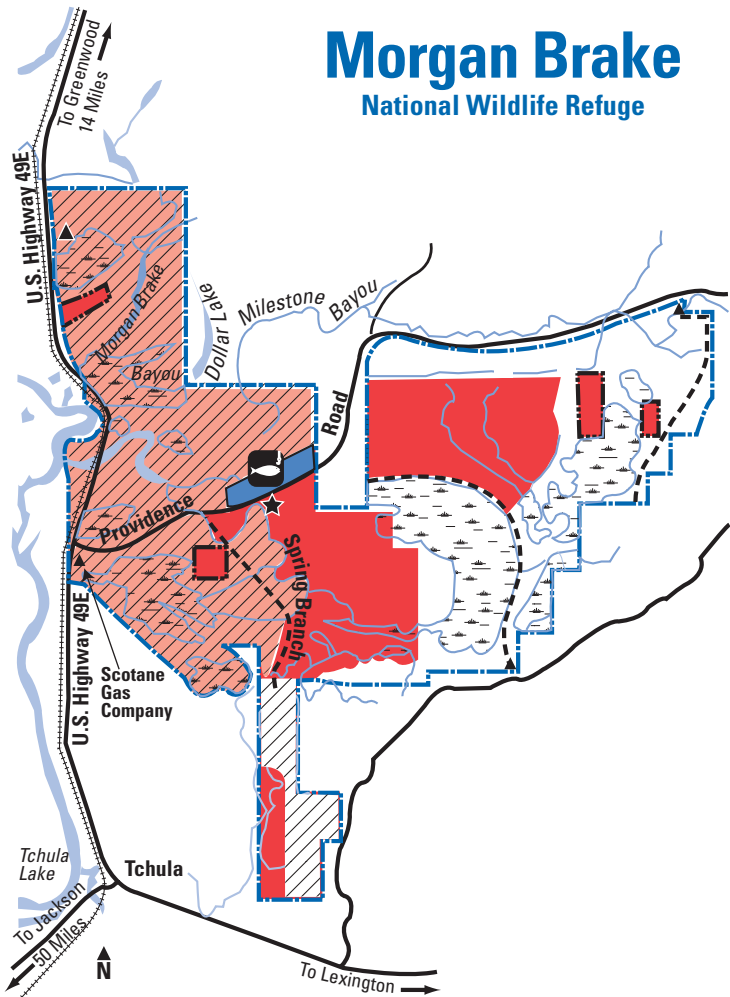


Legend

-  Waterfowl Sanctuary Area Closed to all Public Use December 1 - March 15
- XXXX** Waterfowl Sanctuary Boundary
-  Waterfowl Hunt Area
-  Swamp
-  Information Station
-  Public Boat Ramp
-  Refuge Boundary
-  Paved Road
-  Gravel Road

Morgan Brake

National Wildlife Refuge

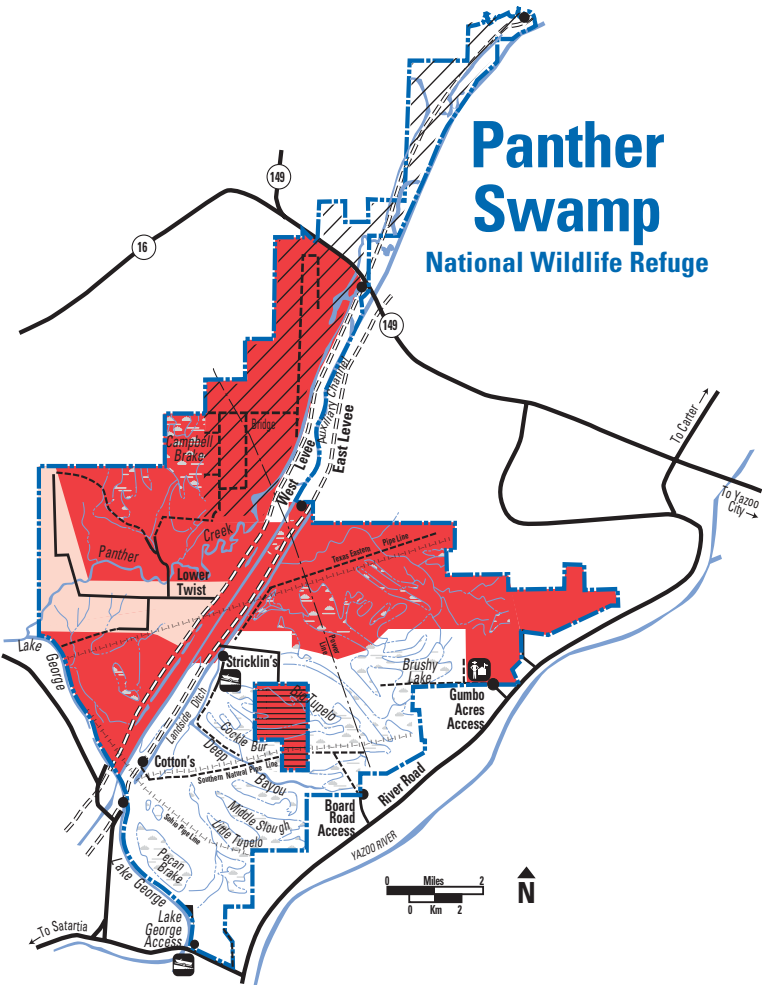


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










- Area Closed To All Hunting
- Waterfowl Hunt Area
- 🐟 Public Fishing
- Swamp
- Information Station
- Refuge Boundary
- ★ Refuge Subheadquarters/
Deer Check Station
- State Highway or
Paved County Road
- Late Archery Area,
December 16 - January 31
- Gravel Road
- ATV Trail

Panther Swamp

National Wildlife Refuge

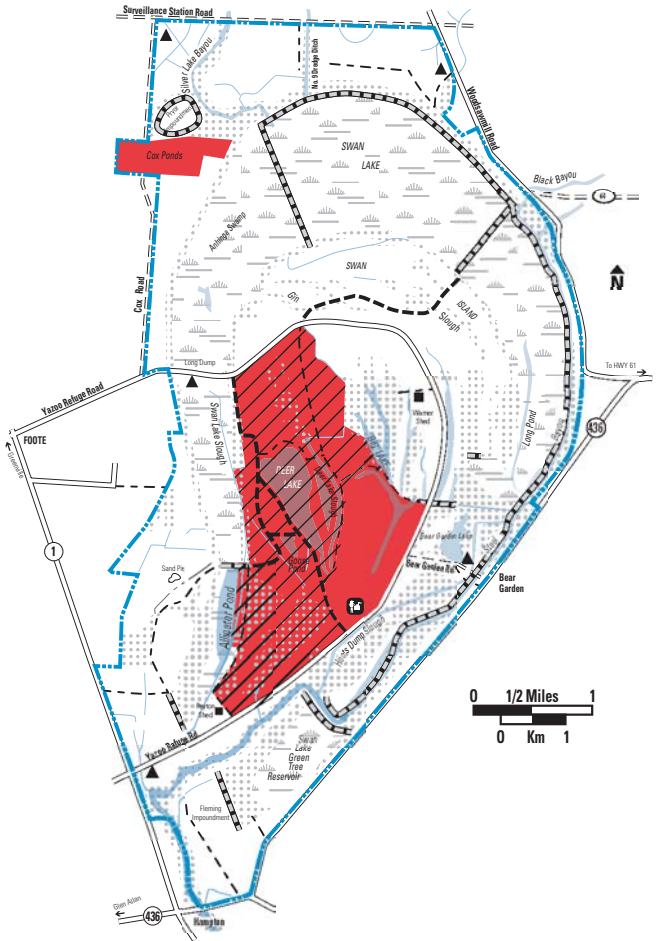


Legend

-  Refuge Headquarters Area (No Hunting)
-  Boat Ramp
-  Closed To Waterfowl Hunting
-  Open Fields (closed to waterfowl hunting)
-  Waterfowl Hunting Area
-  Big Twist Area
-  Open Water
-  Permanent Water Wetlands
-  Refuge Boundary
-  Paved Road
-  Gravel Road
-  ATV Trail
-  Visitor Information Station
-  Closed to Public Hunting

Yazoo

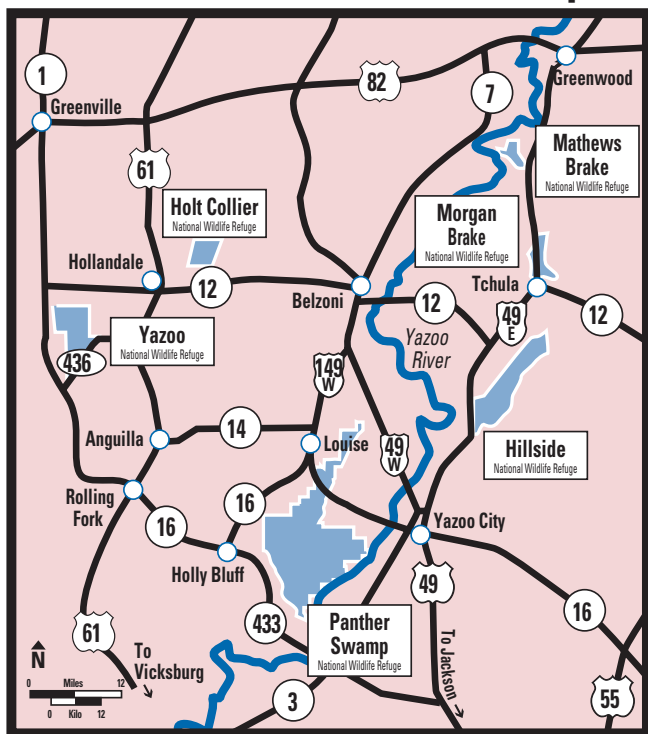
National Wildlife Refuge



Legend

- Area open to hunting unless otherwise indicated
- Area closed January and February
- Area closed except as posted
- Forest or brush
- Swamp
- Refuge boundary
- Hunter Information Station
- Refuge headquarters and check station
- State highway or paved county road
- Improved county roads
- Improved Refuge road (open to vehicle use)
- Field Road (no motor vehicles)
- Earthen Dam or dike

Theodore Roosevelt NWR Complex



Hillside NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

ATVs are permitted only on designated trails (see map) from September 15, 2007 - February 28, 2008.

Deer Archery Hunt

*October 1 - November 16, 2007 and
December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008*

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Raccoon with Dogs Hunt

*October 1 - November 16, 2007 and
December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008*

Dogs are required. Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire are permitted. Legal to take: raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Squirrel and Rabbit Hunt

October 13 - November 16, 2007 and

December 16, 2007 - February 28, 2008

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire rifles are permitted. The possession of rifles in grass fields and young tree plantations is prohibited. Legal to take: squirrels, rabbits, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Deer Muzzleloader Hunt

November 30 - December 8, 2007

Muzzleloading rifles or muzzleloading shotguns loaded with a single ball are allowed. No breech loading guns. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit with Dogs Hunt

February 12 - 28, 2008

Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent-orange material visible above the waistline. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: rabbit, squirrel, raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18). See map.

Duck, Merganser, and Coot Hunt

State season except closed during muzzleloader gun deer hunts. Hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). There is no early teal season. Legal shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until 12:00 noon. Hunters must remove all decoys, blind material, and harvested waterfowl from the area no later than 1:00 pm each day. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: Ducks, mergansers, coots, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Turkey: Closed

Trapping: Closed

Fishing

Fishing is permitted in the borrow ponds along the north levee (see map) throughout the year except during the muzzleloading gun deer hunt. Fishing is permitted in the rest of the refuge with the exception of the waterfowl sanctuary March 1 through November 15. Trot lines, limb lines, jugs, seines, and traps are prohibited. Fishing from bridges is prohibited. State creel limits apply.

Frogging

Frogging is permitted during State bullfrog season. State limit.

Holt Collier NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

Deer Archery Hunt

October 1, 2007 - January 31, 2008

The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit with Dogs Hunt

February 1-28, 2008

During the rabbit-with-dog hunt, any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent orange material visible above the waistline. Consult refuge office for maps of areas open to hunting. Shotgun with non-toxic shot only. Legal to take: rabbit, squirrel, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Mathews Brake NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

Deer Archery Hunt

October 1, 2007 - January 31, 2008

From one day prior to the opening day of duck season thru March 1, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Raccoon with Dogs Hunt

October 1 - November 16, 2007 and

December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008

Dogs are required. Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire are permitted. Legal to take: raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Squirrel and Rabbit Hunt

October 13, 2007 - February 28, 2008

Beginning December 1, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire rifles are permitted. The possession of rifles in grass fields and young tree plantations is prohibited. Legal to take: squirrels, rabbits, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit with Dogs Hunt

February 12-28, 2008

Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent-orange material visible above the waistline. Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: squirrels, rabbits, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Duck, Merganser, and Coot Hunt

State season. **First two weekends in January 2008 are reserved for youth hunting.** Hunting is only allowed in designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). There is no early teal season. Legal shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until 12 noon. Hunters must remove all decoys, blind material, and harvested waterfowl from the area no later than 1 pm each day. **One day prior to opening day of duck season to closing day of duck season, refuge waters will be closed to all public use from 1 pm until 12 midnight.** Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: Ducks, mergansers, coots, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Youth Duck, Merganser and Coot Hunt

January 5-6 and 12-13, 2008 are reserved for youth hunting. Youth under the age of sixteen may hunt. Youth is required to have documentation of completed Hunter Safety Course and be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. Both youth and accompanying adult may hunt. Only one adult may accompany each youth.

Turkey: Closed

Trapping: Closed

Fishing

Fishing is permitted in all refuge waters throughout the year except for the waterfowl sanctuary which is closed from December 1 through March 15 (see map). **One day prior to opening day of duck season to closing day of duck season, refuge waters will be closed to all public use from 1 pm until 12 midnight.** Trot lines, limb lines, jugs, seines, and traps are prohibited. State creel limits apply.

Frogging

Frogging is permitted during State bullfrog season. State limit.

Morgan Brake NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

ATVs are permitted only on designated trails (see map) from September 15, 2007 - February 28, 2008.

Deer Archery Hunt

October 1 - November 16, 2007 and

December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed north of Providence Road and the area west and south of Spring Branch (see map). The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Raccoon with Dogs Hunt

*October 1 - November 16, 2007 and
December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008*

Dogs are required. Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire are permitted. Legal to take: raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Squirrel and Rabbit Hunt

*October 13 - November 16, 2007 and
December 16, 2007 - February 28, 2008*

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire rifles are permitted. The possession of rifles in grass fields and young tree plantations is prohibited. Legal to take: squirrels, rabbits, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Deer Muzzleloader Hunt

November 30 - December 8, 2007

Muzzleloading rifles or muzzleloading shotguns loaded with a single ball are allowed. No breech loading guns. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit with Dogs Hunt

February 12 - 28, 2008

Dogs are permitted for rabbit hunting from February 12 - 28, 2008. Hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent-orange material visible above the waistline. Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: rabbits, squirrels, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Duck, Merganser, and Coot Hunt

State season except closed during muzzleloading gun deer hunt. Hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). There is no early teal season. Legal shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until 12 noon. Hunters must remove all decoys, blind material, and harvested waterfowl from the area no later than 1 pm each day. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: ducks, mergansers, coots, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Turkey: Closed

Trapping: Closed

Fishing

Fishing is permitted in refuge waters north of Providence Road throughout the year except during the muzzleloading gun deer hunt. Trot lines, limb lines, jugs,

seines, and traps are prohibited. Fishing from bridges is prohibited. State creel limits apply.

Frogging

Frogging is permitted only in refuge waters open to fishing during State bullfrog season.

Panther Swamp NWR

ATVs are permitted from September 15, 2007 through February 28, 2008, on designated trails only. Designated trails will be signed "All-Terrain Vehicle Trail" at the trails point of origin. All ATV's are required to enter and exit trails from the associated parking lot. *Example: ATV access to Gumbo Trail will be allowed only from Gumbo Acres parking lot.*

Panther Swamp NWR Limited Hunts

During limited hunts all harvested deer and turkeys must be tagged immediately and prior to being moved.

Applications for the Limited Deer Gun or Muzzleloader Hunts will be accepted only from **August 15 through September 30, 2007**. (See Permit, Stamp and License Requirements #3.) No more than 5 people may apply per application. Hunters may apply for only one Limited Deer Hunt at Panther Swamp NWR.

Deer Gun Hunt

November 17-19, 2007

Legal to take: one buck and one doe, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Deer Muzzleloader Hunt

November 23-28 or December 10-15, 2007

Muzzleloader rifles or muzzleloader shotguns loaded with a single ball are allowed. No breech loading guns. Legal to take: One buck and one doe, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Spring Turkey Hunt

April 1 - May 1, 2008

Applications for the Limited Turkey Hunt will be accepted **January 15 through February 20, 2008**. (See Permit, Stamp and License Requirements #3.) No more than 2 people may apply per application. Possession of toxic shot, buckshot, and slugs is prohibited. Shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and archery only. No dogs allowed. Legal to take: two legal gobblers and hogs.

Panther Swamp NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

Deer Archery Hunt

October 1 - November 16, 2007 and

December 16, 2007 - January 31, 2008

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). The

possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Raccoon with Dogs Hunt

October 1 - November 16, 2007 and February 1-28, 2008

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Dogs are required. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire rifles are permitted. Legal to take: Raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Squirrel and (Rabbit Hunt without Dogs)

October 13 - November 16, 2007,

November 29 - December 9, 2007, and

December 16, 2007 - February 28, 2008

Beginning December 16, hunting is only allowed in the designated waterfowl hunt area (see map). Dogs allowed for squirrel hunting only. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire rifles are permitted. Legal to take: squirrel, rabbit, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit Hunt with Dogs

February 12 - 28, 2008

Quail Hunt with Dogs: February 1 - 28, 2008

The Big Twist Hunting area and all refuge areas east of the Auxiliary Channel are open to walk-in only (see map). Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent-orange material visible above the waistline. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take; rabbit, quail, squirrel, raccoon, opossum, hogs and furbearers (Regulations #18).

Duck, Merganser, and Coot Hunt

State season except closed during all limited draw deer hunts. **December 29-30, 2007, is restricted to youth hunting.** There is no early teal season. Legal shooting hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise until 12 noon. Hunters must remove all decoys, blind material and harvested waterfowl from the area no later than 1 pm each day. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot are permitted. Legal to take: ducks, mergansers, coots, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Youth Duck, Merganser, and Coot Hunt

December 29-30, 2007

Youth under the age of sixteen may hunt. Youth is required to have documentation of completed Hunter Safety Course and be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. Both youth and accompanying adult may hunt. Only one adult may accompany each youth.

Trapping: Closed

Fishing

Waters between the East and West levees, the Landside Ditch, and the portion of Panther Creek adjacent to the West Levee, are open year-round except that all fishing is closed during limited deer hunts. All other refuge waters are open from March 1 - November 15. ATVs are permitted for fishing access only on designated gravel roads when such roads are closed to vehicular traffic. Trot lines, limb lines, jugs, seines, and traps are prohibited. State creel limits apply.

Frogging

Frogging is permitted during State bullfrog season. State limit.

Yazoo NWR

All deer must be checked at Refuge Headquarters.

Motorized boats authorized in Silver Lake Bayou only.

Electronic gates are open 4 am - 8 pm.

Regulation #38. There is an exemption for the Yazoo NWR Youth Hunt and Senior Citizen Hunt. Stands may be placed on the refuge two days prior and must be removed by one day after these limited hunts.

A qualifying buck is defined as a 1 1/2 year old buck with five points or less or a 2 1/2 year old buck with seven points or less.

Yazoo NWR Limited Hunts

Applications for the Limited Youth Deer Gun, Senior Citizen Deer Gun and Deer Muzzleloader Hunts will be accepted **August 15 through September 30, 2007**. (See Permit, Stamp and License requirements.) Only one youth per application for the Youth Deer Gun Hunt. No more than 2 people may apply per application for the Senior Citizen Deer Gun and Deer Muzzleloader Hunts.

Youth are permitted to apply for the Deer Youth Gun Hunt and the Deer Muzzleloader Hunts.

Senior citizens are permitted to apply for the Deer Senior Citizen Gun Hunt and the Deer Muzzleloader Hunt.

Deer Youth Gun Hunt

November 23 or 24, 2007

Youth age 11-15 may apply for only one day of the hunt. Each application must include the name and signature of an adult, 21 years of age or older, who will accompany the youth on the hunt. Youth is required to have documentation of completed Hunter Safety Course. Only the youth may handle or discharge firearms. Each adult may supervise only one youth per day. The adult is responsible for any violations by the youth they accompany and they must possess a refuge brochure. All

hunters and supervisors must check-in and check-out at refuge headquarters. Legal to take: One deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Deer Senior Citizen Gun Hunt

November 27-28, 2007

Senior citizens, 65 years of age and older, may apply for this hunt. Legal to take: one buck, one doe, and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Deer Muzzleloader Hunt

November 30 - December 1; December 4-5; or

December 7-8, 2007

You may apply for only one of the two day muzzleloader hunts. Muzzleloading rifles or muzzleloading shotguns loaded with a single ball are allowed. No breech loading guns. Legal to take: deer of either sex and furbearers (Regulation #18). In order to harvest an 8-point or better, the hunter must take a qualifying buck as defined on the previous page.

Yazoo NWR Unlimited Hunts

Possession of toxic shot, buckshot or slugs is prohibited.

Deer Archery Hunt

October 1 - November 17, 2007

January 8 - 16, 2008

The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex and furbearers (Regulation #18). In order to harvest an 8-point or better, the hunter must take a qualifying buck as defined on the previous page.

January 2-7, 2008

Special permit. To qualify for the January 2-7, 2008 archery hunt, you must have harvested a qualifying buck during the October 1 - November 16 archery season. Only hunters who have qualified and are issued a special permit will be allowed on the refuge.

Squirrel and Rabbit Hunt

October 13 - November 16, 2007

Shotgun with non-toxic shot only. Legal to take: squirrel, rabbit and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Raccoon Hunt with Dogs

January 24 - 26, 2008

Dogs are required. Only shotguns shooting approved non-toxic shot and .22 rimfire are permitted. Legal to take: raccoon, opossum and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Squirrel Hunt with Dogs

February 1-28, 2008

Shotgun with non-toxic shot or .22 rimfire only. Legal to take: squirrel and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit Hunt with Dogs

February 12-28, 2008

Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent orange material visible above the waistline. Shotgun with non-toxic shot only. Legal to take: rabbit, squirrel and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Snow Goose Hunt

Hunting is by special use permit only. Contact the Refuge office for details.

Turkey: Closed

Trapping: Closed

Fishing: Closed

Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) Tracts

Only the Herron Tract and Brown Tract (east of the Sunflower River) may be hunted for deer archery and rabbit. The Carter Tract may be hunted for rabbit only. Public Use Permit required. Contact Complex Headquarters for maps and additional information.

Deer Archery Hunt on FmHA Tracts

October 1, 2007 - January 31, 2008

The possession of guns is prohibited. Legal to take: deer of either sex, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

Rabbit Hunt with Dogs on FmHA Tracts

February 1 - 28, 2008

Any person hunting or accompanying another person hunting shall wear at least 500 square inches of unbroken fluorescent orange material visible above the waistline. Shotgun with non-toxic shot only. Legal to take: rabbit, hogs and furbearers (Regulation #18).

2007 - 2008 Theodore Roosevelt NWR Complex

Species	Yazoo	Panther Swamp
Deer-Youth Hunt	11/23/07 or 11/24/07	Closed
Waterfowl-Youth Hunt	Closed	12/29/07-12/30/07
Deer-Archery	10/01/07-11/16/07 1/2/08-1/07/08* 1/8/08-1/16/08	10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08
Deer-Muzzleloader	11/30/07-12/01/07 12/04/07-12/05/07 12/07/07-12/08/07	11/23/07 - 11/28/07 12/10/07 - 12/15/07
Deer-General Gun	Closed	11/17/07-11/19/07
Deer-Senior Citizen	11/27/07-11/28/07	Closed
Quail	Closed	2/01/08 - 2/28/08
Turkey	Closed	4/01/08-5/01/08
Waterfowl	Closed	State Season
Squirrel & (Rabbit w/o Dogs)	10/13/07-11/16/07	10/13/07-11/16/07 11/29/07-12/09/07 12/16/07-2/28/08
Squirrel w/Dogs	2/01/08-2/28/08	10/13/07-11/16/07 11/29/07-12/09/07 12/16/07-2/28/08
Rabbit w/Dogs	2/12/08-2/28/08	2/12/08-2/28/08
Raccoon	1/24/08-1/26/08	10/01/07-11/16/07 2/01/08-2/28/08



Unlimited Permit Required



Limited Draw Permit Required

* Special Permit Required

NOTE: Check with headquarters for maps and regulations for FmHA properties.

Hunt Schedule

Hillside	Morgan Brake	Mathews Brake
Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed	1st & 2nd weekend in January
10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08	10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08	10/01/07-1/31/08
11/30/07-12/08/07	11/30/07-12/08/07	Closed
Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed	Closed
State Season	State Season	State Season
10/13/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-2/28/08	10/13/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-2/28/08	10/13/07-2/28/08
10/13/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-2/28/08	10/13/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-2/28/08	10/13/07-2/28/08
2/12/08-2/28/08	2/12/08-2/28/08	2/12/08-2/28/08
10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08	10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08	10/01/07-11/16/07 12/16/07-1/31/08

NOTE: All waterfowl hunts are closed during all gun/muzzleloader deer hunts. Refer to brochure for rules and regulations of each hunt and for youth waterfowl dates and regulations.

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