

Bogue Chitto

National Wildlife Refuge Hunting, Fishing and Camping Regulations 2008-2009



Bogue Chitto Refuge Hunting Permit 2008-2009

When signed and carried, this serves as your permit for all refuge hunts, and acknowledges your understanding of the regulations contained herein. Expires June 30, 2009.

Signature (permits are not transferable)

Bogue Chitto
National Wildlife Refuge
61389 Highway 434
Lacombe, LA 70445
985/882 2000

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U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
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Hunter Bag Report

Place in check box at lock #1 or mail to:

S.E. Louisiana Refuges, 61389 Highway 434, Lacombe, LA 70445

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Dates Hunted _____ State Hunted: MS _____ or LA _____

Check type and number of animals harvested.

Deer (Buck) _____ No. Antler Points _____

Deer (Doe) _____ Turkey _____

Hog _____ Other (list) _____

Comments _____

accompanied by an adult 21 years of age. Each adult can supervise only one youth during big game hunts and no more than two youths during other hunts. Parents or adult guardians responsible for supervising hunters under the age of 16 must remain within sight and normal voice contact of the juvenile. Parents or adult guardians are responsible for ensuring that hunters under the age of 16 do not engage in conduct that would constitute a violation of the refuge regulations.

All hunters except waterfowl hunters must wear 400 square inches of unbroken Hunter Orange as the outermost layer of clothing on the chest and back during open gun seasons for deer. All non-hunters are encouraged to wear hunter orange during gun deer seasons.

The refuge will be closed to all hunting, except waterfowl, when the Pearl River reaches 15.5 feet on the gauge at Pearl River. Call 985/649 0357 for current reading.

The possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, mineral, other feed, or non-naturally occurring attractant on the refuge is prohibited.

Camping

Primitive camping is permitted within 100 feet of designated streams. These include either bank of the Bogue Chitto River, Wilson Slough, West Pearl River south of Wilson Slough and refuge lands along the East Pearl River and Holmes Bayou.

The possession or use of generators or chainsaw is prohibited in camping areas. No campsite can be left unattended longer than 24 hours. Campsites cannot be established longer than 14 consecutive days.

Cutting, removing, or damaging trees and other live plant matter is prohibited.

The refuge is closed to camping when the Pearl River reaches 15.5 feet on the gauge at Pearl River.

Specific Sport Fishing Regulations

Recreational fishing is permitted year-round in accordance with State Regulations subject to the following conditions. Commercial fishing is prohibited.

Limb lines are permitted but must be 100% cotton.

Trotlines are permitted, but the last five feet of the trotline, on both ends, must be 100% cotton.

The fishing pond at the Pearl River Turnaround is open except closed from April-June. Non-gas powered boats may be hand launched when open.

Specific Hunting Regulations

State hunting regulations apply unless otherwise listed. When the refuge follows State seasons (as listed below); those refuge lands in Mississippi follow Mississippi State seasons and those refuge lands in Louisiana follow Louisiana State seasons.

Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge General Fishing, Hunting and Camping Regulations

The regulations listed below supplement Louisiana State hunting and fishing regulations and the general regulations governing hunting and fishing on National Wildlife Refuges set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations.

Attached to this permit is a self check, harvest form. The harvest data helps us better manage your wildlife resources. Please report all harvest information and return it to the brochure box at lock 1 or to refuge office.

All hunters must possess a refuge permit. This brochure when signed and in your possession, serves as a permit for all 2008-2009 refuge hunts.

Firearms are permitted only during the refuge hunting season. The possession of slugs, buckshot, or rifle and pistol ammunition larger than .22 caliber rimfire is permitted only during the refuge gun, deer hunts. The possession of toxic shot during small game hunts is prohibited.

Firearms, while being carried in vehicles or boats, must be unloaded and encased or dismantled. Possession of a loaded firearm in a campsite, on a refuge road open to vehicle travel, or on a designated walking trail is prohibited.

Hunting within 150 feet of any road, residence, or the designated walking trail is prohibited.

Temporary tree stands may be erected on the refuge starting 14 days prior to refuge deer season and must be removed by 14 days following the end of the refuge deer season. Hunting from a permanent tree stand or from a tree in which a metal object (such as nails, spikes, screws) has been driven is prohibited. All unattended hunting stands must be legibly tagged with the user's name, address, phone # and big game license # (lifetime license #). All untagged stands are subject to forfeiture or seizure.

The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

The use of horses and all terrain vehicles are prohibited.

All commercial activities including guiding or participating in a guided hunt are prohibited.

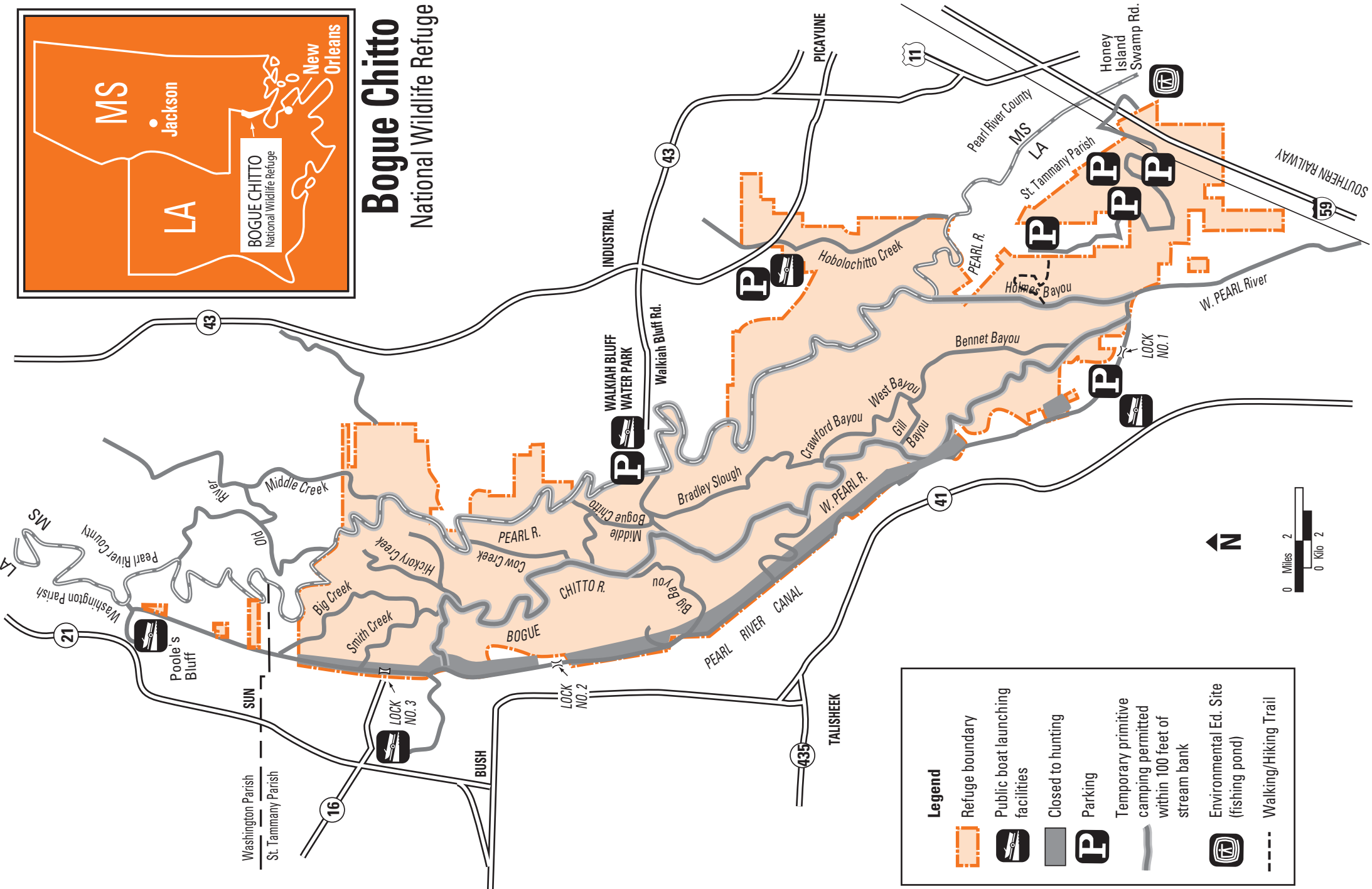
Target shooting on the refuge is prohibited.

Houseboats are prohibited within refuge boundaries except for navigational purposes.

Motorized vehicles are only permitted on public roads and designated parking areas.

Hunting from the east levee of the Pearl River Canal is prohibited.

Any hunter under 16 years of age must possess proof of completing an approved Hunter Safety Course and be



Type Hunt	Season: Mississippi and Louisiana	Special Regulations
Archery deer, either sex and hog	State season	Bow and arrow only. Hunters are encouraged to complete a certified Bowhunter Education course.
General gun deer and hog	Nov. 15 - 21, 2008 (LA only) Nov. 22 - 23, 2008 Dec. 20 - 28, 2008	Deer bucks only. Still hunting only. No dogs. Deer either sex. Still hunting only. No dogs. Deer either sex. Still hunting only. No dogs.
Primitive weapon, deer either sex and hog.	Nov. 29 - Dec. 5, 2008	Still hunting only. No dogs.
Squirrel and rabbit	State fall Season Closed Spring squirrel Season	Only non-toxic shot (size #4 or smaller) or .22 cal rimfire ammunition or smaller is permitted. Dogs may be used Nov. 1 - Nov. 17 and from Dec. 22 to the end of the State Fall squirrel season. Closed to hunting during the State Spring Squirrel Season.
Raccoon and opossum	Jan. 1-Feb. 28, 2009	Night time hunting is permitted in accordance with state regulations. Dogs are allowed.
Turkey	State Season	State rules and regulations apply. No shot larger than #2 is allowed.
Waterfowl and coots (Ducks, geese and coots)	State teal, and general waterfowl season	Hunting is permitted from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until noon. Closed to hunting during the special "light goose" conservation season.
Woodcock	State Season	Only non-toxic shot is permitted using #4 shot or smaller. Only recognized breeds of setter/retriever dogs are allowed.
Hog	Jan. 5 - Feb. 28, 2009	May be taken only with the aid of trained hog hunting dogs. Legal hunting hours are legal sunrise to legal sunset. All hogs must be killed prior to removal from the refuge. During this season, only shotguns with non toxic shot or .22 cal. or smaller pistols or rifles with rimfire ammunition are permitted.