

**Pinckney Island NWR**  
**Beaufort County,**  
**South Carolina**

Pinckney Island National Wildlife Refuge is one of over 545 national wildlife refuges. The primary objective of a national wildlife refuge is to provide habitat for the conservation and protection of all species of wildlife. The harvest of surplus animals is one tool used to manage wildlife populations. Carefully managed hunts maintain wildlife populations at a level compatible with the environment, provide recreational opportunities, and permit the use of a valuable renewable resource.

Public hunting on Pinckney Island National Wildlife Refuge is permitted on approximately 1,050 acres. Certain areas (marked on the map printed on the reverse side) are closed to hunting.

The regulations listed below supplement the general regulations which govern hunting on wildlife refuge areas as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations. Hunting will be in accordance with applicable State (South Carolina) regulations.

**General Hunting Regulations**

**Federal permits are required for all hunts and must be carried on the person while hunting.** All hunters must obtain a permit regardless of age. Permits are non-transferable. Only hunt participants with proper licenses and permits will be allowed on the refuge during the hunt.

Hunters 15 years of age or under (youth hunters) must have successfully passed a state-approved hunter education course in order to participate in any refuge hunt. Satisfactory completion of this course must be demonstrated by a card or certificate. Youth hunters must be supervised by an adult 21 years of age or older and must remain in sight and normal voice contact with the adult. The adult may supervise only one youth.

Each hunter may place one stand on the refuge during the week preceding the hunt. However, hunters assume all responsibility for the loss or damage of personal property left on the refuge. **Stands must be removed by the end of the hunt.**

Hunters must be checked in at the designated check station by refuge personnel between 4 and 5 am, and park in the designated area prior to hunting. Entry by boat is prohibited.

Personal identification (driver's license or official state identification card) will be required at check-in.

Vehicles will be permitted only on the gravel road from the refuge entrance to Clubhouse Pond.

Hunters are required to wear an outer garment which contains a minimum of 500 square inches of hunter-orange material above the waist.

Does must be tagged with state doe tags. These tags will be issued (free) at the deer check station.

Deer harvested during any scheduled hunt must be checked by refuge personnel before leaving the refuge.

Hunting from a tree in which a metal object has been screwed or driven to support a hunter is prohibited.

Participating in "man-drives" for deer is prohibited.

No flagging, painting, blazing, or trail marking devices may be used to locate stands, or for any other purpose.

Only designated game species may be taken and other wildlife may not be molested in any manner.

The distribution of bait, and hunting over bait, is prohibited.

Camping is not permitted on the refuge.

**Gun Hunt**



**Permit Application Procedures**

Pruning/limbing of live trees is prohibited.

The possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

All forms of litter must be removed from the refuge.

Gun hunting for deer on Pinckney Island NWR will be permitted only on November 14, 2008, within the area indicated on the attached refuge map.

Five deer (no more than four antlerless) may be taken.

Shotguns, 20 gauge or larger, with slugs are the only weapons permitted.

**Hunters must be on their stands from one-half hour before legal sunrise until 9 am and from two hours before sunset until legal sunset.**

Hunting will not be permitted closer than 100 yards of US Highway 278 or the check station area, nor closer than 200 yards of the residence area.

The refuge will be closed to the general public any day on which a hunt is scheduled.

The attached permit-applications for the Pinckney Island NWR gun hunt should be used by one hunter only. To apply as a party, applications for all party hunters (a maximum of three) should be stapled together and mailed to the Savannah Coastal Refuges office, 1000 Business Center Drive, Parkway Business Center, Suite 10, Savannah, GA 31405. Additional applications may be obtained by mail, or picked up at the Coastal Refuges office located in the Parkway Business Center, off I-16 at Chatham Parkway, Savannah, GA.

Hunt regulations and permit applications can also be downloaded from our website <http://www.fws.gov/pinckneyisland>



**Signs Protect Visitors and Resources**



Only one application may be submitted per hunter. Applications must be received by August 31 to be entered in the drawing; 80 permits will be issued.

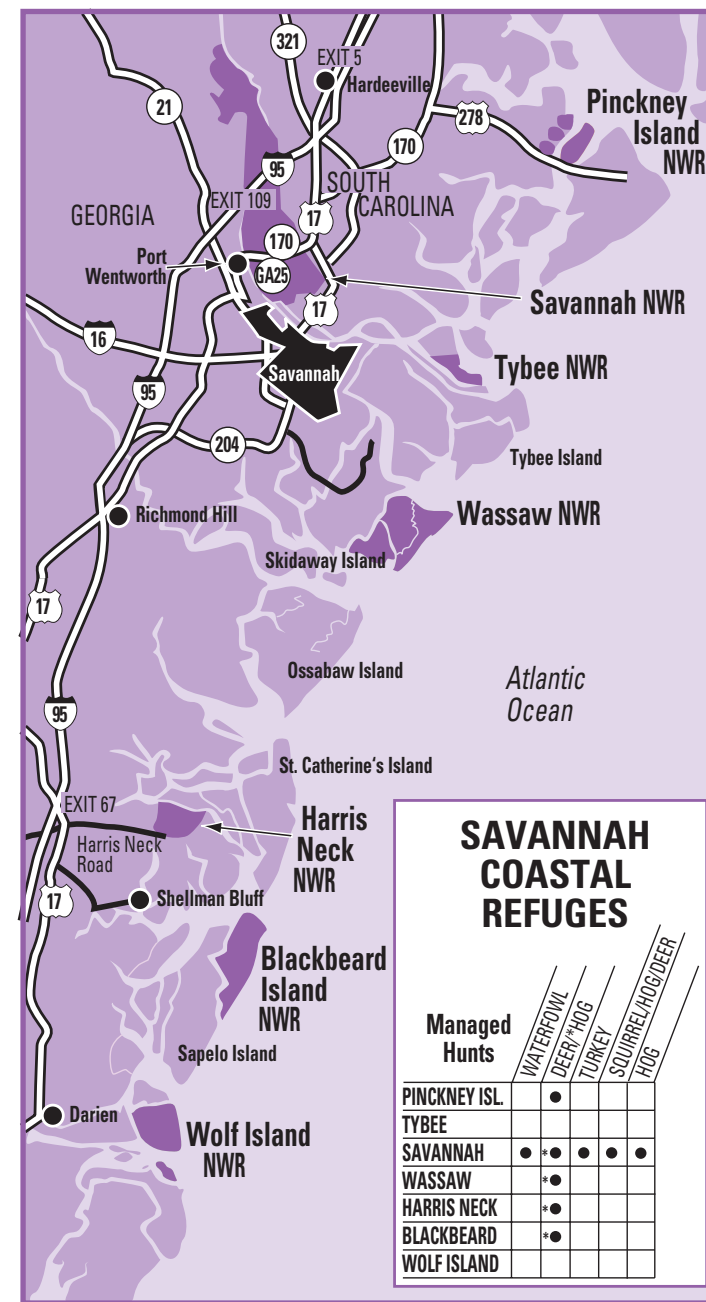
Hunters selected by drawing on September 5, 2008, will be notified by mail. A \$15.00 permit fee must be paid by each hunter selected by drawing. Accepted payment methods are credit/debit cards (call 912/652 4415 to make payment by phone), cashier's check or money order (made payable to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service/ mailed to Savannah Coastal Refuges office). **No personal checks will be accepted**, and all **payments** must be received by October 15 to guarantee issuance of a permit to the selected hunter.

Assistance can be provided to hunters with disabilities. Contact the refuge manager for advance planning.

Millions of people visit national wildlife refuges each year. The impact of human activity, if not regulated, can degrade these wildlands. Signs control recreational activities while protecting natural resources on the refuge. Please respect the following signs:

This sign delineates the refuge boundary. You may enter only through the entrance on US Highway 278. Consult manager for restrictions.

This area is closed to all entry. No hunting or sight-seeing is permitted. Roads and trails within this area are closed to the public.



Take pride in your refuge! Report violations. Pick up litter.

**Pinckney Island NWR**  
**Gun Hunt Permit-Application**  
**November 14, 2008**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

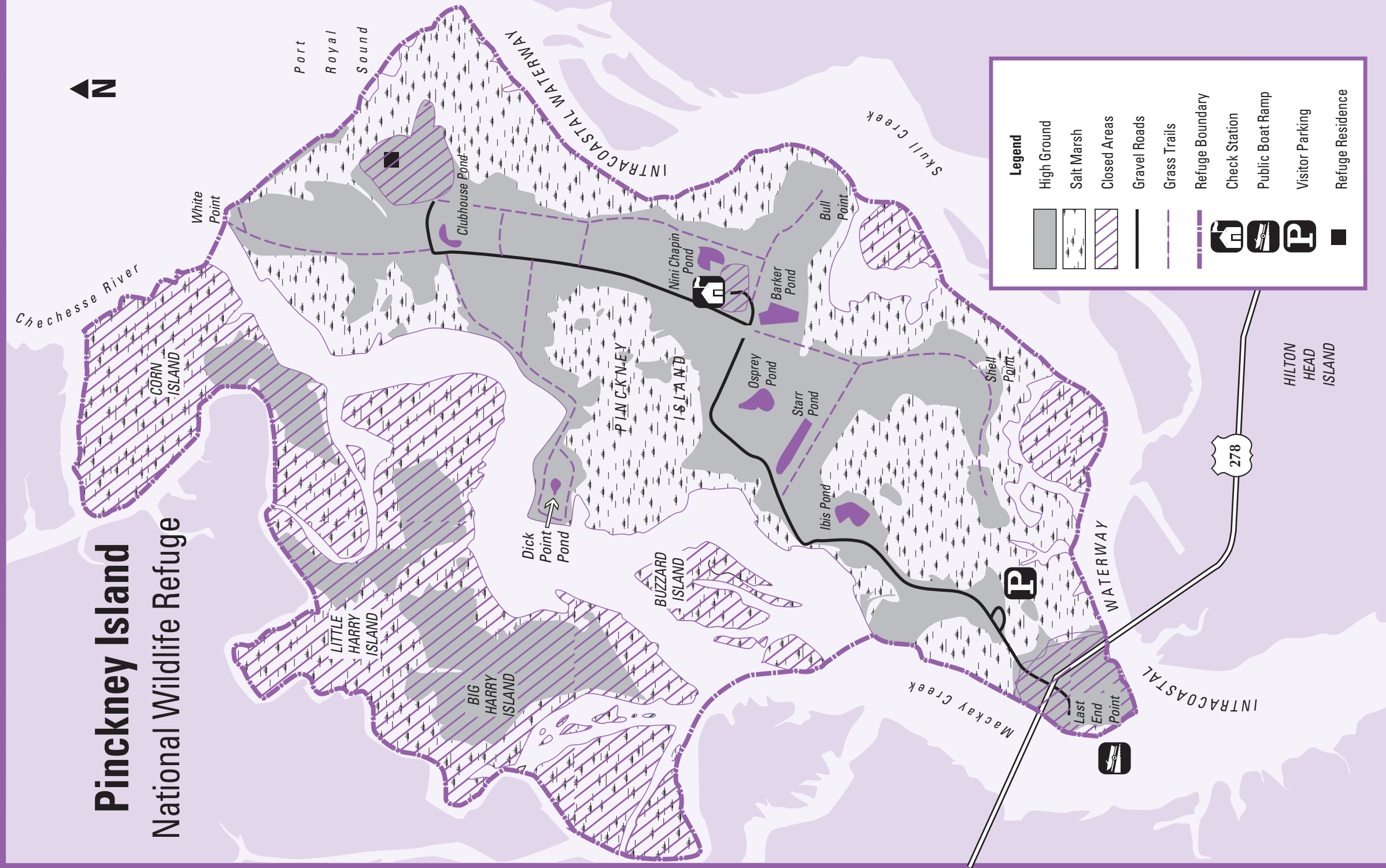
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Applications for party hunters (maximum of three) must be stapled together. List your party hunters:

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### Hunting Regulations

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