2008-2009 Hunting Seasons/Regulations

Type	Season dates	Specific regulations
Duck, Goose, and Coot	State season	Hunting until noon. See maps for areas closed to all waterfowl hunting. Special Teal season limited to Mollicy Unit, outside of levee. See map. Recognized breeds of retrievers may be used for hunting. Construction of and/or hunting from permanent blinds is prohibited. Boats, blinds, and decoys may not be left unattended.
Limited Youth Waterfowl Upper Ouachita only	Limited hunt first Saturday of State Youth Waterfowl hunt	Drawing for 10 youth hunters. Applications will be accepted until September 29, 2008. To apply, mail name, address, date of birth, and proof of hunter education course to the refuge office. You may only apply once. Drawing will be held October 11, 2008. Successful applicants will be notified. One youth and one guide in blind. Guides will be furnished. Parents welcome.
Mourning Dove	First 3 days of State Season	State limits and shooting hours. Steel shot or approved substitute only. Limited to Mollicy Unit, outside of levee.
Quail, Woodcock	State season	Recognized breeds of bird dogs may be used for hunting.
Squirrel, Rabbit	State season, except closed in spring season	Dogs may be used for hunting after the last refuge deer gun hunt.
Raccoon, Opossum	December 1, 2008- January 31, 2009 for night hunting. May be taken during daylight hours of rabbit and squirrel season	Elevated levels of mercury contamination have been found in refuge raccoons. It is recommended that they not be eaten. Raccoons taken on the refuge may not be sold for human consumption.
Feral hogs, coyotes, and beaver	All refuge hunts	No bag limit - may be taken only with weapons legal for particular season. Hunting feral hogs with dogs is prohibited.
Deer Archery	State season	No bowhunting in D'Arbonne "beanfield" area during gun deer hunts. Possession or use of pods is prohibited. All archery hunters must possess proof of completion of the International Bowhunters Education Program. Limit of one deer per day on Upper Ouachita. Limit of one antlerless and one antlered deer per day on D'Arbonne.
Deer Gun Hunting	November 1 - 2, November 28 - 30 and December 6 - 7, 2008 either sex	Still hunting only. Limit of one deer per day on Upper Ouachita. Limit of one antlerless and one antlered deer per day on D'Arbonne.
Restricted Deer Hunt D'Arbonne only	November 15 - 16, 2008 either sex	All hunters must carry a Class I - wheelchair bound permit issued by the LA Dept of Wildlife & Fisheries. Only permitted hunters can carry firearms. Limit of one antlerless and one antlered deer per day.
Deer stands and blinds may Muzzle loading firearms ma No deer hunting withing 100	ay be used during refuge deer gui	n hunts but refuges do not have special Muzzle loading seasons. ds, refuge roads, ATV trails, electric transmission lines
Trapping	State season	Special \$10 trapping permit required. Apply at refuge office.

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Frogging State season See state regulations. No frogging within Mollicy levee.

Fishing and Boating Year round except for No Hunting Area on Mollicy Unit where fishing will be permitted March 1 - August 31

See state regulations. Exceptions: Commercial fishing is prohibited. Recreational fishing using commercial gear (slat traps, etc.) requires a special refuge permit. Ends of trot lines must be attached by a length of cotton line which extends into the water. Trotlines and yoyos must be tended daily. Trotlines lacking the cotton line or having exposed hooks are subject to removal by refuge personnel. Fishing is permitted in designated areas within Mollicy levee. Check with refuge office for information. No outboards within Mollicy levee except for North Reservoir where motors are limited to maximum 50 hp.

