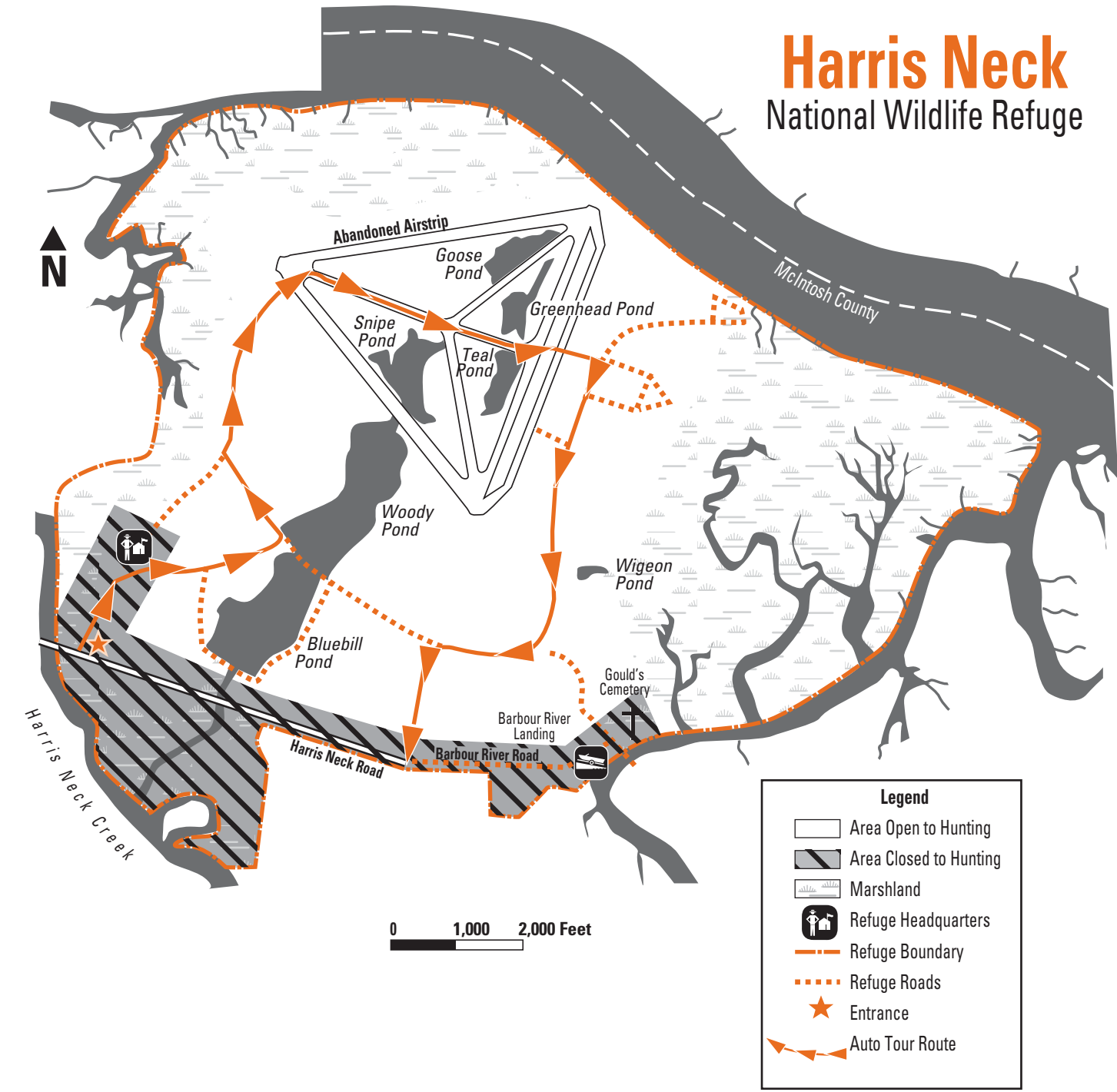
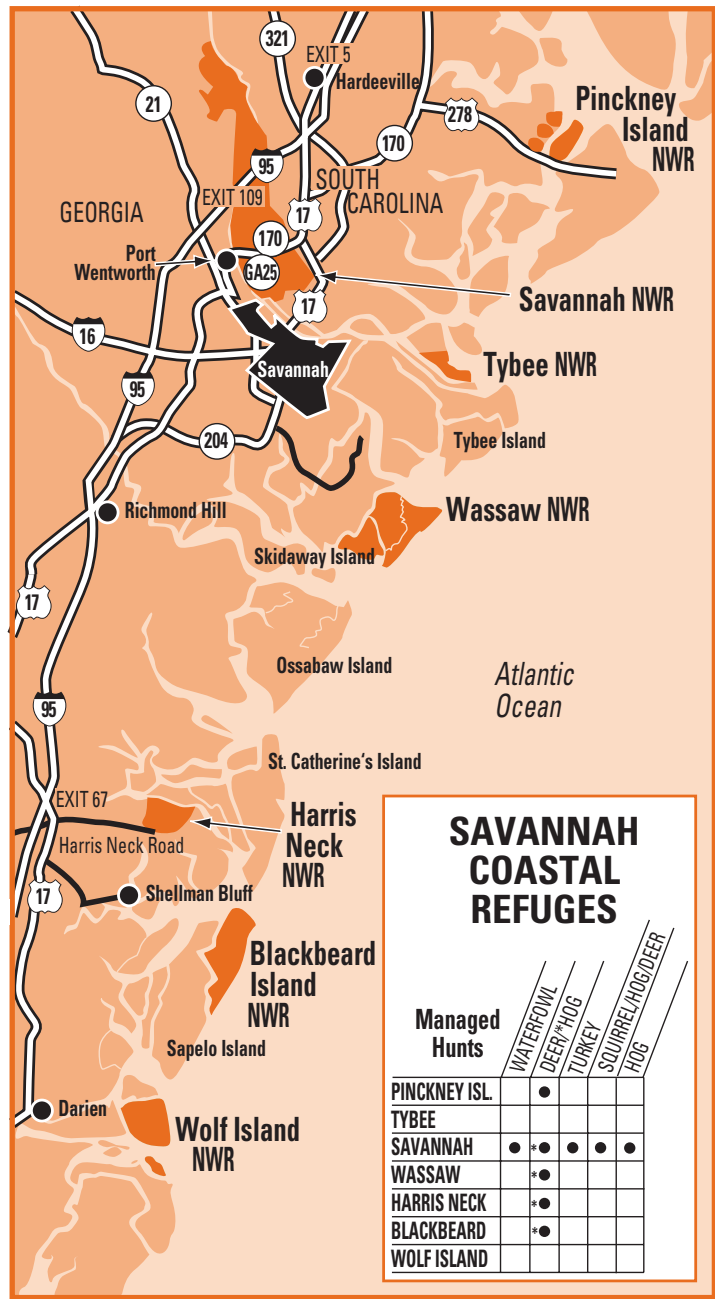


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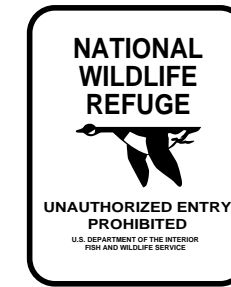
Hunting Regulations

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Signs Protect Visitors and Resources

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 on designated access routes. 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.

"SIGNS PROTECT VISITORS AND RESOURCES"

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 Savannah Coastal Refuges
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 Savannah, GA 31405
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June 2008



2008 Harris Neck NWR Bow Hunt Permit

When signed and in your possession, this brochure serves as your Harris Neck bow hunt permit, and acknowledges your understanding of the regulations contained herein.

Signature _____

**Harris Neck NWR
McIntosh County,
Georgia**

Harris Neck 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 at a level compatible with the environment, provide recreational opportunities, and protect the use of a valuable renewable resource.

Public hunting on Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge is permitted on approximately 2,400 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 the wildlife areas as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations. Hunting will be in accordance with applicable state (Georgia) 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. **A Georgia hunting license is required to hunt feral hogs.**

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.

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

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 each hunt.**

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

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

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

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

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

Target practice is prohibited.

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

Vehicles are restricted to the designated auto tour route. Two-way traffic will be permitted.

Entry by boat is prohibited.

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.

The possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

All forms of litter must be removed from the refuge.

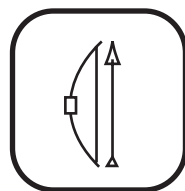
Pruning/limbing of live trees is prohibited.

The possession or use of poison or poison pods is illegal.

Hunting will not be permitted closer than 100 yards of Harris Neck Road, the refuge entrance drive, refuge headquarters, Barbour River Landing, Barbour River Road and Gould's Cemetery.

Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge will be closed to the general public on all hunt days.

Bow Hunt



Bow hunting for deer and feral hogs will be permitted from September 17-19, 2008 in all area indicated on the attached refuge map.

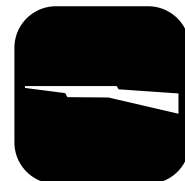
Bow hunters must enter the refuge, through the refuge gate only, between 5 am and 6 am to hunt during the morning stand hours. Hunters will be allowed to exit and re-enter through the entrance gate only from 9 am until 4 pm. After 4 pm no one will be permitted to enter the refuge.

Three deer of either sex may be taken (state bonus tags will be issued for two of these), and feral hogs (no bag limit).

Only bows in accordance with state regulations will be authorized. **Crossbows are prohibited.**

Archery hunters are encouraged to wear a fluorescent orange outer garment while hunting on the ground or walking to and from stands.

Gun Hunt



Gun hunting for deer and feral hogs on Harris Neck NWR will be permitted on November 21, 2008 within the area indicated on the attached refuge map.

Gun hunters must check-in at the refuge headquarters between 4 and 5 am, prior to hunting.

Three deer of either sex may be taken (state bonus tags will be issued for two of these), and feral hogs (no bag limit).

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

Firearms must be unloaded and cased except during hunting periods.

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

**How to Obtain
Bow Hunt Permits**

The attached permit (on cover) to participate in the bow hunt is validated when signed. An unlimited number of permits will be available for the bow hunt.

Hunters who participate in the bow hunt are also eligible to apply for the gun hunt.

**Gun Hunt Permit
Application
Procedures**

The attached permit-application for the Harris Neck 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:

Savannah Coastal Refuges
1000 Business Center Drive
Parkway Business Center, Suite 10
Savannah, GA 31405

Additional applications may be obtained by mail, or picked up at the Savannah Coastal Refuges office located in the Parkway Business Center (off I-16 at Chatham Parkway, Savannah, Georgia). Hunt regulations and permit applications can also be downloaded from our website <http://www.fws.gov/harrisneck>

Only one application may be submitted per hunter. Applications must be received by August 31 to be entered in the drawing; 150 permits will be issued for the gun hunt.

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.

**Harris Neck
National Wildlife Refuge
Permit Application for the
November 21, 2008 Gun Hunt**

Print: _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone number _____

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

1. _____

2. _____