

General Provisions

ACE Basin National Wildlife Refuge is one of over 500 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. Sport fishing is permitted at a level compatible with the environment, provides recreational opportunities, and permits the use of a valuable renewable resource.

The regulations listed below supplement the general regulations which govern fishing on wildlife refuge areas as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations. Sport fishing will be in accordance with applicable State regulations and the following Refuge regulations.

Open to Sport Fishing

In the Beaufort County portion of the Refuge only, impounded waters contained within dikes and levees are opened seasonally from April 1 through August 31 and during daylight hours only.

All unimpounded tidal creeks, tidal canals, and freshwater streams on and immediately adjacent to the Refuge are open year round.

Closed to Sport Fishing

All Refuge impounded waters contained within dikes or levees outside of Beaufort County are closed to fishing.

Refuge fishing permits currently are not required. However, State fishing license requirements apply.

Boat use is not allowed within seasonally opened Refuge waters. Only bank fishing is permitted.

Only attended hook and line fishing is permitted. Use of nets, trot-lines, set-lines, baskets, yo-yo's, traps, jug-lines, spears, gigs, and stupefying substances are prohibited on the Refuge.

Fishing will be subject to temporary closure of affected Refuge area if littering problems occur.

Parking so as to block travel through Refuge access gates or roadways is prohibited.

No firearms, fires, or pets are allowed.

Walk-in access only, no vehicles allowed.

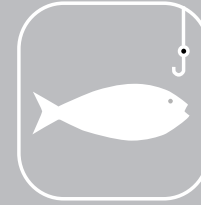
Refuge Specific Fishing Regulations

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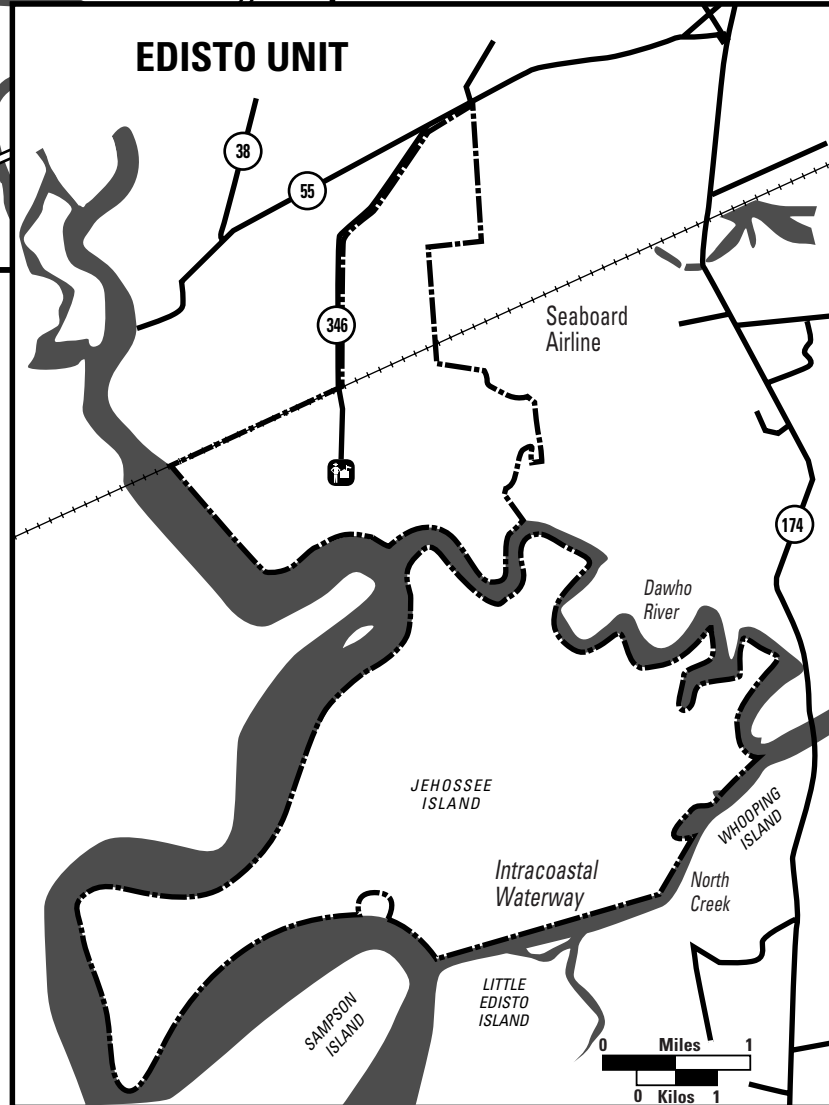
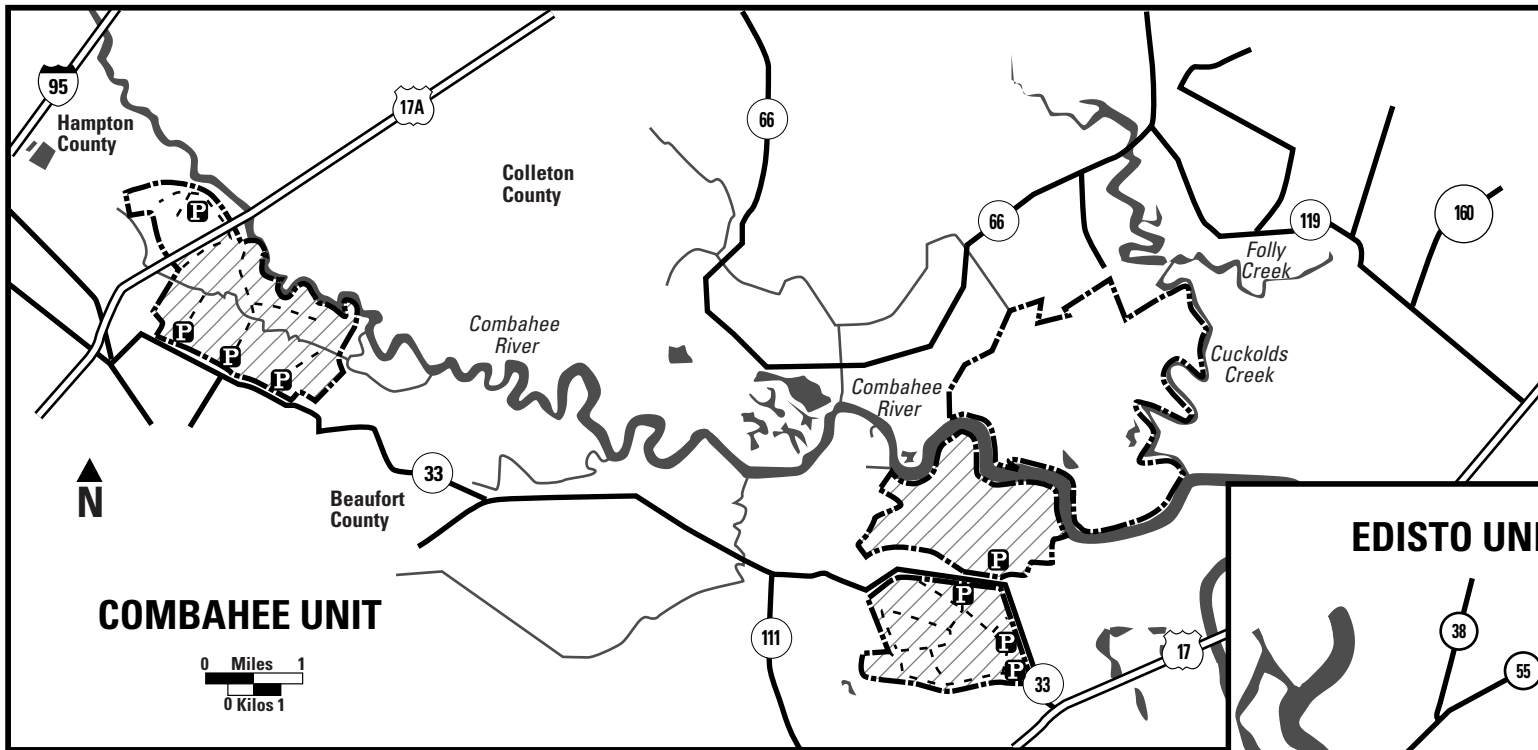
Fishing Regulations



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Legend

-  Refuge Boundary
-  Refuge impounded water areas opened seasonally to fishing from April 1-August 31
-  Trails
-  Refuge Headquarters
-  Parking Areas