

2008-09 Hunting Season Information

Hunt Dates

Dove-	Sep 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2008
Deer-	Archery- Oct 6-11, Dec 8-13, and Dec 15-20, 2008 Primitive Weapons- Oct 24-25 and Oct 31- Nov 1, 2008 Modern Gun- Nov 7-8, Nov 14-15, and Nov 21-22, 2008 Youth- Oct 18, 2008
Quail-	Wed and Fri during state season
Rabbit-	Tue, Thurs, and Sat during January 2009
Raccoon/Opossum-	Feb 1-10, 2009
Turkey-	Youth- Mar 28, 2009 General Hunt- Apr 2-4 and Apr 9-11, 2009

Major Changes

- Deer Hunts:
SCDNR has reduced the number of either-sex days in Chesterfield County this year. Any antlerless deer harvested on a "non-either sex" day will have to be tagged with the hunter's individual antlerless tag obtained from SCDNR.

The new regulation reads as follows:

Either-sex hunting is permitted on all hunting days. On South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) designated either-sex days, which are October 11, 18, 25 and November 1, 8, 15, 22 and December 20, antlerless deer do not have to be tagged. On all other hunting days, antlerless deer must be tagged with an individual antlerless deer tag purchased from SCDNR. An antlerless deer is defined as a deer with no antlers or an antlered deer with less than two inches of antler visible above the hairline.

- Turkey Hunts
When turkey hunters turn in their applications (March 1, 2009), they must attach the \$12.50 application/hunt fee. This fee is non-refundable. We will draw 125 hunters for each hunt and send them their permit.

The new regulation reads as follows:

Hunters must have a drawn permit to participate in this hunt. Applications will be available in September by mail or in person from the refuge office. Applications will not be mailed after February 20 and must be obtained in person after this date. Completed turkey hunt applications, along with a \$12.50 non-refundable application/hunt fee, must be received by March 1, 2009. A random, computerized drawing will be conducted during the first week of March, selecting 125 hunters for each hunt. Permits will be mailed to successful applicants.