

# Hunter Bag Report

Place in designated check boxes or mail to:  
 S.E. Louisiana Refuges  
 61389 Highway 434  
 Lacombe, LA 70445

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Hunted: \_\_\_\_\_

Enter type and number of animals harvested:

Species	Waterfowl/Coots	# Harvested
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____

**Archery**

Deer (Buck) # \_\_\_\_\_ Antler pts: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deer (Doe) # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hog # \_\_\_\_\_

Species	Small Game/Other	# Harvested
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## Big Branch Marsh National Wildlife Refuge General Fishing and Hunting Regulations

All hunters must possess a refuge permit. This brochure, when signed and in your possession, serves as a permit for all 2008 - 2009 refuge hunts.

The regulations listed below supplement Louisiana State hunting and fishing regulations and the general regulations governing hunting and fishing on National Wildlife Refuges set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations.

Attached to this permit is a self check, harvest form. The harvest data helps us better manage your wildlife resources. Please complete all harvest information and return it to the brochure boxes at Lake Road boat ramp or mail to the refuge office.

Refuge areas closed to public hunting are marked with “No Hunting Zone” signs and/or shown on the map attached to this brochure.

Firearms are permitted only during the refuge hunting season. Firearms, while being carried in vehicles or boats or through the no hunting areas, must be unloaded and encased or dismantled. Possession of buckshot, lead shot, slugs, rifles or rifle ammunition is prohibited.

Possession of a loaded firearm on a refuge road open to vehicle travel or Boy Scout Road is prohibited.

Temporary tree stands may be erected on the refuge starting 14 days prior to the refuge deer season and must be removed by 14 days following the end of the refuge deer season.

All unattended hunting stands must be legibly tagged with the user’s name, address, phone number and big game license number (or lifetime license number). All untagged stands are subject to forfeiture or seizure.

The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

All commercial activities including guiding or participating in a guided hunt are prohibited.

Hunting from a permanent tree stand, or from a tree in which a metal object (such as nails, spikes, screws) has been driven is prohibited.

Hunting within 150 feet of any road open to vehicle travel, residence, or Boy Scout Road is prohibited.

Hunting in the No Hunt Area is prohibited.

The possession of Toxic Shot is prohibited during all refuge hunts.

Target shooting on the refuge is prohibited.

Any hunter under 16 years of age must possess proof of completing an approved Hunter Safety Course and be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age. Each adult can supervise only one youth during deer hunts and only two youths during other hunts. Parents or adult guardians responsible for supervising hunters under the age of 16 must remain within sight and normal voice contact of the juvenile. Parents or adult guardians are responsible for ensuring that hunters under the age of 16 do not engage in conduct that would constitute a violation of the refuge regulations.

Air-thrust boats, mud boats, or air cooled propulsion engines are prohibited on the refuge.

The possession or distribution of bait or hunting with the aid of bait, including any grain, salt, mineral, other feed, or non-naturally occurring attractant on the refuge is prohibited.

Cutting, removing or damaging trees and other live plant matter is prohibited.

Motorized vehicles are prohibited off public roads and designated parking areas.

Horses and all terrain vehicles (ATVs) are prohibited.

### Specific Sport Fishing Regulations

Recreational fishing is permitted year-round in accordance with State Regulations subject to the following conditions:

Use of trotlines, limb lines, slat traps, gar sets, nets or alligator lines is prohibited. You may take bait with cast nets 8 foot dia. or less.

Commercial fishing is prohibited.

Recreational fishing, crawfishing and crabbing are permitted from 30 minutes before legal sunrise to 30 minutes after legal sunset. Night use is permitted for fishing, crabbing, and crawfishing at the Lake Road area.

### Specific Hunting Regulations

State hunting regulations apply unless otherwise listed.

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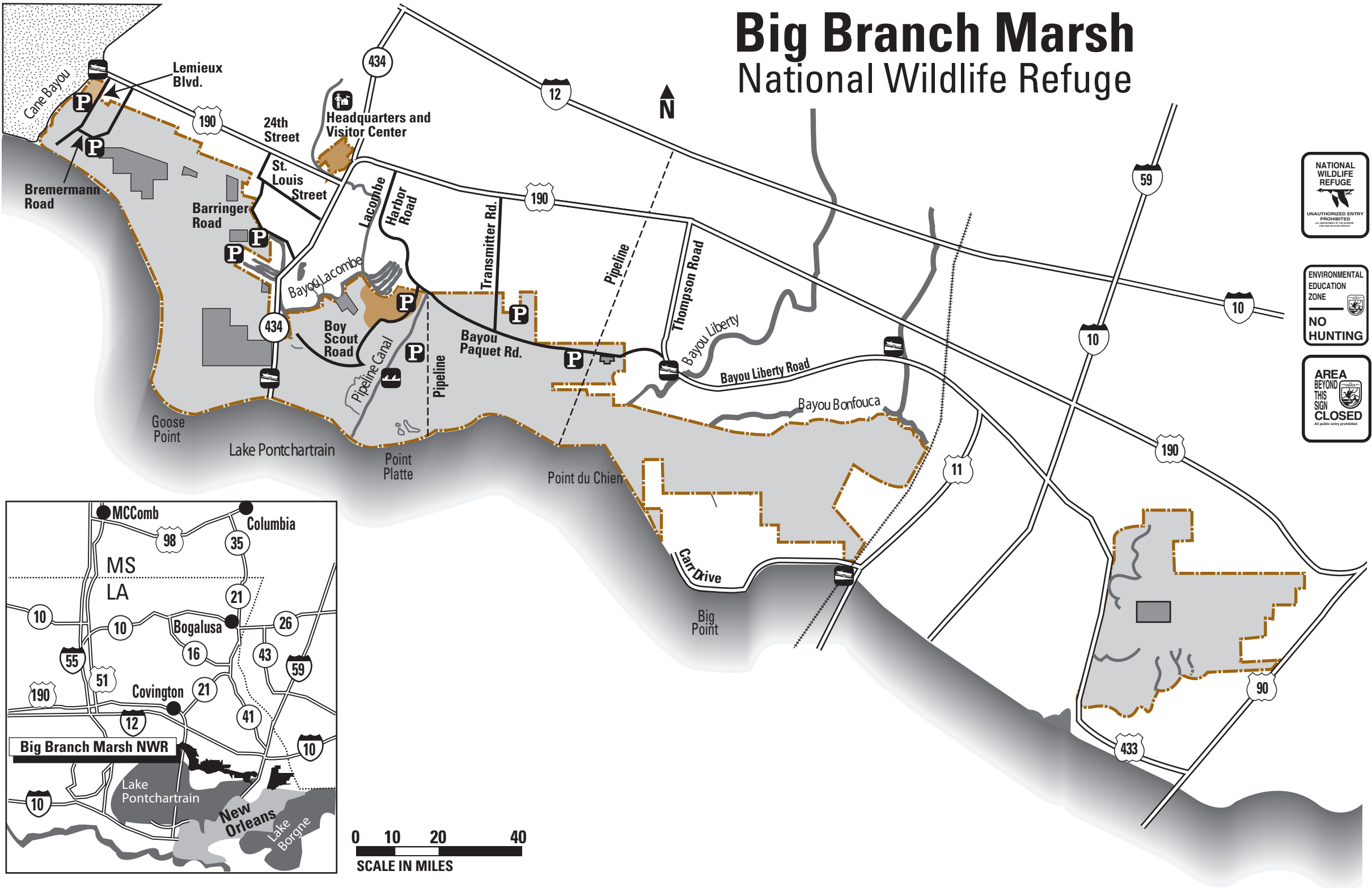
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**Big Branch Marsh Refuge Hunting Permit 2008-2009**  
 When signed and carried, this serves as your permit for all refuge hunts and acknowledges your understanding of the regulations contained herein. Expires June 30, 2009.

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 Signature (permits are not transferable)

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**Signs and Boundaries**  
Signs are useful tools in regulating the use of a public area. The wording of the signs below apply to the areas behind the signs. Pay attention to the signs, watch for boundary corners, and check your location with the maps.

This sign marks the refuge boundary. Public entry is generally authorized. However, other refuges in the system may have different regulations concerning general entry. Always know the regulations before entering.

This sign marks an area on the refuge designated for environmental education in which students learn about the refuge. The area bounded by these signs is closed to hunting.

This sign means that the area is closed to all entry. Do not trespass behind this sign for any reason.

**Legend**

- Refuge Boundary
- Hunt Area
- Private Inholdings
- No Hunt Area
- Parking Lot
- State Park
- Public Launch Facility
- Non-motorized Boat Launch

**Special Regulations**

<b>Type Hunt</b> Archery deer	<b>Season</b> State season and regulations apply.	<b>Special Regulations</b> Bow and arrow only. Hunters are encouraged to complete a certified Bowhunter Education course. No dogs or "man drives". Hogs may be taken with bow and arrow during deer archery season.
Squirrel and Rabbit	State season Closed during spring season.	Shotguns only, non-toxic shot only, shot size must be #4 or smaller. Dogs may be used only after the close of the State archery deer season. Closed to hunting during the State Spring squirrel Season.
Waterfowl & coots (ducks, geese, coots)	Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday of State season.	Waterfowl and coot hunting permitted from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until noon. Temporary blinds only must be removed daily by noon. Retrievers are allowed. Closed to hunting during the special "light goose" conservation season.
Woodcock and Quail	State season	Only non-toxic shot size #4 or smaller is permitted. Recognized breeds of setter/retriever are allowed.
Gallinules, Rails and Snipe	State season Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.	Only non-toxic shot size #4 or smaller is permitted. Hunting permitted from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until noon.