



2008-2009 Season Dates and Regulations for Non-Quota Hunts

Except for beaver and coyote, the hunting of any species not listed below is considered closed. This includes but is not limited to bobcat, river otter and fox. All state bag limits, season lengths and weapon regulations apply unless otherwise specified.

Type	Season Dates/ Bag Limits	Refuge Specific Regulations
Turkey Spring and Fall Season	Spring turkey season open with statewide season. Fall season closed during weekend quota deer hunts, refuge youth hunt, and primitive weapons hunts. Bag limit is one bearded turkey for spring season; statewide bag limit for fall season. Turkeys taken on the refuge are part of the statewide bag limit.	Check turkey at nearest check station and make sure that Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge is noted as "location of kill." Calling or attempting to call turkeys on the refuge is prohibited from March 1 until the opening of turkey season.
Deer/Turkey (archery only)	Statewide season through November 14. Season closed during the weekend quota deer hunts, refuge youth hunt and primitive weapons hunt. State bag limits apply. Deer and turkey taken are counted as part of the statewide bag limit.	Check deer at nearest check station and make sure that Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge is noted as "location of kill." Scouting during quota hunts, primitive weapons and youth hunt is not permitted.
Squirrel	Fourth Saturday in August through November 14. Season closed during weekend quota hunts, refuge youth hunt and primitive weapons hunt. State bag limits apply.	
Raccoon	October 13-16 and October 27-30 only. State bag limits apply.	
Resident Canada Goose	September 1; Coincides with state season. Closed the day before the start of early wood duck/teal season.	Resident Canada Goose hunt is now non-quota. See separate hunt regulations handout available at refuge headquarters.
Youth Deer Gun/Archery/Muzzleloader	October 11-12. Bag limit is 3 deer and only one can be antlered. Deer counts as a bonus deer.	A Refuge Annual Hunting Permit is not required for youth under the age of 16, but it is required for the supervising adult.
Primitive Weapons	Oct. 4-5. Big limit is 3 deer and only one can be antlered.	Hunt limited to Long Bow, Recurve Bow, and Side-hammered muzzleloader with iron sites only.