Kentucky Fish and Wildlife owns, leases or manages more than 80 wildlife management areas (WMAs) for public use. On some areas, users must purchase a user permit. Please refer to specific area listings for that information. The rest are open to hunting free of additional charge.

Many public-use areas have special laws in effect, and hunting season dates that are different from statewide seasons. That information is listed individually under the name of each area, beginning on page 54.

The information here applies to users of all wildlife management areas owned or managed by the department. If you intend to hunt (or otherwise visit) public lands listed under “Wildlife Management Areas,” you must comply with the following guidelines.

1. For game listed in this guide, hunting seasons on the WMAs listed in this section are open only as stated.
2. County zone deer bag limits apply to all WMAs unless otherwise noted under the area listing. Hunters are limited to one deer per day on WMAs, except during quota hunts that allow more deer to be taken.
3. Quota deer hunters may take up to two (2) deer on a quota hunt, only one of which may be antlered, unless otherwise noted under the area listing.
4. Squirrel, rabbit, quail, grouse and fur-bearer hunting is closed Nov. 12-13, 2011 on WMAs, if gun deer hunting is permitted.
5. Unless otherwise noted, persons shall not allow unleashed dogs from March 1 through the opening of fall squirrel season, except during department-authorized field trials, the June squirrel season, or when training a retriever or other water dog if the activity is authorized by a sign at the body of water. The dog must remain leashed except while training, or within 100 feet of the water, or as stated under the area listing or posted on the WMA.
6. During a WMA deer quota hunt, and the open firearm deer hunts at Grayson Lake and West Ky WMAs, only persons participating in those hunts are allowed to be on those WMAs, except waterfowl hunters in some areas that may be open, or if a part of the WMA is otherwise open as noted in the following area listings. (Persons assisting mobility-impaired hunters are permitted access during a quota elk hunt.)
7. Quota pheasant, deer, quail, upland bird, waterfowl and elk hunts require advance application. (Refer to Quota Hunt and Elk sections.) Advance application is not required for other listed hunts.
8. Camping is permitted only in designated areas. Check WMA maps at fw.ky.gov or call the WMA office for camping availability through Kentucky Fish and Wildlife or other campgrounds. Parking must be confined to designated parking areas if such areas exist. If no parking area is designated, parking is generally permitted alongside maintained roads in such a manner that does not block traffic. Unless otherwise authorized,
vehicles of any kind (including motorcycles and bicycles) are permitted only on maintained roads. Vehicles used on public roads must be street-legal. It is unlawful to cut trees or fences, dump trash or litter, or damage any property or habitat in any fashion.

9. Trapping requires permission. Obtain permission from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife by calling the WMA office.

10. Hunters shall not enter or hunt in areas that have been designated closed by signs.

11. A person shall not discharge a firearm within 100 yards of a residence or occupied building located on or off the area.

12. A person shall not distribute or place bait, hunt over bait or otherwise participate in baiting wildlife on a wildlife management area.

13. A group of ten (10) or more people who gather for any event or organized activity on a WMA shall obtain a free permit from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife at least thirty (30) days prior to the event. Groups shall apply on a form provided by the department. The department shall retain the authority to deny permits, or otherwise restrict, institute additional requirements for, or direct the rescheduling of, any event to avoid user conflicts or for other plausible reasons. Permit requests for events that do not meet WMA user guidelines shall be denied, and events may be canceled in progress if participants fail to comply with user guidelines or create hazards or disruption for others.

14. Horseback riding is permitted on some WMAs during certain times of the year and under certain restrictions. Unless hunting, horses shall only be ridden on designated horse riding trails or a maintained public road open to vehicular traffic. Horses may not be ridden on WMAs during firearm seasons for turkey, deer or elk, unless participating or assisting in a legal elk hunt. (Hunter orange required during firearm elk seasons.)

15. Public shooting ranges are available on Curtis Gates Lloyd, Higgenson-Henry, John A. Kleber, Miller Welch-Central Kentucky, Peabody and Taylorsville Lake WMAs. On these areas, target shooting is restricted to the range. These are tube-style ranges suitable for shooting single projectile ammunition only. All shooting must be through the tubes. Ranges can be reserved for special events by contacting the WMA manager 30 days in advance of the event. The ranges are self-serve and all users must comply with the rules posted by sign. Shooting ranges are closed during deer quota hunts at applicable WMAs.

MOBILITY-IMPAIRED HUNTER ACCESS TO WMAS

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife offers special exceptions to usual hunting and fishing regulations for persons who are mobility-impaired and want to hunt and fish on select WMAs. Persons who are mobility-impaired must request a Mobility- Impaired Access Permit from the department.

The criteria for eligibility for a Mobility-Impaired Access Permit are the same criteria used to determine eligibility for mobility-impaired quota hunts. See pg. 44 for those criteria.

Persons interested in applying for a permit should contact the department for an application or print one at fww.ky.gov. For hunters who request the permit and meet the qualifications, access by vehicle to portions of some WMAs may be granted.

Mobility-impaired access areas have been designated on portions of 15 WMAs: Barren River, Fishtrap Lake, Green River, Kaler Bottoms, Kentucky River, Lake Cumberland, Mill Creek, Miller Welch-Central Kentucky, Mullins, Peabody (Sinclair Unit), Redbird, Taylorsville Lake, West Kentucky, Yatesville Lake and Yellowbank WMAs.

1. The Mobility-Impaired Access Permit allows the following activities by a mobility-impaired individual:
   a. Discharge of a firearm or other legal hunting device from a motor vehicle when the vehicle is motionless and has its engine turned off. The motor vehicle shall be used as a place to wait or watch for game and shall not be used to chase, pursue, or drive game.
   b. May operate electric wheelchairs, ATVs, and other passenger vehicles on or off gated, ungated or open-gated roads otherwise closed to vehicular traffic, but only on designated tracts of designated WMAs.

2. The roads may be accessed March 1 through the third Friday in August.

3. Tracts designated as mobility-impaired access areas shall be posted with signs.

4. Vehicular access shall not be permitted on fields, openings, roads, paths, or trails planted with annual grains or agricultural crops.

5. It shall be permissible to access areas which are not roads the third Saturday of August until the end of February.

6. ATV users shall adhere to manufacturer recommendations including wearing a helmet, wearing safety glasses, and restricting riding to one (1) person, while using ATVs on WMAs.

A person with a Mobility-Impaired Access Permit may designate one (1) qualified assistant. The assistant may:
1. Track and dispatch a wounded animal;
2. Retrieve an animal; or
3. Render other assistance in accordance with all other Kentucky Fish and Wildlife and WMA user laws.

A qualified assistant shall not:
1. Operate his or her own ATV; or
2. Hunt or shoot from an ATV.

Applicants for a Mobility-Impaired Access Permit shall:
1. Fill out the required information on the Mobility-Impaired Access Permit application; and
2. Obtain the attestation and signature from a licensed physician describing the mobility impairment.

In order to participate in activities noted above, a mobility-impaired individual shall have a completed Mobility-Impaired Access Permit application on his or her person at all times while participating in such activities, along with the appropriate licenses and permits.
PUBLIC HUNTING AREAS IN KENTUCKY

1. Obion Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA)
2. Doug Travis WMA
3. Coil Estate WMA
4. Winford WMA
5. Boatwright WMA
6. Ballard WMA
7. West Kentucky WMA
8. Ohio River Islands WMA
9. Livingstone County WMA and State Natural Area
10. Kaler Bottoms WMA
11. Kentucky Lake WMA
12. Beechy Creek WMA
13. Lake Barkley WMA
14. Pennyville State Forest
15. Tradewater WMA
16. Jones-Keeney WMA
17. Clear Creek WMA
18. Lee K. Nelson WMA
19. Higginson-Henry WMA
20. Sloughs WMA
21. Green River State Forest
22. Peabody WMA
23. L. B. Davison WMA
24. Yellowbank WMA
25. Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation Area
26. Rough River Lake WMA
27. Nolin River Lake WMA
28. Barren River Lake WMA
29. Marrowbone State Forest and WMA
30. Knobs State Forest and WMA
31. John C. Williams WMA
32. Marion Co. WMA and State Forest
33. Miller Welch-Central Kentucky WMA
34. Taylorsville Lake WMA
35. T. N. Sullivan WMA
36. John A. Kleber WMA
37. Dr. James R. Rich WMA
38. Kentucky River WMA
39. Twin Eagle WMA
40. Curtis Gates Lloyd WMA
41. Mullins WMA
42. Dr. Norman and Martha Adair WMA
43. Clay WMA
44. Fleming WMA
45. Lewis County WMA
46. South Shore WMA
47. Tygarts State Forest
48. Grayson Lake WMA
49. Yatesville Lake WMA
50. Ed Mabry-Laurel Gorge WMA
51. Pioneer Weapons WMA (DBNF)
52. Paintsville Lake WMA
53. Dewey Lake WMA
54. Fishtrap Lake WMA
55. Jefferson National Forest
56. Hensley-Pine Mountain WMA
57. Carr Creek Lake WMA
58. CONSOL of Kentucky WMA
59. Paul Van Booven WMA
60. Robinson Forest WMA
61. Howard WMA
62. Ashland WMA
63. Mill Creek WMA (DBNF)
64. Burchell-Beech Creek WMA
65. Buckhorn Lake WMA
66. Elk Bird WMA (DBNF)
67. Elk Forest WMA (formerly Graham WMA)
68. Corrigan WMA
69. Kentenia State Forest
70. Stone Mountain WMA and State Natural Area
71. Cranks Creek WMA
72. Martins Fork Lake WMA
73. Boone Forestlands (formerly Begley WMA)
74. Martins Fork WMA and State Natural Area
75. Shillalah Creek WMA
76. Kentucky Ridge Forest WMA
77. Kentucky Ridge State Forest
78. Cane Creek WMA (DBNF)
79. Buck Creek WMA
80. Beaver Creek WMA (DBNF)
81. Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area
82. Lake Cumberland WMA
83. Dale Hollow Lake WMA
84. Mud Camp Creek WMA
85. Green River Lake WMA
86. Dennis-Gray WMA
87. R. F. Tarter WMA
88. Cedar Creek Lake WMA
89. Dix River WMA

OTHER HUNTING AREAS

On the following areas (except Hidden Valley) you must contact the controlling agency for season dates, regulations and hunter requirements. Contact information is listed on pages 63-64.

A. Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)
B. Clarks River NWR
C. Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area (USDA Forest Service)
D. Fort Campbell Military Reservation
E. Fort Knox Military Reservation
F. Blue Grass Army Depot
G. Hidden Valley Training Area
H. Ohio River Islands NWR

I. ICG Hunting Access Area
J. Asher Hunting Access Area
PUBLIC LAND HUNTING
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

ASHLAND WMA
Lee County, (606) 878-9595
Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

BALLARD WMA
Ballard County, (270) 224-2244
The 400-acre tract located south of Sallie Crice/Terrell Landing Road is open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.*

Exceptions
The Main Unit is closed to unauthorized public access annually.

FALL HUNTING SEASONS

Oct. 15 - March 15. The area west of Hwy. 473 within the two-mile driving loop is closed to all hunting as marked by signs. Hunting seasons on the Main Unit are as follows:

Rabbit & Quail: Closed.
Deer*: Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons through Oct. 14 only, and the October Youth Firearm Season.
Quota Hunt, either sex, Nov. 5-6. Portions of the area are closed, as marked by signs, during Quota Hunt.
Turkey -- Fall Archery: Closed.
Turkey -- Fall Gun: Closed.

* A hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time, on any part of this WMA.

BARREN RIVER LAKE WMA
Allen & Barren cos. (270) 646-5167
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons.

Exceptions
Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

On the Peninsula Unit, including Narrows, Goose and Grass islands, hunters shall not use a modern firearm to take game. Crossbows legal for entire fall archery turkey season.

BEAVER CREEK WMA (DBNF)
McCreary & Pulaski cos. (606) 376-8083

SYMBOL KEY
- Hunting
- Fishing
- Hiking Trail
- Wildlife Viewing
- Interpretive Site
- Boat Launch
- Horseback Trails
- Accessible Picnic Site
- Shooting Range
- Mountain Bike Trails

WMAs OPEN UNDER STATEWIDE REGULATIONS FOR DEER

Entire WMAs open for Modern Gun: Ashland, Beechy Creek, Boone Forestlands (formerly Begley), Buck Creek, Buckhorn Lake, Burchell-Beech Creek, Cane Creek, Carr Creek Lake, Clear Creek, CONSOL of Kentucky, Corrigan, Cranks Creek, Dale Hollow Lake, Doug Travis, Ed Mabry-Laurel Gorge, Elk Forest (formerly Graham), Fleming, Hensley-Pine Mountain, Howard, Jones-Keeney, Kaler Bottoms, Kentucky Lake, Kentucky Ridge Forest, L.B. Davison, Lee K. Nelson, Marrowbone State Forest & WMA, Martins Fork Lake, Martins Fork WMA & SNA, Nolin River Lake, Obion Creek, Peabody (first 10 days only), Redbird, Rough River Lake, Shillalah Creek, Stone Mountain WMA & SNA, Winford, and Yatesville Lake (antlered-only during Modern Gun season).

Portions of WMAs open for Modern Gun: Ballard, Barren River Lake, Boatwright, Coil Estate, Lake Barkley, Lake Cumberland, Ohio River Islands, Robinson Forest, and Sloughs

Archery/Crossbow only:
Cedar Creek Lake, Curtis Gates Lloyd, Dr. Norman and Martha Adair, John C. Williams, Knobs State Forest & WMA, Miller Welch-Central Kentucky (no crossbows), Mullins, T.N. Sullivan, and Twin Eagle.
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunt.

Other Exceptions

Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during deer Quota Hunt.
Deer*: Quota Hunt, either sex, limit one, Nov. 5-6.

Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except closed during deer Quota Hunt.

Elk: Portions in McCreary Co. are open to EHU 6a quota elk hunts, except closed during deer Quota Hunt.

*A hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

BEECHY CREEK WMA
Calloway County, (270) 753-6913

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

BIG SOUTH FORK NATIONAL RIVER AND RECREATION AREA
McCreary County
Kentucky Ranger Station: (606) 376-5073
Park Headquarters: (423) 569-9778

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer, and fall turkey seasons. Also open to EHU 6a quota elk hunts. Baiting prohibited.

Exceptions

Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

Wild Hog: Hunting is open during the statewide deer season and extends through the end of February. Hog hunters shall be licensed and legal to hunt deer when hunting wild hogs during a deer firearms season. Hunting during the extended hog season requires a legal hunting license and park permit. During the park extended season any legal hunting weapon may be used. Hog hunters may not use dogs for hog hunting, may not hunt at night, and shall possess a mandatory hog hunting permit from the National Park Service. Contact Big South Fork at the phone numbers listed for additional details.

Year-round seasons: Open under statewide regulations for coyotes, groundhogs, English sparrows and starlings. No other species may be taken.

BOATWRIGHT WMA
Ballard County, (270) 224-2244

Swan Lake Unit:
Rabbit, Quail & Furbearers: Closed.
Deer: Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons through Oct. 14 only, and the October Youth Firearm Season.

Turkey -- Fall Archery: Closed.
Turkey -- Fall Gun: Closed.
Unit closed to all public access Oct. 15 - March 15.

Olmsted, Peal and all other units:
Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except some portions may be closed to public access as marked by signs.

BOONE FORESTLANDS (formerly BEGLEY WMA)
Bell, Harlan & Leslie cos. (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 5 and 6a-e quota elk hunts, and portions in Harlan Co. are open to bear hunting. The Begley ATV park is closed to elk hunting. Please see WMA map online at fw.ky.gov.

BUCK CREEK WMA
Pulaski County, (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

BUCKHORN LAKE WMA
Perry & Leslie cos., (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 4 and 5 quota elk hunts.

BURRENELL-BEECH CREEK WMA
Clay County, (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 4 quota elk hunts.

CANE CREEK WMA (DBNF)
Laurel County, (606) 376-8083

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons.

 Exceptions

Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

CARR CREEK LAKE WMA
Knott County, (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 3a and 5 quota elk hunts.

CEDAR CREEK LAKE WMA
Lincoln County, (270) 465-5039

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel and fall turkey seasons.

Exceptions

Quail, Grouse & Furbearers: Closed.

Deer: Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons.

CLAY WMA MAIN UNIT, (Nicholas County) BOOTH & BAILEY TRACTS
(Fleming County), (859) 289-8564

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, crossbow deer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunt and Main Unit is closed during quota fox hunts and Dec. 2-5.

Other Exceptions

This WMA (not including the Booth and Bailey tracts) is closed to public use Sept. 8-10 and Sept. 29 – Oct. 1, except for those registered to participate in the quota fox hunting field trials on those days.

Rabbit: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during deer Quota Hunt, and Main Unit is closed Dec. 2-5.
Quail & Grouse: Closed except to
drawn upland bird quota hunters. See pg. 48 for dates.

**Deer:** Quota Hunt, either sex, limit four, Nov. 5 - 6. Open under statewide regulations for Archery and Youth Firearm Seasons, except closed during deer Quota Hunt, and Main Unit is closed during quote fox hunts.

**Pheasant:** Quota Hunts, either sex, limit two, Dec. 2, 3 and 4. Open Dec. 5 only to drawn pheasant quota hunters, either sex, limit three. Open Dec. 6 - 31; daily limit three, either sex.

**All pheasant hunters shall wear hunter orange clothing as required by the Kentucky hunter orange clothing law.**

**CLEAR CREEK WMA**
Hopkins County, (270) 273-3568

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

**COIL ESTATE WMA**
Carlisle County, (270) 224-2244

Eastern portion open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Western portion closed to all hunting and trapping as marked by signs.

**CONSOL OF KENTUCKY WMA**
Floyd & Knott cos., (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 5 and 6a-d quota elk hunts.

**CRANKS CREEK WMA**
Harlan County, (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 5 and 6a-d quota elk hunts.

**CRUICIS GATES LLOYD WMA**
Grant County, (859) 428-2262

Exceptions

**Deer:** Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow and Youth Firearm Seasons.

*A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

Firearms are prohibited for deer hunting on the area extending southward from the dam to Shoreline Campground No. 1, including all property from the WMA boundary downslope to the lake edge.

**DOUG TRAVIS WMA**
Carlisle & Hickman cos. (270) 488-3233

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except some areas may be closed to public access as marked by signs Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.

**DIX RIVER WMA**
Lincoln County, (270) 465-5039

Exceptions

**Rabbit & Quail:** Nov. 1 - Dec. 31

**Deer:** Open under statewide regulations, except no firearms permitted for deer hunting.

Unleashed dogs prohibited from April 1 until the third Saturday in August, except during department-authorized field trials and the spring squirrel season.

**DALE HOLLOW LAKE WMA**
Cumberland & Clinton cos. (270) 465-5039

Exceptions

**Rabbit & Quail:** Nov. 1 – Dec. 31.

**Grouse:** Oct. 1 – Dec. 31.

**Deer:** Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow, Youth Firearm and Muzzleloader seasons.

**DENNIS-GRAY WMA**
Adair County, (270) 465-5039

(Same as Green River Lake WMA)

**DEWEY LAKE WMA**
Floyd County, (606) 424-2508

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, grouse, furbearer and fall turkey seasons.

**DR. JAMES R. RICH WMA**
Owen County, (502) 535-6335

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, grous, furbearer and fall turkey seasons. Also open to EHU 1 quota elk hunts.
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunts.

**Other Exceptions**

**Deer:** Quota Hunts, either sex, Nov. 5-6; Dec. 3-4.
Open under statewide regulations for Youth Firearm Seasons.
Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except closed during Quota Hunts.

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**FLEMING WMA**

Fleming County, (859) 289-8564

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons.

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**GRAYSON LAKE WMA**

Carter & Elliott cos., (606) 474-8535

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons. Also open to bear hunting and EHU 1 quota elk hunts.

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**GREEN RIVER LAKE WMA**

Taylor & Adair cos., (270) 465-5039

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, quail, grouse, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during Open Youth Deer Hunt.

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**HIGGINSON-HENRY WMA**

Union County, (270) 389-3580

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer and fall archery/crossbow turkey seasons.

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**HIGGINSLEY-PINE MOUNTAIN WMA**

Harlan & Letcher cos., (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except closed to bear hunting. Also open to EHU 5 quota elk hunts.

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**HIGGINSLEY-PINE MOUNTAIN WMA**

Harlan & Letcher cos., (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except closed to bear hunting. Also open to EHU 2 quota elk hunts.
PUBLIC LAND HUNTING

JOHN A. KLEBER WMA
Owen & Franklin cos.  
(502) 535-6335

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons and public shooting range are closed during deer Quota Hunts.

Other Exceptions

Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota Hunts.
Deer: Quota Hunts, either sex, Nov. 5-6; Dec. 3-4.
Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except closed during Quota Hunts.
Open under statewide regulations for Youth Firearm Seasons.

KENTUCKY RIDGE FOREST WMA
Bell County, (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to EHU 6a quota elk hunts.

KENTUCKY RIVER WMA
Henry & Owen cos., (502) 535-6335

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons.

Exceptions

Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.
Elk: Portions in McCreary Co. are open to EHU 6a quota elk hunts.

The area between the lake edge and the Corps/Lake Cumberland State Resort Park boundary is closed to all hunting. Wesley Bend and Yellowhole portions closed to public access Oct. 15 - March 15.

LEE K. NELSON WMA
Webster County, (270) 389-3580

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

LEWIS COUNTY WMA
Lewis County, (606) 474-8535

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except centerfire rifles and handguns may not be used to take deer.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY WMA & STATE NATURAL AREA
Livingston County, (270) 753-6913

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons, except modern firearms may not be used to take deer during the modern gun deer season.

MARION COUNTY WMA & STATE FOREST
Marion County, (502) 477-9024

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.
PUBLIC LAND HUNTING

Archery/Crossbow, Youth Firearm and Muzzleloader Seasons.
Deer Quota Hunts Nov. 12-16 and Nov. 17-21, with no check-in or check-out required.

MARROWBONE STATE FOREST & WMA
Cumberland & Metcalfe cos. (270) 646-5167

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

MARTINS FORK LAKE WMA
Harlan County, (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to bear hunting and EHU 6a quota elk hunts.

MARTINS FORK WMA & STATE NATURAL AREA
Harlan County, (606) 337-9317

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons. Also open to bear hunting and EHU 6a quota elk hunts.

MILL CREEK WMA (DBNF)
Jackson County, (606) 878-9595

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, grouse, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunt.

Other Exceptions
Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota Hunt.
Deer: Quota Hunt, either sex, limit one, Nov. 5-6. Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except Archery Season closed during Quota Hunt.

MILLER WELCH-CENTRAL KENTUCKY WMA
Madison County, (859) 986-4130

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer trapping and fall turkey seasons.

NOLIN RIVER LAKE WMA
Edmonson, Grayson & Hart cos. (270) 646-5167

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer, deer and fall turkey seasons.

Other Exceptions
Quail: Closed.
Squirrel: No rifle, slug, or ball ammunition may be used.

Best access to WMA is by boat or by permission of private landowners to cross their property to the adjacent WMA.

OBION CREEK WMA
Hickman, Carlisle & Fulton cos. (270) 488-3233

Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

OHIO RIVER ISLANDS WMA
Livingston County, (270) 753-6913

Stewart Island (also known as Birdsville Island Unit):
Rabbit & Quail: Closed.
Turkey -- Fall Archery/Crossbow:
Open under statewide regulations through Oct. 14.
Turkey -- Fall Gun: Closed.

The Stewart Island Unit is closed to public access Oct. 15 - March 15, except during Oct. Muzzleloader Deer Season.

The remainder of this WMA (Pryor, Rondeau, and Twin Sisters Islands) is open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

OTTER CREEK OUTDOOR RECREATION AREA
Meade County (502) 942-9171

Open under statewide regulations for small game and Archery/Crossbow deer hunting, except that these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunt. User permit required. See page 8.

Other Exceptions
Quail: Closed.
Squirrel: No rifle, slug, or ball ammunition may be used.
PUBLIC LAND HUNTING

Trapping: Jan. 1 - Feb. 29, 2012. Trappers must obtain written permission from area manager, and trap only in designated areas.

Deer: Quota Hunt, either sex, Nov. 19-20, and Dec. 10-11.

PAINTSVILLE LAKE WMA
Johnson & Morgan cos.
(606) 424-2508

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, grouse, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunts and youth quota elk hunt Sept. 24-26.

Other Exceptions
Quail: Closed.
Deer*: Quota Hunts, either sex, limit one, Nov. 12-16; Nov. 17-21.
Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow, Youth Firearm and Muzzleloader seasons, except closed during deer Quota Hunts and firearm elk seasons.
Elk: Open for EHU 2 quota elk hunts, except only archery and crossbow equipment permitted. See pg. 30 for youth quota hunt.

* A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

Area is closed to vehicle access from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise except to hunters retrieving downed game.

PEABODY WMA
Ohio, Hopkins & Muhlenberg cos.
(270) 273-3568

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, furbearer and fall turkey seasons.

Exceptions
Quail: Open under statewide regulations, except Ken and Sinclair units are closed except to drawn quota hunters. See pg. 48 for dates.
A stand-by drawing is held each hunt day at 9 a.m. Central time to fill spots left by drawn hunters who do not show up to hunt. Call the Peabody WMA office at (270) 273-3568 for more information.
Deer: Open under statewide regulations, except modern gun season open Nov. 12-21 only.
Portions marked by signs are closed to public access Oct. 15 - March 15.
No parking or camping within 100 feet of gas well heads on the Vogue and River Queen tracts.
Any person ages 16 and older entering the area for any recreational purpose must obtain and carry a Peabody WMA user permit ($15.00). Individual user permits may be obtained through any license vendor. Group user permits are available from the Peabody WMA office and must be obtained 30 days prior to use of the WMA for any activity or event.

PENNYRILE STATE FOREST
Christian & Caldwell cos.
(270) 753-6913

Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons are closed during deer Quota Hunt.

Other Exceptions
Deer*: Quota Hunt, either sex, Nov. 5-6, includes adjoining Tradewater WMA.
Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except Archery Season closed during Quota Hunt.

* A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.
PUBLIC LAND HUNTING

PIONEER WEAPONS WMA (DBNF)
Bath & Menifee cos., (606) 784-6428
Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons following these equipment restrictions: Hunters shall not use any type of breech-loading or modern firearm to take game on this area. Hunters shall not use in-line muzzleloading firearms, scopes or optical enhancements (sighting devices other than open or “iron” sights) to take game on this area. (Binoculars and spotting scopes are allowed.) Other types of muzzleloading firearms, compound bows, long bows, recurve bows and crossbows may be used to take game. Crossbows legal for entire archery deer season and fall archery turkey season.

SHILLALAH CREEK WMA
Bell & Harlan cos., (606) 337-9317
Open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons following these equipment restrictions: Hunters shall not use any type of breech-loading or modern firearm to take game on this area. Hunters shall not use in-line muzzleloading firearms, scopes or optical enhancements (sighting devices other than open or “iron” sights) to take game on this area. (Binoculars and spotting scopes are allowed.) Other types of muzzleloading firearms, compound bows, long bows, recurve bows and crossbows may be used to take game. Crossbows legal for entire archery deer season and fall archery turkey season.

SLOUGHS WMA
Henderson & Union cos.
(270) 827-2673
This WMA consists of six separate land units: Ash Flats, Grassy Pond Powells Lake, Jenny Hole, Highland Creek, Cape Hills and Sauerheber. All except Sauerheber are open under statewide regulations for all hunting and trapping seasons.

Sauerheber Unit:
Rabbit & Quail: Closed.
Furbearers: Closed.
Deer*: Open under statewide regulations through Oct. 31.
Turkey -- Fall Archery/Crossbow: Open under statewide regulations through Oct. 31.
Turkey -- Fall Gun: Open under statewide regulations through Oct. 31.

* The Crenshaw and Duncan II tracts of the Sauerheber Unit are open only for waterfowl hunting Nov. 1 – March 15, and deer hunting under statewide regulations through the end of modern gun deer season. The remainder of the Sauerheber Unit is closed to ALL PUBLIC ACCESS Nov. 1 – March 15 annually as designated by signs.

TRADEWATER WMA
Christian & Hopkins cos.
(270) 753-6913
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons and public shooting range are closed during deer Quota Hunts.

Other Exceptions
Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota Hunts.
Deer: Quota Hunts, Nov. 5-6 (antlerless only); Dec. 3-4 and Jan. 7-8 (either sex).
Mobility-Impaired Quota Hunts, Nov. 5-6 (antlerless only); Dec. 3-4 and Jan. 7-8 (either sex).
Open under statewide regulations for Youth Firearm Seasons and Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except closed during Quota Hunts.

TAYLORSVILLE LAKE WMA
Spencer, Anderson & Nelson cos.
(502) 477-9024
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons and public shooting range are closed during deer Quota Hunts.

Other Exceptions
Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota Hunts.
Deer: Quota Hunts, Nov. 5-6 (antlerless only); Dec. 3-4 and Jan. 7-8 (either sex).
Mobility-Impaired Quota Hunts, Nov. 5-6 (antlerless only); Dec. 3-4 and Jan. 7-8 (either sex).
Open under statewide regulations for Youth Firearm Seasons and Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except closed during Quota Hunts.

TRADEWATER WMA
Christian & Hopkins cos.
(270) 753-6913
Open under statewide regulations for all squirrel, rabbit, quail, furbearer and fall turkey seasons, except these seasons and public shooting range are closed during deer Quota Hunts.

Other Exceptions
Rabbit & Quail: Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota Hunts.
Deer: Quota Hunt, either sex, Nov. 5-6, includes adjoining Pen-
nyrile State Forest.
Open under statewide regulations for Archery/Crossbow Seasons, except Archery Season closed during Quota Hunt.

*A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

**Other Exceptions:
**Squirrel**: Open under statewide regulations.
**Rabbit & Quail**: Tracts (2, 3, 6, 7) Nov. 14 - Dec. 31, except closed during Quota and Open Gun Deer Hunts.
Tracts (1, 4, 5) Jan. 1-10, are subject to early closure based on hunting pressure. Hunters must report hunt data daily to the area supervisor. Reporting can be done in person at the hunter check station, or by completing and submitting a hunt data card each day. If a tract is closed prior to Jan. 10, notice will be posted at the hunter check station 24 hours in advance. Shooting hours are a half-hour before sunrise to 1 p.m. (Central) on Tracts 1, 4, and 5.

**Furbearer**: Open under statewide regulations.

*Small game or furbearer hunters must not use rifles, or ball or slug ammunition to take these species. Unleashed dogs are prohibited April 1 until the third Saturday in August, except during department-authorized field trials and the spring squirrel season. No small game hunting is permitted on any “A” tract.

Deer**: Quota Hunt, either sex, Nov. 19-23, Tracts 1-6 only; hunters must hunt only in assigned tract. Open Gun Hunt, either sex, two-deer limit, one-antlered deer limit, Jan. 14-16. Hunting permitted on Tracts 1-6 only; hunters must hunt only in assigned tract. Limited to first 200 hunters who must personally check in at the hunter check station from 4 to 8 p.m. (Central) on the Friday preceding the hunt, or from 4:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on hunt days. Registered hunters must check out when finished hunting, when the hunter’s bag limit is reached, or by 7 p.m. on Monday night.

**Archery season** open under statewide regulations on all tracts except Tract 8A, except closed during Quota and Open Gun Deer Hunts. **Crossbow season** open under statewide regulations, except closed during Quota and Open Gun Deer Hunts, Crossbow hunting prohibited on “A” tracts.

Hunters shall not enter or hunt in any area posted closed by signs. On Jan. 14-16, only deer hunters participating in the Open Gun Hunt are permitted on the WMA.

**Hunters may not use modern rifles or handguns to take deer on this WMA. Only shotguns with slugs or muzzleloaders may be used to take deer. Archery hunters who want to hunt any “A” tract must first check in with USEC Security. A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

**SYMBOL KEY**
OPEN STATE PARK
DEER HUNTS

Open deer hunts are offered on the following areas as specified below. All statewide bag limits, hunter licensing and other deer hunting requirements and zone restrictions apply, in addition to those given below. Discharging a firearm within 100 yards of a maintained road or any building is strictly prohibited. Baiting is prohibited on state parks.

YATESVILLE LAKE STATE PARK & LAWRENCE COUNTY RECREATION AREA
(606) 686-2362 or 3312

Open under statewide regulations (Zone 2) for archery, crossbow and muzzleloading deer hunting Dec. 12-14.

All hunters must check in at the state park campground booth between 12-8 p.m. Eastern Dec. 11. Check in is not permitted on hunt days or at any other time. Check out is not required, but deer taken must be telechecked as required under statewide regulations. Hunters will receive a map at check-in showing the area open to hunting and containing any other special instructions. No other hunting is permitted on Yatesville Lake State Park property.

JENNY WILEY STATE RESORT PARK
Floyd County, 1-800-325-0142

Open Jan. 7-8, limit two deer (either sex). Limited to the first 15 mobility-impaired hunters who check in at the park office Jan. 6 during business hours.

Hunters must meet the mobility-impaired eligibility requirements outlined on pg. 44. (Mobility-Impaired Access Permit required at check-in.)

Hunters must also check in and out on hunt days, and must telecheck deer taken. Hunters may be accompanied by another person, but that person will NOT be permitted to hunt.

A deer hunter shall not take an antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time.

OPEN UNDER STATEWIDE SEASONS

The following areas are open for public hunting under statewide regulations. Season dates, limits and zone restrictions apply based on the county zone where the area is located.

ASHER HUNTING ACCESS AREA
Bell County, (606) 337-9317

Also open to EHU 6e quota elk hunts.

DANIEL BOONE NATIONAL FOREST
Bath, Clay, Estill, Harlan, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, Lee, Leslie, McCreary, Menifee, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Wayne, Whitley & Wolfe cos., except Beaver Creek WMA, Cane Creek WMA, Mill Creek WMA, Pioneer Weapons WMA and Redbird WMA.

Baiting prohibited. Also open to EHU 4, 5 and 6a-d quota elk hunts, and portions in Harlan Co. are open to bear hunting.

GREEN RIVER STATE FOREST
Henderson County, (270) 797-3241

Also open to EHU 2 quota elk hunts.

ICG HUNTING ACCESS AREA
Breathitt, Knott and Perry County, (606) 878-9595

Also open to EHU 4, 5 and 6a-d quota elk hunts.

JEFFERSON NATIONAL FOREST
Letcher & Pike cos.

Baiting prohibited. Also open to EHU 1 and 5 quota elk hunts.

KENTENIA STATE FOREST
Harlan County, (606) 337-3011

Also open to bear hunting and EHU 5 quota elk hunts.

KENTUCKY RIDGE STATE FOREST
Bell County, (606) 337-3011

Also open to EHU 6a quota elk hunts.

TYGARTS STATE FOREST
Carter County, (606) 783-8625

AREAS OPEN WITH SPECIAL REGULATIONS

The following lands are not owned by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. However, these areas may be open to some types of hunting as determined by the controlling agency. These areas have special seasons, regulations and hunter requirements. You MUST contact the appropriate agency and obtain and follow all requirements. Seasons and requirements on military installations are subject to change based on training exercises and other activities.

Quota hunts require advance registration. Baiting is prohibited on all of these areas.

BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT
Madison County
Richmond, KY 40475-5010

For information contact Office of Morale, Welfare & Recreation. Deadline for deer hunt application is July 31. Applicants must set up an account online at https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/bluegrassrectrac.html, or by calling (859) 779-6464 or 779-6403. Application fee for lottery drawing for deer permits is $10. Background check required if selected. Hunters may not take antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 15” at any time. All ages must have hunter education card. Temporary hunter education exemption permit not accepted.

CLARKS RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Graves, Marshall & McCracken cos.

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Hunters may not take antlered deer with an outside antler spread of less than 12 inches at any time. Ages 60 and under must have hunter education card.

HIDDEN VALLEY TRAINING AREA
Powell County
1-800-858-1549
Open under statewide regulations for archery and crossbow deer hunting, Sept. 3 - Jan. 16, 2012. Closed to wild turkey hunting during ALL seasons. Open under statewide regulations for small game hunting, except squirrel hunting opens Sept. 1. Hunters do not need to contact the area prior to hunting. Camping, horseback riding and ATVs are prohibited.

LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES (LBL) NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
Trigg & Lyon cos., (270) 924-2065
100 Van Morgan Drive
Golden Pond, KY 42211-9001
www.lbl.org

OHIO RIVER ISLANDS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Lewis County, (304) 375-2923, ext. 117
3982 Waverly Rd.
Williamstown, WV 26187

REELFOOT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Fulton County, (731) 538-2481
4343 Hwy. 157, Union City, TN 38261

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