

CHAPTER 25. WILDLIFE RULES

SUBCHAPTER 1. HUNTER/TRAPPING ON OKLAHOMA TOURISM AND RECREATION LANDS

800:25-1-9. Deer and Waterfowl hunting on Ft. Cobb State Park

The following seasons apply to Ft. Cobb State Park. All shotgun is restricted to federally approved non-toxic shot.

(1) Deer – ~~Controlled hunts only.~~ Controlled hunts with various dates. Archery hunting open December 15 - January 15 in designated areas only.

(2) Waterfowl – Controlled hunts only.

800:25-1-13. Deer hunting on Arrowhead State Park

The following seasons apply to Arrowhead State Park. Deer - Controlled hunts only.

SUBCHAPTER 7. GENERAL HUNTING SEASONS

PART 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

800:25-7-3. General provisions

(a) Any person hunting any wildlife in open areas during the youth deer gun, bear muzzleloader, deer muzzleloader, deer gun, holiday antlerless deer gun (in open zones), elk gun (in open counties) or September antelope gun (in open areas) seasons with a shotgun and rifled slug, or any rifle or handgun larger than a .22 caliber long rifle, must possess a valid bear, deer, elk, or antelope license, unless otherwise exempt. Any person hunting feral hogs in open areas during the deer gun, deer primitive, elk, bear or antelope season with a shotgun and rifled slug, or any rifle or handgun larger than a .22 caliber rimfire, must possess a filled or unfilled deer, elk, bear, or antelope license appropriate for that season unless otherwise exempt.

(b) No person while in the field may possess or attempt to harvest any wildlife, except waterfowl and crane, with shotgun utilizing shot larger than #4 buckshot. Any person hunting any wildlife with an air powered arrow rifle during any open season when rifles are a legal means of take must possess a valid air powered arrow rifle permit.

(c) Any person participating in primitive firearms season, deer gun seasons, elk season, antelope season and bear gun season must conspicuously wear both a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both totaling 500 square inches or more of clothing, both consisting of daylight fluorescent orange color totaling not less than 400 square inches [Title 29 O.S., Section 5-205, Part A]. All other hunters, except those hunting waterfowl, dove, crow or crane, or while hunting furbearing animals at night must wear either a head covering or upper garment of fluorescent orange clothing during the deer primitive firearms season, deer gun seasons, elk season, antelope season and bear primitive firearms season, or bear gun season in zones where these seasons are open.

(d) For purposes of pheasant, turkey, deer, elk, bear and antelope regulations, 'final destination' shall be the hunter's residence or place of consumption.

(e) No person may possess any game bird, animal or other wildlife, or portions thereof that have been taken by another person unless such game bird, animal or other wildlife, contain information giving the taker's name, customer identification number, date taken and the number and kind of game bird, animal or wildlife. In addition, information on deer, elk, antelope, bear and turkey must include the confirmation number as proof that the animal's harvest has been properly reported. The person's name and address receiving said wildlife must also appear on the written information. Exemptions. The documentation requirements in subsection (e) do not apply to the following:

(1) Employees of federal, state, county, or local government entities who are designated to remove dead wildlife while performing official duties.

(2) Commercial entities that provide carcass-removal services for wildlife processors or taxidermists.

(3) Individuals receiving meat from Hunters Against Hunger locations, food banks, or other nonprofit organizations.

(4) Persons receiving byproducts of processing business, when accompanied by an exemption form provided by ODWC to a processing business.

(f) No person shall concentrate, drive, molest, hunt, take, capture or kill; or attempt to take any wildlife by the aid of any fire or smoke whether man-made or natural.

(g) No person may hunt, chase, capture, shoot at, wound or kill any moose or Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, except as otherwise provided by statute or Commission rule.

(h) Private landowner regulations regarding any items covered by these rules may be more restrictive, but not less restrictive than these rules.

(i) Dogs may be used in the pursuit of and taking of all game species in these rules except bear, deer, elk, antelope and turkey.

Exceptions to this rule would be the use of a leashed dog to track downed game after notification to the game warden of location and having no means of take on person while tracking.

(j) Except as otherwise provided for by law or Commission rule, nothing shall prohibit the year-round pursuit of game, which may be lawfully hunted with the use of hunting dogs, for dog training or sport only. However, unless otherwise provided, no person in

pursuit of game with hunting dogs outside of the regular harvest season shall have in their possession the means to harvest such game.

(k) Harvest tagging of game - All persons taking a deer, elk, antelope, bear, or turkey must immediately secure their name, customer identification number, date and time of harvest to the carcass.

(l) Harvest reporting of game - All deer, elk, antelope, bear, or turkey taken must be reported by the hunter to the Department within 24 hours of leaving the hunt area. Instructions for reporting of harvest will be provided in the Oklahoma Fishing and Hunting Regulations and on the Department's website. Once reported, a carcass tag or online confirmation number will be issued. This tag or confirmation number must remain with the carcass to its final destination or through processing and/or storage at a commercial processing or storage facility. Evidence of sex must remain naturally attached to the carcass until the harvest has been properly reported.

(m) All resident and nonresident youth under 18 must have a youth super license to hunt deer, elk, pronghorn, bear, turkey, and waterfowl, ~~fur bearers, and trapping~~. Youth hunters under the age of 18 hunting all other species not listed are exempt from the youth super license.

PART 7. FALCONRY

800:25-7-31. Taking provisions

(a) Eyas: Young birds not yet capable of flight (eyases) may only be taken from the wild during the period April 15 through July 31 by a General or Master Falconer. No more than two eyases may be taken by the same licensee during the taking period. At least two birds must be left in any nest form which one or more birds is removed, except in the case of birds of the genus Buteo where a minimum of one bird must be left in the nest. Removal of eggs from nests is prohibited.

(b) Passage: First-year (passage) birds, still in immature plumage, and capable of sustained flight, may be taken at any time from the wild only from August 1 through May 31.

(c) Raptors that are lost to the wild may be retrapped at any time. Raptors lost for more than 30 days shall be considered as lost and reported as such to the Department.

(d) Legal raptors: Raptors that may be taken from the wild in Oklahoma are the same as those listed in CFR 50.

(e) Golden eagles may be taken with permission of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation as allowed by pertinent state and federal statutes and regulations.

(f) The Director of the Department of Wildlife may authorize resident general and master falconers to take passage gyrfalcons.

(g) The take of any state or federally listed threatened species will require prior approval from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

(h) The first bird acquired by an apprentice falconer must be one in which they actively participated in capturing from the wild. This bird may only be a Red-tailed Hawk or an American Kestrel. An apprentice can acquire a bird through transfer no sooner than six months following the capture date of their first bird. An apprentice falconer may only possess a Red-tailed Hawk, American Kestrel or a Harris' Hawk.

(i) Non-resident falconers shall be allowed to take no more than fifty percent (50%) of the number of peregrine falcons annually allotted to Oklahoma by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

PART 13. DEER

800:25-7-50. General provisions for deer

The following general hunting provisions apply to the taking of deer:

(1) **Bonus deer.** The bonus deer designation includes all controlled deer hunts on public and private lands. A permit awarded by drawing is required for all bonus deer hunts in addition to a bonus deer tag. Hunters may hunt only in that area specified on their bonus deer permit. The bonus deer tag is valid for only the designated controlled hunt. Deer taken during a bonus hunt do not count against the statewide deer limit.

(2) **Hunting hours.** The hunting hours shall be one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

(3) **Antlered deer.** An antlered deer is any deer, regardless of sex, with at least three inch antler length above the natural hairline on either side.

(4) No more than six (6) deer per individual may be taken statewide by anyone regardless of seasons hunted. This limit may include no more than two (2) antlered deer regardless of seasons hunted, unless otherwise authorized by the Department.

(5) **Legal Means of Taking:** Telemetric radio tracking devices for archery are legal, however, thermal tracking devices or detecting units are prohibited.

(6) **Shed Antlers.** It shall be lawful for persons to gather, possess, and sell shed antlers of deer.

(A) Shed antlers will be defined as: An antler which has been dropped naturally from a deer as part of the annual life cycle and the antler has a rounded base commonly known as the antler button or burr attached which signifies a natural process.

(B) No person may take shed antlers from private property without the permission of the landowner.

(C) The Buyer must possess a Bill of Sale showing:

- (i) The Seller/Taker's full name and address.
- (ii) The number of individual antlers purchased.
- (D) The Seller/Taker must keep or provide:
 - (i) Total number of individual antlers sold.
 - (ii) Buyers name and address.

(7) Non-resident deer hunting license waiting period.

(A) Purpose. The purpose of this rule is to establish a mandatory waiting period for nonresident deer hunters to support effective wildlife management, ensure equitable access to hunting opportunities, and promote compliance with licensing requirements.

(B) Definitions. The following words and terms, when used in this Subchapter shall have the following meaning, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(i) **"Nonresident"** means any individual who does not meet the residency requirements defined in Title 29 Section 2-138.

(ii) **"Deer hunting license"** means any permit, tag, or authorization required for the taking of deer within the state and shall include all season specific deer licenses.

(C) Waiting period requirement. A nonresident who purchases or otherwise obtains a deer hunting license shall be subject to a waiting period before engaging in any deer hunting activity.

(D) Commencement of waiting period. The waiting period begins on the calendar day the license was purchased and will last for two calendar days after purchase. The valid dates of the license will be printed on the license.

(E) Prohibited conduct. A nonresident may not:

(i) Hunt, pursue, take, or attempt to take deer during the waiting period;

(ii) Nonresidents who obtained a valid deer hunting license prior to the opening day of that deer season.

(F) Exemptions. The waiting period does not apply to:

(i) Nonresidents participating in special hunts expressly exempted by the Department;

(ii) Nonresidents who obtained a valid deer hunting license prior to the opening day of that deer season.

(G) Enforcement of penalties. Violation of this rule constitutes an offense under the Title 29 Section 4-112 and may result in:

(i) Revocation of the deer hunting license.

(ii) Ineligibility for future nonresident hunting licenses for a period determined by the Department.

PART 15. FURBEARERS

800:25-7-60. General provisions for furbearers

The following general provisions apply to the taking of furbearers:

(1) **Sale of furbearers/coyotes carcass.** The skinned carcass of any legal furbearer or ~~predator~~coyote may be sold, offered or displayed for sale or bartered at any time. The sale of scent glands from furbearers or ~~predators~~coyotes is permitted.

(2) **Bobcat and River Otter export tag.**

(A) No bobcat or river otter pelt may be held in possession after ~~March 15 of each calendar year~~~~10 working days after the close of furbearer season~~ by the taker or buyer, sold, purchased or bartered within Oklahoma, nor taken out of Oklahoma without having first affixed a ~~permanent~~CITES tag to the pelt. This tag shall serve as an export tag.

(B) The tag must be affixed by an authorized employee of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, a designated agent, or a private tagging station. Private tagging station may charge \$0.75 per tag fee.

(C) It is the responsibility of the possessor of the bobcat or river otter pelt, not the Department, to ensure that the pelt is legally tagged.

(D) No untagged bobcat or river otter harvested in another state may be possessed in Oklahoma.

(3) **Possession of carcasses or hides.**

(A) It shall be illegal to possess live animals, carcasses or raw furs of swift fox, ringtail, or spotted skunk, unless proven that each carcass or hide was taken legally outside of the State of Oklahoma.

(B) Proof of legality or origin for carcasses or green hides shall be a tag or other marking device attached to or imprinted on each and every hide in such a way that it cannot be removed intact. The tag or marking must be the official method used by the issuing agency. If any identification is not required by the issuing agency, a hunting or trapping license appropriate to the species taken is required as proof.

(4) **Night hunting of coyotes.** It shall be unlawful to hunt, take or attempt to take coyotes within the period of dark to daylight with the aid of any artificial light and/or any sight dog. Persons hunting at night must first obtain permission from the County Game Warden. Anyone hunting at night must use a shotgun, utilizing size 6 shot or smaller.

(5) **Special license requirement.** Beginning July 1, 2024, a trapping license will be included in the privileges for resident annual, ~~resident youth super~~, resident 3-year, disability license, non-resident annual, and non-resident 5-day, ~~non-resident youth super license, and non-resident 5-day youth super license.~~

- (6) **Intent to hold form requirement.** Any person who takes a pelt or pelts during the season shall have until the end of March to sell or dispose of the pelts or to provide written notification to the Department of Wildlife Conservation that the person intends to hold the pelts for later sale. Written notification shall be made on a form prescribed by the Department.
- (7) **Trap placement.** No trap so used may be set in paths, roads, or runways commonly used for recreational purposes by persons, domestic animals or dogs.
- (8) **Trap check requirement.** Any trap set for the purpose of catching any wildlife shall be tended once during each twenty-four (24) hour period. No animal shall be left in a trap longer than the mandated tending interval. All traps shall bear the name, or customer identification number, of the owner of the traps, except for any traps set on property owned or leased by the owner of the traps. Any person violating this subsection shall, in addition to any criminal penalty, be civilly liable for all damages caused by such violation.
- (9) **Posting of signage.** On any lands where smooth-jawed double-spring offset no less than 1/8 inch or smooth-jawed coil-spring offset no less than 1/8 inch traps are used, the posting of signs shall be required at all entrances from public roads and highways. The requirement to post signs shall not apply if the person is trapping on private property. Signs shall be no less than 5" by 8" and clearly state the word "TRAPS".

800:25-7-61. Dates, open areas, bag limits, and legal means of taking

The following dates, open areas, bag limits and legal means of taking apply to furbearers:

(1) **Dates and legal furbearers.**

(A) Furbearer Season: The dates for the taking of furbearers shall be the first day of December to the last day of February and those legal furbearers are as follows: Badger, bobcat, gray fox, mink, muskrat, ~~opossum~~, red fox, river otter and weasel.

(B) Open year-round: The season for taking raccoon, beaver, striped skunk, nutria, ~~opossum~~ and coyote is open year-round. Taking of mountain lion is allowed when the mountain lion is committing or about to commit depredation on any domesticated animal, or when acting in a manner as to constitute an immediate safety hazard. In the event a mountain lion is taken, an ODWC employee must be notified immediately and the intact carcass including the hide must be presented to ODWC within 24 hours for collection of biological information.

(2) **Open areas.** The following provisions apply to areas which furbearers can be legally taken or are closed to harvest:

(A) Open statewide. Badger, beaver, bobcat, coyote, gray fox, mink, muskrat, nutria, ~~opossum~~, raccoon, red fox, river otter, striped skunk and weasel are open to harvest statewide.

(B) Closed statewide. Ringtail, spotted skunk, and swift fox are closed to harvest statewide.

(3) **Bag limits.** The following daily and season bag limits apply to the taking of legal furbearers: Season bag limits:

~~(A) Daily bag limits:~~

~~(i) Bobcat - no bag limit.~~

~~(ii) Gray fox - 2 per licensee.~~

~~(iii) Red fox - 1 per licensee.~~

~~(iv) Badger, beaver, coyote, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, raccoon, river otter, striped skunk, and weasel - no daily bag limit.~~

~~(B) Season bag limits:~~

~~(i)(A) Bobcat - 20 per licensee.~~

~~(ii)(B) Gray fox/Red fox combined - 6 per licensee, no more than 2 may be red fox.~~

~~(iii)(C) Badger, beaver, coyote, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, raccoon, striped skunk and weasel - no bag limit.~~

~~(iv)(D) River otter - 6 per licensee.~~

(4) **Legal means of taking.** The following are the legal trapping devices and methods of take:

(A) Box traps and Colony traps.

(B) Smooth-jawed single-spring OR smooth-jawed double-spring offset no less than 1/8 inch OR smooth-jawed coil-spring offset no less than 1/8 inch foot-hold steel traps with an outer diameter jaw spread of:

(i) No more than eight (8) inches for land sets.

(ii) No more than eight and 1/2 (8.5) inches for water sets.

(C) Enclosed trigger traps.

(D) Body-gripping traps for no less than half-fully submerged sets with no more than twelve (12) inches in diameter on private land only.

(E) Cable restraint devices made to the following specifications:

(i) Cable length may not exceed 7 feet.

(ii) Cable must be galvanized or stainless braided cable and include swivel.

(iii) Cable must be made of multiple strands of wire, with ~~an~~ an overall diameter of 3/32 inches or larger.

(iv) Cable restraint must include a breakaway device or be stop-rated at 350 pounds or less.

(v) Cable restraint must include a relaxing reverse-bend washer lock with a minimum outside diameter of 1 1/4 inches.

(vi) Cable restraint must include cable stops affixed to the cable to ensure that the portion of the cable that makes up the loop may not be longer than 38 inches or less than 8 inches.

(vii) Cable restraint must be staked in a manner that does not allow the restraint device to reach any part of a fence, rooted woody vegetation greater than 1/2 inch in diameter, or any other immovable object or stake that could cause entanglement.

(viii) It shall be unlawful to use cable restraint devices on Department-owned or managed Wildlife Management Areas.

(F) Any legal firearm or archery equipment

PART 16. BLACK BEAR

800:25-7-66. General provisions for black bears

Bear seasons will be held when authorized by the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission. Bear seasons will be listed in the Oklahoma Hunting Guide in years when available. Archery bear license must be purchased before October 1. Primitive firearms bear license must be purchased by midnight the Friday before the deer/bear muzzleloader season. An unfilled archery bear license shall be valid for bear muzzleloader season. Lifetime license holders are ~~not~~ exempt from the purchase of a bear license.

800:25-7-67. Dates, open areas, bag limits, hunting hours, legal means of take, quotas, prohibited activities

The following dates, open areas, bag limits, hunting hours, legal means of take, quotas, and prohibited activities apply to bear seasons:

- (1) **Dates.** The dates for bear archery season shall be October 1 through the third Sunday in October. The dates for bear muzzleloader season shall run concurrently with deer muzzleloader season.
- (2) **Open areas.** The counties open to bear hunting are Choctaw, Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, McCurtain, and Pushmataha; and that portion of McIntosh, Muskogee, and Sequoyah south of Interstate 40; and that portion of Atoka, Bryan, McIntosh, and Pittsburg east of U.S. Highway 69: on private land and on ODWC managed lands as published in the Oklahoma fishing and hunting regulations.
- (3) **Bag limit.** The bag limit is one bear, regardless of seasons hunted.
- (4) **Hunting hours.** The hunting hours shall be one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.
- (5) **Legal means of taking.** Bear may be taken with archery equipment or muzzleloading firearms described as legal for deer for the respective season.
- (6) **Quotas.** Quotas will be set by the Wildlife Conservation Commission as needed and listed in the Oklahoma Fishing and Hunting Regulations. When the quota is met, the hunt for that year is closed. Harvest totals must be checked each day either on-line or by phone to make sure the quota has not been met before hunting bear.
- (7) **Prohibited activities.**
 - (A) ~~No baiting~~ Baiting allowed on Wildlife Management Areas.
 - (B) ~~Shooting cubs or females with cubs is prohibited.~~
 - (C) ~~No den shooting of bears.~~ Pursuing denned bears.
 - ~~(D) Shooting cubs is prohibited.~~
 - (E) ~~(D) Shooting collared bears is prohibited.~~

PART 19. SEASONS ON AREAS OWNED OR MANAGED BY THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

800:25-7-81.2. Arbuckle Springs WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Arbuckle Springs

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.

- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled hunts.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season. ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-86.1. Camp Gruber Training Center (CGTC)

The following area regulations and hunting and trapping seasons apply to designated open areas on CGTC.

- (1) All hunter(s)/trapper(s), regardless of age or military status, entering CGTC must possess the following:
 - (A) A hunting/trapping license or proof of exemption appropriate for the season being hunted/trapped as stated in the Oklahoma Hunting Regulation Guide booklet, published by ODWC.
 - (B) A valid Unexploded Ordinance (UXO) permit from CGTC.
 - (C) Hunter Education certification as required and outlined in the current Oklahoma Hunting Regulation Guide booklet.
- (2) All other recreational users (anglers, horseback riders, etc.) entering CGTC for any reason are required to have in their possession a valid UXO permit.
- (3) The following designated hunting seasons will apply to all hunting areas (#1, #2, #3, #5) on CGTC.
 - (A) The three-day youth deer gun season in October.
 - (B) The nine-day primitive firearms (muzzleloader) deer season, beginning the fourth Saturday in October and continuing for nine consecutive days.
 - (C) The sixteen-day deer gun season, beginning the Saturday before Thanksgiving and continuing for sixteen consecutive days.
 - (D) ~~December 11~~ Monday following the close of deer gun through ~~Martin Luther King Day~~ January 15 of each year, for all open hunting/trapping seasons listed for CGTC in the Oklahoma Hunting Regulation Guide booklet.
 - (E) ~~The 3rd Saturday in April through May 6 for spring turkey hunting.~~
- ~~(4) No later than 8:00 A.M. the day before the start of each designated hunting season, the gates west of Highway 10 (gates 5, 6, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48 and 49), Hill Top gate (gate 12), Black Hollow gate (gate 16), Wild Horse Road gate (gate 17), Pumpkin Center Road gate (gate 23), and south Highway 10 gate (gate 38) will be opened and they will close starting at 10:00 P.M. and the last gate to be closed, Hilltop Road (Gate 12), will be closed at midnight on the last day of each designated hunting season.~~
- ~~(5)~~(4). Hunting areas west of Highway 10 (#4, #6) will be open for public use, except the wastewater treatment plant area that is west of Highway 10, south of the road between gates 5 and 6, during the listed dates and designated hunting seasons.
 - (A) October 1 through ~~Martin Luther King Day~~ January 15, for all open hunting/trapping seasons listed for CGTC in the Oklahoma Hunting Regulation Guide.
 - (B) The two-day Youth Spring Turkey season, the Saturday and Sunday prior to the opening day of the statewide Spring Turkey season.
 - (C) The entire Spring Turkey season, April 6 through May 6.
- (6) Camping on CGTC will be allowed only in Hunter's Camp 2 and only during the designated hunting seasons.
 - (A) Controlled public access routes to the camping area will be through Hill Top Road (gate 12), and Wild Horse Road (gate 17).
 - (B) Open fire(s) will be allowed in the designated camping area only. CGTC may restrict the use of fire(s) in the camping area during dry conditions or if the CGTC is under a county or state burn ban.
 - (C) Quiet shall be maintained in the camping area between the hours of 11 P.M. and 7 A.M. and all dogs or other pets must be kept on a leash or otherwise confined while in the camping area.
 - (D) Fishing will be allowed in the ponds at Hunter's Camp 2 during the designated hunting seasons with a fishing license or proof of exemption as stated in the Oklahoma Fishing Regulation Guide booklet, published by ODWC.
- (7) All motorized vehicles must stay on the maintained road network. No all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) are allowed on the CGTC, except for those individuals who possess an ODWC Non-ambulatory permit. Permit holders operating an ATV are

required to wear a reflective vest, DOT approved motorcycle helmet, eye protection (meets or exceeds ASNI 287.1 standards), long sleeve shirt, pants, over the ankle footwear, and full fingered gloves or mittens. Speeds on all ATV's will not exceed 25 MPH. Additionally, all motor vehicle and non-ambulatory vehicle permit holders must abide by all rules and regulations applicable to the permit as listed in the Oklahoma Hunting Guide Regulation booklet. Only those hunting areas and/or roads that are determined suitable and specifically designated for such will be open, intended users will inquire with Range Operations in building 740 for a map of designated areas/roads.

(8) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(9) Pheasant: Closed season.

(10) Prairie chicken: Closed season.

(11) Turkey-Fall:

(A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates, either-sex.

(B) Gun: Closed season.

(12) Turkey-Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.

(13) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(14) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(15) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(16) Dove: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(17) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(18) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(19) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(20) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.

(21) Deer-primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.

(22) Deer-gun: Same as statewide dates, except closed to antlerless deer hunting.

(23) Trapping: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

(24) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season and spring turkey season.

(25) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season and spring turkey season.

(26) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery season through deer gun season.

800:25-7-87.1. Candy Creek WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Candy Creek WMA:

(1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

(2) Pheasant: Closed Season.

(3) Prairie Chicken: Closed Season.

(4) Turkey - Fall

(A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.

(B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates; shotgun only.

(5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.

(6) Squirrel: September 1 - February 28, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

(7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

(8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

(9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.

(10) Rail and Gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.

(11) Common Snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the first nine days of deer gun season.

(12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the first nine days of deer gun season.

(13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.

(14) Deer-primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.

(15) Deer-gun: Controlled hunts only.

(16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed March 16 - August 31 and the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed March 16 - August 31 and the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-94.4. Deep Fork NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Deep Fork NWR:

- (1) Quail: Closed season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Controlled hunts only.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through November 30. Hunting restricted to the use of federally approved nontoxic shot(shotguns) or rimfire rifles.
- (7) Rabbit: December 1 - January 31. Hunting restricted to the use of federally approved nontoxic shot (shotguns) or rimfire rifles.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Closed season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Controlled Hunts only.
- (15) Deer-gun: Closed season.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Open December 1 - January 31, squirrel, rabbit and raccoon only.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.

800:25-7-94.1.1. Cross Timbers WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Cross Timbers WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts only.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun seasons.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from the opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.

- (14) Deer - primitive: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season. ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide seasons dates, except closed from opening day of archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery through the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-97. Fobb Bottom WMA

The following hunting and trapping season apply to the Fobb Bottom WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates, except closed to antlerless hunting after the first day.
- (15) Deer-gun: Same as statewide season dates, except closed to antlerless hunting after the first day.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-98. Fort Cobb WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Fort Cobb WMA: Unless otherwise provided, hunting is restricted to shotgun or bow and arrow only. For small game the legal means of take shall be shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), bow and arrow, hand-propelled missile, air-propelled missile or slingshot.

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season and closed to nonresidents from February 1 to end of season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit. Hunting hours close at 7:00 p.m. daily.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.
- (15) Deer-gun: Same as statewide season dates, except closed last seven days.
- (16) Trapping: Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only except open to statewide regulations from February 1 to the end of February.

- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-100. Fort Gibson WRP

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Fort Gibson WRP. Unless otherwise provided, firearms are restricted to rimfire ammunition or shotguns with pellets only:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15 - January 31.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Controlled hunts only.
 - (B) Gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Controlled hunts only.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Controlled hunts only.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer-gun: Closed season.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15 - January 31.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed October 15-January 31.

800:25-7-102.1.1. Grady County WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Grady County WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey-spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer-gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.

- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer muzzleloader season and the first nine days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-108. Hickory Creek WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Hickory Creek WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates, except closed to antlerless hunting after opening day.
- (15) Deer - gun: Same as statewide season dates, except closed to antlerless hunting after opening day.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-117. Lexington WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Lexington WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except open the Monday following the close of the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed Season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide dates, except open the Monday following the close of the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.

- (16) Trapping: Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season. ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide dates, except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates except closed from opening day of archery season through the first nine days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-118. Little River NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to Little River NWR:

- (1) Quail: Closed season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey -Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Open same as statewide season dates, except closed the Friday before deer primitive firearms season through Sunday after the last controlled hunt.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled hunts only.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the Friday before deer primitive firearms season through the first nine days of deer gun season, and the season closes the last day of January.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the Friday before deer primitive firearms season through the first nine days of deer gun season, and the season closes the last day of January.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Closed season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the Friday before deer primitive firearms season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed the Friday before deer primitive firearms season through the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact refuge for special restrictions.

800:25-7-120. Love Valley WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to Love Valley WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.

- (15) Deer - gun: Same as statewide season dates.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-131. Optima NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Optima NWR: Hunting is restricted to shotgun or bow and arrow only.

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates except closed to nonresidents from February 1 to end of season.
- (2) Pheasant: Same as statewide season dates.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed Season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (6) Squirrel: Closed season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Closed season.
- (15) Deer - gun: Closed season.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Closed season.

800:25-7-133.2. Ozark Plateau NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Ozark Plateau NWR:

- (1) Quail: ~~Closed season~~ Same as statewide season dates.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: ~~Closed season~~ Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: ~~Same as statewide season dates, one (1) tom limit~~ Closed season.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates.
- (8) Crow: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (9) Dove: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (15) Deer - gun: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.

- (17) Pursuit with hounds: ~~Same as statewide season dates, except closed from opening day of deer archery season through the first 9 days of deer gun season. In addition, closed during spring turkey season.~~ Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: ~~Same as statewide season dates~~ Closed season.

800:25-7-139. Salt Plains NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to designated open areas on the Salt Plains NWR:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide dates, except closed during deer gun season and designated controlled hunt dates. Federally approved nontoxic shot only. Closed at noon daily. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (2) Pheasant: Same as statewide season dates and bag limit, except closed during deer gun season and designated control hunt dates. Federally approved nontoxic shot only. Closed at noon daily. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (6) Squirrel: Closed season.
- (7) Rabbit: Closed season.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates. Federally approved nontoxic shot only. Closed at noon daily. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Controlled hunts only.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Controlled hunts only.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact refuge for special restrictions.

800:25-7-142. Sequoyah NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Sequoyah NWR: Unless otherwise provided, hunting is permitted with shotguns using federally approved nontoxic shot in designated areas on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays only. Contact refuge for special restrictions.

- (1) Quail: Closed season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closes January 31. ~~except opens September 1.~~
- (7) Rabbit: Opens same as statewide season dates, except closes January 31.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail : Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates.
- (13) Deer - archery: Controlled Hunts only.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Controlled Hunts only.

- (15) Deer - gun: Closed season.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact refuge for special restrictions.

800:25-7-142.1. Shorb WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Shorb WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer primitive and the first nine days of deer gun season and closed to nonresidents from February 1 to end of season. Hunting hours close at 4:30 PM daily.
- (2) Pheasant: Same as statewide season dates and bag limit, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season. Hunting hours close at 4:30 p.m. daily.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit. Hunting hours close at 7:00 p.m. daily.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer - Primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates, except closed to antlerless hunting.
- (15) Deer - gun: Same as statewide dates, except closed last seven days of deer gun season and closed to antlerless deer hunting.
- (16) Trapping: Open to water sets, live box traps and enclosed trigger traps only except open to statewide regulations from February 1 to the end of February.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates-, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.

800:25-7-143. Skiatook WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Skiatook WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey-Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey-Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer-archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer-primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.
- (15) Deer-gun: Same as statewide season dates.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-149. Texoma/Washita Arm WMA

The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Texoma/Washita Arm WMA:

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Same as statewide season dates.
 - (B) Gun: Same as statewide season dates, shotgun only.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Same as statewide season dates, 1 tom limit.
- (6) Squirrel: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (8) Crow: Same as statewide season dates
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Same as statewide season dates.
- (11) Common snipe: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (12) Woodcock: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days of deer gun season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Same as statewide season dates.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Same as statewide season dates.
- (15) Deer - gun: Same as statewide season dates.
- (16) Trapping: ~~Open to water sets, live box traps, and enclosed trigger traps only.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during the first nine (9) days of deer gun season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during first nine days deer gun season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Same as statewide season dates, except first nine days of deer gun season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates.

800:25-7-151.1. Tishomingo NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Tishomingo NWR:

- (1) Quail: Closed season.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (6) Squirrel: Closed season.
- (7) Rabbit: Closed season.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Closed season.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (11) Common snipe: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.

800:25-7-153. Washita NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Washita NWR: All shotgun hunting restricted to federally approved nontoxic shot.

- (1) Quail: Same as statewide season dates except closed during controlled deer hunts and closed to nonresidents from February 1 to end of season. Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled hunts only.
- (6) Squirrel: Closed season.
- (7) Rabbit: Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled deer hunts. Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: Same as statewide season dates except closed during controlled deer hunts. Contact Refuge for special restrictions.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: Closed season.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Closed season.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Closed season.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Closed season.
- (19) Waterfowl: Same as statewide season dates except only on designated days. Contact Refuge for designated days and special restrictions.

800:25-7-154.1. Wichita Mountains NWR

(a) Hunting, fishing, and all other activities on National Wildlife Refuges and National Fish Hatcheries under the US Fish and Wildlife Service shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations and all special regulations posted on signs or in brochures. Brochures are found on-line at (<https://www/fws.gov/refuges/refugeLocatorMaps/Oklahoma.html>) and at the headquarters of each refuge or hatchery.

(b) The following hunting and trapping seasons apply to the Wichita Mountains NWR:

- (1) Quail: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates except closed during controlled hunts and closed to nonresidents from February 1 to end of season. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (2) Pheasant: Closed season.
- (3) Prairie chicken: Closed season.
- (4) Turkey - Fall:
 - (A) Archery: Closed season.
 - (B) Gun: Closed season.
- (5) Turkey - Spring: Controlled Hunts Only.
- (6) Squirrel: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled hunts. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (7) Rabbit: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled hunts. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (8) Crow: Closed season.
- (9) Dove: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled hunts. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (10) Rail and gallinule: Closed season.
- (11) Common snipe: ~~Closed season.~~ Same as statewide season dates, except closed during controlled hunts. Contact refuge for special restrictions.
- (12) Woodcock: Closed season.
- (13) Deer - archery: Closed season.
- (14) Deer - primitive firearms: Closed season.
- (15) Deer - gun: Controlled hunts only.
- (16) Trapping: Closed season.
- (17) Pursuit with hounds: Closed season.
- (18) Predator/furbearer calling: Open to participants of other controlled hunts.
- (19) Waterfowl: Contact Refuge for special restrictions.

SUBCHAPTER 19. OKLAHOMA ENDANGERED SPECIES

800:25-19-6. Species listing

- (a) The following are classified as endangered species:
- (1) Oklahoma Cave crayfish (*Cambarus tartarus*).
 - (2) Longnose Darter (*Percina nasuta*).
- (b) The following are classified as threatened species: Blackside darter (*Percina maculata*).
- (c) The following are classified as Category I species:
- (1) Mountain plover (*Charadrius montanus*).
 - (2) Long-billed curlew (*Numenius americanus*).
 - (3) Ferruginous hawk (*Buteo regalis*).
 - (4) Golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*).
 - (5) Prairie falcon (*Falco mexicanus*).
 - (6) Rich Mountain Slitmouth snail (*Stenotremapilsbryi*).
- (d) The following are classified as Category II mammal species:
- (1) Black-tailed prairie dog (*Cynomys ludovicianus*).
 - (2) Desert shrew (*Notiosorex crawfordi*).
 - (3) Eastern harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys humulis*).
 - (4) Golden mouse (*Ochrotomys nutalli*).
 - (5) Hog-nosed skunk (*Conepatus mesoleucus*).
 - (6) Long-tailed weasel (*Mustela frenata*).
 - (7) Meadow jumping mouse (*Zapus hudsonius*).
 - (8) Mexican free-tailed bat (*Tadarida brasiliensis*).
 - (9) Rafinesque's big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus rafinesquii*).
 - (10) Rice rat (*Oryzomys palustris*).
 - (11) Ringtail (*Bassariscus astutus*).
 - (12) Seminole bat (*Lasiurus seminolus*).
 - (13) Eastern small-footed bat (*Myotis leibii*).
 - (14) Southeastern bat (*Myotis austroriparius*).
 - (15) Swift fox (*Vulpes velox*).
 - (16) Texas kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys elator*).
 - (17) Western big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii*).
 - (18) Woodchuck (*Marmota monax*).
- (e) The following are classified as Category II bird species:
- (1) Bachman's sparrow (*Peucaea aestivalis*).
 - (2) Barn owl (*Tyto alba*).
 - (3) Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii*).
 - (4) Burrowing owl (*Athene cunicularia*).
 - (5) Migrant loggerhead shrike (*Lanius ludovicianus migrans*).
 - (6) Snowy plover (*Charadrius nivosus*).
 - (7) Swainson's hawk (*Buteo swainsoni*).
- (f) The following are classified as Category II reptile species:
- (1) Alligator snapping turtle (*Macrolemys temminckii*).
 - (2) Desert massasauga (*Sistrurus tergeminus edwardsii*).
 - (3) Lesser earless lizard (*Holbrookia maculata*).
 - (4) Gulf swampsnake (*Liodytes rigida sinicola*).
 - (5) Louisiana milk snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum amaura*).
 - (6) Northern map turtle (*Graptemys geographica*).
 - (7) Northern scarlet snake (*Cemophora coccinea copei*).
 - (8) Round-tailed horned lizard (*Phrynosoma maderum*).
 - (9) Texas garter snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis annectens*).
 - (10) Texas horned lizard (*Phrynosoma cornutum*).
 - (11) Texas long-nosed snake (*Rhinocheilus lecontei tessellatus*).
 - (12) Western mud-snake (*Farancia abacura reinwardtii*).
- (g) The following are classified as Category II amphibian species:
- (1) Four-toed salamander (*Hemidactylium scutatum*).
 - (2) Grotto salamander (*Eurycea spelaeus*).
 - (3) Mole salamander (*Ambystoma talpoideum*).
 - (4) Oklahoma salamander (*Eurycea tynnerensis*).
 - (5) Ouachita dusky salamander (*Desmognathus brimleyorum*).
 - (6) Rich Mountain salamander (*Plethodon ouachitae*).
 - (7) Ringed salamander (*Ambystoma annulatum*).
 - (8) Three-toed amphiuma (*Amphiuma tridactylum*).

- (9) Western bird-voiced treefrog (*Hyla a. avivoca*).
- (10) Western lesser siren (*Siren intermedia nettingi*).
- (h) The following are classified as Category II fish species:
- (1) Alabama shad (*Alosa alabamae*).
 - (2) Alligator gar (*Atractosteus spatula*).
 - (3) American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*).
 - (3)(4) Arkansas River speckled chub (*Macrhybopsis tetranema*).
 - (4)(5) Arkansas darter (*Etheostoma cragini*).
 - (5)(6) Black buffalo (*Ictiobus niger*).
 - (6)(7) Blue Sucker (*Cycleptus elongatus*).
 - (7)(8) Bluehead shiner (*Pteronotropis hubbsi*).
 - (8)(9) Bluntnose shiner (*Cyprinella camura*).
 - (9)(10) Brown bullhead (*Ameiurus nebulosus*).
 - (10)(11) Chain pickerel (*Esox niger*).
 - (11)(12) Colorless shiner (*Notropis perpallidus*).
 - (12)(13) Crystal darter (*Crystallaria asprella*).
 - (13)(14) Cypress minnow (*Hybognathus hayi*).
 - (14)(15) Flathead chub (*Platygobio gracilis*).
 - (15)(16) Goldstripe darter (*Etheostoma parvipinne*).
 - (16)(17) Harlequin darter (*Etheostoma histrio*).
 - (17)(18) Ironcolor shiner (*Notropis chalybaeus*).
 - (18)(19) Kiamichi shiner (*Notropis ortenburgeri*).
 - (19)(20) Mooneye (*Hiodon tergisus*).
 - (20)(21) Mountain madtom (*Noturus eletherus*).
 - (21)(22) Pallid shiner (*Hybopsis amnis*).
 - (22)(23) Plains topminnow (*Fundulus sciadicus*).
 - (23)(24) Ribbon shiner (*Lythurus fumeus*).
 - (24)(25) River darter (*Percina shumardi*).
 - (25)(26) Shorthead redhorse (*Moxostoma macrolepidotum*).
 - (26)(27) Shovelnose sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus platyrhynchus*).
 - (27)(28) Southern brook lamprey (*Ichthyomyzon gagei*).
 - (28)(29) Spottfin shiner (*Cyprinella spiloptera*).
 - (29)(30) Stonecat (*Noturus flavus*).
 - (30)(31) Taillight shiner (*Notropis maculatus*).
- (i) The following are classified as Category II invertebratespecies:
- (1) Bowman cave amphipod (*Stygobromus bowmani*).
 - (2) Oklahoma cave amphipod (*Allocrangonyx pellucidus*).
 - (3) Prairie mole cricket (*Gryllotalpa major*).
 - (4) Regal fritillary (*Speyeria idalia*).
 - (5) Rich Mountain slitmouth snail (*Stenotrema pilsbryi*).
 - (6) Western fanshell (*Cyprogenia aberti*).

SUBCHAPTER 37. NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL PROGRAM

PART 1. NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL OPERATORS PROGRAM

800:25-37-1. Purpose

- (a) The purpose of this Subchapter is to establish guidelines for the permitting and certification of Nuisance Wildlife Control Operators (NWCO), and the procedures to be used by the NWCOs in controlling nuisance wildlife.
- (b) NWCO will be defined as all individuals who offer their services for commercial purposes only to control nuisance wildlife.

800:25-37-2. Permit requirements

- (a) The ~~Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator's~~ (NWCO) Permit will be issued to any person who has successfully completed the National Wildlife Control Training Program and successfully passed the certification exam to operate as a NWCO. The NWCO ~~permit~~ customer ID number and ~~and~~ ODWC NWCO Complaint Report Form must be carried at all times while conducting NWCO activities.
- (b) The ~~Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator's~~ (NWCO) Permit authorizes an individual to capture, euthanize or relocate designated species of wildlife by safe and effective means at any time of the year and without limits which may be in force on certain species of wildlife provided the operator is acting on a documented nuisance wildlife complaint detailing the nature of the complaint, target species, method of control, effective dates of control, location, and customer information including the landowner's signature.

(c) Persons holding a Federal Migratory Bird Depredation Permit issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service are not exempt from the ODWC NWCO Permit and reporting requirements.

~~(c)~~(d) Any person whose hunting or trapping license privileges are revoked and is not legally able to purchase a hunting or trapping license, shall not possess or operate under the authority of a NWCO permit.

~~(d)~~(e) NWCO Permittee must renew the NWCO permit annually. The annual NWCO permit is valid from January 1 through December 31. NWCOs must submit proof of:

- (1) Prior year's Year End Report Summary;
- (2) Affidavit of Lawful Presence

800:25-37-4. Reporting procedures

(a) Nuisance Wildlife Complaint Report Forms must be kept by NWCO for a period of three years. Year End Summary Report forms will detail the number of each species of wildlife taken during the year.

(b) Such records shall be available for inspection at all reasonable times by authorized representatives of the Department.

(c) ~~A summary~~The NWCO Annual Summary Report (provided by the ODWC) will be submitted annually and contain a summary of all Nuisance Wildlife Complaint Reports ~~are to be submitted annually for each calendar year on or before January 30 of the following year on or after December 15 of the current calendar year but before January 1 of the new year, with the license renewal application~~ and must include NWCO name or, ~~Company name, address, and telephone number and customer ID number.~~

(d) Any NWCO work completed after December 15 of the current calendar year will be reported the following calendar year on the NWCO Annual Summary Report.

800:25-37-5. Procedures and guidelines

The following regulations for a NWCO permit shall be in effect to establish what species of wildlife may be taken under such a permit, the legal methods that may be used to control nuisance wildlife under such a permit, and the legal methods of disposal of nuisance wildlife under such permit.

(1) NWCO Permittees are only authorized to trap and relocate or euthanize the following wildlife species when such action is warranted by a valid nuisance wildlife complaint including, but not limited to: armadillo, badger, bats, beaver, bobcat, coyote, jackrabbit, cottontail rabbit, fox squirrel, flying squirrel, gray squirrel, red fox, gray fox, porcupine, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, raccoon, river otter, snakes, striped skunk, ~~and weasel, and woodchuck.~~ Animals exempt from the NWCO permit include: mice, rats, gophers, and moles.

(2) Problems and complaints concerning deer, elk, turkey, bear, alligator, antelope, mountain lion, big horn sheep, endangered or threatened species and game birds will only be handled when specifically authorized in writing by the Director of the ODWC.

(3) The sale, trade, barter, gifting, or retention of any wildlife, or parts thereof, except ~~coyotes and beavers,~~ coyote, nutria, opossum, raccoon, and striped skunk taken under authority of a NWCO permit is prohibited, except wildlife legally taken during established trapping seasons and in accordance with all other pertinent rules and laws not associated with NWCO rules may be sold or otherwise disposed of as provided by law.

(4) The sale, trade, barter, gifting or retention of beavers, coyotes, nutria, opossum, raccoon, and striped skunk or parts thereof, taken under authority of a NWCO permitted is allowed with the proper documentation containing the taker's ~~name and permit~~ customer ID number.

(5) NWCO permittees must follow all state and federal laws that apply to the taking of wildlife with the exception of season dates and bag limits except as otherwise provided in this section.

(6) Only damage or nuisance complaints affecting humans and/or their property may be controlled. Complaints involving conflicts between two or more wildlife species are not valid nuisance wildlife complaints.

(7) All wildlife taken under a NWCO permit shall be taken and disposed of in a manner to ensure safe and effective handling and/or euthanasia. Euthanasia of a captured animal is to be performed under the guidelines adopted by the American Veterinary Medicine Association.

(8) Traps and other similar devices set by a NWCO shall be checked at least once every 24 hours and all animals removed. Traps must have the Operators ~~name and NWCO permit~~ customer ID number attached.

(9) The following are legal methods of control under a NWCO permit:

- (A) box, colony, exclusion, or live trap;
- (B) smooth-jawed single spring or double spring ~~up to four coil offset or coil spring offset steel leg~~ foot-hold traps with a jaw spread of no more than eight and one half inches;
- (C) body gripping style traps less than size 330, except size 330 may be used for water sets for beavers and river otter only;
- (D) shooting where permitted by law or by city ordinance;
- (E) snares which shall have a locking device that prevents the loop from closing to a circumference less than ten (10) inches if the snare is set on or just above ground level. If the snare is set in an attic or similar situation there is no loop restriction; and
- (F) enclosed trigger traps.

(G) Traps or devices which are labeled with an EPA regulatory number may not be used without proper pest control licensing through the Department of Agriculture.

(10) All trapping devices must be placed in a manner that will:

(A) minimize the risk of non-target animals;

(B) minimize the risk to public and pets; and

(C) every effort must be made for trapping devices to be out of the view of the general public when at all possible.

(D) On public property, signs must be posted in conspicuous places in order to inform the public that traps are in use. Signs are not required on private property.

(E) signs must have minimum dimensions of five inches by eight inches and the wording "TRAPS" must be included and be conspicuous on the signs and printed in letters at least two inches tall.

(11) Shooting with firearms shall be subject to all state, county and municipal restrictions and ordinances. Night shooting is allowed for nuisance beavers only under the following conditions:

(A) NWCO must notify the game warden(s) in the county where activity will occur a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours prior to such activity;

(B) must be conducted in a safe manner to prevent injury to people, livestock and damage to personal property.

(12) When relocation is authorized, the NWCO may have the wildlife in possession for no more than 24 hours unless specifically authorized by the Department.

(13) Wildlife not euthanized, but ~~is~~ relocated, shall be released outside any city limit but not more than one county distant from the capture site and must be within the state of Oklahoma.

(14) Wildlife shall not be released on private land without written permission of the landowner or landowner designee.

(15) Wildlife shall not be released on public land without first obtaining written permission from the governmental entity owning or administering the release property.

(16) Captured wildlife that appears to be sick or diseased shall be euthanized rather than relocated. Burial or incineration of these carcasses is required.

PART 2. SPECIAL CANADA GOOSE PERMIT AGENTS PROGRAM

800:25-37-7. Permit requirements

The following is a list of requirements, abilities, and conditions that must be met and/or demonstrated before the ODWC will allow relocation ~~on nest~~ and ~~egg~~ control of Canada geese in Oklahoma by any private or public company, agency or person(s). Further requirements may be added as needed to address future problems or concerns.

(1) All potential designated agents operating under the ODWC's SCGP will be required to be certified as a Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator (NWCO) as specified under OAC 800:25-37-2. During goose trapping and relocation efforts SCGP agents may designate helpers to assist them in their efforts. All helpers must remain in sight of the SCGP agent and the SCGP shall be able to communicate with all helpers. Helpers are not allowed to be charged a fee to participate.

(2) In addition to NWCO certification, all potential SCGP agents will be required to attend ODWC sponsored resident Canada goose management workshops and be approved by the ODWC to handle geese.

(3) All necessary equipment used by SCGP agents for management of resident Canada geese, including but not limited to goose traps, holding pens and transport trailers and their use would have to conform to NWCOA specifications and guidelines or be approved by the ODWC for their use to minimize risk of injury and to ensure humane treatment of captured and transported geese.

(4) All SCGP agents would be required to have in their possession while conducting resident Canada goose management activities a copy of the ODWC SCGP designated agent letter of authorization. Authorization as an ODWC SCGP designated agent would be contingent upon the continued issuance by the Service of the SCGP to the ODWC. The ODWC would notify in writing within 30 days all SCGP agents in the event that the Service does not renew the ODWC's federal SCGP authorization. The ODWC reserves the right to suspend or revoke authorization of any SCGP agent.

800:25-37-9. Procedures and guidelines

SCGP agents are subject to the general conditions in 50 CFR parts 13 and 21, and conditions specified in paragraph (d) of the ODWC's SCGP, and the conditions outlined below.

(1) Unless specifically authorized by the ODWC all resident Canada goose management activities by SCGP agents shall consist of nonlethal control measures.

(2) Management and control activities under the ODWC's federal SCGP may only be conducted between March 11 and August 31.

(3) Activities involving the harassment of resident Canada geese, that do not result in the taking or possession of resident Canada geese, their parts, nests or eggs, may be conducted year around.

(4) SCGP agents may possess and transport resident Canada geese and dispose of nest and eggs if so authorized by the ODWC, under the conditions in the ODWC's federal SCGP, and as otherwise specified in this section.

(5) SCGP agents may not sell, offer for sale, barter, or ship for the purpose of sale or barter any Canada geese taken under this section, nor their plumage, nests or eggs.

(6) The ODWC may authorize, when deemed appropriate, designated agents to utilize such birds by donation to public museums or public institutions for scientific or educational purposes, by processing them for human consumption and distributing them free of charge to charitable organizations, or by burying or incinerating them.

(7) No SCGP designated agent conducting management and control activities under this section should construe the permit to authorize the killing of resident Canada geese contrary to any State law or regulation, nor on any Federal land without specific authorization by the responsible management agency. No person may exercise the privileges granted under this section unless they possess any permits required for such activities by an State or Federal land manager.

(8) SCGP designated agents authorized to carry out management and control activities must have a current copy of the ODWC letter of authorization in their possession when carrying out any permitted activities. A NWCO certified SCGP agent must be present at the site when any activities authorized under the ODWC SCGP are undertaken.

~~(10)~~(9) SCGP agents must also obtain prior consent from property owners or occupants on whose premises the SCGP agent will be conducting activities. In the event where multiple landowners or a legal governing body is involved, the agent must secure a copy of the petition requesting goose removal, signed by the landowners association representative indicating concurrence by more than 50% of the individuals having a vested interest in the property. In addition, all such property owners or occupants must consent to allow at all reasonable times, including during actual operations, free and unrestricted access, to any U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service special agent or refuge officer and /or ODWC personnel, to the premises here they are, or were, conducting activities. Furthermore, any designated agent conducting such activities must promptly furnish whatever information in required concerning such activities to any such Service or ODWC personnel.

~~(11)~~(10) SCGP agents may not undertake any actions under the ODWC's SCGP if the activities adversely affect other migratory birds or species designated as endangered or threatened under the authority of the Endangered Species Act.

~~(12)~~(11) SCGP agents are pre-authorized to trap and relocate resident Canada geese from within the incorporated city limits of a municipality under the aforementioned terms and conditions of the ODWC's federal SCGP. SCGP agents will be annually provided a list by ODWC of approved release sites for the municipalities from where geese will be relocated.

~~(13)~~(12) SCGP agents are pre-authorized to carry out nest and egg control within the incorporated city limits of municipalities under the aforementioned terms and conditions of the ODWC's federal SCGP.

~~(14)~~(13) Any nest and egg control and/or trapping and relocation of resident Canada geese outside of the incorporated city limits of a municipality must have a prior specific case by case authorization by ODWC personnel.

SUBCHAPTER 38. WILDLIFE REHABILITATION LICENSE AND RULES

800:25-38-1. Purpose

This subchapter is designed to set forth requirements for the possession, care, and disposition of wildlife held for rehabilitation. This subchapter also sets forth the requirements for obtaining a license to rehabilitate wildlife. Due to the risk of transmission of Chronic Wasting Disease, bovine tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases affecting free-ranging wildlife populations, rehabilitation of cervids (including calves and fawns) shall be prohibited except as specifically authorized in writing by the Director for scientific, veterinary diagnostic, or law enforcement purposes.

SUBCHAPTER 42. CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE GENETIC IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM RULES

800:25-42-1. Chronic Wasting Disease genetic improvement program - rules for release

(a) Definitions

(1) **"Eligible deer"** means

(A) white tailed deer;

(B) born and raised in Oklahoma;

(C) with genetic resistance breeding to chronic wasting disease. For the purposes of this regulation, such deer must have the SS allele at codon 96, with a Genomic Estimated Breeding Value ("GEBV") at or below - 0.0560.

(2) **"Private land"** means the property on which the deer will be released, and which is owned by the permittee and is a minimum of one thousand (1,000) contiguous acres located entirely in Oklahoma. Private land does not include land owned, leased, or controlled by a federal, state, or local government entity.

(b) A landowner may apply to the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation (ODWC) for a private land release permit to release eligible deer onto private land if:

(1) As justified by a harvest level that falls below 50 percent (in any given year), when compared against the 10-year harvest average published in the ODWC Annual Big Game Report, and

(2) where the prevalence of Chronic Wasting Disease in the area exceeds 50 percent (50%); the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission has declared through a Resolution that a normal deer population does not exist in the specific county or counties where the eligible deer will be released.

(c) The following information shall be included in the permit application:

- (1) GPS coordinates of the proposed exact release site.
- (2) The number and sex of each eligible deer to be released.
- (3) A list of all property owners within a 3-mile radius of the proposed release site; an affidavit signed by the applicant certifying that the applicant has obtained written permission from all landowners within a 3-mile radius of release site, and documentation of permission from each landowner; if the release site is within 3 miles of a state line, written permission from the neighboring state(s) wildlife agency(ies) must be provided.
- (4) A copy of a "not detected" live animal test for Chronic Wasting Disease (most reliable live animal test that is available, once a test is certified by the USDA that test must be used) for each animal to be released; and, all eligible deer shall meet the following criteria prior to release:
 - (A) Must come from white-tailed deer producers who are Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Licensees that are participating in the USDA CWD Herd Certification Program (HCP) and have certified herds.
 - (B) Must have genetic test certificate verifying the ss alleles at Codon 96 and meeting or exceeding the GEBV -0.056.
 - (C) All white-tailed does of any age and bucks less than 24 months of age, born and raised in Oklahoma by registered CWDGIP producers participating in the CWD HCP with certified herds may only be released from February 1 - April 15.
 - (D) Must be identified with one (1) orange bangle ear tag in each ear that is at least 2" x 1 5/8 " in size and both the previously applied USDA official ear tag and aforementioned bangle tag shall remain in place.
 - (E) Participating eligible deer may be required to be outfitted with a GPS collar paid for by the permit holder; ODWC and ODAFF shall have oversight of monitoring.
- (5) A permit fee of \$500.

- (d) Subsequent release of eligible deer. A permit shall be valid from the date of its issuance for one year or until the wild deer population is declared "normal" by ODWC resolution for the relevant county or counties, whichever is longer, without additional fees. However, at least ten (10) days prior to any subsequent release of an eligible deer, a permittee must supply the information in section (c) above to ODWC and may not release any animal until ODWC confirms that the submission is received and complete.
- (e) The Commission shall review all available science on predictive genetics for control of CWD in native populations, including all new studies, at least every other year beginning July 1, 2028. These rules will be adjusted when science warrants.
- (f) The Department of Wildlife Conservation may continue collecting samples of wild deer for genetic profile testing.
- (g) The permit holder will collect diagnostic samples for CWD testing and genetic samples for GEBV and allele testing of all deer that die or are harvested on their property annually for a minimum of 5 years following the release of any deer; all deer must be tested for CWD using the most reliable CWD test that is approved by the USDA; both genetic and CWD testing will be done at the permit holder's expense and the results of all genetic and CWD testing will be provided to the ODWC.
- (h) Suspension and revocation. A permit may be temporarily suspended if ODWC has a reasonable basis to believe the permit holder has not complied with the requirements of this section, that the information supplied in connection with the permit application or any subsequent release is inaccurate or incomplete, or upon notice from the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry that the permit holder has failed to comply with applicable ODAFF regulations for the CWDGIP. ODWC may also recommend a permanent revocation of a permit for the same reasons; provided the permit holder shall be given notice of the reasons for the Department's recommendation and the opportunity to request an administrative hearing.

SUBCHAPTER 43. WATERFOWL AND CRANE OUTFITTER AND GUIDE LICENSE

800:25-43-1. Purpose

The purpose of this subchapter is to describe rules pertaining to procurement of the waterfowl and crane outfitter and guide license required pursuant to 29 O.S. Section 5-202.2

800:25-43-2. License and fee requirements

(a) Unless otherwise exempt, beginning November 1, 2026, no person shall assist, accompany, transport, guide, outfit, or aid persons in the taking of waterfowl or crane for compensation or other consideration in this state without first procuring a hunting outfitter or hunting guide license from the Director of Wildlife Conservation or from any authorizing agent of the Department of Wildlife Conservation.

(b) Those persons exempt from these licenses are:

- (1) Resident landowners who provide such services on properties they own or hold under an agricultural lease, nor shall they apply to guides who are employees or direct agents acting on behalf of the landowner on property the landowner owns or holds under agricultural lease. A direct agent is someone who is being compensated by the landowner or agricultural lessee.
- (2) Individuals on lands licensed by the Department as a commercial hunting area or lands licensed as a feral hog hunting facility by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry.
- (3) Lessees of rural land who provide such services on properties leased by such individuals as a farming or ranching business pursuant to 18 O.S. Section 951 or if they indicated to the landowner or lessor, if the primary use of the leased

land is agricultural.

(c) Persons licensed and operating as hunting guides must possess the name and ODWC customer identification number of the outfitter license they are operating under.

(d) Those applying for an outfitter license under this section shall produce proof of personal liability coverage of no less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00). This insurance policy shall supply coverage from September 1 to March 31 during the period in which the license is valid.

(e) The Waterfowl and Crane Outfitter and Guide License shall be valid from July 1 through June 30 of the following calendar year.