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Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Public Hearing – Substantive Changes to Notice of Intent
2020-2022 Hunting Regulations and Seasons
(LAC 76:XIX. Chapter 1)

The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission published a Notice of Intent to amend its rules in the January 20, 2020 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission proposes to amend the original Notice of Intent to prohibit the sale of natural deer urine or other bodily fluids; include the use of UTV's on ATV trails for physically challenged persons and change the dove season dates for the south zone only.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations

Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

§111. General and Wildlife Management Area Hunting Rules and Regulations

A. – E.10. ...

11. It is unlawful to import, sell, use or possess scents or lures that contain natural deer urine or other bodily fluids, except natural deer urine products produced by manufacturers or entities that are actively enrolled and participating in the Archery Trade Association Deer Protection Program, which has been tested using real-time quaking induced conversion (RT-QuIC) and certified that no detectable levels of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) are present and is clearly labeled as such.

E.12. – G.9.i. ...

j. Use of special ATV/UTV trails for physically challenged persons is restricted to ATV/UTV physically challenged permittees. Physically challenged ATV/UTV permittees are restricted to physically challenged ATV/UTV trails or other ATV/UTV trails only as indicated on WMA maps or as marked by sign and/or paint. Persons 60 years of age and older, with proof of age, are also allowed to use special physically challenged trails and need not obtain a permit. However, these persons must abide by all rules in place for these trails. Physically challenged persons under the age of 60 must apply for and obtain a physically challenged hunter program permit from the LDWF.

k. Entrances to ATV trails will be marked with peach colored paint. Entrances to physically challenged-only ATV/UTV trails will be marked with blue colored paint. Entrances to ATV/UTV trails that are open year round will be marked with purple paint. The end of all ATV/UTV trails will be marked by red paint. WMA maps serve only as a general guide to the route of most ATV/UTV trails, therefore all signage and paint marking as previously described will be used to determine compliance.

G.9.1. – G.18.a.i.(a). ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115 and R.S. 56:116.

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2013), LR 40:1540 (August 2014), LR 41:963 (May 2015), LR 42:1112 (July 2016), LR 43:1423 (July 2017), LR 44:1277 (July 2018), LR 45:938 (July 2019), LR .

§117. Migratory Bird Seasons, Regulations, and Bag Limits

A. Seasons and Bag Limits

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
Mourning and White Winged Doves and fully-dressed Eurasian and Collared Doves	South Zone: Sept. 5-Sept. 16 Oct. 17-Nov. 29 Dec. 19-Jan. 21 North Zone: Sept. 5-Sept. 27 Oct. 10-Nov. 15 Dec. 26-Jan. 24	15 (in aggregate)	45 (in aggregate)
Woodcock	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	3	9
Teal (Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon)	Sept. 12-Sept. 27	6	18
King and Clapper Rails	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 Nov. 14-Jan. 6	15 (in aggregate)	45 (in aggregate)

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
Sora and Virginia Rails	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 Nov. 14-Jan. 6	25 (in aggregate)	75 (in aggregate)
Gallinules	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 Nov. 14-Jan. 6	15	45
Snipe	Coastal Zone: Nov. 2-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Feb. 28 West Zone: Nov. 2-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Feb. 28 East Zone: Nov. 2-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Feb. 28	8	24
Ducks, Coots and Mergansers	Coastal Zone: Nov. 7-8 (youth only) Nov. 14-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Jan. 24 Jan. 30-31 (veterans only)	Daily bag limit on ducks is 6 and may include no more than 4 mallards (no	Three times the daily bag limit.

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
	<p>West Zone:</p> <p>Nov. 7 (youth only)</p> <p>Nov. 8 (veterans only)</p> <p>Nov. 14-Dec. 6</p> <p>Dec. 19-Jan. 24</p> <p>Jan. 30 (youth only)</p> <p>Jan. 31 (veterans only)</p> <p>East Zone:</p> <p>Nov. 14 (youth only)</p> <p>Nov. 15 (veterans only)</p> <p>Nov. 21-Dec. 6</p> <p>Dec. 19-Jan. 31</p> <p>Feb. 6 (youth only)</p>	<p>more than 2 females), 3 wood ducks, 2 canvasbacks, 2 redheads, 1 mottled duck, 1 black duck and 1 pintail. Only 1 scaup may be taken for the first 15 days of the season with 2 per day allowed for the remainder. Daily bag limit on coots is 15.</p>	

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	Feb. 7 (veterans only)	Mergansers- The daily bag limit for mergansers is 5, only 2 of which may be hooded mergansers, in addition to the daily bag limit for ducks.	
Light Geese (Snow, Blue, and Ross') and White-Fronted Geese	North Zone: Nov. 7-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Jan. 31 South Zone: Nov.14-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Feb. 7	Daily bag limit on Light Geese (snow, blue, and ross') is 20. Daily bag limit on White-	No possession limit on Light Geese (snow, blue, and ross')

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
		Fronted Geese is 3.	Possession limit on White- Fronted Geese is 9.
Canada Geese	North Zone: Nov. 7-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Jan. 31 South Zone: Nov. 14-Dec. 6 Dec. 19-Feb. 7	1	3

B. – H. ...

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Public Hearing

In accordance with R.S. 49:968(H)(2), a public hearing on proposed substantive changes will be held by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries on April 20, 2020 at 10 a.m. in the Joe L.

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Baton Rouge, LA, 70808.

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