



**Crow Creek
Special Opportunity Area
Hunt Guidelines/Rules**

Successful registrants/permit holders may be accompanied by three properly licensed hunting guests. Permit holders and guests must remain on their assigned hunt unit. Each hunting unit is clearly defined on the Special Opportunity Area (SOA) map and delineated with signage on the ground.

Access to the SOA for limited quota permitted hunters will be at the primary gate entrance depicted on the map.

Kiosks will be located at the primary gate entrance on the SOA for hunters to check in daily (obtain daily permit) and to provide information to the users. Hunter participation, harvest data, and observational data will be collected from the hunters at the primary informational kiosk. Educational posters will be displayed and data sheets will be provided at the kiosk.

Each hunt will begin at ½ hour prior to sunrise on day one and end at noon on the last day. On each hunt day, permitted hunters may enter the SOA on their assigned hunt dates beginning at 4:00 AM and must exit the SOA by 1:30 PM.

BAG LIMITS

DUCKS: 6 ducks a day and may include no more than 4 Mallards (no more than 2 of which can be female), 3 Wood Ducks, 1 Mottled Duck, 2 Black Duck, 2 Redhead, 1 Pintail, 2 Canvasback and 3 Scaup.

GEESE:

Dark Geese: (Canada, White-fronted, Brant) - 5 a Day. The total bag limit of 5 shall not include more than 3 Canada Geese or 1 Brant.

Light Geese (Snow, Blue, Ross's) - The total bag limit shall be 5 a day.

MERGANSERS: 5 a day, only 2 may be a hooded Merganser.

COOT: 15 a day

NOTE:

- A State Hunting License, Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License, State Duck Stamp, Federal Duck Stamp, Harvest Information Program (HIP) and SOA permit obtained at the entrance kiosk or provided by Wildlife Section staff required by all waterfowl hunt successful registrants and guests.

SOA General Violations/Restrictions -

- Any violation of SOA rules and regulations (220-2-.55) or any other regulation or law while hunting on Crow Creek SOA will result in that individual losing their eligibility for future SOA hunts.
- Failure to unregister for an upcoming hunt outside of 7 days prior to your permitted hunt start date and failure to notify WFF personnel of cancellation within 7 days of the hunter's assigned hunt dates at Crow Creek SOA will result in that individual losing their eligibility for future SOA hunts.
- Hunters shall only hunt and/or scout in their assigned unit(s).
- It shall be unlawful to hunt the AREA unless selected by random draw on any date except those specified on permit. Only those individuals included in the hunting party selection may be allowed to participate in the hunt. No substitutions will be allowed.
- It shall be unlawful to operate any motorized vehicle on the AREA without authorization
- It shall be unlawful to use gasoline-powered motors on the AREA
- Unauthorized activity is prohibited in the AREA except for drawn hunters on scheduled hunt days from 1:30 PM to 4:00 AM. In addition, all hunting activity is prohibited after 12:00 noon; all parties should be off the AREA no later than 1:30 PM
- It shall be unlawful to leave assigned Zone for any reason except when departing the AREA for the day
- Temporary blinds may be used for the duration of the hunt. All such blinds left in said AREA after the hunt will be disposed of as deemed advisable by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- It shall be unlawful to have more than 25 shotgun shells per hunter in possession while hunting waterfowl on the AREA. This does not apply to Youth Waterfowl Days.
- It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt without possessing a daily permit from kiosk self-service box located at entrance. When obtaining permit, the tear-off stub with number matching daily permit must be filled out and deposited in return slot of self-service box. The Harvest Report portion of the permit is to be retained in possession of hunter until the end of the day. The harvest report portion of the permit is to be filled out and deposited in return slot of the self-service box no later than 1:30 PM after each day.