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The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

BEAR RIVER MIGRATORY BIRD REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, and tundra swan on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit hunting or shooting within 100 yards (90 m) of refuge roads, parking areas, and observation platforms.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).

3. We allow only portable blinds and blinds made from natural vegetation. We prohibit the construction or use of permanent blinds and/or pits for blinds (see §27.92 of this chapter).

4. You must remove boats, decoys, portable blinds, and other personal property from the refuge at the end of each day (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

5. We allow airboats only in Refuge Unit 9 and Block C.

6. You may possess only 10 shells while hunting on or within 50 feet (15 m) from the center of Unit 1A or 2C dike.

7. We prohibit hunters or dogs to enter closed areas to retrieve downed birds.

8. We prohibit the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting (see §32.2(j)).

9. We are closed for spring and extended season goose hunts.

10. You must possess a valid State permit to hunt swans on the refuge.

11. We prohibit all commercial guiding and outfitter activities on the refuge.

12. We prohibit entering the refuge hunting units prior to the opening day of waterfowl season.

13. We prohibit archery hunting on the refuge.

14. You may enter the refuge 2 hours before legal sunrise and must exit the refuge by 2 hours after legal sunset.

15. You may park only in designated areas.

16. We allow only legally licensed vehicles on the refuge. We prohibit use of unlicensed off-highway vehicles and all-terrain vehicles on the refuge.

17. We prohibit fires, camping, and overnight RV parking on the refuge.

18. You may discharge firearms only during legal hunting activities. We prohibit target shooting.

19. Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on national wildlife refuges must comply with all provisions of State and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) hunting firearms in accordance with refuge regulations (see §27.42 of this chapter and part 32).

20. You must abide by all terms and conditions in the refuge hunting brochure.

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of pheasants on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit hunting or taking of pheasants with a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three shells.

2. Condition A2 applies.

C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]

D. Sport Fishing. Fishermen may fish on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. Fishermen may fish year-round in designated areas of the Refuge.

2. You may fish only in designated areas west of the Auto Tour Road access gate from legal sunrise to legal sunset.

3. We prohibit fishing from refuge bridges and water control structures.

4. You must remove all fishing equipment, personal property, and trash from the refuge.

5. We allow airboats only in Refuge Unit 9 and Block C.
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FISH SPRINGS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of duck, coot, and goose on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. All hunters must register individually at the visitor information station before entering the open hunting area and prior to exiting the refuge.

2. We do not allow hunters or dogs to enter closed areas to retrieve birds.

3. You may only possess firearms legally used to hunt waterfowl unless you case or break them down.

4. You may construct nonpermanent blinds. You must remove all blinds constructed out of materials other than vegetation at the end of a hunt day.

5. We allow use of small boats (15' or less). We do not allow gasoline motors and air boats.

6. You may enter the refuge 2 hours prior to sunrise and must exit the refuge by 1½ hours after sunset. You may not leave decoys, boats, vehicles, and other personal property on the refuge overnight.

7. We have a Special Blind Area for use by the disabled. We prohibit trespass for any reason by any individual not registered to utilize that area.

B. Upland Game Hunting.

1. We prohibit hunting within 100 yards (90 m) of the Green River in Leota Bottom.

2. We close the Green River within the refuge boundaries to hunting.

3. You may only possess approved nontoxic shells in accordance with State regulations (see §27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

4. We prohibit pits and permanent blinds.

5. We allow hunting of pheasant and turkey in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

   1. We allow pheasant and turkey hunting within designated areas.

   2. We prohibit hunting on the islands and sandbars within the Green River.

   3. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).

   4. We allow turkey hunting for youth hunters only during the youth-only and general turkey seasons. We are closed for all limited-entry turkey hunts.

C. Big Game Hunting.

1. We allow hunting of deer and elk in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

   1. We allow deer and elk hunting within designated areas.

   2. We prohibit hunting on the islands and sandbars within the Green River.

   3. You may use portable tree stands and hunting blinds that do not require drilling or nailing into a tree (see §32.2(i)). You must remove all tree stands and blinds no later than the last day of the hunting season for which you have a permit (see §27.93 of this chapter).

   4. We allow any-legal-weapon elk hunting for youth, disabled, and depredation pool hunters only prior to October 1. We allow additional youth, disabled, and depredation pool elk hunts after October 1 according to refuge and State regulations.

   5. We allow elk hunting during the Uintah Basin Extended Archery Elk Hunt starting on October 1.

   6. We are closed for the general season any-legal-weapon (rifle) and muzzleloader bull elk hunts.

   7. We allow any-legal-weapon elk hunting during limited late season antlerless elk hunts starting on December 1.

   8. We prohibit the use of bait or hunting over bait (see §32.2(i)).

   9. We prohibit the use of trail or game cameras.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow sport fishing within and on the banks of the Green River (the southernmost portion of the Green River within the Refuge Boundary requires a Ute Tribe fishing permit) in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit fishing on or from the diked interior impoundments or canals.

2. You may only fish with the aid of a pole, hook, and line. We prohibit trot lines, bow
and arrows, spears, spear guns, cross bows, and firearms.

3. You must release unharmed any of the four endangered fish if caught (razorback sucker, Colorado pikeminnow, humpbacked chub, or bonytailed chub).


§ 32.65 Vermont.

The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, brant, merganser, coot, woodcock, and snipe in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Waterfowl—For the hunting of goose, duck, brant, merganser, and coot we divide the refuge into six discrete waterfowl hunting units: the Delta Lakeshore Area, the Saxes Pothole/Creek and Shad Island Area, the Junior Waterfowl Hunting Area (including Long Marsh Bay, Patrick Marsh, and Charcoal Creek), the Long Marsh Channel and Metcalfe Island Area, and the Maquam Swamp Area. Conditions for each area are as follows:

i. Delta Lakeshore Area includes lakeshore areas from Shad Island to the south side of Martindale Point but does not include Saxes Pothole/Creek and Shad Island Pothole.

a. We prohibit blind staking, permanent blinds, or unattended decoys.

b. We prohibit jump shooting within 200 yards (180 m) of a party hunting from a boat or blind.

c. We do not require a refuge permit to hunt in this area.

d. This area is available to youth waterfowl hunters on Youth Waterfowl Hunting Weekend.

e. We prohibit entering closed areas of the refuge for any reason, except for the recovery of legally harvested animals, and in that case you may not carry a weapon (see §27.22(a) of this chapter).

f. Unarmed hunters may scout open hunting areas before a particular season opens but in no case before September 1. We do not require a hunting permit for scouting.

ii. Maquam Shore Area encompasses a 30-acre area along the lakeshore of Maquam Bay and is bounded by private land on the west and a Vermont wildlife management area on the east. a. Conditions A1(a–f) apply.

iii. Saxes Pothole/Creek and Shad Island Pothole encompasses Saxes Creek, Saxes Pothole, and Shad Island Pothole. This is a controlled hunting area. We stake and make available five zones (numbered 1–5) to five hunting parties in Saxe’s Pothole, zone 6 is staked and available to one hunting party in Shad Island Pothole.

a. A hunting party consists of the hunter named on the permit and one guest hunter per zone per day. Nonhunters may accompany a hunting party.

b. Each hunting party must possess and carry a permit for the specific zone on the specific day they are hunting in this area. Permits are not transferable.

c. You may obtain permits for the period from the opening day of duck hunting season through the first Sunday of the duck hunting season, and for the second weekend of the duck hunting season through application to a preseason lottery. During the years when the State elects to have a split season, you may also obtain your permits for the second opening day through the following Sunday through application to the preseason lottery. On all other hunt days, you must acquire permits through self-registration at the Mac’s Bend Landing no earlier than 2 hours before legal shooting time on the day of the hunt.

d. Hunters selected during the preseason lottery must pay a $10 fee. The refuge must receive the fee no earlier than 2 days before the opening of the season or forfeit the permit, which we will then make available to other hunters on a first-come, first-served basis. The fee is paid for any permit assigned before the day of the hunt. There is no fee for any permit obtained on the day of the hunt.

e. On those days that we draw permits by preseason lottery, hunters must sign in at the Mac’s Bend Landing by 7 a.m. before going to the assigned zone. After 7 a.m. other hunters may sign in, self-register, and use unoccupied zones.

f. At the end of each daily hunt, you must sign out and deposit a report of hunt success at the Mac’s Bend Landing. When you sign out, another party may sign in and use the vacated zone. You must sign out of a zone at Mac’s Bend Landing prior to occupying a different hunting site in any of the controlled hunting areas.

g. You must hunt within 100 feet (30 m) of a numbered stake corresponding to your assigned zone. We prohibit jump shooting.

h. You must use a retrieving dog.

i. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot shells (see §32.2(k)) in quantities of 25 or less per day.