

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Mississippi Project Management Office

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Sardis, Mississippi 38666

MISSISSIPPI PROJECT LAKES, VICKSBURG DISTRICT

**HUNTING/TRAPPING REGULATIONS**

**2016-2017**

All persons must have, in their possession, a valid Mississippi hunting license and agree to read and abide by the terms outlined in these regulations prior to accessing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) lands.

Hunting and trapping of furbearers are permitted on Arkabutla, Enid, Grenada and Sardis project lands and waters not otherwise posted as closed. **Users must refer to lake brochure or contact lake field offices to determine area-specific regulations in regard to weapon restrictions.** All recreational users are subject to Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 327. State and federal wildlife laws, including local firearm ordinances, apply to Project hunting lands with the following additional exceptions and restrictions:

1. No hunting or trapping is allowed within 1000’ of any dam, building, construction site, or public use area.
2. Only temporary blinds for waterfowl hunting and portable tree stands/ground blinds for deer hunting will be allowed and must be removed daily. Climbing spikes are not permitted. Placement of blinds or stands shall not be used as a means of reserving a hunting location.
3. All firearms in boats underway or ATV’s in transit must be unloaded and cased.
4. Running/training of dogs on COE lands is prohibited from March 1st through May 31st, unless a special event permit has been obtained.
5. All state-sanctioned Youth Hunts (15 years old and younger) and associated state regulations will be allowed on project lands at Arkabutla, Enid, Grenada, and Sardis lakes.
6. Motorized vehicle operation on COE lands is subject to posted restrictions. Leaseholders of COE agricultural land retain the right to restrict vehicular access.
7. **Trapping without permit and/or releasing of feral hogs on Corps of Engineers lands is strictly prohibited**. **Hunters in violation of moving and/or releasing live hogs on Corps property will be cited under CFR Title 36 Section 327 and reported to the appropriate Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks law enforcement officials.**
8. The taking of hogs is allowed:

* October 1 - February 28 with dogs using the type of weapons and ammunition legal for open seasons
* March 1 – May 31 without dogs using the type of weapon and ammunition legal for open seasons.
* June 1 – September 30 in accordance with MDWFP Nuisance Wildlife Regulations during daylight hours WITHOUT THE AID OF DOGS AND NO WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS.

Forfeiture of hunting privileges: Any violation of federal, state, or local hunting, trespass, or game regulations may result in forfeiture of privileges for a period to be determined by U.S. magistrate. The violator may also be subject to fines and/or imprisonment.

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| **NORTH MISSISSIPPI LAKES HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **WHITE-TAILED DEER** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Method | | | |  |  | | Season Dates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | Legal Deer | | |  | |  | | |  | | | | | |
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| Archery | | | |  | |  | | | Oct. 1, 2016 – Jan. 31 , 2017 | | | | Either-Sex | | | | |  | | |  | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Early Primitive  Weapons Hunt | | | |  | | | | | Nov. 7 - Nov. 18, 2016 | | | | Antlerless deer only | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gun (With Dogs)    Primitive Weapon    Gun (Without dogs) | | | | |  | | | Nov. 19 - Dec. 1, 2016 | | | | | Legal bucks as defined by MDWFP regulations | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dec. 2 – Dec. 15, 2016  Dec. 16 - Dec. 23, 2016 | | | | | Either-sex  Either-Sex | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gun (With Dogs) | | | | |  | | | Dec. 24, 2016 - Jan. 18, 2017 | | | | Legal bucks as defined by MDWFP regulations | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Archery/Primitive Weapon  Youth Gun (less than 16 years old) | | | | |  | | | Jan. 19 - Jan. 31, 2017  Nov. 5, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017 | | | | Either-Sex  Either-Sex | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | |
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|  |  | **U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  **NORTH MISSISSIPPI LAKES HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS**  **2016-2017** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |  | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | |
|  |  | **WHITE-TAILED DEER – CONT.** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |  | |  | |  |  | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Area/Method | | | |  | Season Dates | | | | | | | |  |  | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |
| ***Enid Lake***  Springdale Area***:***  Archery  Primitive Weapon  Enid Dam Area***:***  Wounded Warrior Hunt  (Weapon of Choice)  ***Arkabutla Lake***  Physically Challenged Hunt  ***Grenada Lake***  Veteran’s Draw Hunt *-*  Primitive Weapon  Wounded Warrior Hunt –  (Weapon of Choice*)* | | | |  | Oct. 1, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017  Nov. 7 – Nov. 18, 2016  Nov. 19 – Dec. 15, 2016  Oct. 26-30, 2016  Dec. 2 – Dec. 5, 2016  Dec. 2 – Dec. 4, 2016  Dec. 9 – Dec. 11, 2016  Jan. 8 – Jan 14, 2017 | | | | | | | | Either-sex  Antlerless Deer Only  Either-Sex  Either-Sex  Either-Sex  Either-Sex  Either-Sex  Either-Sex |  | | | | | | | | | | |  |  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |

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| **U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  **NORTH MISSISSIPPI LAKES HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS**  **2016-2017**  **SPRING TURKEY HUNTING SEASONS & BAG LIMITS** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Season | |  |  | | Dates | | |  | | | | | | | | |  | | Bag Limit | |  | | | | | | | |
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| Youth (less than 16 years old) | | | | | Mar. 8 - Mar. 14, 2017 | | | | | See Spring season for bag limit | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Spring | |  | |  | | Mar. 15 - May 1, 2017 | | | | | One (1) adult gobbler or 1  gobbler with a 6-inch or longer beard per day, 3 per season. **HUNTERS** **LESS THAN 16 YEARS OLD may harvest 1 gobbler of choice (any age) per day, 3 per season.** | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **SMALL GAME HUNTING SEASONS & BAG LIMITS** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Species | |  |  | | Season Dates Bag Limit | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | Daily Bag Limit | | | |  | | | | | | | |
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| Squirrel (Fall Season) | |  |  | | Oct. 1, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017 | | | | | 8 per day | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Squirrel (Spring Season) | | | | | May 15, 2017 – June 1, 2017 | | | | | 4 per day | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Squirrel (Youth) | | | | | Sept. 24, 2016 – Sept. 30, 2016 | | | | | 8 per day | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rabbit | |  |  | | Oct. 15, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017 | | | | | 8 per day | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bobwhite Quail | | |  | | Nov. 24, 2016 - Mar. 4, 2017 | | | | | 8 per day | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raccoon | |  |  | | July 1, 2016 - Sept. 30, 2016 | | | | | 1 per party/night | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Opossum, Raccoon | | |  | | Oct. 1, 2016 - Oct. 31, 2016 (food and sport) | | | | | 5/day; 8/party | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| and Bobcat | | |  | | Nov. 1, 2016 - Feb. 28, 2017 (food, sport, and pelt) no limit | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frog | |  |  | | April 1, 2017 – Sept. 30, 2017 | | | | | 25 per night | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trapping Season | |  |  | | Nov. 1, 2016 – Mar. 15, 2017 | | | | | no limit | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  **NORTH MISSISSIPPI LAKES HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS**  **2016-2017**  **MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS** | | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Season |  |  | | Season Dates | | Daily Bag Limit | | | | | | | | |  | | Bag Limit | |  | | | | | | | | | |
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| Canada Geese | | | | Sept. 1 – 30, 2016 | | | | | 5 | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| White-winged and  Mourning Doves  Teal  Rails (Sora &Virginia)  Rails (Clapper & King)  Moorhens and Gallinules  Crow  Snipe  Canada, snow, blue, Ross’s, white-fronted goose and brant  Ducks, Mergansers, & Coots  Woodcock  Youth Waterfowl Days |  | |  | | Sept. 3 – Oct 9, 2016  Oct. 22 – Nov. 6, 2016 15  Dec. 3, 2016 – Jan.15, 2017  Sept. 10 – 25, 2016 6  Sept. 3 – Nov. 11, 2016 25 singly or in aggregate  Sept. 3 – Nov. 11, 2016 15 singly or in aggregate  Sept. 3 – Nov. 11, 2016 15 singly or in aggregate  Nov. 5, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017 no limit  Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017 8  Nov. 12 – Nov. 27, 2016  Dec. 15, 2016 – Jan. 29, 2017  Feb. 4 – Feb. 15., 2017 See MDWFP regulations  Nov. 25 – Nov. 27, 2016  Dec. 2 – Dec. 4, 2016 See MDWFP regulations  Dec. 7, 2016 – Jan. 29, 2017  Dec. 18, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017 3  Nov. 19, 2016 and Feb. 4, 2017 See MDWFP regulations | | | | | | |  | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Light Goose Conservation Order (See MDWFP regulations for details) |  | |  | | Oct. 1 – Nov. 11, 2016  Feb. 16 – Mar. 31, 2017 | | | no limit | | | | | | | |  | | gobbler with a 6-inch or longer | | | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
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