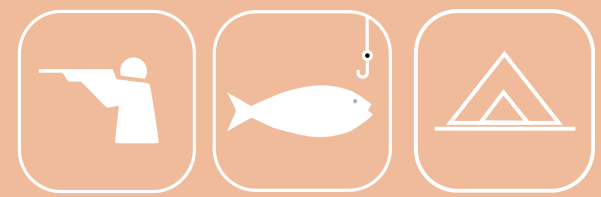


# White River

## National Wildlife Refuge Hunting, Fishing & Camping 2001-2002



### White River National Wildlife Refuge

White River National Wildlife Refuge, established in 1935, contains over 160,000 acres of prime bottomland hardwood habitat located within the floodplain of the lower White River. For management purposes, most of the lands within the refuge have been divided into a North Unit and a South Unit which are separated by Arkansas Highway 1. A few scattered tracts which are isolated from the main body of the refuge are not depicted on the accompanying maps. Public hunting and fishing are permitted on the refuge in accordance with State and Federal regulations as supplemented by the following special refuge regulations.

### Access and Vehicle Use

Refuge roads on the South Unit are open to motorized vehicle traffic March 1 through December 15. A locked gate, road closed sign, or other barrier (i.e. mounded dirt) means the road is closed to all motorized vehicle travel but not to foot travel unless signed otherwise. All other refuge roads are open year around.

On the South Unit, ATV's may be used only on trails marked with yellow paint; all other motorized vehicles must stay on either gravel roads or those roads marked with yellow paint, and not posted with "ATV use only" signs.

On the North Unit, south of Cut Bluff Slough, ATV's may be used only on trails marked with yellow paint; all other motorized vehicles must stay on either gravel roads or those roads marked with yellow paint, and not posted with "ATV use only" signs.

On lands north of Cut Bluff Slough, all motorized vehicles must stay on established roads. **The use of ATV's on gravel roads is prohibited anywhere on the refuge, unless signed otherwise.** An ATV is defined as a vehicle with a maximum tire pressure of 15 psi., and a maximum dry weight of 1,550 lbs. All other non-licensed motorized vehicles are prohibited on the refuge. Personal watercraft (jet-ski, sea-do, wet bike) are prohibited on the refuge.

Boats, other than flat-bottomed johnboats 16 feet or less in length, may not be left overnight on the refuge during the period from November 1 through February 28.

**Boats, ATV's, and portable tree stands left unattended on the refuge must have the owner's name and address affixed in a conspicuous manner.**

### General Hunt Regulations

Hunting is prohibited in areas closed to hunting as indicated on the accompanying maps or as otherwise posted.

Beaver, nutria, coyote, and feral hogs may be taken incident to any daytime refuge hunt with weapons legal for that hunt until the daily limit of game is taken.

State bag limits apply for all hunts unless indicated otherwise in this brochure.

Youth hunters under the age of 16 must be supervised by an adult not less than 21 years old and must remain in sight and normal voice contact with the adult. For small game hunts, the adult may supervise no more than two youths. For big game hunts, the adult may supervise only one youth. Anyone born after December 31, 1968 must have successfully completed a hunter education course in order to hunt on the refuge.

### Weapons

Firearms, archery tackle, and crossbows are permitted only during designated hunts. Weapons not legal for taking designated game species during refuge hunts are prohibited.

Weapons must be unloaded when within 100 yards of a camp or a designated campground or when carried on land vehicles or boats under power.

### Permits

Permits are required for all refuge hunts. When this brochure is signed on the front, and in possession it will serve as the permit for all refuge hunts. However, quota permits are also required to participate in the quota hunts on the north and south units.

### Flood Zone Closure Regulations

Will close to all deer hunting when the White River gauge at St. Charles reaches 23 feet as reported by the Arkansas Democrat Gazette. Will reopen when the gauge reading reaches 21 feet as reported by the said newspaper.

Will close to all deer hunting when the White River gauge at St. Charles reaches 23 feet and the gauge at Lock and Dam #1 reaches 145 simultaneously as reported by news release. Will reopen when the gauge reading reaches 21 and 143 feet respectively as reported by news release.

White River  
National Wildlife Refuge  
P.O. Box 308  
Dewitt, AR 72042  
870/946 1468  
<http://southeast.fws.gov>  
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
1 800/344 WILD  
August 2001



**White River National Wildlife Refuge  
General Hunt Permit 2001-2002**  
This permit must be completed to be valid. It must be carried by the hunter during the hunts. It is not transferable. **Note:** This permit alone is not good for the quota permit gun hunt and muzzleloader hunt.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the refuge hunting regulations.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Proposed 2001-2002 Hunting Seasons

### Archery deer and turkey

#### North Unit

October 1, 2001 - January 31, 2002

Quota permit required during quota muzzleloader and modern gun hunts. State Bag Limit.

#### South Unit

October 1, 2001 - December 31, 2001

Quota permit required during quota muzzleloader and modern gun hunts. State Bag Limit.

### Gun deer

#### North and South Unit

November 10, 2001 - November 12, 2001

Quota permit required. Limit one deer either sex.

#### North Unit

November 13, 2001 - November 18, 2001

General brochure/permit required. Limit one deer buck only. See Bag Limit section.

### Muzzleloader deer

#### North and South Unit

October 20, 2001 - October 22, 2001

Quota permit required. Limit one deer either sex.

#### North Unit

October 23, 2001 - October 28, 2001

General brochure/permit required. Limit one deer buck only.

### Deer bag limit

One deer limit refuge wide with a muzzleloader. October 20 – 28 (muzzleloader season).

One deer limit refuge wide with a modern gun. November 10 – 18 (modern gun season).

State bag limits apply for the archery season. A legal buck is any male deer taken on land depicted on the refuge hunt brochure map. The three point rule does not apply. All big game taken must be recorded as zone (660). All non-quota hunting closed during quota deer hunts.

### Scattered Tracts

A few scattered tracts not depicted on the accompanying maps are open for hunting in accordance with state seasons and bag limits unless signed otherwise. Dogs are permitted except for deer hunting. (The three point rule applies for all tracts not depicted on the maps.) Duck

hunting is permitted, on scattered tracts of land, in accordance with the North Unit regulations. Other provisions in this brochure apply. Consult the Refuge Manager for tract locations.

### Duck

Duck hunting is permitted during the morning hours only. Retriever dogs permitted. Only portable blinds are permitted. Waterfowl hunters may enter the refuge no earlier than 5:00 am. Blinds, blind material, and decoys must be removed from the refuge by 1:00 pm each day.

#### North Unit

Statewide duck season, and youth hunt day(s). Morning hunting only. Coot, geese, and woodcock may be taken if in season.

#### South Unit

Every Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday of the statewide duck season. Morning hunting only. Coot, geese and woodcock may be taken if in season. Designated area only.

### Furbearer

#### North Unit

12 noon, November 17, 2001 - 12 noon, January 31, 2002. Dogs and horses permitted.

#### South Unit

12 noon, December 1, 2001 - 12 noon, December 15, 2001. Dogs and horses permitted.

### Rabbit and Squirrel

#### North Unit

September 8, 2001 - January 31, 2002. Dogs allowed December 1, 2001 - January 31, 2002. Open for the statewide spring squirrel season.

#### South Unit

September 8, 2001 - December 15, 2001.

### Turkey, Spring Gun

#### North and South Unit

**Same as state 2002 season for surrounding zones.**

### Trapping

#### North Unit

November 17, 2001 - January 31, 2002. **State regulations apply. Special Use Permit required.**

#### South Unit

Closed

**Bear season closed on all refuge lands.**

## Prohibited Acts

### General

■ Cutting or defacing trees.

■ Fires outside campgrounds.

■ Littering.

■ Operating a motor vehicle without a license. (Driver or vehicle)

### Camping

■ Camping in Kansas Lake Area.

■ Loud noise in campgrounds after 10:00 pm, including generators.

■ Campsites must be removed after 14 consecutive days, and campsites must be occupied daily.

■ Leaving fires unattended.

### Hunting

■ Hunting with the aid of bait, salt or ingestible attractant.

■ Use of dogs and/or horses other than specified in brochure.

■ Marking with materials other than bio-degradable paper flagging.

■ Use and/or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting.

■ Cutting of holes or other manipulation of vegetation or hunting in such areas.

■ Possessing and/or using toxic shot by hunters using shotguns to hunt small game.

■ All forms of man-deer drives.

■ Hunting in closed areas.

■ Hunting from roadways, levees, and maintained utility right-of-ways.

■ Driving or screwing any object into a tree or to hunt from a tree in which an object has been driven or screwed.

■ Leaving hunt stands after a hunt season.

■ Target practice.

■ Modern gun deer or waterfowl hunting on Kansas Lake Unit.

No person shall utilize the service of a guide, guide service, outfitter, club, organization or other person who provides equipment, services, or assistance on the refuge for compensation unless the guide, guide service, outfitter, club, organization or person has obtained a Special Use Permit from the refuge. It is your responsibility to verify that the guide, guide service, etc. has obtained the required Special Use Permit.

Hunting, taking, possessing, or attempting to take wildlife with an unauthorized guide, guide service, outfitter, club or organization providing assistance, service or equipment is prohibited.

### Guiding and other commercial uses

No person, including but not limited to a guide, guide service, outfitter, club, or other organization shall provide assistance, services, or equipment on the refuge to any other person for compensation unless such guide, guide service, outfitter, club, or other organization has obtained a Special Use Permit from the refuge. For the purpose of this regulation, any fee paid or services rendered to a person for lodging, meals, club membership or similar services will be considered compensation. A refuge Special Use Permit is also required for all other commercial activities (fishing, filming, photography, collecting acorns, etc.) on the refuge.

### Camping

Camping is permitted year round on the North Unit (except the Kansas Lake Area) and on the South Unit at Jacks Bay, Moon Lake, Hudson's Landing, and the Floodgate campgrounds. All remaining campgrounds on the South Unit are open for camping from March 1 through December 15.

Camping is permitted only in designated campgrounds on the entire South Unit, and on that portion of the North Unit located south of the Noram Gas Pipeline (See map) and that portion of the North Unit south of US Hwy. 79 between Roc Roe Bayou and the White River.

All fires must be completely extinguished when the campsite is unoccupied.

Down wood may be gathered for use at campsites. Campers are required to remove all of their trash and litter from the refuge.

### Take pride in your refuge. Report violations.

White River National Wildlife Refuge  
P.O. Box 308  
DeWitt, AR 72042  
Telephone: 870/946 1468