

Approved 2005-2006 Waterfowl Code

Approved Changes - Red Ink

Section 12.00

Migratory Game Birds and Waterfowl Regulations

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12.27 Special Youth Waterfowl Hunt Restrictions.
12.28 Certain Waterfowl Decoys Prohibited.
- 12.09 COMMON SNIPE SEASON RESTRICTIONS. It shall be unlawful
09-05 to take or attempt to take common snipe other than from ~~November 5, 2005~~
~~February 19, 2006~~ November 1, 2005-February 15, 2006.
PENALTY: \$200.00 to \$1,000.00.
- 12.18 ~~SNOW, BLUE, ROSS' AND~~ WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE SEASON

- 09-05 **RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take ~~Snow, Blue, Ross' and~~ White-fronted geese other than from November 19 – December 4, 2005 and December 12, 2005 – February 5, 2006.
EXCEPTION:
~~(1) — In compliance with the Snow, Blue and Ross' Goose Conservation Order starting from February 7, 2005 through April 30, 2005.~~
PENALTY: \$200.00 to \$1,000.00.
- 12.19 **SNOW, BLUE, ROSS' AND WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE DAILY BAG**
09-05 **AND POSSESSION RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take ~~more than twenty (20) Snow, Blue or Ross' geese with no possession limit. or to take or attempt to take~~ more than two (2) white-fronted geese or to possess more than twice the daily limit.
EXCEPTION:
~~(1) — In compliance with the Snow, Blue and Ross' Goose Conservation Order starting from February 7, 2005 through April 30, 2005.~~
PENALTY: \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.
- 12.20 **SNOW, BLUE, ROSS' GOOSE SEASON RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be
09-05 ~~unlawful to take or attempt to take Snow, Blue and Ross' geese other than from November 10 – December 9, 2005 and December 12, 2005 - February 5, 2006.~~
EXCEPTION:
~~(1) In compliance with the Snow, Blue and Ross' Goose Conservation Order starting from February 6 - April 30, 2006.~~
PENALTY: \$200.00 to \$1,000.00.
- 12.21 **SNOW, BLUE AND ROSS' GOOSE DAILY BAG AND POSSESSION**
09-05 **RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take more than twenty (20) Snow, Blue or Ross' geese with no possession limit.
EXCEPTION:
~~(1) In compliance with the Snow, Blue and Ross' Goose Conservation Order starting from February 6 - April 30, 2006.~~
PENALTY: \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.
- 25.02 **HUNTING OR TRESPASSING PROHIBITED WITHIN CERTAIN**
09-05 **WMAs AND LAKES.** It shall be unlawful to duck hunt or trespass on the following areas and lakes as specified herein:
~~(1) BAYOU METO – The Wrape Plantation WRA is closed to access 30 days before the first duck season until February 15 except open to duck hunting all day during the last 3 days of the last duck season and during the special youth waterfowl hunt. Halowell WRA is closed to access 30 days before the first duck season until February 15. Wrape Plantation WRA is closed to access November 1 through the last day of duck season, except~~

~~open to hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season and the special youth waterfowl hunt. Halowell WRA is closed to access November 1 through the last day of duck season.~~

- (2) **BELL SLOUGH** – Palarm Creek Waterfowl Rest Areas closes to access 30 days before the first duck season until 30 days after the last duck season. ~~Palarm Creek Waterfowl Rest Areas closes to access November 1 through the last day of duck season.~~
- (3) **BIG LAKE** – Mallard Lake is closed to hunting. Fishing and non-hunting activities are allowed.
- (4) **DR. LESTER SITZES, III BOIS D'ARC** – **Red Slough Waterfowl Rest Area is open all day the last three days of the last duck season, open to archery deer hunting October 1- November 11 and open to small game hunting until October 15. Dr. Lester Sitzes, III Bois d'Arc Lake is closed to waterfowl hunting except open to hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season. Trespassing prohibited from November 12 through the end of duck season on Red Slough Waterfowl Rest Area. Open the last three days of the last duck season and the special youth waterfowl hunt. Dr. Lester Sitzes, III/Bois d'Arc Lake is closed only to waterfowl hunting during all waterfowl seasons, except open to duck hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season and the special youth waterfowl hunt.**
- (5) **BREWER LAKE** – Closed to waterfowl hunting.
- (6) **CAMP ROBINSON WDA** – Closed to waterfowl hunting.
- (7) **CAMP ROBINSON WMA** – Waterfowl hunting ends at noon although hunting is allowed all day the last three days of the last duck season. Duck blinds are prohibited.
- (8) **CASEY JONES** – Waterfowl hunting ends at noon although hunting is allowed all day the last three days of the last duck season.
- (9) **CEDAR CREEK** – Closed to waterfowl hunting.
- (10) **CUT-OFF CREEK** – Closed to all trespassing (except in designated campsites, parking areas and boat launch ramps) from 2:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. during duck season. **Pigeon Creek Waterfowl Rest Area will be closed to access following the last day of the modern gun deer season until the end of the last duck season except is open to hunting during the special youth waterfowl hunt. Pigeon Creek Waterfowl Rest Area closes November 12 through the last duck season.** Travel by boat is prohibited on Latin Drain, Firehunt Slough and Third Slough except during high water periods when boating access is possible to the Deep Slough Dam. In this case, boats may be used area-wide, however, boat motors may only be used on Cut-Off Creek and Deep Slough.
- (11) **DAGMAR** – Apple Lake WRA is closed to access **30 days before the first duck season** through the last day of duck season, except

open all day the last three days of the last duck season and during the special youth waterfowl hunt.

- (12) **DARDANELLE** - Waterfowl hunting is not allowed on that part of Big Spadra and Little Spadra Creeks lying north of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, east of Crawford Street, south of I-40, and west of State Hwy 103, or all park boundaries, state highways and all waterfowl rest areas. Dogs, hunting or trapping devices are prohibited on Johnson County, Horsehead Creek and Bob Young WRAs. Access prohibited during waterfowl seasons and during the Mobility Impaired Permit Gun Deer hunt. Exceptions: Archery deer hunting October 1-31 and February 1-15 and Mobility Impaired Permit Gun deer hunt by permit holders. The WRAs are closed to access during waterfowl seasons except for archery deer hunting October 1-31 and February 1-15. Horsehead Creek and Bob Young WRAs are closed to access November 1 through the last day of duck season, except open during the Special Youth Waterfowl Hunt.
- (13) **DAVE DONALDSON BLACK RIVER** – The waterfowl rest area (part of Section 16 and all of Section 21, T19N, R3E lying south of Black River) and the Brookings Moist Soil Unit closes to all hunting and trespassing November 1 through the last day of duck season. No hunting is allowed on Hubble Lake during duck season. Lake Ashbaugh is closed to all hunting. The waterfowl rest area, Brookings Moist Soil Unit and Hubble Lake are open for early teal season and youth waterfowl hunts and to hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season. On Lake Ashbaugh and Hubble Lake, only fishing and non-hunting activities are allowed.
- (14) **ED GORDON POINT REMOVE** – The Steve Frick Waterfowl Rest Area is closed to all hunting and trespassing from November 15 ~~12~~ – February 28.
- (15) **FT. CHAFFEE** – The Ft. Chaffee Waterfowl Rest Area in Sportsmen Compartment 3 closes to access November 1 through the last day of duck season.
- (16) **FROG BAYOU** – Waterfowl hunters may not access inundated areas until 4:00 a.m. and must exit inundated areas by 12:00 p.m., except open to access from 4:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. the last three days of the last duck season.
- (17) **HARRIS BRAKE** – Open to waterfowl hunting only Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. All day hunting is allowed the last two days of the last duck season. During duck season, other hunters must abide by same hours and days as duck hunters, except for those trapping and hunting furbearers at night. Only shotguns and archery equipment are allowed for hunting. Harris Brake Lake is closed to hunting.
- (18) **HENRY GRAY HURRICANE LAKE** – Waterfowl hunters may not access inundated area until 4:00 a.m. and must exit inundated

areas by 12:00 p.m., except open to access from 4:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. all day the last three days of the last duck season.

- (19) **HOLLAND BOTTOMS** – Lake Pickthorne Waterfowl Rest Area is closed to access November 1 through the last day of duck season.
- (20) **LITTLE BAYOU** – Closed to all trespassing (except in designated campsites, parking areas and boat launch ramps) from 2:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. during duck season and open during the special youth waterfowl hunt and to hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season.
- (21) **NIMROD LLOYD MILLWOOD** – Nimrod Lloyd Millwood Waterfowl Rest Area is closed to waterfowl hunting except during the last three days of the last duck season.
- (22) **PETIT JEAN RIVER WMA** - Waterfowl impoundments are closed to trespass from one hour after sunset until 4:00 a.m. **from November 19-January 29 only during the late duck season segment.**
- (23) **REX HANCOCK BLACK SWAMP** –Lee LeBlanc WRA is closed to access November 1 through the last day of duck season, except the WRA is open during the special youth waterfowl hunt. Waterfowl hunters may not access inundated area until 4:00 a.m. and must exit inundated areas by 12:00 p.m., except open to access from 4:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. all day the last three days of the last duck season.
- (24) **RICK EVANS GRANDVIEW PRAIRIE** – Waterfowl hunting closed on all lakes and ponds.
- (25) **SHIREY BAY/RAINEY BRAKE** – The waterfowl rest area in Sections **3, 7, and 8, and 18** T13N, R2W; Sections 21 and 28, T16N, R2W; Section 3, T15N, R2W; and Section 32, T16N, R2W closes to access November 1 through the last day of duck season, except the waterfowl rest areas and MSUs (Moist Soil Units) are open to the early teal season and youth waterfowl hunts and all day hunting the last three days of the last duck season.
- (26) **STEVE N. WILSON RAFT CREEK BOTTOMS** – Waterfowl hunters may not access inundated area until 4:00 a.m. and must exit inundated areas by 12:00 p.m., except open to access from 4:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. all day the last three days of the last duck season.
- (27) **ST. FRANCIS FOREST** – Waterfowl hunting ends at noon. Boat motors over 10 hp are prohibited.
- (28) **ST. FRANCIS SUNKEN LANDS** – Waterfowl hunting ends at noon although hunting is allowed all day the last three days of the last duck season. The Payneway Moist Soil Unit Sections 8,9,16 and 17, T11N, R6E and Snowden Field Moist Soil Unit in Sections 20 and 21, T12N, R6E is closed to all hunting from November 1 through the last day of duck season, except the Snowden Field (MSU) levee is open to foot traffic around the north end of the unit to allow access to public lands, the MSUs are open for the early teal

and the special youth waterfowl hunt and to hunting all day the last three days of the last duck season.

- (29) **SULPHUR RIVER** – Trespassing is prohibited **from October 1 November 12** through the last day of duck season only on the Henry Moore Waterfowl Rest Area, except the last three days of the last duck season and the special youth waterfowl hunt.
- (30) **LAKE CONWAY** - Closed to waterfowl hunting except on the Pierce Creek and Dixs Creek Bays, waterfowl hunting ends at noon.
- (31) **CANE CREEK LAKE** (Lincoln County) - Waterfowl hunting ends at noon.
- (32) **U OF A PINE TREE EXPERIMENTAL STATION WDA:**
North of Hwy 306 closed to waterfowl hunting.
- (33) **Lake Pickthorne** – Closed to waterfowl hunting.

EXCEPTION:

- (1) Employees or agents of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission in the performance of their duties.

PENALTY: \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission
Little Rock, Arkansas

MINUTE ORDER NO: _____ SUBJECT: 2005-2006 Waterfowl Code
DATE PASSED: September 8, 2005 Approvals
PAGE 1 of 1 PAGES LOCATION: Statewide

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, meeting in a special session on September 8, 2005, approved the waterfowl hunting regulations for statewide application; and

WHEREAS, these code proposals were presented and approved incorrectly at the July and August Commission Meetings; and

WHEREAS, the various sections of the AGFC Code Book affected by the adoption of these regulations must be replaced or amended, and then certified to the Secretary of State, the Arkansas State Library and the Bureau of Legislative Research in accordance with applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, THIS 8th day of September the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission finds that an emergency exists and hereby approves and adopts the attached hunting regulations for the 2005-2006 waterfowl hunting seasons, which regulations shall remain in effect until further notice, and authorizes the Commission staff to proceed with making the appropriate AGFC Code Book revisions and legal certification.

	<u>STAFF APPROVAL</u>	<u>COMMISSION APPROVAL</u>	
Submitted by:	_____	_____	_____
	Doyle Shook	Chairman	Commissioner
Division:	_____	_____	_____
	Wildlife	Vice Chairman	Commissioner
Approved:	_____	_____	_____
	Director	Commissioner	Commissioner
Approved:	_____	_____	
	Legal	Commissioner	
Approved:	_____		
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FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY

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To comply with Act 1104 of 1995, please complete the following Financial Impact Statement and file two copies with the questionnaire and proposed rules.

SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE: 05-06 Migratory Code Approvals

1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact?
Yes _____ No X
2. If you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibited, please explain.
3. If the purpose of this rule is to implement a federal rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation. Please indicate if the cost provided is the cost of the program.

Current Fiscal Year

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

Next Fiscal Year

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

4. Total _____ Total _____
What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any party subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule? Identify the party subject to the proposed rule, and explain how they are affected.

Current Fiscal Year

\$ _____

Next Fiscal Year

\$ _____

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to the agency to implement this rule?

Current Fiscal Year

\$ _____

Next Fiscal Year

\$ _____

