

KANSAS HUNTING AND FURHARVESTING 2015 REGULATIONS SUMMARY





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WILDLIFE, PARKS & TOURISM OFFICES

Maps and hunting area brochures are available through offices listed on this page and from the department website, www.ksoutdoors.com.

Office of the Secretary

1020 S Kansas, Suite 200
Topeka, KS 66612-1327(785) 296-2281

Pratt Operations Office 512 SE 25th Ave. Pratt, KS 67124-8174(620) 672-5911

Region 1 Office 1426 Hwy 183 Alt., PO Box 338 Hays, KS 67601-0338.......(785) 628-8614

Region 2 Office 300 SW Wanamaker Rd. Topeka, KS 66606(785) 273-6740

Region 3 Office 6232 E 29th St. North Wichita, KS 67220(316) 683-8069

Chanute District Office 1500 W 7th St., PO Box 777 Chanute, KS 66720-0777...(620) 431-0380

Dodge City District Office 1001 W McArtor Rd. Dodge City, KS 67801-6024...(620) 227-8609

Kansas City District Office 8304 Hedge Lane Terrace Shawnee, KS 66227(913) 422-1314

Emporia Research & Survey Office 1830 Merchant, PO Box 1525 Emporia, KS 66801-1525...(620) 342-0658

AREA & STATE PARK OFFICES

Cedar Bluff	(785) 726-3212
Cheney	
Cheyenne Bottoms	
Clinton	
Council Grove	
Crawford	
Cross Timbers	(620) 637-2213
Eisenhower	
El Dorado	
Elk City	
Fall River	
Glen Elder	(785) 545-3345
Hillsdale	(913) 783-4507
Kanopolis	
Kaw River	
Lovewell	
Marais des Cygnes	(913) 352-8941
Meade	(620) 873-2572
Milford	(785) 238-3014
Mined Land	(620) 231-3173
Perry	(785) 246-3449
Pomona	(785) 828-4933
Prairie Dog/Norton	(785) 877-2953
Sandsage Wildlife Area	(620) 276-8886
(Garden City District Office	ce)
Scott	(620) 872-2061
Tuttle Creek	(785) 539-7941
Webster	
Wilson	

REPORT VIOLATIONS

Wildlife crimes should be reported. Details of the crime and any other information, such as descriptions, license tag numbers, dates, and times, should be noted. Natural resource officers can be contacted through numbers listed on **Page 49** of this publication. **You can also call Operation Game Thief, 1-877-426-3843, toll-free any time day or night**. Do NOT use these numbers for general information calls. General information may be obtained by phoning the department's Information Section, (620) 672-5911, local KDWPT offices listed in this publication, or from the department's website: www.ksoutdoors.com.

Get to know your local natural resource officers. They protect the resource in your area.

Information in this brochure is a service to hunters. It has been prepared as a guide, not a complete list of regulations. For more detailed legal information, contact the KDWPT Law Enforcement Division, (620) 672-0707. Complete regulations may be viewed and printed online at www.ksoutdoors.com/regulations.

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KANSAS WILDLIFE, PARKS & TOURISM COMMISSION

As a cabinet-level agency, the Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism is administered by a secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism and is advised by a seven-member Wildlife, Parks and Tourism Commission. Commissioners are appointed by the governor and serve staggered fouryear terms. Serving as a regulatory body for KDWPT, the commission is a non-partisan board, made up of no more than four members of any one political party, advising the secretary on planning and policy issues regarding KDWPT administration. Regulations approved by the commission are adopted and administered by the secretary. The following is a list of commissioners.

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Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs described herein is available to all individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, and military or veteran status. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to Office of the Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, 1020 S Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66612-1327. 08/15

Harrison Williams

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CABINS

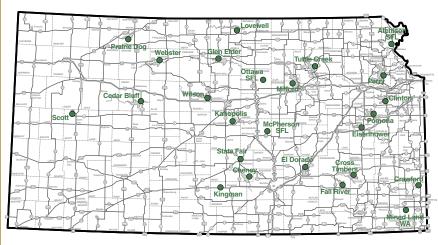
Cabins Make Perfect Base Camps



Complement any trip with a relaxing stay at a Kansas state park or wildlife area cabin. More than 100 cabins are available across the state, located at 19 state parks, four state fishing lakes and one wildlife area. All cabins are an easy drive from public hunting areas.

The cabins offer a wide range of amenities. Deluxe cabins feature heating and air conditioning, and most have furnished kitchens with refrigerators, stoves, microwaves and coffee pots; separate bedrooms and full bathrooms with showers. Basic sleeper cabins are more rustic with fewer amenities. Most cabins can sleep four to six adults while others can sleep up to 10 adults. About half of the cabins are ADA accessible. Nightly rental rates vary depending on location, season, day of the week and available amenities.

Reserve your cabin online at **reserve.ksoutdoors.com**. You can review cabin amenities, check prices and availability, and reserve a cabin up to a year in advance. Online instructions guide you through the reservation process.



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Cheney	7	2	9	Primitive
Clinton	0	7	7	(sleeper)
Crawford	0	5	5	Cabins
Cross Timbers	0	4	4	Minimum amenities Beds, Heat/AC,
Eisenhower	3	4	7	Electricity.
El Dorado	5	5	10	No cooking facilities provided
Fall River	0	3	3	
Glen Elder	0	2	2	Modern
Kanopolis	0	6	6	(deluxe) Cabins
Kingman SFL	0	2	2	Minimum amenities
Lovewell	6	4	10	Beds, Heat/AC, Electricity, Water,
McPherson SFL	0	1	1	Bathroom with toilet,
Milford	0	10	10	shower, and sink, Kitchen with Stove,
Mined Land WA	0	2	2	Oven, and Refrigerator.
Ottawa SFL	0	1	1	No linens provided
Perry	0	4	4	Bring your own linens, toiletries, and food.
Pomona	0	4	4	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Prairie Dog	2	4	4	No telephone or TV.
Scott	0	2	2	
State Fair (Hutchinson)	0	1	1	
Tuttle Creek	0	11	11	
Webster	0	2	2	
Wilson	0	6	6	



GENERAL HUNTING INFORMATION

HUNTING LICENSES

All resident hunters age 16 through 74 must have a resident hunting license unless exempt. Nonresident hunters, regardless of age, must have a nonresident license. Resident hunters age 65-74 qualify for a senior pass lifetime hunting/fishing combination license that is available for \$42.50 or a half-price senior annual fishing (\$11.50), senior annual hunting (\$11.50), or senior annual combination license (\$20.50) are available.

Any person who has not been a legal resident of the state for 60 consecutive days is considered a nonresident for hunting license purchases. Proof that you are a legal Kansas resident may include voter registration card, income tax receipts, or driver's license.

Lifetime license holders are considered Kansas residents for hunting permits and tags, even if they no longer live in Kansas. One-year residency is required to apply for a lifetime license.

Hunters may purchase a special license that is valid only on controlled shooting areas.

Nonresidents who are full-time secondary, post-secondary or vocational students at Kansas schools and are living in Kansas may obtain resident hunting licenses and permits but must carry evidence of Kansas student status. They may NOT purchase lifetime licenses.

LICENSE EXEMPTIONS

The following persons are not required to have a hunting license:

- owners of land or tenants of land leased for agriculture, and immediate family members living with resident landowners and resident or nonresident tenants, while hunting or furharvesting on this land;
- legally-defined Native American Kansas residents (apply for free license);
- nonresidents using field trial permits issued by KDWPT; and
- residents 15 and younger or 75 and older.

MILITARY

Military personnel ARE required to have hunting or furharvesting licenses. Nonresident military personnel not stationed in Kansas must have a nonresident license. Active-duty members who were Kansas residents immediately prior to enlistment – and their immediate family members living with them – may purchase a resident license, regardless of duty station.

Active-duty nonresident military personnel stationed in Kansas may hunt or furharvest with a resident hunting or furharvesting license, if they carry evidence identifying them as active-duty military personnel.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Youth 15 and younger may hunt without hunter education if directly supervised by an adult 18 or older. Anyone 16 or older who has not completed an approved hunter education course may purchase up to two apprentice hunting licenses for the same price as regular hunting licenses. Each apprentice license is valid only through the calendar year in which it is purchased, and the holder must be under the direct supervision of a licensed adult 18 or older when hunting. Hunter education is not required while hunting one's own land.

Otherwise, anyone born on or after July 1, 1957, must complete an approved hunter education course before hunting in Kansas. Anyone under 27 years old must carry their hunter education card while hunting. Students must be at least 11 years old to be certified. Youth 12-15 may hunt without adult supervision if they have passed the hunter education course.

Duplicate certificates may be purchased for \$11.50 at department offices; \$11.75 online.

NATIONAL GUARD, DISABLED VETERANS

Free park vehicle permits and hunting and fishing licenses are available to active members of the Kansas National Guard. Free hunting and fishing licenses are available to honorably discharged resident veterans with certified service-related disabilities of 30 percent or more. Applications may be obtained at the KDWPT website (ksoutdoors.com).

TRESPASS

It is illegal to hunt, shoot, or trap on private land without the owner's permission. Hunting from public roads requires permission of the landowner adjacent to the side of the road being hunted. However, no hunting is allowed from state or federal highways. Railroad rightsof-way require permission from the railroad.

Written permission is required to enter land posted with hunting and/or trapping by "Written Permission Only" signs, or land having trees or fence posts painted purple.

It is both illegal and dangerous to mount blinds or treestands on power poles, whether they appear abandoned or not.

GIVING, RECEIVING GAME

Game given to another person must be accompanied by the donor's name, address, license, transaction or permit number (if permit required), and signature, as well as the date of donation. See **Page 16** for suggested donation form.

SELLING GAME MEAT

It is illegal to sell wild game meat. This includes the sale of game at banquets or charitable events. Furbearer meat may be sold. (See "Disposing of Furbearers," **Page 32**.)

WANTON WASTE

Hunters must attempt to find any game crippled or killed. Retrieved animals must be kept until they are eaten, taken to a taxidermist or processor, given away, or transported to the hunter's residence.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED:

• using drugs, chemicals, or any chemical compound as part of or in conjunction with broadhead arrows to take game;

 shooting at, killing, or pursuing game from a motorboat, airplane, motor vehicle, or other water, air, or land vehicle unless such person holds a valid handicapped hunting permit; exceptions include hunting waterfowl from a boat with motor shut off or sails furled and progress ceased. Coyotes may be pursued with a vehicle;

 using two-way radios or cell phones in any manner for the purpose of pursuing, chasing, or hunting game animals or furbearing animals, or to give information concerning the location of big game by radio or mechanical means;

· using live decoys;

• using electronic calls, except for hunting coyotes, furbearers, crows, and light geese during the conservation order;

• throwing or casting the rays of a spotlight, headlight, or other artificial light on any highway, roadway, field, grassland, woodland, or forest for the purpose of spotting, locating, or taking any wildlife species while having in possession any archery, firearms, or other implement whereby wildlife could be taken (However, hand-held, battery-powered flashlights, hat lamps, or hand-held lanterns **may** be used with .17 and .22 rimfire rifles and handguns to take trapped furbearers, trapped coyotes, or furbearers treed by dogs.); and

• shooting at doves, quail, pheasants, and prairie chickens unless they are in flight; shooting at turkeys unless they are on the ground or in flight.

NON-TOXIC SHOT

Hunters must use and possess only approved non-toxic shot when hunting ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, snipe, rails, gallinules, sandhill cranes or moorhens. Nontoxic shot is required when hunting any game on the following wildlife areas and national wildlife refuges:

Benedictine Bottoms WA, Cheyenne Bottoms WA, Flint Hills NWR, Herron Playa WA, Isabel Wetlands WA, Jamestown WA, Kirwin NWR, Marais des Cygnes NWR, Marais des Cygnes WA, McPherson Wetlands WA, Neosho WA, Otter Creek WA, Quivira NWR, Slate Creek WA, Stein Playa WA, Texas Lake WA, Wild Turkey Playa WA, and other areas as posted.

GENERAL INFORMATION

SALVAGE TAGS

Any dead big game or wild turkey found may be possessed only after it has been tagged with an official KDWPT salvage tag. Antlers may not be cut off roadkills or found skulls and possessed without this tag. Other dead wildlife may be possessed in season with proper licenses and within legal limits.

OFFICER CHECKS

Law enforcement officers may enter fields and lands to check hunting licenses and bag limits. State law requires hunters to be in immediate possession of their licenses and allow an officer to inspect their license or permits and any wildlife in their possession.

PRAIRIE DOGS

Kansas residents are not required to have a hunting license to hunt prairie dogs. Nonresidents must have a nonresident hunting license to hunt prairie dogs. They may be hunted statewide and there is no closed season or bag limits. Most prairie dogs are found in the western-most Kansas counties, particularly in the northwest. Nearly all huntable prairie dog towns are located on private land, and access requires landowner permission. The best way to locate prairie dog towns is through satellite images. Once a large town is located, landowner contacts may be found through a rural plat map.

REPTILES/OTHER SPECIES

Kansas residents do not need a hunting license to take moles or gophers. Unless exempt, a hunting license is required to take ground squirrels, woodchucks, kangaroo rats, wood rats, armadillos, porcupines, feral pigeons, starlings, house sparrows, rodents, and certain amphibians and reptiles.

Season is open year-round. There is no possession limit except on amphibians and reptiles – five of any one species. The take of bullfrogs, common snapping turtles, and softshell turtles requires a fishing license and is covered under fishing regulations.

Anyone may obtain a special permit to commercially harvest prairie rattlesnakes at a special rattlesnake roundup only. Permits for those with a valid Kansas hunting license or those not required to have a hunting license are \$7.50. Permits for those without a valid hunting license are \$22.50. Prairie rattlesnakes may be taken only by hand, snake hook, or snake catcher. This applies to commercial harvest of prairie rattlesnakes (*Crotalus viridis viridis*) only. No other rattlesnake species may be taken commercially. Timber rattlesnakes are protected. Phone (620) 672-5911 for more information.

COMMON CONCERNS

DEER

- A hunter may purchase only one antiered deer permit.
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- No individual shall copy, reproduce, or possess any copy or reproduction of a big game or wild turkey permit or carcass tag.
- It is legal to bait deer, turkey, and other game animals on private lands. It is not legal to bait while hunting or preparing to hunt on department or WIHA lands
- Harvested big game and turkey must be properly tagged immediately following kill.

GAME TRANSPORT

- A foot, plumage, or some part that identifies the bird as a male must remain attached to pheasants while they are transported.
- Migratory game birds (except mourning and white-winged doves) must have one fully-feathered wing or head attached, identifying the bird's species and/or sex, while they are transported.

MISCELLANEOUS

 It is illegal to kill or pursue eagles, hawks, owls, or songbirds, or possess their parts, except by special permit. Other species may be protected. If in doubt contact KDWPT at (620) 672-5911.

PUBLIC LANDS

 Target practice and off-road vehicle use on public land is allowed only in designated areas.

HOGS

- Feral hogs threaten agricultural crops and native wildlife in several Kansas counties. The state's goal is to eradicate or reduce feral swine to the lowest possible level. Sport hunting has not been effective at controlling feral hogs. Kansas statute 47-1809, which prohibits sport hunting of feral hogs, was passed to prevent the release of feral swine for hunting in Kansas.
- Landowners or legal occupants of the land or their employees may shoot feral hogs on their property <u>without</u> a permit. All other persons wishing to shoot feral swine must have a permit issued from the livestock commissioner at the request of the landowner. For more information phone the Kansas Animal Health Division at (785) 296-2326 or USDA Wildlife Services at (785) 537-6855.

DEFINITION OF TAKE

 "Take" means harass, harm, pursue, shoot, wound, kill, molest, trap, capture, collect, catch, possess or otherwise take, or attempt to engage in any such conduct.

NEW FOR 2015

DOGS TO RETRIEVE BIG GAME

Dogs may be used to retrieve big game animals (see details Page 14)

ANTLERLESS DEER PERMITS

 While deer hunters who have purchased a permit that allows the harvest of an antlered deer may still purchase up to five whitetail antlerless only (WAO) permits and one antlerless only (AO) permit, the units in which they are valid and the extended WAO seasons are new for 2015-2016. See season dates and maps on Page 20.

iSPORTSMAN ELECTRONIC DAILY HUNT PERMITS

At designated wildlife areas, paper card daily hunt permits have been replaced with electronic hunt permits through iSportsman. The electronic permits will be more convenient for hunters and much less labor intensive for area managers. Information gathered through the permits helps managers to provide the best possible hunting opportunities.

Hunters can register to create a user-account at any time by logging on to https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Before hunting, a hunter simply checks in, providing a log-in ID online with a computer or smart phone or by phoning with a cell phone or landline. After the hunt, hunters use the same method to checkout and provide harvest information. To learn more, log on to https://kdwpt.isportsman.net or call (620) 672-5911 and ask for Public Lands. Several wildlife areas have been added to the list of those requiring hunters to obtain free Electronic Daily Hunt Permits: Benedictine Bottoms, Berentz/Dick, Bolton, Buck Creek, Cheyenne Bottoms, Clinton, Elwood, Hillsdale, Jamestown, Kansas River, La Cygne, Lovewell, Lyon, Marais des Cygnes, McPherson Wetlands, Melvern, Milford, Neosho, Noe, Perry, Texas Lake, Isabel, and Slate Creek Wetlands. The electronic permits will replace the paper card system currently in place.

LICENSE, PERMIT, AND STAMP FEES

PERMIT OR LICENSE	FEE	All prices include automated license fee.
Annual Hunting License	\$20.50 \$38.50 \$72.50 \$112.50 \$37.50 \$42.50 \$72.50 \$11.50 \$20.50	Resident Combo (Hunt/Fish) Nonresident Nonresident Combo (Hunt/Fish) Nonresident under 16 years Resident Multi-year Youth Resident Multi-year Youth Combo (Hunt and Fish) Senior Annual Hunt (age 65-74)
Antelope – Resident	* \$27.50 * \$22.50 \$17.50	Firearm Archery Landowner/Tenant Firearm Landowner/Tenant Archery Youth Firearm Youth Archery
Antelope – Nonresident	\$202.50 \$102.50	
Controlled Shooting Area	\$17.50	
Deer – Resident	\$32.50 * \$17.50 \$12.50	Landowner/Tenant Firearm Either-Species (July application) Youth Firearm Either-Species (July application) Muzzleloader Either-Species Landowner/Tenant Muzzleloader Either-Species Youth Muzzleloader Either-Species Archery Either-Species Landowner/Tenant Archery Either-Species Youth Archery Either-Species Any-Season White-tailed Landowner/Tenant Any-Season White-tailed Youth Any-Season White-tailed Hunt-Own-Land Special Hunt-Own-Land (landowner/tenant siblings, lineal relatives) Antlerless-Only
Deer – Nonresident Nonresidents must select season and equipment choice at time of application.	\$337.50 \$112.50 \$102.50 \$77.50 \$52.50	White-tailed Combo Youth (April application) Mule Deer Stamp (April application)
Commercial Dog Training (on private land) Field Trial Event (on private land) Special Event (field trial on public land)	\$22.50 \$22.50 \$100.50	
Elk – Residents only Fort Riley Draw Permits (July Application)	\$52.50	Landowner/Tenant, either sex Resident, antlerless Landowner/Tenant, antlerless Hunt Own Land, antlerless Youth either sex Youth antlerless only
Fur Dealer	\$102.50 \$402.50	Nonresident
Furharvester	\$20.50 \$12.50 \$252.50	Resident Junior
Nonresident Bobcat Hunting Permit	\$102.50	(1 bobcat per permit)
Turkey – Resident	\$22.50 \$12.50 \$12.50 \$7.50 \$27.50 \$17.50 \$12.50	Game Tag (Spring/Fall) Landowner/Tenant (Spring/Fall) Youth Permit or Game Tag (Spring/Fall) Resident Permit/Game Tag Combo (Spring Only) Landowner/Tenant Permit/Game Tag Combo (Spring Only)
Turkey – Nonresident	\$32.50 \$22.50 \$47.50 \$12.50 \$22.50	Nonresident Permit Spring/Fall) Game Tag (Spring/Fall) Nonresident Permit/Game Tag Combo (Spring Only) Nonresident Youth Permit or Game Tag Nonresident Youth Permit/Game Tag Combo (Spring Only)
Waterfowl	\$7.00 \$27.50 \$26.50	State Waterfowl Permit 48-hour Waterfowl (Ducks, geese, and mergansers only) Federal Waterfowl Stamp
Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit	\$2.50	(Required for all migratory birds)
Greater Prairie Chicken Permit	\$2.50	
Sandhill Cranes	\$7.50	Resident/Nonresident (Test required)
Duplicates (all issues)	\$12.50	

ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

Federal law - Title 42, United States Code, Section 666(a)(13) - requires that Social Security numbers be collected to help improve the effectiveness of child support enforcement. The SS number is entered into the system upon first purchase of a license or permit by an individual and then the individual is assigned a unique KDWPT identification number for use in all subsequent transactions. The SS number is not printed on the license, is not displayed on the vendor's screen when a new license is purchased, and is held in a secure database. Kansas law prohibits persons owing back child support from buying any KDWPT issuances.

LIFETIME LICENSE RESIDENTS ONLY

Hunting, Fishing or Furharvesting \$442.50 (add \$40 if paying quarterly)

Hunting/Fishing Combination \$882.50 (add \$80 if paying quarterly)

Senior Hunting/Fishing Combination Lifetime Pass (for residents age 65-74) \$42.50

ONLINE PERMITS, AUTOMATION

Kansas hunters may purchase over-thecounter game permits online at ksoutdoors.com.

In addition, hunters may enjoy the convenience of a streamlined, automated licensing system wherever licenses are sold. Kansas hunting and fishing licenses are also available by phoning toll-free 1-800-918-2877.

Nonresident deer, resident firearm eitherspecies deer, Unit 2 elk, firearm and muzzleloader antelope, and Unit 4 spring turkey permit draws require online application. Check species specific application deadlines in the big game and turkey sections of this hunting regulations summary. Applicants can view draw results online two to four weeks after application deadline. Results are posted on our website at the same location application was made. Successful applicants should receive permits four to six weeks after application deadline.

* A tenant is any resident or nonresident who is actively engaged in the agricultural operation of 80 acres or more of Kansas farm. **See Page 15 for details**.

SPECIES IDENTIFICATION & GENERAL DISTRIBUTION

BIG GAME ANIMALS



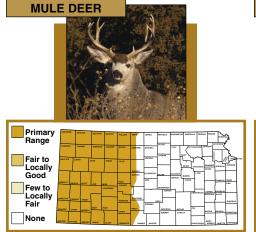
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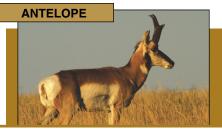


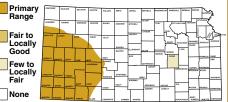


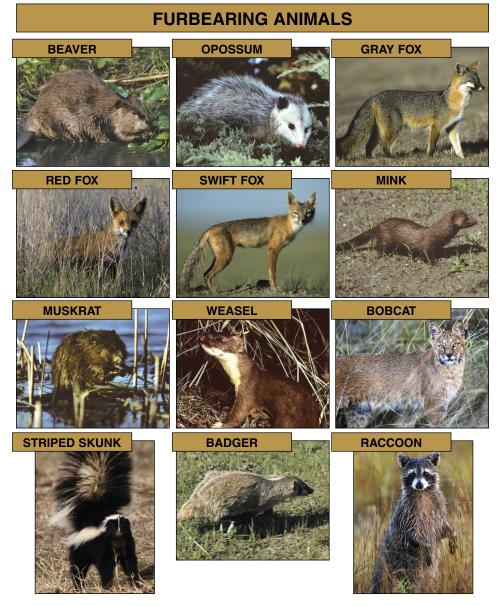
SAFE HUNTING RULES

- 1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
- **2.** Control the gun's muzzle at all times.
- **3.** Guns not in use should be unloaded and stored with the actions open.
- Be sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions and that only the proper ammunition is carried.
- Never point a gun at anything you don't want to shoot.
- 6. Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger, and always know what is beyond the target.
- Never climb a fence or tree or cross an obstacle with a loaded gun, and never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle.
- 8. Never shoot at water or a flat, hard surface.
- **9.** Store guns and ammunition separately, out of reach of people unfamiliar with safe gun handling.
- **10.** NEVER handle a firearm or attempt to hunt while you are affected by alcohol or drugs.









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SPECIES IDENTIFICATION & GENERAL DISTRIBUTION

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GAME BIRDS

Methods Of Take: Shotguns and muzzleloading shotguns no larger than 10 gauge with shot only, bow and arrow, and falconry.

Non-toxic shot: Non-toxic shot may be required on certain areas, no matter what is being hunted. See Page 5 for a list of areas.

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Possession limit: Four times the daily bag limit.

PHEASANT

Season: Nov. 14, 2015-Jan. 31, 2016 Youth Season: Nov. 7-8 (See Page 48) Area Open: Statewide

- Daily Bag Limit: 4 cocks (2 in youth season)
- Pheasants in possession for transportation must retain intact a foot, plumage, or some part that will identify sex.

QUAIL (BOBWHITE, SCALED)

Season: Nov. 14, 2015-Jan. 31, 2016 Youth Season: Nov. 7-8 (See Page 48) Area Open: Statewide

Daily Bag Limit: 8, single species or in combination (4 in youth season)

GREATER PRAIRIE CHICKEN

Early Season (Greater Prairie Chicken Unit): Sept. 15-Oct. 15, 2015. (See map) Daily Bag Limit: 2

Regular Season (Greater Prairie Chicken Unit) : Nov. 21, 2015-Jan. 31, 2016

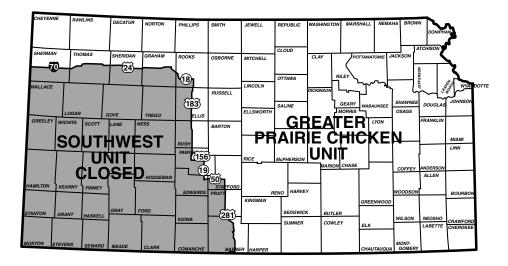
Daily Bag Limit: 2

- Southwest Unit: CLOSED TO PRAIRIE CHICKEN HUNTING
- Greater Prairie chicken hunters must purchase a \$2.50 prairie chicken permit before hunting this fall. A random sample of permit holders will receive a questionnaire after the season to assess their hunting activity and success. The permit will allow KDWPT biologists to develop more accurate harvest estimates and to better regulate harvest of and more accurately delineate their distributions. More accurate range delineations provide greater ability to target conservation programs to the benefit of chickens.

WEAR HUNTER ORANGE!

Swinging on game is the number-one cause of hunting accidents in Kansas. Studies have shown that wearing hunter orange reduces the risk of upland bird hunting accidents.

GREATER PRAIRIE CHICKEN UNIT



SMALL GAME

Methods Of Take: Shotguns no larger than 10 gauge with shot only; centerfire, rimfire rifles and handguns (fully automatic weapons illegal); muzzleloading shotguns, rifles, and pistols; cap and ball pistols; pellet guns; BB guns; bows and crossbows; sling shots (not legal for crow); and falconry.

Box traps are legal for rabbits during legal shooting hours, except that they are legal 24 hours a day March 1 - Nov. 1.

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

SQUIRREL (GRAY, FOX)

Season: June 1, 2015-Feb. 28, 2016 Area Open: Statewide Limit: Daily bag limit: 5 Possession Limit: 20



Season: All year Area Open: Statewide Limit: Daily bag limit: 10 Possession Limit: 30

TURKEY

GENERAL INFORMATION

Dogs may NOT be used while hunting turkeys during the spring turkey season. Dogs may be used in the fall season only. Turkey permits are not transferable.

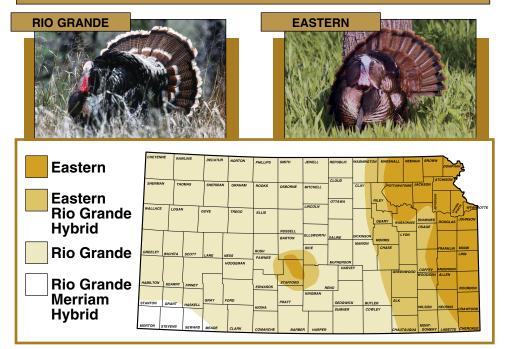
Turkeys may be shot only while they are on the ground or in flight; it is illegal to shoot turkeys roosting in trees.

Permits and game tags are valid immediately after purchase. Turkey permits and game tags are valid only in unit numbers printed on those permits or tags. (See map showing unit boundaries.)

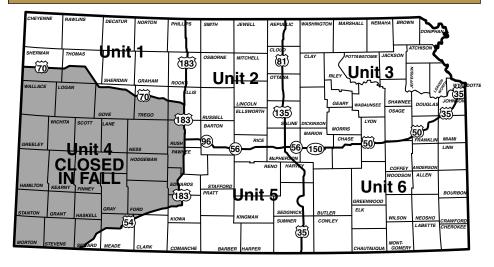
Individuals who possess a turkey permit and a turkey game tag may harvest both turkeys the same day.

A valid Kansas hunting license is required in addition to a permit or game tag, unless exempt by law.

SUBSPECIES DISTRIBUTION



TURKEY UNITS



LEGAL EQUIPMENT

Shotguns using shot sizes 2-9. Longbows, recurve bows, and compound bows that do not have a mechanical device that locks them at full or partial draw and crossbows. Disabled hunters who, in addition to a turkey permit, possess a disability draw-lock permit as authorized under KAR 115-18-7, may hunt with bows that have a draw-lock device attached. No bow, crossbow or arrow may have any electronic device attached that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices. Range-finding devices and optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light may be used. Arrows used for hunting turkeys must be equipped with broadhead points that cannot pass through a ring 3/4-inch in diameter when fully expanded. Non-broadhead arrows may be in possession while hunting but may not be used to take wild turkeys. Devices capable of dispensing chemicals to take big game animals may not be used.

Youth and disabled permit holders may use any legal equipment during the Spring Youth/Disabled season and Archery Season.

2015 FALL TURKEY

Season: Oct. 1-Dec. 1, 2015 and Dec. 14, 2015 - Jan. 31, 2016

- Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.
- Legal Equipment: Shotguns using shot sizes 2-9; long, recurve or compound bows and crossbows.
- **Permit Limit:** Each hunter may obtain no more than one turkey permit, which is valid in units 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. Residents and non-residents who purchase a turkey permit may also purchase up to three additional turkey game tags valid in Unit 2 only. Fall turkey permits and game tags are valid for both male and female turkeys. Dogs may be used in fall season.
- Bag Limit: One turkey, either sex, per permit or game tag.

TURKEY

2016 SPRING TURKEY

Youth/Disabled Season: April 1-12, 2016 Archery Season: April 4-12, 2016

Regular Season: April 13-May 31, 2016

- Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.
- Legal Equipment: Shotguns using shot sizes 2-9; long, recurve or compound bows and crossbows.
- Permit Limit: Any individual who has purchased a spring turkey permit is eligible for one second turkey game tag. Spring game tags are valid for Units 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6.
- Bag Limit: One turkey with a visible beard per permit or game tag.

UNIT 4 PERMITS (BY DRAW ONLY)

Spring turkey permits for Unit 4 are issued through a drawing. The limited number of Unit 4 permits issued are also valid in adjacent units 1, 2 and 5. Fifty percent of the permits allocated for Unit 4 are reserved for applicants who qualify as landowner/tenants in that unit Applications for Unit 4 permits must be received online or by phone at (620) 672-0728 no later than Feb. 12, 2016.

TAGGING AND **POST-HARVEST** INFORMATION

Sign permit prior to hunting. Permit is not valid until signed.

After harvesting turkey, sign, date, and affix carcass tag to leg in a visible manner. The carcass tag must be attached before moving carcass from harvest site and must remain attached or in possession (if electronically registered) while transporting. Permittee shall retain carcass tag

until meat is consumed or give to another. Permits purchased through the internet include a carcass tag that is printed with the permit. To protect non-waterproof tags, place carcass tag in a clear plastic bag and attach it to the leg of the animal in a visible manner.

The beard (if taken in spring season) must remain naturally attached to the breast while in transit from the site of the kill to the permittee's residence or to a place preservation unless the carcass is electronically registered. Any legally acquired meat may be given to and possessed by another, if a dated, written notice that includes the donor's printed name, signature, address, and permit number or license transaction number accompanies the meat. The person receiving the meat must retain the notice until the meat is consumed, or given to another. Nonresidents must also



meet other requirements of states along the transit route while transporting or possessing turkey carcasses.

ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION

A voluntary option for transporting a harvested spring turkey allows hunters to register through the Internet, using photos taken at the harvest site. This is not a telephone registration system, and it is not required unless you want to transport

vour turkey without evidence of sex attached. (Without this system, during the spring season, the beard must remain attached to the breast until it arrives at a commercial place preservation or the permit holder's residence.)

Once a transportation confirmation number is obtained or the hunter retains photographs necessary for electronic registration, the hunter may then transport the carcass without the beard attached. For complete directions on this process, go online to ksoutdoors.com/programs.

> Hunters should report all harvested birds that are banded or fitted with transmitters. Contact the nearest KDWPT office to arrange for transmitter pickup.

SUNRISE/SUNSET INFORMATION

WICHITA SUNRISE-SUNSET TABLE **Central Daylight and Standard Time***

	For each 15 miles west of Wichita, ADD one minute; for each 15 miles east of Wichita, SUBTRACT one minute. *Times change from daylight savings to standard Nov. 1, 2015, and back to daylight savings time on March 13, 2016.																	
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DISTANCES FROM WICHITA

The following is a list of east and west distances from Wichita of a few cities. These distances are approximate and should serve as a frame of reference for hunters statewide. Check a Kansas highway map for more detailed information.

Cities East of WichitaDistance
Junction City, El Dorado
Cities West of WichitaDistance
Pratt, Great Bend

GENERAL BIG GAME INFORMATION

Big game and turkey permits purchased during the open season are valid immediately after purchase. Deer hunters may purchase only one permit that allows the harvest of an antlered deer. Permits are not transferable. Shooting hours for big game are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

All individuals, regardless of land ownership and age, must have in possession valid permits or tags to hunt big game or turkeys. In addition, a valid Kansas hunting license is required unless exempt by Kansas law; residents or nonresidents hunting on Kansas land they own or operate and residents younger than 16 and 75 or older do not need a hunting license. A reduced-price lifetime combination hunting/fishing license or a halfprice annual fishing, annual hunting, or combination annual license are available to resident hunters age 65-74 (See fees on Page 7). There is no minimum age to hunt big game. Permits and tags may restrict hunting to specific unit(s) or zone boundaries listed on the permit. Consult boundary maps included in this brochure before hunting.

REPLACEMENT PERMITS

No individual shall copy, reproduce, or possess any copy or reproduction of a big game or wild turkey permit or carcass tag. In the event of loss or theft, replacement big game permits and turkey permits may be obtained from any KDWPT office, license agent, or online for the fee of \$12.50. If you harvest any big game or turkey that is not edible, a replacement permit will not be issued.

REFUNDS

Permit refunds can be issued for the following reasons: (1) death of the applicant prior to the season of use; (2) unknowing duplication of specific issue (does not include duplication contrary to law or regulation); (3) permit issued in error by the department; (4) armed forces personnel experiencing a change of duty station prior to the first day of season, preventing use of the permit; and (5) by direction of a court order or at the direction of a prosecuting attorney.

ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION OF DEER AND TURKEY

Deer taken with an antlerless-only permit must be transported with the head attached, and turkeys taking during the spring season must be transported with the beard attached. However, for hunters who want to bone out the meat in the field, there is a voluntary option that allows hunters to register their harvested deer or spring turkey through the Internet, using photos taken at the harvest site then transport without evidence of sex. This is not a telephone check system, and it is not required unless you want to transport your deer taken with an antlerless only permit without the head attached or a spring turkey without the beard attached to the breast. Once a registration confirmation number has been obtained or the hunter retains the photographs necessary for electronic registration later, the hunter may then transport the carcass without evidence of sex attached. For complete directions on this process, go online to ksoutdoors.com and click "Hunting/Big Game/Deer/Deer Check-in."

ASSISTANCE TO BIG GAME PERMIT HOLDERS

A Kansas hunting license is required (unless exempt by Kansas law) to herd or drive game for a permit holder. Any person with a permanent physical or visual disability that prevents the person from hunting safely, as certified by a physician, may be eligible to obtain a permit to designate someone else to take a legal limit of game for the permit holder. A permit holder who is, because of disability, unable to pursue a wounded game animal may designate any individual to assist in pursuing and dispatching an animal wounded by the disabled permit holder. For more information. or for a disabled assistance application, contact the KDWPT Pratt Operations Office, (620) 672-5911, and ask for Law Enforcement.

BLINDS AND STANDS ON PUBLIC LANDS AND WIHA

Blinds and stands may be used on department lands, subject to posted requirements and under the following conditions: (1) stands may not be placed more than 14 days prior to the season and shall be removed within 14 days of the close of the season; (2) ladders, screw-in metal steps, and steps attached by ropes, cables, or chains may be used to access stands and must be removed with the stand: (3) natural blinds may be used and shall be constructed of natural herbaceous materials or woody debris that are present on the site; (4) any person may use these stands if not occupied; (5) only two portable blinds or stands per departmentowned or managed area are allowed per hunter; (6) portable blinds and stands must be marked with the owner's name and address or KDWPT number; (7) portable blinds may not be left unattended overnight: and (8) any stand not conforming to the requirements may be removed or destroyed by department staff.

RETRIEVING BIG GAME ANIMALS WITH DOGS

Dogs may be used to retrieve dead or wounded big game animals with the following restrictions: each dog shall be maintained on a hand-held leash at all times while tracking the big game animal; an individual tracking big game animals outside of legal shooting hours shall not carry equipment capable of harvesting the big game animal; and each individual harvesting a big game animal shall be limited to the equipment type for the permit and season that is authorized. Each individual participating in the tracking of a big game animal shall have a hunting license, unless the individual is exempt by law.

HUNT-OWN-LAND PERMITS

These permits shall be valid only on lands owned or operated — for agricultural purposes — by the landowner or tenant. See the next page for complete definitions of who qualifies for one of these permits.

ANTLERLESS-ONLY HUNTERS

Hunters must have a deer permit that allows the taking of an antlered deer before acquiring an antlerless deer permit. However, after Dec. 30, an antlered permit is no longer required to purchase antlerless permits, which are available over-thecounter through Jan. 31, 2016.

MILITARY INFORMATION

Smoky Hill ANG Range

Hunting on Smoky Hill ANG Range will be open to military and retired military only who have attended a training class and who obtain a statewide or Unit 4 deer permit.

Ft. Riley

Hunters with valid unit permits must possess a limited access permit to hunt on Fort Riley. For season dates, specific fact sheets, and more information, phone (785) 239-6211 or visit www.fortriley.isportsman.net. Fort Riley military reservation or portions of it may be closed at any time, without prior notice, due to military activities. The military mission has precedence over the announced hunting seasons. All hunters are required to register their firearms prior to recreating on the military reservation. All recreationists are required to check-in-out when recreating in a training area on Fort Riley.

Ft. Leavenworth

Ft. Leavenworth military installation, which is adjacent to the Unit 19 deer unit boundary, has been declared an urban deer unit. Unit 19 deer season dates apply to hunters hunting on the military installation. As many as five Antlerless-Only Whitetail Deer permits for Unit 10A may be purchased for use on Ft. Leavenworth. Deer hunting at Ft. Leavenworth will be open only to all military and retired military who have attended a training class and who obtain a statewide or Unit 10 deer permit. For more information, contact the post hunting coordinator at (913) 684-1703.

GENERAL BIG GAME INFORMATION

Firearm permit holders may hunt with any legal equipment during the firearm season. Muzzleloader permit holders may only hunt with a muzzleloader, bow or crossbow during the muzzleloader and firearm seasons. Archery permit holders may only use archery equipment, including crossbows, during the archery season.

FIREARMS

Centerfire rifles and handguns that are not fully automatic, using only hard-cast solid lead, soft point, hollow point, or other expanding bullets; any gauge shotgun using only slugs.

MUZZLELOADERS

Muzzleloading rifles, pistols or muskets that can be loaded only through the front of the firing chamber with separate components and that fire a bullet of .40 inches diameter or larger, using hard-cast solid lead, conical lead, or saboted bullets.

LEGAL EQUIPMENT

ARCHERY

Longbows, recurve bows, and compound bows that do not have a mechanical device that locks them at full or partial draw and crossbows. Disabled hunters who, in addition to a big game permit, possess a disability draw-lock permit as authorized under KAR 115-18-7, may hunt with bows that have a draw-lock device attached. No bow, crossbow or arrow may have any electronic device attached that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices. Arrows used for hunting big game must be equipped with broadhead points that when fully expanded cannot pass through a ring 3/4-inch in diameter. Nonbroadhead arrows may be in possession while hunting but may not be used to take big game. Devices capable of dispensing chemicals to take big game animals may not be used.

ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT

Lures, decoys and non-electric calls may be used while hunting big game. Hunters may use blinds and stands. Range-finding devices and optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light may be used. Horses and mules shall not be used for herding or driving big game. Firearm report-suppression devices may be used with proper permits. Handguns may be possessed during all big game seasons. However, no handgun shall be used to take big game, except as legal equipment specified for big game.

Ethical hunters select equipment most effective for their capabilities, the game they hunt and the style of hunting they prefer. Hunters should consider muzzle velocity, kinetic energy, bullet type, recoil and accuracy when selecting equipment that is adequate for the game hunted.

RESIDENT

A resident is defined as any person who has continuously lived in Kansas for 60 days immediately preceding the person's application for a hunting license or permit. Members of the armed services on active duty who were Kansas residents at the time of entering the service, and immediate family members living with them, are considered residents regardless of duty station. Members of the armed services on active duty and officially stationed in Kansas may purchase resident licenses and permits, except for lifetime licenses. Any holder of a Kansas lifetime hunting license who has moved from the state may apply for permits as a resident. Any person who is a registered full-time student in residence at a public or private secondary, post secondary, or vocational school located in Kansas may purchase resident licenses and permits, except lifetime licenses. While hunting, the student must carry evidence of being a full-time student residing in Kansas.

LANDOWNER TENANT

A landowner is any resident who owns 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land. When applying for a landowner/tenant permit, land owned must be in the unit applying for.

A tenant is any resident or nonresident who is actively engaged in the agricultural operation of 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land for the purpose of producing agricultural commodities or livestock and (A) has a PERMIT CLASSES

substantial financial investment in the production of agricultural commodities or livestock on such farm or ranch land and the potential to realize substantial financial benefit from such production or, (B) is a bona fide manager having an overall responsibility to direct, supervise and conduct such agricultural operation and have the potential to realize substantial benefit from such production in the form of salary, shares of such production or some other economic incentive based upon such production. Evidence of tenancy, if requested, shall be provided to the department and may include, but is not limited to, Natural Resource Conservation Service records, Farm Service Agency records, or written agricultural contract or lease documentation. Land must be located in the unit you are applying for to qualify.

Members of the immediate family who are domiciled with a resident landowner or tenant may apply for a resident big game permit as a landowner or as a tenant, but at least 80 acres must be owned by such landowner or operated by such tenant for each individual applying as a landowner or as a tenant.

HUNT-OWN-LAND

Hunt-Own-Land permits are valid for any season with equipment legal for that season, and only on lands owned and operated for agricultural purposes. This permit is available to individuals who qualify as landowners, tenants, nonresident landowners or family members living with a resident landowner or tenant.

NONRESIDENT LANDOWNER

To qualify as a nonresident landowner, a person must own property in simple ownership with their name on the deed. Property held in a trust, LLC, partnership, or other legal entity is owned by that legal entity. Permits on properties owned by a legal entity are available only to tenants who either farm at least 80 acres, or manage an 80 acre or larger farm that produces an agricultural commodity such as crops or cattle. Serving as a board member, trustee, non managing partner or other such position does not qualify a person for a Kansas landowner deer permit. There are exceptions. For details, phone (620) 672-5911 and ask for Law Enforcement.

NONRESIDENT

Anyone who doesn't qualify in the definitions above.

Special hunt-own-land deer permits may be issued to a landowner's or tenant's siblings and lineal ascendants or descendants, or their spouses, whether or not a Kansas resident, by paying the required fee for a general deer permit. Evidence of ownership or tenancy, and sibling or lineal ascending or descending relations, if requested, shall be provided to the department.

GENERAL BIG GAME INFORMATION

TAGGING AND POST-HARVEST INFORMATION

Sign permit (not the carcass tag) prior to hunting. Permit is not valid until signed.

After harvesting animal, sign, date, and affix carcass tag to animal in a visible manner. Carcass tag must be attached before moving carcass from harvest site unless carcass is electronically registered.

Permits purchased through the Internet include a carcass tag that is printed with the permit. To protect non-waterproof tags, place carcass tag in a clear plastic bag and attach it to the leg of the animal in a visible manner.

Carcass tag must remain attached to the carcass until processed for consumption unless carcass is electronically registered. The permittee must retain the carcass tag until the carcass is consumed, given to another, or otherwise disposed of.

For animals taken with antlerless-only permits. the head of the animal shall remain naturally attached to the carcass while in transit from the site of the kill to the permittee's residence or to a commercial place of processing or preservation, unless the permittee has obtained a transportation confirmation number after electronically registering the deer, or the permittee retains photographs necessary



for electronic registration until registration occurs. Nonresidents must also meet other states' requirements while in transit or possession of deer carcasses.

Any legally acquired meat may be given to and possessed by another, if a dated, written notice that includes the donor's printed name, signature, address, and permit number or license transaction number accompanies the meat. (See below for suggested donation form.) The person receiving the

meat must retain the notice until the meat is consumed, given to another, or otherwise disposed of. Nonresidents must also meet other states' requirements while in transit or possession of big game carcasses.

You may be requested to complete an online KANSAS DEER HUNTER HAR-VEST REPORT CARD at the end of the season. A sample of hunters is obtain from the information provided when hunters purchase their deer permits. Make sure you update your address information each year you purchase a permit. You may be contacted with a post card in the mail, a call to your telephone number, or an email to your email address. If you are selected for this survey, you will be directed to our online survey website. Questions about this survey or assistance if you have difficulties completing the survey may be obtained at the KDWPT Research and Survey Office,

(620) 342-0658. State law (K.S.A. 32-937) requires that deer hunters receiving a harvest report card shall complete the survey. The information you provide is used to manage the state's wildlife resource.

REPORT MARKED OR TAGGED WILDLIFE

Contact KDWPT as soon as you find or harvest any wildlife that has been marked with a collar, ear tag, or leg band. The location, date, and animal number will be useful. Wildlife scientists may ask to examine the animal and collect additional samples.

ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION OF DEER

A voluntary option for transporting harvested deer taken under an antlerless-only permit allows hunters to register their harvested deer through the Internet, using photos taken at the harvest site. This is not a telephone check system, and it is not required unless you want to bone out the meat in the field and transport your deer without evidence of antlerless status attached.

Once registered, the hunter may then transport the meat without the head or evidence of antlerless status being attached. For complete directions on this process, go online to ksoutdoors.com/programs.

TRANSFERRING FISH OR GAME TO ANOTHER PERSON?

Stay legal. Make sure you provide the following information with each transfer.

 Hunting/fishing license, transaction, or big game permit number 	
 Person Giving Fish/Game 	Hunting/fishing license, transaction, or big game permit number
 Person Receiving Fish/Game 	
 Date Taken 	I ,
 Date Transferred 	give permission to
 Fish/Game Type and Quantity Signature of Giver 	to receive
Address of Giver	taken date transfer date
A hunter education card number or date of birth may be substituted for a hunting license number	Signature of Giver:
for hunters under 16 years of age. Hunters over 16 years of age may provide hunting license number. All big game transfers must include permit numbers.	Address of Giver:

KANSAS DEER MANAGEMENT

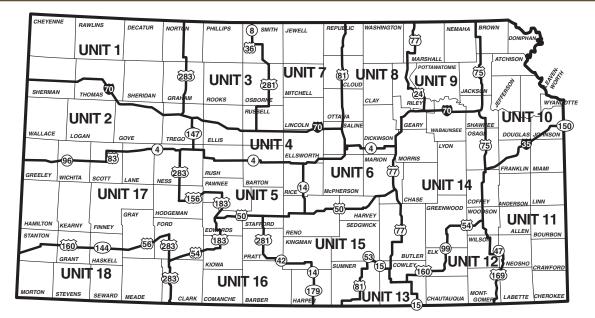
Harvesting female deer is the most effective way to control deer where deer numbers exceed people's tolerance due to damages or disturbances they may cause. Hunting may also be used to control deer problems and maintain a population that habitat supports.

Deer adapt to hunting pressure and find areas where they can evade hunters. In some cases, those areas are created because a particular landowner desires to restrict or prohibit hunter access. Protected areas serve as refuges and may result in future herd increases and higher deer damage on adjacent or other properties where protected deer spend time when hunting season is closed.

Landowners have several options for controlling deer on their property: 1) allow or increase hunting; 2) encourage hunters to harvest antlerless deer; 3) contact KDWPT at (620) 672-5911 for the hunter referral list; or 4) apply for a deer control permit that may be used when damage occurs while normal hunting seasons are closed.

October 2015

DEER MANAGEMENT UNITS



DEER SEASON CALENDAR

September 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY		FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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LEGAL DEFINITIONS FOR DEER

White-tailed Either-sex Deer: any buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer.

Either-species/Either-sex Deer: any buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer.

Antlerless-Only White-tailed Deer: any white-tailed deer without a visible antler plainly protruding from the skull.

Antlerless-Only Deer: any white-tailed or mule deer without a visible antler plainly protruding from the skull.

SEASONS

Youth/Disabled Season: Sept. 5-13, 2015

Muzzleloader Season: Sept. 14-27, 2015

Archery Season: Sept. 14-Dec. 31, 2015

Pre-rut Whitetail Antlerless Firearm Season: Oct. 10-11, 2015

Regular Firearm Season: Dec. 2-13, 2015

Extended Firearm Whitetail Antlerless-only Season: Jan. 1-3, 2016, Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17. (Map Page 20)

Extended Firearm Whitetail Antlerless-only Season: Jan. 1-10, 2016, Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Special Extended Firearm Whitetail Antlerless-only Season: (DMUs 10A, 15 and 19): Jan. 1-17, 2016

Extended Archery Whitetail Antlerless-only Season (DMU 19): Jan. 18-31, 2016 (Map Page 20)

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

MILITARY BASE DEER SEASONS

Fort Leavenworth Firearm: Nov. 21-22, Nov. 26-29, Dec. 5-6, Dec. 12-13, and Dec. 19-20, 2015

Smoky Hill Air National Guard Subunit Firearm: Nov. 26-29, and Dec. 6-13, 2015

Fort Riley Firearm: Nov. 27-29, Dec. 19-23, and Dec. 26-29, 2015

Fort Riley Archery: Sept. 14-Dec. 31, 2015

Fort Riley Youth/Disabled: Sept. 5-13 and Oct. 9-12, 2015

Fort Riley Archery by Special Authorization: Sept. 1-13, 2015 and Jan. 11-31, 2016

APPLICATIONS (RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT)

Nonresident antlered permits and Resident Firearm Either-Species/Either-Sex permits are available through online application only. There is a \$6.50 application fee for unsuccessful resident applicants and a \$21.50 application fee for nonresident applicants. Unsuccessful applicants will earn a preference point for the following year's draw. Application deadline for the 2016 nonresident draw is April 29, 2016.

The deadline for Resident Firearm Either-species/Either-sex permits is the second Friday in July.

ORANGE REQUIRED

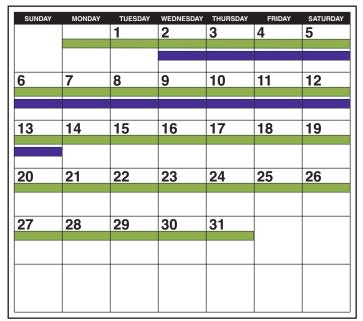
All deer hunters and persons assisting them must wear orange during an open firearm or muzzleloader season. An orange hat and at least 200 squares inches of orange is required. Of this, 100 square inches must be visible from the front and 100 square inches must be visible from the back on the upper half of the body. Camouflage orange providing the required orange is legal.

DEER SEASON CALENDAR

November 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		10	44	10	10	
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29	30					

December 2015



SEASON DESCRIPTIONS

YOUTH AND DISABLED (Sept. 5-13)

Youth 16 and younger, who possess a valid deer permit, may hunt during this special deer season using equipment listed on permit— only while under the immediate supervision of an adult 18 or older. Any person who possesses a valid deer permit and has a permit to hunt from a vehicle pursuant to KAR 115-18-4 or a disability assistance permit issued pursuant to KAR 115-18-15 may also hunt during this season. All resident and nonresident permits are walid, and equipment restrictions designated on permits apply. Hunter orange required.

MUZZLELOADER (Sept. 14-27)

The following permits may be used during this season in units specified on permit, using muzzleloader, crossbow, or archery equipment: resident or nonresident Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex permit, resident Any-Season White-tailed Deer permit, nonresident Muzzleloader White-tailed Deer permit, Hunt-Own-Land permit, Special Hunt-Own-Land permit, Antlerless White-tailed Deer permit, and Antlerless Either-Species Deer permit. Hunter orange required.

ARCHERY (Sept. 14-Dec.31)

The following permits may be used during this season in units specified on permit, using archery equipment only (crossbows included): resident or nonresident Archery Either-species/Either-sex permit, resident Any-Season White-tailed Deer permit, nonresident Archery White-tailed Deer permit, Hunt-Own-Land permit, Special Hunt-Own-Land permit, Antlerless White-tailed Deer permit, and Antlerless Either-species Deer permit. Resident archery Eitherspecies/Either-sex permits are valid statewide: nonresident archery permits are valid in up to two deer management units listed on permit. Unfilled 2015 permits may be used in the DMU 19 extended archery season for antlerless whitetails. Hunter orange clothing is required during dates of open muzzleloader and firearm deer seasons.

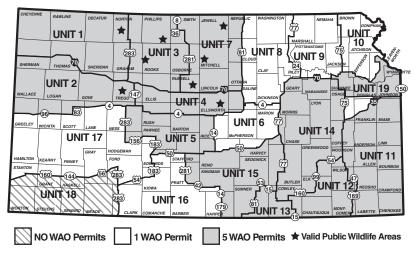
PRE-RUT FIREARM WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS (Oct.10-11)

Any permit that allows the harvest of a white-tailed antlerless deer is valid during this season. Equipment and unit restrictions on permit imposed. Hunter orange clothing is required.

REGULAR FIREARM (Dec. 2-13)

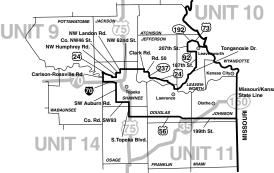
The following permits may be used during this season in units specified on permit: resident or nonresident Muzzleloader Either-species/Eithersex permit (muzzleloader, crossbow or archery equipment), nonresident Muzzleloader Whitetailed Deer permit (muzzleloading, crossbow or archery equipment only), resident Any-Season White-tailed Deer permit (statewide), nonresident Firearm White-tailed Deer permit, Hunt-Own-Land permit, Special Hunt-Own-Land permit, Antlerless White-tailed Deer permit, and Antlerless Either-Species Deer permit. Hunter orange clothing is required. (The archery season remains open, but archery permit holders may only hunt with archery equipment and must wear hunter orange.)

WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS-ONLY UNITS



The first Whitetail Antlerless-only permit purchased is valid statewide except DMU 18, including all public lands and WIHA. Up to four additional Whitetail Antlerless-only permits may be purchased and are valid in the shaded units above, including DMU 19 shown below and the starred wildlife areas.

URBAN DEER MANAGEMENT UNITS 19 & 10A



Urban deer management units were created to focus greater deer harvest in the Kansas City-to-Topeka corridor. Unit 19 will host an extended archery season (Jan. 18–31, 2016).

Unit 10A is Fort Leavenworth and is open to active and retired military staff only.

WHO MAY HUNT IN UNIT 19

• Unit 9, 10, 11, and 14 permit holders, with permit season and equipment restrictions.

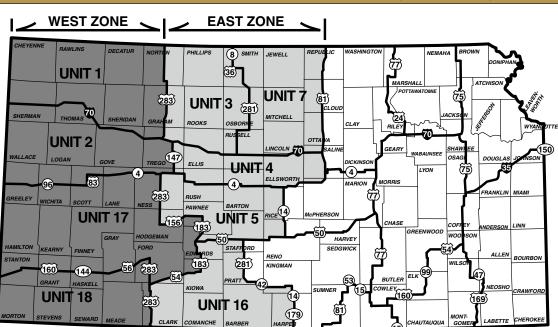
• Archery permit holders during the regular archery season; the Extended Firearm Whitetail Antlerless-only season, Jan. 1-17, 2016; and the Extended Archery Whitetail Antlerless-only season, Jan. 18-31, 2016. Hunter orange is required of all deer hunters during any firearm season.

Holders of Hunt-Own-Land permits valid in Unit 19, during any season with legal equipment.

· Holders of Whitetail Antlerless-only permits, during any season with legal equipment.

Holders of Any-season Either-sex Whitetail permits, during any season with legal equipment.

• During the Extended Archery Whitetail Antlerless-only season (Jan. 18-31, 2016), all deer hunting, including archery, is closed on department-owned or -managed properties in Unit 19.



EITHER-SPECIES/ EITHER-SEX ZONES (RESIDENT)

EXTENDED WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS-ONLY SEASONS AND CALENDAR

EXTENDED FIREARM WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS-ONLY

Jan. 1-3, 2016

Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 16 and 17

Jan. 1-10, 2016

Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Jan. 1-17, 2016

Units 10A, 15 and 19.

Any unfilled 2015 deer permit valid in units open may be used during the extended whitetail antlerless-only seasons. Resident Either-species/Eithersex permits valid for the East or West zones are valid only in units listed on the zone listed on the permit.

Any legal equipment may be used to take a whitetailed deer without a visible antler plainly protruding from its skull during the extended season. A 2016 Kansas hunting license is required, unless exempt by Kansas law. Hunter orange clothing is required.

EXTENDED ARCHERY WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS-ONLY (DMU 10A and 19) (Jan. 18-31, 2016)

The following unfilled permits are valid during this season using archery equipment only for antlerless whitetails. Resident and nonresident Archery Eitherspecies/Either-sex permit, nonresident Archery White-tailed Deer permit, resident Any-Season White-tailed Deer permit, Hunt-Own-Land Permit valid within units 19 and 10A, Special Hunt-Own-Land permit valid within units 19 and 10A, and Antlerless White-tailed Deer permit. A 2016 hunting license is required, unless exempt by Kansas law. Hunter orange clothing is required.

January 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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LEGEND



WAO Extended (DMU 6, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17)
 WAO Extended (DMU 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14)
 WAO Extended (DMU 10A, 15, 19)

WAO Extended Archery (DMU 19)

PERMIT DESCRIPTIONS (Hunting restricted to units listed on permits.)

RESIDENT ANY-SEASON WHITE-TAILED DEER

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer

Any-season White-tailed Deer permits are valid statewide in any season with equipment legal for that season. Available over the counter through Dec. 31 to residents and landowner/tenants only.

RESIDENT FIREARM EITHER-SPECIES/EITHER-SEX (application online only)

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Firearm Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone or in the East Zone (see map on **Page 21**) during the regular firearm season using any legal equipment. Available to residents and landowner/tenants by draw only.

RESIDENT MUZZLELOADER EITHER-SPECIES/EITHER-SEX

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone or in the East Zone (see map on **Page 21**) during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons using muzzleloading or archery equipment. Available over the counter through Dec. 31 to residents and landowner/tenants only.

RESIDENT ARCHERY EITHER-SPECIES/EITHER-SEX

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Resident Archery Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid statewide with archery equipment during archery season. Available over the counter through Dec. 31 to residents and landowner/tenants only.

NONRESIDENT MUZZLELOADER WHITE-TAILED DEER COMBO (application online only)

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Muzzleloader White-tailed Deer Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in two adjacent units listed on permit during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons. Nonresidents receiving a Muzzleloader White-tailed Deer permit in Deer Management Unit 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 16, 17 or 18 may also apply for one of a limited number of Mule Deer Stamps. If drawn, their permit becomes a Nonresident Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex permit with a bag limit of one (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer in two designated adjacent units listed on permit. If the hunter selects an adjacent unit not listed above, the permit is valid for a white-tailed buck, doe, or fawn in that unit. The permit is still valid for either species in the original unit.

NONRESIDENT ARCHERY WHITE-TAILED DEER COMBO (application online only) Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Archery White-tailed Deer permits are available only by draw and are valid in two adjacent Deer Management Units listed on permit and DMU 19 (during special seasons). Nonresidents who receive a Nonresident Archery White-tailed Deer permit in Deer Management Unit 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 16, 17 or 18 may also apply for one of a limited number of Mule Deer Stamps. If drawn, their permit becomes a Nonresident Archery Either-species/Either-sex permit with a bag limit of one (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer in two designated adjacent units listed above but selects an adjacent unit not listed above, the permit is valid for a white-tailed buck, doe, or fawn in that unit. The permit is still valid for either species in the original unit.

NONRESIDENT FIREARM WHITE-TAILED DEER COMBO (application online only)

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Firearm White-tailed Deer permits are available only by draw and are valid in unit selected and one adjacent unit listed on permit during the regular firearm season.

HUNT-OWN LAND

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Hunt-Own-Land permits are valid for any season with equipment legal for that season, and only on lands owned and operated for agricultural purposes. This permit is available to individuals who qualify as landowners, tenants, nonresident landowners or as family members living with a resident landowner or tenant. This permit is not transferable.

SPECIAL HUNT-OWN-LAND

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

This permit may be issued to a resident landowner's or tenant's siblings and lineal ascendants or descendants, or their spouses, whether or not Kansas residents. (For example, a grandson or his wife, daughter or her husband, a parent, or a brother or his wife would be eligible for this permit. A landowner's or tenant's uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, or cousin are not eligible for this permit.) The permit is valid only on lands owned or operated by the landowner or tenant, and may be used in any season with equipment legal for that season. Permits are limited to one per 80 acres owned or operated. A nonresident hunting with this permit must have a nonresident hunting license.

WHITETAIL ANTLERLESS-ONLY

Bag Limit: One (1) white-tailed deer without a visible antler protruding from skull

Hunter who possess a permit that allows the taking of an antlered deer may purchase as many as five (5) Antlerless White-tailed Deer permits. The first Whitetail Antlerless-only permit purchased is valid statewide except DMU 18, including all public lands and WIHA. Up to four additional such permits may be issued to the same individual and are valid only in units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10A, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 19 on private land with landowner permission, on Walk-In Hunting Areas, and on Cedar Bluff, Glen Elder, Kanopolis, Kirwin, Lovewell, Norton, Webster and Wilson wildlife areas. All Antlerless-Only White-tailed Deer Permits are valid during any season with equipment legal for that season.

EITHER-SPECIES ANTLERLESS-ONLY

Bag Limit: One (1) mule or white-tailed deer without a visible antler protruding from skull

Antlerless Either-species Deer permits are valid for any antlerless white-tailed or mule deer within Deer Management units 1, 2, 17, and 18 only during any season with equipment legal for that season. Hunters must have a deer permit that allows the taking of an antlered deer before acquiring an Antlerless Either-species Deer Permit. Available over-the-counter on a limited, first-come, first-served basis.

RESIDENT YOUTH PERMITS (15 and younger)

Reduced price resident youth permits are valid for the seasons specified on the permit. In addition, they are valid during the September youth/disabled season.

BIG GAME - ANTELOPE

SEASONS, DEADLINES

Application Deadline: Firearm & muzzleloader (residents only) Second Friday in June

Archery Season: (resident and nonresident) Sept. 19-27 and Oct. 10-31, 2015

Firearm Season: Oct. 2-5, 2015

Muzzleloader Season: Sept. 28-Oct. 5, 2015

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Bag Limit: One antelope either sex.

APPLICATIONS (RESIDENT)

Firearm and muzzleloader antelope permits are available to residents only, by drawing through online application. Applications for the 2016 Antelope Season are must be submitted by June 10, 2016. There is a \$6.50 nonrefundable application fee for unsuccessful applicants. Unsuccessful applicants will earn a preference point for the following year's draw. Applicants can view draw results online two to four weeks after the close of the application period. Results are posted on our website at the same location as application. Successful applicants should receive permits four to six weeks after application deadline.

PERMIT DESCRIPTIONS

ARCHERY (resident and nonresident) Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn antelope

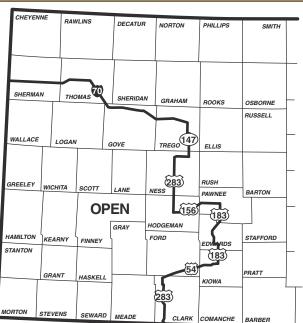
Archery permits are valid during archery season only. Permits are unlimited (one per hunter) and may be purchased over-the-counter by residents and nonresidents.

RESIDENT MUZZLELOADER (online application only) Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn antelope

Muzzleloader permits are valid in unit specified on permit only. Unfilled muzzleloader permits are valid during muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons using muzzleloading, archery, or crossbow equipment only. Only Kansas residents or tenants may apply for this permit.

RESIDENT FIREARM (online application only) Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn antelope

Firearm permits are valid in unit specified on permit during firearm season only. Firearm permits allow use of all legal hunting equipment for antelope. Only Kansas residents or tenants may apply for this permit.



ANTELOPE UNITS ARCHERY

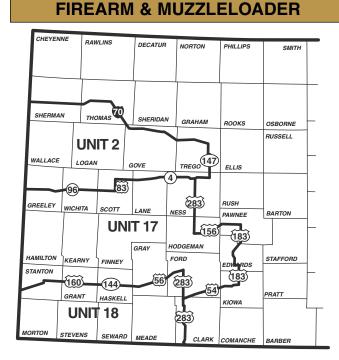
LANDOWNER/TENANT (online application only) Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn antelope

Half of the antelope permits in each unit are allocated to landowner/tenants. Applicant must qualify as a landowner or as a tenant in the unit or units for which the applicant applies. Members of the immediate family who are domiciled with a landowner or tenant may apply for a resident antelope permit as a landowner or as a tenant, but at least 80 acres must be owned by such landowner or operated by such tenant for each individual applying. Equipment and unit restrictions listed on permit apply.

RESIDENT YOUTH PERMITS (15 and younger)

Reduced price youth permits are valid for seasons specified on the permit.

ANTELOPE UNITS



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BIG GAME - ELK

KANSAS ELK MANAGEMENT

Most elk in Kansas are found on the 100,000-acre Fort Riley Military Reservation where a free-ranging herd of wild elk provides limited hunting opportunities, allocated by a lottery drawing. Permits issued through the drawing are divided between military personnel stationed on the fort and Kansas general residents, and those permits are valid in elk management units 2 and 3. Both Either-sex Elk and Antlerless-only Elk permits are allocated. The state is divided into three elk hunting units. Unit 1 is an area of Morton County where no elk hunting is currently allowed. Unit 2 is an area around Fort Riley, including parts of Clay, Dickinson, Riley and Geary counties. Unit 2A is the Fort Riley reservation. Unit 3 is the remaining part of the state.

Once a hunter receives an Either-sex Elk permit in the drawing, he or she is not eligible to apply for an Either-sex Elk permit again. A hunter who receives an Antlerless-only Elk permit in the drawing is not eligible to apply for another antlerless-only permit for a five-year period. Unsuccessful applicants will receive bonus points to increase odds of drawing in subsequent drawings.

An unlimited number of Hunt-Own-Land Either-sex Elk and Antlerless-only Elk permits are available over the counter for units 2 and 3.

Wild elk do exist on private lands in other areas of the state, although they are rare and difficult to locate. Unlimited resident and landowner/tenant elk permits valid in Unit 3 are available over the counter to allow the harvest of elk causing crop damage or other conflicts and for landowners to have the opportunity to maintain elk at desired numbers on their property.

APPLICATIONS (RESIDENTS ONLY)

Fort Riley elk permits are by draw through online application only. Applicants who do not have internet access can make application by calling (620) 672-0728. There is a \$6.50 nonrefundable application fee for unsuccessful applicants. Unsuccessful applicants will earn a bonus point for subsequent years' drawings. Application deadline is the second Friday in July (July 8, 2016). Applicants can view draw results online two to four weeks after the close of the application period on our website at the same location application was made. Successful applicants should receive permits four to six weeks after application deadline.

LEGAL DEFINITIONS FOR ELK

Any-Elk: any bull, spike, cow, or calf elk. **Antlerless-only Elk:** any elk without a visible antler plainly protruding from the skull.

SEASONS OUTSIDE FORT RILEY (STATEWIDE EXCEPT MORTON COUNTY)

Muzzleloader Season: Sept. 1-30, 2015 Archery Season: Sept. 14-Dec. 31, 2015 Firearm Season: Dec. 2-13, 2015 and Jan. 1-March 15, 2016

SEASONS ON FORT RILEY

Muzzleloader & Archery Season: Sept. 1-30, 2015 Season For Any-Elk Permit Holders: Oct. 1-Dec. 31, 2015 Antlerless Only Segments: First Segment, Oct. 1-31, 2015 Second Segment, Nov. 1-30, 2015 Third Segment, Dec. 1-31, 2015

PERMIT DESCRIPTIONS

ANY-ELK

(general resident, landowner/tenant, hunt-own-land) Bag limit: One (1) bull, spike, cow, or calf elk

Permit is valid during any season and using equipment authorized for that season.

ANTLERLESS-ONLY ELK

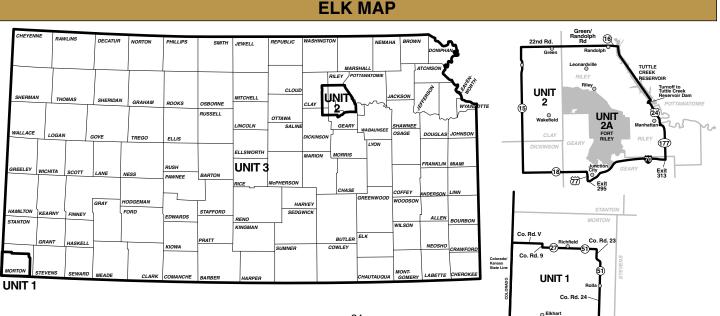
(general resident, landowner/tenant, hunt-own-land) Bag limit: One (1) Elk without a visible antler protruding from the skull Permit is valid during any season and using equipment authorized

for that season.

RESIDENT YOUTH PERMITS (15 and younger)

Reduced price resident youth permits are valid for any season with equipment authorized for that season.

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GENERAL MIGRATORY GAME BIRD REGULATIONS

LICENSES / STAMPS / PERMITS

All waterfowl hunters 16 and older must have a federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (Federal Duck Stamp), and all hunters who are required to obtain a license must also have a Kansas State Waterfowl Habitat Permit and a Kansas Harvest Information Program (HIP) Permit before hunting ducks, geese, or mergansers. (See license exemptions on **Page 5**.)

48-hour Waterfowl License holders are not required to purchase a hunting license, but all other stamps and permits apply.

Federal Duck Stamps must be signed across the face of the stamp. Federal Duck Stamps are available at the U.S. Postal Service and KDWPT offices. State permit issues must be signed. State permits are available at all KDWPT offices and at ksoutdoors.com.

Waterfowl stamps and permits are not required to hunt coots, doves, rails, snipe, woodcock, or sandhill cranes. A HIP permit is required, unless exempt.

METHODS OF TAKE

Bow and arrow, falconry, or shotgun no larger than 10-gauge. Shotguns must be incapable of holding more than three shells. **Doves may only be taken while in flight.**

SHOOTING HOURS

Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset, except for sandhill crane, which are sunrise to sunset.

ILLEGAL METHODS

Sink boxes, live decoys, baiting, electronic calls, and pursuit with any motorized conveyance or sailboat are illegal. When hunting from a motor craft or sailboat, the motor must be turned off or the sail furled and progress ceased. Decoys shall not be left unattended overnight on department-managed areas.

REFUGE AREAS

Many state and federal wildlife areas have refuges as well as public hunting areas. These refuge areas are usually closed to hunting from Oct.1-April 1. Be aware of refuge locations and other regulations specific to hunting areas.

POSSESSION

No person shall possess more migratory game birds taken in the United States than the possession limit or aggregate possession limit, whichever applies. No person shall possess, have in custody, or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either (a) his automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility.

No person may receive, possess, or give to another, any freshly killed migratory game birds as a gift, except at the personal abodes of the donor or donee, unless such birds have a tag attached, signed by the hunter who took the birds, stating the hunter's address, the total number and species of birds and the date such birds were taken.

TAGGING/CUSTODY

No person shall put or leave any migratory game birds at any place (other than his personal abode), or in the custody of another person for picking, cleaning, processing, shipping, transportation, or storage (including temporary storage), or for the purpose of having taxidermy services performed, unless such birds have a tag attached, signed by the hunter, stating his address, the total number and species of birds, and the date such birds were killed. Migratory game birds being transported in any vehicle as the personal baggage of the possessor shall not be considered as being in storage or temporary storage.

No person shall receive or have in custody any migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are tagged as required.

TRANSPORTING

One fully-feathered wing and/or head must remain attached to migratory birds (except mourning and white-winged doves) when transported.

Migratory game birds given to another person, taxidermist, storage facility, or commercial processor must be tagged with the signature and address of the hunter and the number, species, and date taken.

Migratory birds packed for shipping must be clearly marked with the name and address of the shipper and addressee, as well as the number and species of birds.

NON-TOXIC SHOT

Kansas requires non-toxic shot for hunting ALL migratory game birds except doves and woodcock. This includes ducks, geese, coots, mergansers, rails, sandhill cranes, and snipe. Legal shot is steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-iron, tungsten matrix, tungsten-nickle-iron, tungsten-ironnickel-tin, and steel shot coated with copper, nickel, zinc chromate, or zinc chloride. It is illegal to possess lead shot while hunting migratory game birds except doves and woodcock or while hunting in a Non-Toxic-Shot-Only area. "Possession" means that lead shot cannot be in a hunter's gun, pockets, blind, boat or in reach while in the process of hunting. Lead shot left in a vehicle is not considered "in possession."

NON-TOXIC SHOT ONLY

Non-toxic shot is the only shotgun load allowed on the following wildlife areas and national wildlife refuges:

Benedictine Bottoms WA, Cheyenne Bottoms WA, Flint Hills NWR, Herron Playa WA, Isabel Wetlands WA, Jamestown WA, Kirwin NWR, Marais des Cygnes NWR, Marais des Cygnes WA, McPherson Wetlands WA, Neosho WA, Otter Creek WA, Quivira NWR, Slate Creek WA, Stein Playa WA, Texas Lake WA, Wild Turkey Playa WA, and other areas as posted.

DESIGNATED DOVE FIELDS

Non-toxic shot will be required on designated dove fields for the following wildlife areas:

NORTHWEST

Jamestown WA, Glen Elder WA, Ottawa WA, Smoky Hill WA, Wilson WA.

NORTHEAST

Bolton WA, Dalby WA, Elwood WA, Oak Mills WA, Kansas River WA, Tuttle Creek WA, Clinton WA, Perry WA, Milford WA, Hillsdale WA.

SOUTHCENTRAL

Cheney WA, El Dorado WA, Marion WA

SOUTHEAST

Dove Flats WA, Elk City WA, Fall River WA, Mined Land WA, Spring River WA, Toronto WA, Woodson WA

Dove fields requiring non-toxic shot will be designated by posted notice. As long as signs are in place, non-toxic shot will be required.

Go to www.ksoutdoors.com for a list of dove fields designated as non-toxic shot only.

FEDERAL LAWS ON METHODS OF TAKE AND BAITING

Migratory birds on which open seasons are prescribed in this part may be taken by any method except those prohibited in this section. No persons shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machinegun, fish hook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance;
- (b) 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. However, this restriction does not apply during light-goose Spring conservation season.
- (c) From or by means, aid, or use of a sinkbox or any other type of low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water;
- (d) From or by means, aid, or use of any motor vehicle, motor-driven land conveyance, or aircraft of any kind, except that paraplegics and persons missing one or both legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motordriven land conveyance;
- (e) From or by means of any motorboat or other craft having a motor attached, or any sailboat, unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased: Provided, That a craft under power may be used to retrieve dead or crippled birds; however, crippled birds may not be shot from such craft under power;
- (f) By the use or aid of live birds as decoys; although not limited to, it shall be a violation of this paragraph for any person to take migratory waterfowl on an area where tame or captive live ducks or geese are present unless such birds are and have been for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to such taking, confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such birds from the sight of wild migratory waterfowl;
- (g) By the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds. However, this restriction does not apply during light-goose Spring conservation season;

- (h) By means or aid of any motor driven land, water, or air conveyance, or any sailboat used for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying, or stirring up of any migratory bird;
- (i) By the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited.

Baited area means any area on which salt, grain, or other feed has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, if that salt, grain, or other feed could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Any such area will remain a baited area for ten days following the complete removal of all such salt, grain, or other feed.

Baiting means the direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them.

It is legal to take migratory game birds including waterfowl, coots, and cranes, on or over the following lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas:

• standing crops or flooded standing crops (including aquatics);

 standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested croplands; or lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice;

from a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with natural vegetation;
from a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, as long as such camouflaging does not result in the exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of grain or other feed; or

• standing or flooded standing agricultural crops where grain is inadvertently scattered solely as a result of a hunter entering or exiting a hunting area, placing decoys, or retrieving downed birds. It is legal to take migratory game birds, except waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas, and where grain or other feed has been distributed or scattered solely as the result of manipulation of an agricultural crop or other feed on the land where grown, or solely as the result of a normal agricultural operation.

Manipulation means the alteration of natural vegetation or agricultural crops by activities that include but are not limited to mowing, shredding, discing, rolling, chopping, trampling, flattening, burning, or herbicide treatments. The term manipulation does not include the distributing or scattering of grain, seed, or other feed after removal from or storage on the field where grown.

Natural vegetation means any non-agricultural, native, or naturalized plant species that grows at a site in response to planting or from existing seeds or other propagules. The term natural vegetation does not include planted millet. However, planted millet that grows on its own in subsequent years after the year of planting is considered natural vegetation.

Normal agricultural planting, harvesting, or post-harvest manipulation means a planting or harvesting undertaken for the purpose of producing and gathering a crop, or manipulation after such harvest and removal of grain, that is conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Normal agricultural operation means a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation, or agricultural practice that is conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Normal soil stabilization practice means a planting for agricultural soil erosion control or post-mining land reclamation conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for agricultural soil erosion control.

For more information about federal migratory bird laws visit ksoutdoors.com/ news/Hunting/Migratory-Birds/Federal-Migratory-Bird-Regulations.

EARLY MIGRANT SEASONS/LIMITS

DOVE (MOURNING, WHITE-WINGED, EURASIAN, RINGED)

Season: Sept. 1-Oct. 31 and Nov. 7-15, 2015 Area Open: Statewide

Daily Bag Limit: The daily bag limit of 15 applies to mourning and white-winged doves, single species or in combination. There is no limit on Eurasian collared or ringed turtle doves, but any taken in addition to the mourning and white-winged dove daily bag must have a fully-feathered wing attached while being transported. Doves may only be taken while in flight.

Possession Limit: 45

Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit

EXTENDED EXOTIC DOVE (EURASIAN, RINGED)

Season: Nov. 20, 2015-Feb. 28, 2016 Area Open: Statewide

Daily Bag Limit: No daily bag or possession limit. A feathered wing must remain attached while being transported. Doves may only be taken while in flight.

Stamps/Permits Required: None

TEAL

High Plains, West of U.S. 283: Sept. 19-27, 2015 Low Plains, East of U.S. 283: Sept. 12-27, 2015

Daily Bag Limit: 6 Possession Limit: 18

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Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, State Waterfowl Permit, Federal Duck Stamp

COMMON SNIPE

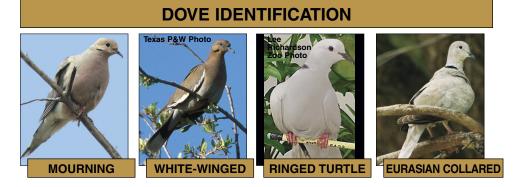
Season: Sept. 1-Dec. 16, 2015 Area Open: Statewide Daily Bag Limit: 8 Possession Limit: 24 Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit

WOODCOCK

Season: Oct. 17-Nov. 30, 2015 Area Open: Statewide Daily Bag Limit: 3 Possession Limit: 9 Stamps/Permits Reguired: Kansas HIP Permit

RAIL (VIRGINIA, SORA)

Season: Sept. 1-Nov. 9, 2015 Area Open: Statewide Daily Bag Limit: 25 Possession Limit: 75 Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit



Report banded birds through the toll-free banded-bird hotline, 1-800-327-BAND, or online at www.reportband.gov. Hunters may keep bands and will receive information on where and when the bird was banded:

1-800-327-BAND, or online at www.reportband.gov.

OTHER SEASONS/LIMITS

EXTENDED FALCONRY

Season: Same as regular seasons
High Plains Extended Season: None
Early Zone Extended Season: Feb. 25-March 10, 2016
Late Zone Extended Season: Feb. 25-March 10, 2016
Southeast Zone Extended Season: Feb. 25-March 10, 2016
Daily Bag Limit: No more than three migratory birds, including coot, dove, rail, crow, snipe, woodcock, and any migratory species – in combination such as one dove, one duck, and one woodcock or three doves. (Falconers may not exceed other limits on migratory birds. Be sure to check bag limits in this summary.)

CROW

Season: Nov. 10, 2015 - March 10, 2016 Area Open: Statewide Limit: No Limit Stamps/Permits Required: None



LATE MIGRANT SEASONS/LIMITS

DUCK LIMITS

Six ducks is the daily bag limit, which may include no more than two canvasbacks, two redheads, two pintails, three wood ducks, three scaup and five mallards (only two of which may be hens).

The daily bag may comprise six of any other duck, such as six teal, six gadwall, or six wigeon.

Birds such as pelicans, cormorants, grebes, herons, gulls, and other migratory birds not listed in this brochure are illegal to take or possess under federal and state law.

DUCK

- High Plains Zone: Oct. 10, 2015-Jan. 4, 2016 and Jan. 23-31, 2016
- Low Plains Early Zone: Oct. 10-Dec. 6, 2015 and Dec. 19, 2015-Jan. 3, 2016
- Low Plains Late Zone: Oct. 31, 2015-Jan. 3, 2016 and Jan. 23-31, 2016
- Low Plains Southeast Zone: Nov. 14, 2015-Jan. 3, 2016 and Jan. 9-31, 2016 Daily Bag Limit: 6 (see left)
- Daily Bay Lillin. 0 (See left)
- Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit
- Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, State Waterfowl Permit, Federal Waterfowl Stamp

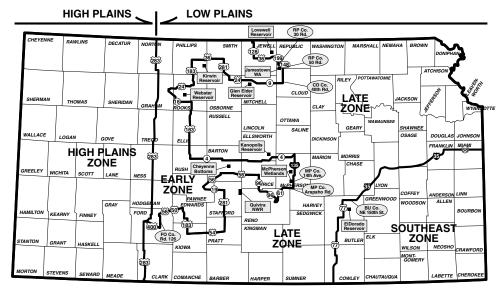
DUCK ZONES

YOUTH

High Plains Zone: Oct. 3-4, 2015 Low Plains Early Zone: Oct. 3-4, 2015 Low Plains Late Zone: Oct. 24-25, 2015 Low Plains Southeast Zone: Nov. 7-8, 2015 Daily Bag Limit: same as regular seasons Possession Limit: same as regular sea-

- sons. Youth waterfowl seasons include ducks, geese, coots, and mergansers.
- Stamps/Permits Required: Resident youth do not need any stamps or permits. Nonresident youth need Kansas HIP Permit and State Waterfowl Permit.

During youth season, hunters 15 and younger may hunt under the supervision of an adult 18 or older. The adult may NOT hunt.



MERGANSERS

Season: Same as duck seasons Area Open: Statewide Daily Bag Limit: 5 The merganser limit is five include

The merganser limit is five, including no more than two hooded mergansers **Possession Limit:** 15

Stamps/Permits Required: Same as ducks

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Season: Same as duck seasons Area Open: Statewide Daily Bag Limit: 15 Possession Limit: 45 Stamps/Permits Required: Same as ducks

GOOSE SEASON/LIMITS

DARK GEESE (CANADA, CACKLING, WHITE-FRONTED, BRANT AND ALL OTHER GEESE EXCEPT LIGHT GEESE)

Canada, cackling, brant and all other geese except whitefronts and light geese

Season: Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 2015 and Nov. 4, 2015-Feb. 14, 2016 Daily Bag Limit: 6

Possession Limit: 18

Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, State Waterfowl Permit, Federal Duck Stamp

White-fronted Geese

Season: Oct. 31, 2015-Jan. 3, 2016 and Jan. 23-Feb. 14, 2016 Daily Bag Limit: 2

Possession Limit: 6

Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, State Waterfowl Permit, Federal Duck Stamp

LIGHT GEESE (WHITE AND BLUE PHASE AND ROSS' GEESE)

Regular Season: Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 2015 and Nov. 4, 2015-Feb. 14, 2016

Daily Bag Limit: 50

Possession Limit: Unlimited

Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, State Waterfowl Permit, Federal Duck Stamp

Spring Conservation Order: Feb.15-April 30, 2016

Daily Bag Limit: Unlimited

Possession Limit: Unlimited

- Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Stamp, State Waterfowl Stamp, Federal Duck Stamp
- **Equipment Restrictions:** Unplugged shotguns and electronic calls may be used. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

SANDHILL CRANES (SPECIAL PERMIT REQUIRED)

PERMITS

In addition to a hunting license (if required), a federal sandhill crane hunting permit issued through and validated by the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism is required to hunt cranes. Crane permits obtained in other states are not valid in Kansas. The validated permit (\$7.50 validation fee) is available at KDWPT offices or any vendor location.

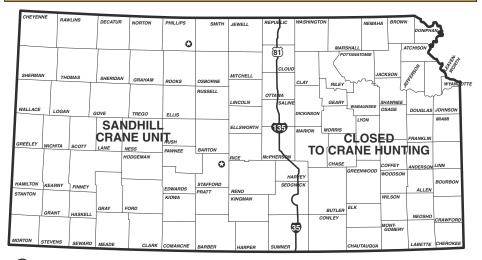
All sandhill crane hunters must take an online crane identification test each year before obtaining a sandhill crane permit. The test may be found at the KDWPT website. Just type "Sandhill Crane Test" in the search box.

Non-toxic shot is required for sandhill crane hunting. Lead shot may not be possessed while crane hunting.

SEASON AND BAG LIMIT

Season: Nov. 11, 2015-Jan. 7, 2016 Shooting Hours: sunrise to sunset Daily bag limit: 3 Possession Limit: 9 Stamps/Permits Required: Kansas HIP Permit, Sandhill Crane Permit

SANDHILL CRANE UNIT



Quivira and Kirwin National Wildlife Refuges are closed to crane hunting.

ATTENTION SANDHILL CRANE HUNTERS

Sandhill crane and waterfowl hunters need to be aware that whooping cranes are occurring more frequently in Kansas as the species population recovers. Cheyenne Bottoms and Quivira areas are important stopover areas for whooping cranes, and hunters must be able to identify whooping cranes from other game. Whooping cranes and sandhill cranes are similar in size and shape, and can be difficult to distinguish in low light conditions The penalty for shooting a whooping crane is a fine of up to \$100,000 and/or up to one year in prison. For more information, go to: http://www.ksoutdoors.com/news/Hunting/Migratory-Birds/Sandhill-Crane. All sandhill crane hunters must complete an online crane identification test before obtaining a sandhill crane permit. The test can be found at https://secure.ksfishandwildlife.org/crane/.

Sandhill cranes are generally an even gray in color with a patch of red above the eye. Whooping cranes are generally white except for the distinct black wingtips. Juvenile whooping cranes will have a rust color throughout the white plumage. Whooping cranes are larger than sandhills.

When whooping crane are present, areas may be closed. Visit the KDWPT website for area closures.

When hunting sandhill cranes, be especially careful during low light or backlit conditions. The photos below show how difficult it can be to identify cranes in poor light conditions. If there is any doubt, don't shoot! **The test can be found at https://secure.ksfishandwildlife.org/crane.**









FURBEARING ANIMALS

FURBEARER DEFINED

Species legally taken as furbearing animals in Kansas are badger, bobcat, beaver, gray fox, red fox, swift fox, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, raccoon, striped skunk, and weasel.

FURHARVESTER EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

Persons born on or after July 1, 1966, must successfully complete a furharvester education course approved by KDWPT to purchase a furharvester license or hunt, run, or trap furbearers or trap coyotes on lands other than their own. Course information: (620) 672-5911 or ksoutdoors.com.

FURHARVESTER LICENSE

A furharvester license is required to hunt, trap, or pursue (run) furbearing animals, or to sell their pelts. A furharvester license is required to trap coyotes, and a hunting license is required to hunt them. The same license required to take coyotes is required to sell their pelts.

Unlicensed, non-participating observers may accompany a licensed furharvester but may not carry or use equipment, control dogs, or otherwise assist with furharvesting activities.

Residents 15 and younger may purchase a junior furharvester license at a reduced price.

FURHARVESTER LICENSE EXEMPTIONS

The following persons are not required to have a furharvester license:

• owners of land or tenants of land leased or rented for agricultural purposes, and immediate family members living with them, while furharvesting on this land;

• residents 13 and younger accompanied by a licensed furharvester;

• legally-defined Native American Kansas residents (must apply for free license);

• nonresidents using field trial permits issued by KDWPT.

This applies to furharvesting only; a furharvester license is required of these exempt individuals when selling furbearers or their pelts.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

LEGAL EQUIPMENT

Furbearer and Coyote Hunting –

firearms (except fully automatic), bow and arrow, and crossbow.

Furbearer and Coyote Trapping -

smooth-jawed foothold traps (except that all types of foot-hold traps may be used in water sets), body-gripping traps, box traps, cage traps, snares, colony traps, and deadfalls.

ARTIFICIAL LIGHT

Furbearers and coyotes may be taken at night, but use of artificial light, including optics that project or amplify light, is prohibited. However, hand-held, battery-powered flashlights, hat lamps, or hand-held lanterns **may** be used with .17 and .22 rimfire rifles and handguns to take trapped furbearers, trapped coyotes, or furbearers treed by dogs.

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

Calls, lures, baits, and decoys may be used to take furbearers and coyotes.

TRAP SIZE RESTRICTIONS

The following may only be used in water sets: body-gripping traps with jaw-spreads 8 inches or greater; and foothold traps with jaw-spreads greater than 7 inches.

"Water set" means any trapping device in which the gripping portion is placed at least half-submerged in flowing or impounded waters and remains in contact with the water.

SNARES

Snares are prohibited in dryland sets within 50 feet of the outside edge of a public road or within five feet of a fence bordering a public road. Landowners and tenants or their family members or agents may use snares in rights-of-way adjacent to their lands.

TRAP TAGGING & TENDING

All traps, including snares and deadfalls, must be tagged with the user's name and address or department-issued KDWPT number. They must be tended and inspected at least once every day.

FIELD TRIALS

Coyotes, gray foxes, opossums, raccoons, and red foxes (wild or pen-raised) may be used for field trials by permit from KDWPT.

PELT TAGGING

Bobcats, otters and swift foxes must be pelt tagged within 7 days of seasons' end. Tags should be kept with mounted specimens.

ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL

Except for spotted skunk, furbearer pelts and carcasses may be kept after damage control activities if:

- damage control is done during trapping season and the person doing it is under the season bag limit and has a furharvester license (if required), or
- the person doing damage control outside established seasons has a wildlife control permit issued by KDWPT.

HABITAT PROTECTED

It is unlawful to destroy any muskrat house, beaver dam, mink run, or any hole, den, or runway of any furbearer, or to cut down or destroy any tree that is the home or refuge of any furbearer. However, owners and legal occupants of land may cut down trees or kill furbearers found in or near buildings, or animals doing damage if non-lethal efforts have failed.

DISPOSAL

A fur dealer's license is required to buy raw pelts of furbearers or coyotes, and furharvesters may sell raw pelts only to licensed fur dealers. A furharvester's license is required to sell furbearers, even if taken on one's own land.

Skinned carcasses and meat of furbearers may be sold or given away, and raw furs, pelts, or skins of furbearers may be given away if a written notice including the seller's or donor's name, address, and furharvester license number accompanies the carcass, pelt, or meat. A bobcat, otter, or swift fox tag shall meet this requirement.

Live, wild-caught furbearers and coyotes may not be sold or purchased in Kansas.

Restrictions above apply to Internet sales.

SPOTTED SKUNK REPORTS

KDWPT is interested in the status of spotted skunks in Kansas. All captures should be promptly reported to the Emporia office, (620) 342-0658, or a local KDWPT employee. Inadvertent capture of this species shall not be deemed illegal if the capture is immediately reported and/or the animal is immediately released.

If you see a spotted skunk or its sign, please contact the Emporia office to report it.

FURBEARING ANIMALS

HUNTING & TRAPPING

Species: Badger, bobcat, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, swift fox, red fox, gray fox, striped skunk, weasel

Season Dates (statewide):

Nov. 18, 2015-Feb. 15, 2016

Season Limit: No limit

NOTE: All furbearer hunting, trapping, and running seasons begin at 12 noon on opening day and close at midnight of closing day.

TRAPPING ONLY

Species: Beaver and otter Season Dates (statewide): Nov. 18, 2015-March 31, 2016 Season Limit: Two (2) otters per trapper. No limit on beavers.

The 100-otter season quota and reporting requirements for otter harvest have been removed. However, the pelt must be tagged and the lower canine teeth submitted to KDWPT within seven days of the end of the trapping season. Teeth should be removed following instructions below

Trappers may keep up to 10 muskrats taken incidentally in beaver sets after the muskrat season has closed.

SEASON/LIMITS

BOBCAT PERMIT (NONRESIDENT)

Season (statewide):

Nov. 18, 2015-Feb. 15, 2016 Permit Limit: One bobcat per permit

- Methods Of Take: firearms (except fully automatic), bow and arrow, and crossbow.
- Trapping is not allowed with this permit. **Shooting Hours:** One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.
- **Tagging:** Carcass tags must be filled out and attached at the site of kill. Export tags must be obtained from KDWPT within 7 days of bobcat harvest.

The nonresident bobcat permit allows the take of one (1) bobcat for \$102.50 without having to purchase a \$252.50 nonresident furharvester license.

COYOTE

Season Dates (statewide): All year Season Limit: No limit

There is no closed season for trapping or hunting coyotes. Motor vehicles and radios in vehicles may be used to hunt coyotes only. Furharvester license is required to trap and sell; hunting license is required to hunt and sell.

RUNNING

Species: Bobcat, opossum, raccoon, red fox, gray fox

Season Dates (statewide): March 1-Nov. 8

Legal hours for running furbearers are 24 hours daily. Furbearers cannot be killed or taken during the running season. A furharvester license is required to run furbearers.

DISPLAY OF COYOTE CARCASSES

It is unlawful for any person to display the carcass of a coyote. "Carcass" means the body of the coyote, either as part or as a whole, and either with the skin intact or removed. The skin of the coyote, when removed from the body, shall not be considered part of the coyote.

This statute does not apply to the display of the carcass of a coyote at a fur market or the use of the carcass of a coyote for educational and training purposes.

> NO OPEN TRAPPING OR HUNTING SEASON ON FURBEARERS NOT LISTED.

TOOTH COLLECTION FOR BOBCATS AND OTTERS

As part of a population study, the Department is collecting lower canine teeth from otters (mandatory) and bobcats (voluntary). The root is used for aging, so we can still use the jaw even if the canine teeth are broken off. With bobcats, do not select certain cats for jaw collection based on size, tooth wear, or anything representative of age, as we're looking for a representative sample of the population. It's fine if we don't get every cat you harvest; just don't select certain cats for the sample based on anything representative of age. Canine teeth are easily collected after the animal has been skinned as per below. Teeth can be turned in when you get your animals tagged.



Step 1: Cut along the inside of the jaw bone with a knife.



Step 2: Cut the jaw bone well behind the canine tooth roots with lopping shears, bolt cutters or a saw.



Step 3: Remove excess tissue from the jaw as you finish removal.



Step 4: Completed jaw.

1.Species: ()bobcat ()otter 2.Sex: ()male ()female
3a.Pelt Tag#:
OR
3b.Furharvester Name:
County of Harvest:
Date Killed:
Harvest: ()Hunted ()Trapped

Step 5: Retain the data above with each jaw. Tooth envelopes available from the KDWPT office in Emporia upon request, or record the information above on your own envelope.

HOW TO RELEASE A DOG FROM A LAND TRAP

ATTENTION HUNTERS

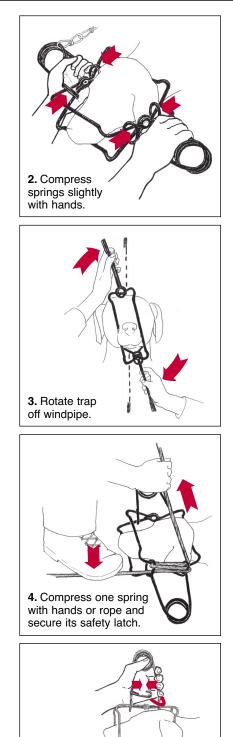
Unless otherwise posted, trapping is allowed on KDWPT managed lands open to public hunting. Responsible trappers take precautions to avoid capturing nontarget animals including dogs, but accidents do happen. As a dog owner, you should know the basics about trapping so that if your dog does encounter a trap in the field, you'll know how to react. There are three trap types of which you should be aware.

BODY-GRIPPING TRAPS

These traps are designed to strike small to medium-sized animals on the neck or body and kill them quickly and humanely. Various sizes exist, but those with a jaw spread 8 inches or greater may be used only in water sets. The size 220 (7.5x7.5 inches) is most commonly used on land in Kansas, and is usually intended for raccoons. If your dog is captured in one of these traps, it can be saved, but you must react quickly and understand how the trap functions.

The only way to open the jaws on this trap is to first compress the springs. It is impossible to pull the jaws apart otherwise. Prior to compressing the springs, try to rotate the

trap to the sides of the dog's neck so the jaws are not pressing on its windpipe. This will buy you a lot more time to compress the springs, the first of which should be secured with the attached safety hook. Once this is accomplished, you should be able to remove the trap by compressing the second spring with one hand while squeezing the jaws together (open) with the other. If this fails, compress the second spring and attach the safety hook to it as you did the first. The springs on larger traps may be difficult or impossible to compress by hand, but by using a dog leash, belt, or rope, you can create a pulley system that will allow you to accomplish the task. Once the springs are compressed, the trap will easily open allowing you to free the dog.



5. Compress second spring and pull trap

jaws open or secure

its safety latch.



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HOW TO RELEASE A DOG FROM A LAND TRAP

FOOTHOLD TRAPS

These traps are designed to capture the target animal by the foot and hold it alive until the trapper arrives to remove it. It is critical to understand that these traps are designed to capture animals with minimal or no injury, and your dog is NOT in a life threatening situation if captured in one. A dog can usually be released from a foothold trap with nothing more than a little soreness and perhaps a slight temporary limp.

You must remain calm and read your dog's temperament in order to safely release it. In most cases, you are at greater risk of getting bitten and harmed by your dog than your dog is of being harmed by the trap. Therefore, it is important to let the dog calm down for a minute prior to taking action. When the dog is calm enough to safely approach, grab it securely by the collar, jaws, or base of the head so it can't bite at you, place one foot on either trap lever, and depress the levers to

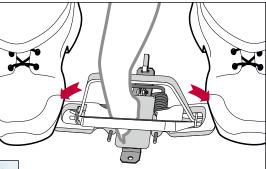
CABLE SNARES

Modern snares are constructed of steel cable and a passively functioning, one-way lock that tightens only as an animal pulls against it. They can be set to live-restrain or to kill, depending on the size of the cable, the type of lock, and whether the animal can tangle around trees or brush. The animal's reaction to the snare is also important. Most dogs that have been tied out or broke to a lead will quickly stop pulling and sit down. In this situation or if the dog is in a live-restrain snare, the dog owner will usually have plenty of time to release the dog. Conversely, if the dog pulls against a kill snare aggressively or hits it at a full run, even if broken to lead, a quick response may be necessary in order to save the dog.

To release your dog from a snare, first restrain your dog or detach the snare's anchor in order to relax the cable, then follow the cable to your dog's neck. This is where the lock will be located. By grabbing the lock with one hand and the cable just above the lock with the other, you should be able to work the cable back through the lock, thereby enlarging the loop and releasing the dog. Or if the lock is hinged, you may need to grab the upper portion of the lock with one hand and compress the hinge with the other in order to release the cable. Pliers may be helpful for grabbing the lock, but it will probably take cable cutters or lineman's pliers to cut the cable. Regardless, if the loop has really tightened around the dog's neck, which it will be if the dog is in immediate danger, it will be very difficult to maneuver pliers between the cable and the dog's neck, and time is best spent working the cable back through the lock.

release the dog. Recognize that stepping on the trap levers may hurt the dog momentarily, so firmly control the head when you do this. Do not reach down and attempt to release the trap with your hands, potentially putting your hands, arms, and face at risk of bite, unless you are accompanied by someone who is controlling the dog's head. If assisted, this is best accomplished by attaching a leash to the dog and stretching its head away from the trapped foot.





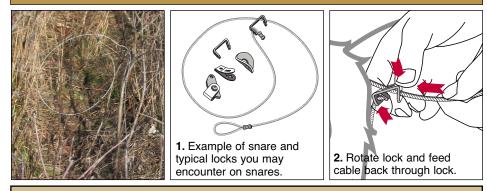
1. Compress the levers with your feet. This will open the trap and release your dog.

FOOTHOLD TRAP SETS

Foothold traps are usually covered with dirt and can be hard to detect, but bones, small holes or hanging or unusually placed feathers or fur may be an indicator.

SNARE SETS

Snares are usually set in trails and hard to detect so that an animal walking down the trail will put its head though the loop.



ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- When securing permission to hunt on private land, always ask the landowner if anyone is trapping on the property.
- Take a minute to handle and familiarize yourself with modern traps when the opportunity arises (i.e. furharvester booth at outdoor show, etc.)
- Do not tamper with lawfully set traps or captured wild animals. The law that protects hunters from harassment also protects trappers from these acts.
- If your dog is captured in a trap on an area open to public hunting, report the incident to the wildlife area manager or to the Emporia Research Office at (620) 342-0658.

Regulated trapping occurs in the fall and winter, and is an important component of furbearer management in Kansas. Tens of thousands of predatory furbearers and coyotes are harvested by trappers annually. It's difficult to measure the cumulative impact of this removal on upland birds and small game, but it's undoubtedly very beneficial. Trapping is regulated in much the same way as hunting, and trappers who were born after July 1, 1966 must have passed a furharvester education course, where they are taught how to trap responsibly and ethically. Most traps in use today have passed international humaneness standards for injury, effectiveness, and safety, and are designed to either live-restrain without injury or quickly kill the captured animal.

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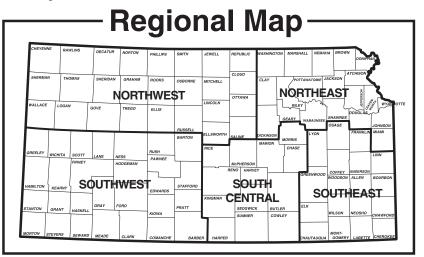
PUBLIC LANDS AND THEIR USE

Some areas listed here have special restrictions in addition to KDWPT regulations on department lands and waters. For more information, contact individual offices.

Brochures and complete public lands regulations are available by phoning (620) 672-5911 or from the KDWPT website at www.ksoutdoors.com.

Camping is allowed in designated areas only. Target shooting is allowed only in designated areas. Commercial guides must have a permit, available on the KDPWT website, to guide on public lands. The permit is free and is specific to the land where guiding takes place. Baiting while hunting or preparing to hunt is illegal on public lands. Only two portable blinds or stands are allowed per hunter. Portable blinds may not be left unattended overnight. Stands and portable blinds must be marked with the owner's name and address or KDWPT number. Decoys may not be left unattended overnight.

On some wildlife areas, dove fields may be designated as non-toxic shot only by posted notice. See Page 25 for more information.



NORTHWEST

Brzon WA

Phone: (785) 753-4971. Location: 4 mi. W, 7 N of Belleville. Acres: 320. Camping: No Boating: NA

Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Other: Area open to hunting by special hunt permit Oct. 1-March 1. Area open to hunting without special permit March 2- Sept. 30. Novice/Mentor only dove hunting Sept. 1-15.

Cedar Bluff WA

Phone: (785) 726-3212. Location: 13 mi. S of Ogallah. Acres: 9,825 land, 4,000 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: Youth/Mentor area east of dam is shotgun and archery only. Other: Special Hunts available for select areas.

Francis Wachs WA

Phone: (785) 425-6775. Location: 11 mi. N, 3 E of Agra. Acres: 800 acres. Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Glen Elder WA

Phone: (785) 545-3345. Location: Near Cawker City, Downs, and Glen Elder.

Acres: 12,500 land, 12,500 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes.

Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Other: Special hunts available. Refuges: visit website for details. Youth/Mentor access at Granite Creek Area, all species Oct. 1-Jan. 31. Free daily hunt permit available at kiosks and parking areas. Handicapped hunting access by permit; phone (785) 545-3345. Shooting range open daylight hours, 1 mile S of Downs.

Gove Public Domain Lands

Phone: (785) 726-3212.

Location: 23 mi. S, 1 W of Quinter. Acres: 160. Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Griswold WA

Phone: (785) 753-4971. Location: 1 1/2 mi. S and 5 mi. W and 1/2 S of Haddam. Acres: 320. Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other: Refuge open by permit only Oct. 1-March 1

VEHICLES

Vehicles must stay on state-maintained roadways. Off-road vehicle use on public land is allowed only in designated areas.

ELECTRONIC DAILY HUNT PERMITS (ISPORTSMAN)

Hunters are required to obtain free Electronic Daily Hunt Permits at the following wildlife areas: Benedictine Bottoms, Berentz/Dick, Bolton, Cheyenne Bottoms, Clinton, Elwood, Hillsdale, Jamestown, Kansas River, La Cygne, Lovewell, Lyon, Marais des Cygnes, McPherson Wetlands, Melvern, Milford, Neosho, Noe, Perry, Texas Lake, Isabel, and Slate Creek Wetlands. The electronic permits will replace the paper card system currently in place.

Hunters can register to create a useraccount at any time by logging on to https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Before hunting, a hunter simply checks in, providing a log-in ID online with a computer or smart phone or by phoning with a cell phone or landline. After the hunt, hunters use the same method to checkout and provide harvest information. To learn more, log on to https://kdwpt.isportsman.net or call (620) 672-5911 and ask for Public Lands.

DEFINITIONS

NOVICE/YOUTH: A novice/youth hunter is anyone 16 or younger (15 or younger to hunt waterfowl), or persons who have not possessed an annual hunting license or permit in the past three years.

MENTOR: A mentor must be a licensed adult 18 or older and supervise a minimum of one novice or youth.

CLOSED TO ALL HUNTING: Properties so described could be open to special hunts.

REFUGE: Portions of properties may be designated as refuges during specific periods of the year or year-round. Access and activity restrictions are for refuge management and special hunts.

RES: Reservoir

SFL: State fishing lake

WA: Wildlife area

NWR: National Wildlife Refuge

NA: Not applicable, Not available

Gurley Salt Marsh Phone: (785) 658-2465 ext. 204 or (785) 545-3345. Location: 10 1/2 mi. N of Lincoln Acres: 160 Camping: No. Boating: No motor boats. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Open to hunting by special hunt permit.

Jamestown WA

Phone: (785) 439-6243 Location: 1 1/2 mi. N of Jamestown. Acres: 4.729. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas only. **Boating:** Yes, motorized boats prohibited in Marsh Creek Wetland. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot for all

shotgun hunting. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Novice/ Mentor areas: Puddler and Ringneck Marshes. Special hunts in selected areas.

Refuge open by permit only, Oct.1-March 1.

Jewell SFL

Phone: (785) 545-3345. **Acres:** 108 land, 57 water. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other:

Logan WA

Phone: (785) 726-3212. Location: 9 mi. S of Winona. Acres: 271 land, 75 (dry lake). Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other:

Lovewell WA

Phone: (785) 753-4971. Location: 5 mi. E, 9 N of Mankato. Acres: 2,215 land, 3,000 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes.

Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery area only below the dam.

Other: Électronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (785) 753-4971. Refuge portions open by access permit at different times; visit website for details. Special hunts available.

Norton WA

Phone: (785) 877-2953. Location: 4 mi. W, 1 S of Norton. Acres: 7,956. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Special hunts in selected areas.

Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (785) 877-2953. Refuge access by permit only Nov. 1 - Jan. 31

Ottawa SFL

Phone: (785) 658-2465. Location: 25 mi. NE of Salina. Acres: 617 land, 111 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. Other: Special hunts in selected areas. Portions of refuge may be open by special access permit; visit website for details. Cabin reservations; phone (785) 628-8614.

Rooks SFL

Phone: (785) 425-6775. Location: 1 1/2 mi. S, 2 W of Stockton. Acres: 313 acres. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: No alcoholic beverages allowed. Refuge closed to hunting year-round.

Saline SFL

Phone: (785) 658-2465. Location: 1/2 mi. NW of Salina. Acres: 39 land, 39 water ... Camping: No Boating: Yes, fishing Equipment Restrictions: Special waterfowl hunts only. Other: Closed to vehicles sunset to sunrise.

Closed to all access except by special hunt permit Oct. 1- March 3. Special hunt only (waterfowl).

Sheridan SFL

Phone: (785) 877-2953. Location: 12 mi. E and 3/4 mi. S of Hoxie. Acres: 335 Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. Other: Portions closed to hunting year-round.

Sheridan WA

Phone: (785) 425-6775. Location: 3 mi. E, 4 N of Quinter. Acres: 458. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Sherman SFL

Phone: (785) 726-3212. Location: 10 mi. S, 2 W of Goodland. Acres: 1,550 land, 200 (dry lake). Camping: No. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Smoky Hill WA

Phone: (785) 658-2465. Location: 9 mi. E and 3 mi. S of Ellsworth. Acres: 4,179 land, 886 water. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Special hunts in selected areas. Refuge open by special access permit only Sept. 1-Jan. 31

South Fork WA

Phone: (785) 877-2953. Location: 12 1/2 mi. NE of St. Francis. Acres: 1,000. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

St. Francis WA

Phone: (785) 877-2953. Location: 2 mi. S, 2 1/2 W of St. Francis. Acres: 480. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Vogel WA

Phone: (785) 425-6775. Location: 8 mi. W, 1 mi. S of Phillipsburg. Acres: 200. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Webster WA Phone: (785) 425-6775. Location: 9 mi. W of Stockton. Acres: 9,709. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other: Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (785) 425-6775. Refuge open by special access permit only Nov. 1- Jan. 31.

Wilson WA

Phone: (785) 483-5615. Location: 7 mi. N of Bunker Hill. Acres: 8,069 land, 9,000 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Handicapped access area by permit;

phone (785) 483-5615. Special hunts in selected area. Refuges open by special access permit only Sept.1- Jan. 31.

NORTHEAST

Atchison SFL

Phone: (913) 367-7811. Location: 3 mi. N, 2 W, 1/2 N of Atchison. Acres: 139 land, 66 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Alcohol prohibited. Cabin available for reservation; phone (785) 273-6740.

Benedictine Bottoms WA

Phone: (913) 367-7811 Location: 2 mi. NE of Atchison. Acres: 2,109. Camping: No. Boating: Yes, limited. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; reg-

ister at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Alcohol prohibited. Refuge closed to all activities year round. Hunting by special permit Oct. 1-March 31; application deadline July 15. Parking area use restricted to daylight hours except by permit.

Bolton WA

Phone: (785) 539-9999. Location: 2 mi. N, 1 1/2 W of Paxico. Acres: 640 Camping: N0. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net.

Brown SFL

Phone: (913) 367-7811. Location: 8 mi. E, 1/2 S of Hiawatha. Acres: 124 land, 60 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Hunting allowed Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday Sept.10-March 31.

Clinton WA

Phone: (785) 887-6882. Location: 8 mi. SW of Lawrence. Acres: 9,200. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Refuge closed to all activities Oct. 1-Jan15. Handicapped hunting access area by permit, (785) 887-6882. Daily hunt permit required for waterfowl, available at marsh parking areas.

Douglas SFL

Phone: (913) 845-2665. Location: 1 mile N, 3 E of Baldwin. Acres: 538 land, 180 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery deer hunting only. No centerfire rifles. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Elwood WA

Phone: (913) 367-7811. Location: Hwy. 36 exit 238 S of Elwood. Acres: 1,090. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: No. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun, archery and muzzleloader hunting only. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Upland bird hunting Tuesday, Thursday, and Sundays only. Alcohol prohibited.

Geary SFL

Phone: (785) 461-5402. Location: 8 1/2 mi. S, 1 W of Junction City. Acres: 185. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Hillsdale WA

Phone: (913) 783-4507. Location: 6 mi. N of Paola. Acres: 8,380. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (913) 783-4507. Refuge closed to all activities Oct. 1- Jan. 15.

Jeffrey Energy Center/Hanzlick WA Phone: (785) 539-9999.

Location: 5 mi. N, 3 W of St. Marys. Acres: 750 land, 10,461 3 lakes. Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun, archery, and muzzleloader hunting only Area #2

Other: Alcohol prohibited. Refuge closed to all activities year round on Area 3. Daily hunt permit required for Area 2, available at guard house.

Kansas River WA

Phone: (785) 273-6740. Location: 1 mi. N of 10th & Urish in Topeka. Acres: 120 Camping: No Boating: None Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. No firearms deer hunting. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Some hunts by special permit.

Leavenworth SFL

Phone: (913) 845-2665 Location: 3 mi. N, 2 W of Tonganoxie. Acres: 341 land, 160 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery deer hunting only. No centerfire rifles. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Louisburg-Middle Creek SFL

Phone: (913) 783-4507. Location: 7 mi. S of Louisburg. Acres: 320 land, 281 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun, archery, and muzzleloader hunting only. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Miami SFL

Phone: (913) 783-4507. Location: 3 1/2 mi. W of Hwy. 69 on 359th St. and 4 mi. S on Somerset Rd. Acres: 149 land, 118 water. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Milford WA

Phone: (785) 461-5402. Location: 5 mi. NW of Junction City. Acres: 19,000. Camping: No. **Boating:** Yes, motorized boats prohibited except Mall Creek and Peterson Bottoms areas. Equipment Restrictions: NA **Other:** Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (785) 461-5402. Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Youth/Mentor area: West Broughton area, all species all seasons. Steve Lloyd Refuge closed to all activities year-round.

Nebo SFL

Phone: (913) 367-7811. Location: 8 mi. E, 1 S, 1/2 W of Holton. Acres: 75 acres. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other:

Nemaha WA

Phone: (785) 363-7316. Location: 1 mile E, 4 S of Seneca. Acres: 710 acres. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Perry WA Phone: (785) 945-6615. Location: 1 1/2 mi. N, 1 W of Valley Falls. Acres: 10,600 acres. Camping: No. Boating: Yes, gas-powered boats prohibited in all marshes except East & West pools of Kyle Marsh. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Refuge closed to all activities Oct. 1- Jan. 15. Handicapped hunting access area by permit. Designated youth/mentor/handicapped area.

Pottawatomie SFL No. 1

Phone: (785) 539-9999. **Location:** 4 1/2 mi. N of Westmoreland. **Acres:** 166 land, 75 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Nowake speeds only. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Pottawatomie SFL No. 2

Phone: (785) 539-9999. Location: 2 mi. E of Manhattan on Hwy. 24, 1 1/2 mi. N on Green Valley Rd., 1 mi. W on Junietta Rd., 1/2 mi. N on State Lake Rd. Acres: 172 land, 75 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. No wake speeds only. Equipment Restrictions: None. **Other:** Alcohol prohibited. Open to hunting by special permit. Closed to all other hunting.

Rutlader WA

Phone: (913) 783-4507. Location: 7 mi. S of Louisburg. Acres: 108 Camping: No. Boating: No. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun, archery, and muzzleloader hunting only.

Shawnee SFL

Phone: (913) 845-2665. Location: 7 1/2 mi. N of Silver Lake. Acres: 473 land, 135 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only **Equipment Restrictions:** Shotgun and archery deer hunting only. No centerfire rifles. Other: Alcohol prohibited. Open to shotgun hunting Dec. 1-Jan. 31. Shooting range open on specific dates; check KDWPT website.

Tuttle Creek WA

Phone: (785) 363-7316. Location: N of Hwy. 16 along Blue River to Blue Rapids. Acres: 12,200. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other: Handicapped hunting access area by permit; phone (785) 363-7316.

Washington SFL

Phone: (785) 461-5402. Location: 7 mi. N, 3 W of Washington. Acres: 442. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: NA

SOUTHWEST

Barber SFL

Phone: (620) 895-6446. Location: 1/4 mi. N of Medicine Lodge. Acres: 80. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: NA. Other:

Cheyenne Bottoms WA

Phone: (620) 793-3066. Location: 5 mi. N, 2 E of Great Bend. Acres: 13,280. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, Boats with out-of-water pro-

pellers prohibited. Motorized boats permitted only during the waterfowl season. All boats prohibited April 15-Aug. 15.

Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only for all shotguns.

Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Youth/mentor only area: Mitigation Marsh, all seasons. Handicapped accessible hunting blind available by reservation at (620) 793-3066. Shooting from dikes and levees prohibited. Refuge pools closed to all activities; Pools 5 and 1C maybe open for special seasons. Habitat conditions may create some additional restrictions. Trapping permit required, available at area office.

Clark SFL

Phone: (620) 369-2384. **Location:** 8 1/2 mi. S, 1 W of Kingsdown. **Acres:** 900 land, 300 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Concannon WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 15 mi. NE of Garden City. Acres: 800. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Cottonwood Flats WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 1 mi. S, 1/2 mi. E of Coolidge. Acres: 80. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Finney SFL Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 8 mi. N, 3 W of Kalvesta. Acres: 863. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Lake is dry. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Goodman WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 5 mi. S, 2 1/2 E of Ness City. Acres: 265. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Greeley Co. WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 11 mi. N, 5 E of Tribune. Acres: 900. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Closed to public access Feb.1-Aug 31. No shooting zone posted around buildings.

Hain SFL Phone: (620) 672-0779. Location: 5 mi. W of Spearville. Acres: 53 Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, for hunting and fishing only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Vehicles restricted to parking areas during waterfowl season.

Hamilton WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 3 mi. N, 3 W of Syracuse. Acres: 666. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Herron Playa Phone: (620) 227-8609. Location: 1 mi. S, 1/2 W, 3 S of Spearville. Acres: 700. Camping: Yes, in designated areas Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Closed to all activity Feb.1-Aug. 31. Open to hunting one-half hour before sunrise to noon Sept.1-Nov. 22. Open to hunting all day Nov. 23-Jan.31.

Hodgeman SFL

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 4 mi. E, 2 S of Jetmore. Acres: 254. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Lake is dry. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Handicapped-accessible hunting area.

Isabel WA

Phone: (620) 895-6446. Location: 1 mile E, 2 N of Isabel. Acres: 440. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net.

Kepley WA Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 5 1/2 mi. S, 6 mi. W of Ulysses. Acres: 160. Camping: No. Boating: N/A. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: None.

Lane WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 3 mi. E, 6 1/2 N of Dighton. Acres: 42. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Meade SFL & WA

Phone: (620) 369-2384 Location: 8 mi. S, 5 W of Meade Acres: 420 Camping: No. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only Equipment Restrictions: None Other: Refuge closed to hunting year-round.

Pratt Sandhills WA

Phone: (620) 895-6446. Location: 5 mi. W, 6 N of Cullison. Acres: 5,715. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Handicapped access area by permit.

Sandsage Bison Range & WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 1/2 mile S of Garden City. Acres: 3.700. Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: North Pasture restricted to shotguns and archery hunting only Other: Pastures with bison are closed to public access; check with office or information kiosk for pastures open to public hunting. No shooting zone around corrals and buildings.

Scott SFL & WA

Phone: (620) 276-8886. Location: 15 mi. N of Scott City. Acres: 160. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Stein Playa

Phone: (620) 227-8609. Location: 2 1/2 mi. W, 1/2 mi. S of Spearville. Acres: 115. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only

Other: Closed to all activity Feb.1-Aug. 31. Open to hunting one-half hour before sunrise to noon Sept.1-Nov. 22. Open to hunting all day Nov. 23-Jan.31.

Texas Lake WA

Phone: (620) 895-6446. Location: 4 mi. W, 1 N of Cullison. Acres: 1,200. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net.

Wild Turkey Playa Phone: (620) 227-8609. Location: 4 mi. S of Howell. Acres: 160. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Closed to all activity Feb.1-Aug. 31. Open to hunting one-half hour before sunrise to noon Sept.1-Nov. 22. Open to hunting all day Nov. 23-Jan.31.

SOUTHCENTRAL

Binger WA

Phone: (620) 241-7669. Location: 1 mile NW of Raymond. Acres: 160 Camping: No Boating: None Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Butler SFL

Phone: (620) 876-5730. Location: 3 miles W, 1 N of Latham. Acres: 320 Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Chase SFL

Phone: (620) 767-5900. Location: 1 1/2 mi. W of Cottonwood Falls. Acres: 469 Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

Cheney WA Phone: (620) 459-6922. Location: 7 mi. E of Pretty Prairie. Acres: 5,249 Camping: No. Boating: Yes Equipment Restrictions: None.

Other: Alcohol prohibited at the shooting range. Shooting range hours and days are posted at the area. Refuge closed to all activities Nov. 1-March 1.

Council Grove WA

Phone: (620) 767-5900. Location: 5 mi. NW of Council Grove. Acres: 2.638

Camping: No. Boating: Yes Equipment Restrictions: None Other:

Cowley SFL & WA Phone: (620) 876-5730.

Location: 16 mi. E of Arkansas City. Acres: 197. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Alcohol prohibited.

El Dorado WA

Phone: (620) 767-5900. Location: 2 mi. E, 1 N of El Dorado. Acres: 4,258 Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. **Other:** Swimming (jumping) prohibited in Walnut River at NE Chelsea road bridge.

Ferris WA

Phone: (620) 241-7669. Location: 1/2 mile W of Windom. Acres: 160 Camping: No. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Kaw WA

Phone: (620) 876-5730. Location: 1 mile SE of Arkansas City. Acres: 4,341 Camping: No. Boating: Yes Equipment Restrictions: None.

Kingman SFL & Byron Walker WA

Phone: (620) 532-3242. Location: 7 mi. W of Kingman. Acres: 4,285. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Alcohol prohibited at the state fishing lake. Alcohol prohibited at the archery range; shooting hours posted. Portions of the SFL are closed to hunting year-round. Cabin reservations, phone (316) 683-8069.

Marion WA

Phone: (620) 732-3946. Location: 2 mi. S, 2 E of Durham. Acres: 4,628. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Refuge closed to all activity Oct. 1-March 1.

McPherson SFL

Phone: (620) 628-4592. Location: 6 mi. N, 2 W of Canton. Acres: 260. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Archery deer/turkey hunting only. Other: Alcohol prohibited. For cabin reservations, phone (316) 683-8069.

McPherson Wetlands WA

Phone: (620) 241-7669. Location: Scattered tracts between Conway and Inman Acres: 4,550. Camping: No. Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Portions of the area closed to hunting year-round. Area has hunt units in the Low Plains Zone; know which zone you are hunting.

Sand Hills State Park

Phone: (316) 542-3664. Location: 3 mi. NE of Hutchinson. Acres: 800. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Hunting only by special permit only. Deer hunting by permit.

Slate Creek WA

Phone: (620) 876-5730. Location: 6 mi. S, 1 1/2 W of Oxford. Acres: 827 Camping: No. Boating: Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net..

SOUTHEAST

Berentz/Dick WA

Phone: (620) 331-6820. Location: 2 mi. W, 2 S, & 10 1/2 W of Independence. Acres: 1,360. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Hunting allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.

Big Hill WA

Phone: (620) 432-5053. Location: 8 mi. W, 4 mi. S of Parsons. Acres: 1,320. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Bourbon SFL

Phone: (620) 449-2539 Location: 4 1/2 mi. E of Elsmore. Acres: 107 land, 103 water. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Copan WA Phone: (620) 331-6820. Location: 1/2 mi. W of Caney. Acres: 2,360. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, carry-in only. Equipment Restrictions: None.

Dove Flats WA

Phone: (620) 331-6820. Location: 2 1/2 mi. E, 1 N of Elk City. Acres: 206. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Duck Creek WA

Phone: (620) 331-6820. Location: 1 1/2 mi. E, 3 1/3 N of Elk City. Acres: 246. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Elk City WA

Phone: (620) 331-6820. Location: 3 mi. W of Independence. Acres: 8,730 land, 3,510 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes, motorized boats prohibited in Wigeon and Simmons marshes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Refuge closed to all activity Sept. 1-March 1.

Fall River WA

Phone: (620) 583-6783. Location: 10 mi. SE of Eureka. Acres: 7,005 land, 2,450 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Refuges closed to all activity yearround.

Grand Osage WA Phone: (620) 432-5053.

Location: 2 mi. SE of Parsons. Acres: 3.000 acres. Camping: No. Boating: No. Other: Access requires admission through an Army installation and permitted through KDWPT special permits only.

Harmon WA

Phone: (620) 231-3173. Location: 1 mile N, 1mi E of Chetopa. Acres: 102 acres. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Hollister WA

Phone: (620) 449-2539. Location: 6 mi. W, 2 S of Fort Scott. Acres: 2,432 acres. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: None. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Shooting range available; hours posted at the area

La Cygne WA Phone: (913) 352-8941. Location: 5 mi. E of La Cygne. Acres: 2,000 land, 2,600 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: Centerfire rifles prohibited. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Alcohol prohibited.

Lyon SFL

Phone: (620) 699-3372. Location: 5 mi. W, 1 N of Reading. Acres: 442 land, 140 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, fishing and hunting only. **Equipment Restrictions:** None. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Alcohol prohibited.

Marais des Cygnes WA

Phone: (913) 352-8941. Location: 5 mi. N of Pleasanton. Acres: 6,474 land, 1,636 wetland. **Camping:** Yes, in designated areas. **Boating:** Yes, Motorized boats restricted. Check local regulations. No wake. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Access permits required for archery deer hunting. Shooting from levees and dikes prohibited. Refuges closed year-round to all activities.

Melvern WA

Phone: (620) 699-3372. Location: 4 mi. N of Lebo. Acres: 10,100 land, 6,930 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Refuge closed to all activity Oct. 1-Jan. 15. Youth/Mentor: designated area for all seasons, all species.

Mined Land WA

Phone: (620) 231-3173. Location: Scattered tracts throughout Crawford, Cherokee, and Labette counties. Acres: 14,500. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: Archery only in units 1, 21, and 23. Other: Alcohol prohibited in Unit 1. The bison exhibit in Unit 1 is closed to all activities. For cabin reservation, phone (620) 431-0380.

Neosho WA

Phone: (620) 449-2539. Location: 1 mile E of St. Paul. Acres: 1,498 land, 1,748 wetland. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Electronic daily hunt permits required; register at https://kdwpt.isportsman.net. Shooting from levees and dikes prohibited. Refuge closed to all activity Sept. 1-March 31. Youth/Mentor: Pool 8 for waterfowl on holidays, Saturday, and Sunday. Pool 8 open to public on weekdays.

Osage SFL Phone: (620) 699-3372. Location: 3 mi. S of Carbondale. Acres: 366 land, 140 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. Other:

Otter Creek WA

Phone: (620) 637-2748. Location: 4 mi. W, 2 N of Burlington. Acres: 1,472. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot for all shotguns. Shotgun, archery, and muzzleloader hunting only. Other:

Shoal Creek WA

Phone: (620) 231-3173. Location: 1/2 mi. S of Galena. Acres: 32. Camping: No. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun and archery hunting only. Other: Off-road vehicle and horse use prohibited. Alcohol prohibited.

Spring River WA

Phone: (620) 231-3173. Location: 3 mi. E, 1/4 N of Crestline. Acres: 424. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Toronto WA

Phone: (620) 583-6783. Location: 3 mi. NW of Toronto. Acres: 4,766 land, 2,800 water. Camping: No. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

Wilson SFL

Phone: (620) 637-2748. Location: 1 mile S of Buffalo. Acres: 90. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: Shotgun/Archery Only. Other:

Woodson SFL

Phone: (620) 637-2748. Location: 5 mi. E of Toronto. Acres: 2,885 land, 430 water. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: Yes, fishing and hunting only. Equipment Restrictions: None. Other:

FEDERAL AREAS

Cimarron National Grasslands

Phone: (620) 697-4621. Location: N of Elkhart. Acres: 108,000. Camping: Yes, in designated areas. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Flint Hills NWR

Phone: (620) 392-5553. Location: 5 mi. N of Hartford. Acres: 18,500. Camping: NA. Boating: NA.

Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only, centerfire rifles and handguns prohibited. Other: No furbearer or coyote hunting or trapping. Other regulations may be in effect. Daily Hunt Permit required.

Hulah Reservoir

Phone: (918) 349-2281. Location: Scattered tracts E and W of Elgin. (Most of area in Oklahoma.) Acres: 844. Camping: NA. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Kanopolis Reservoir

Phone: (785) 546-2294. Location: 7 mi. W, 3 mi. N of Marquette. Acres: 13,000 acres (11,580 open Oct. 1-Jan. 20). Camping: NA. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Kirwin NWR

Phone: (785) 543-6673. Location: 5 mi. S, 5 mi. E of Phillipsburg. Acres: 5,700. Camping: NA. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: Deer hunting restricted to archery only. Non-toxic shot only Other: Other regulations may be in effect.

Marais des Cygnes NWR

Phone: (913) 352-8956. Location: Scattered units 29 mi. N of Ft. Scott. Acres: 7,400. Camping: NA. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only Other: Access permit required for archery deer hunting.

Pomona Reservoir

Phone: (785) 453-2202. Location: 20 mi. W of Ottawa. Acres: 4,500. Camping: NA. Boating: Yes. Equipment Restrictions: NA.

Quivira NWR

Phone: (620) 486-2393. Location: 13 mi. NE of Stafford. Acres: 8,000. Camping: NA. Boating: NA. Equipment Restrictions: Non-toxic shot only. Other: No deer, turkey, or furbearer hunting.



AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

Hunting is more than a hobby; it's a way of life. Yet it's being threatened by the introduction of nonnative aquatic nuisance species (ANS). Help keep your favorite hunting spots free of these harmful

plants and animals by remembering to clean, drain, and dry all equipment every time you use it.

STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!



Clean

Remove all plants, animals and mud from waders, decoys, boats and blinds before leaving water access



Drain

Remove all water from decoys, boat, waders, motor and bilge before leaving water access

Dry

Allow all equipment to completely dry or wash using high pressure hot water before using again

ANS OF CONCERN

Certain ANS species can pose distinct concerns to waterfowl hunters. Waders, decoys, and boating equipment that are not clean, drained, and dried can contribute to the spread of ANS such as:

Zebra mussels

Can reach high densities, causing problems for submerged equipment. Their sharp shells can cut unprotected skin of humans or pets. Zebra mussels also concentrate toxins such as selenium and avian botulism that can harm waterfowl.

Eurasian watermilfoil

Forms a dense canopy that hinders recreational activities.

New Zealand mud snails

Disrupt the food chain by consuming algae and competing with native bottom-dwelling invertebrates. They can also reduce forage by crashing native invertebrate populations.

Purple loosestrife

Restricts native wetland plant species and reduces habitat for waterfowl. (See picture to the right).



PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE

For more information or locations in Kansas, visit protectKSwaters.org.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS

WALK-IN ACCESS PROGRAMS

Walk-In Hunting Access (WIHA) provides opportunities for landowners and sportsmen alike. Landowners who participate in the program benefit financially through short-term, seasonal leasing of property to the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWPT). Hunters gain access to more than one million acres of land.

These areas operate much like any public wildlife area, except the properties remain in private ownership and use is restricted to hunting only as defined in the agreement. Established hunting seasons and regulations apply on all WIHA tracts. Also, the types of activities allowed on WIHA land are controlled by the landowner through contract with KDWPT. Trapping is not a part of the WIHA program.

Participating landowners receive payments that vary according to number of acres enrolled and the length of the lease. Leases can run from September-January or November-January for fall hunting seasons, or April-May for spring turkey season. No access is allowed outside those dates. The department posts signs on the property and patrols the area.

Almost anyone who owns or leases at least 80 contiguous acres of land with good wildlife habitat can qualify, including resident landowners, absentee landowners, tenant farmers, estate managers, trust managers, and others who manage private land.

Hunters using these areas may not cross boundaries onto neighboring property. Parking is limited; roads and driveways must not be blocked. Do not leave trash behind, and do not enter WIHA lands outside of posted dates.

An annual Kansas Hunting Atlas is available from KDWPT offices and license vendors. The atlas may also be viewed and printed at the KDWPT website - ksoutdoors.com.



Highlights of the program:

• Walk-in access only. No vehicles are allowed.

• A published atlas shows all properties enrolled.

• KDWPT pays you to allow hunting access on your land.

• KDWPT Natural Resource Officers patrol the land.

• KDWPT posts signs to inform hunters of property boundaries.

Landowners:

Earn extra dollars from your farm/ranch with the Walk-In Hunting Access (WIHA) program. KDWPT leases CRP, standing cover crop, milo stubble, field borders, and river/creek habitat. Spring turkey hunting leases are also sought!

WIHA Application

I am interested in enrolling my property in the WIHA program. Send me more information.

FISH Application

I am interested in enrolling my property in the FISH program. Send me more information.

Address: _____

Day Phone:

Evening Phone:

(County)

Property is located in:

City:

Name:

Address: _____

City: _____

Day Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Property is located in: _____

(County)

Send to: Attn: Jake George KDWPT 512 SE 25th Ave. Pratt, KS 67124

Name:



• State law limits normal liability.

Landowners:

Similar to WIHA, the FISH program leases ponds and streams for fishing access. Earn extra dollars from your farm or ranch by enrolling your fishing waters in this program.

Highlights of the program:

- KDWPT pays you to allow fishing access on your land.
- KDWPT posts signs to inform anglers of property boundaries.
- KDWPT Natural Resource Officers patrol the land.
- Walk-in access only. No vehicles are allowed.
- State law limits normal liability.
- A published atlas shows all properties enrolled.

Send to: Attn: Jake George KDWPT 512 SE 25th Ave. Pratt, KS 67124

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PUBLIC PROGRAMS

SPECIAL HUNTS

Special hunts offer high-quality hunting opportunities. The majority of hunts are on public areas traditionally closed to hunting. While providing excellent opportunities to introduce new hunters to the sport, special hunts have also proven popular with current hunters. Special hunts are not designed to provide a guaranteed limit but appeal to hunters wanting a quality experience afield. Persons with impaired abilities also find this program offers a chance to participate in hunting. (See "Crossbow and Vehicle Permits" for those who qualify for disability permits.) Some hunts require youth or novice hunter participation.

If Special Hunts interest you, view Special Hunts from our website at ksoutdoors.com under "Hunting"

or call 785-628-8614 for assistance. Make sure you understand the type of hunt being offered before making online application. There are no application fees, but purchase of appropriate licenses, permits, tags, and stamps are required.

Apply online at ksoutdoors.com. If no Internet access is available, application can be made over the phone by calling 785-628-8614. Ask for Special Hunts. For questions on specific hunts, contact the local area office where the hunt is offered.

There will be two application deadlines and two draws for Special Hunts: Draw 1 for hunts in September and October and Draw 2 for hunts in November, December, and January. The application deadline for Draw 1 is 9 a.m., August 10, 2015 and the deadline for Draw 2 is 9 a.m., Sept. 28, 2015. Applicants successful in a draw will receive more information prior to the hunt. Applicants may apply for both hunt periods beginning July 11, and they will have three choices for each species per draw period.

A number of other special hunts, not managed by the Special Hunts program, are listed online. In addition to these special hunts, youth/disabled seasons offer unique hunting opportunities for qualifying hunters.

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KANSAS HUNTERS FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Kansas Hunters Feeding the Hungry (KSHFH) provides venison to needy families. Hunters can donate deer to participating processors at little or no charge. Donations from churches, clubs, businesses, and individuals cover the costs of processing, packaging, and freezing the meat. Donations may be sent to Kansas Hunters Feeding the Hungry, 17811 Donahoo Road, Tonganoxie, KS 66086-5309.

KSHFH is co-sponsored by the Resource Conservation and Development Councils of Kansas and KDWPT. For more information, visit the organization's website, www.kshfh.org, phone (913) 485-9622, email tonyd@kshfh.org, or write to the above address.

Game given to another person must be accompanied by the donor's written name, address, permit, or transaction number, and signature, as well as the date of donation.



DISABILITY ASSISTANCE PERMITS

Anyone with a permanent physical disability that prevents him or her from hunting safely may apply for a Disability Assistance Permit. The permit allows a designated, licensed person to assist in the harvest of game while accompanying the permit holder. (This privilege also applies to fishing.) For more information or applications, contact the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism, Law Enforcement Division, 512 SE 25th Ave., Pratt, KS 67124, (620) 672-5911.

DRAW-LOCK & VEHICLE PERMITS

Persons certified by a physician as having a permanent disability may be eligible for special permits allowing them to hunt from a parked vehicle or to hunt big game with a draw-locking device during the archery deer season. For more information on these permits, contact a KDWPT office. Migratory game birds cannot be hunted from a vehicle (except a boat not under way), even with a disability permit.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS





If you were fortunate enough to have been introduced to hunting at an early age, you know the magic. It rests in your memories forever, and it drives a basic desire to experience the outdoors each fall. Hunting is a valued natural heritage – one that must be passed on from one generation to the next. But hunter numbers are decreasing, and younger generations are in danger of missing these treasured experiences. And fewer hunters reduces the financial, social and political support needed for effective wildlife management.

"Pass It On" is a program designed to reverse the declining trend in hunter numbers. While the program is made up of many different subprograms, such as shooting opportunities, hunting access, special hunts, and education and awareness, its most valuable component is you. It takes a hunter to make a hunter, and it is critical that youth learn important life lessons in the outdoors from experienced hunters.

You can become involved by simply taking a youngster hunting this fall. Anyone born on or after July 1, 1957, must successfully complete an approved course in hunter education before hunting in Kansas EXCEPT THAT anyone 15 years old and younger may hunt without hunter education certification provided they are under direct supervision of an adult 18 or older. There is no minimum age to apply for and receive big game or turkey permits.

Youth Waterfowl Season: In each of the duck zones, two days will be set aside for youth waterfowl hunting (ducks and geese). Hunters 15 and younger may hunt under the supervision of an adult 18 or older. See Page 28 for season dates. The adult may NOT hunt.

Youth/Disabled Deer Season: September 5-13, 2015 is a season for youth 16 or younger or anyone who has a disability hunting permit to hunt deer. Resident youth 16 years old and all nonresident youth must have a hunting license unless exempt by law, as well as a valid deer permit, and youth must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. All resident and nonresident permits are valid in this season, and all permit, unit, and equipment restrictions apply, including hunter orange clothing. The adult may NOT hunt.

Youth Pheasant and Quail Season: Nov. 7-8, 2015 is a weekend for youth to hunt pheasants and quail. Youth 16 and younger may hunt under the supervision of an adult 18 or older. The supervising adult may NOT hunt. Daily bag limits are half the regular season limits.

Youth Spring Turkey Season: April 1-12, 2016. Youth 16 and younger can hunt with any legal equipment under the supervision of an adult 18 or older.

Other special hunt opportunities will also be available. Contact your nearest Kansas Wildlife, Parks and Tourism office or local sportsmen's group such as chapters of Pheasants Forever, and National Wild Turkey Federation. Outdoor Mentors is also sponsoring youth/mentor events in cooperation with local sportsmen's groups. Contact Mike Christensen, (316) 290-8883. For more information on "Pass It On," contact Mike Miller, (620) 672-5911.

NATURAL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Anyone who finds evidence of wildlife crime should contact their local natural resource officer. Details of the crime and any other information, such as license tag numbers, dates, and times, should be noted. Local natural resource officers can be contacted through county sheriffs' offices, by phoning the department's Operation Game Thief, 1-877-426-3843, or by phoning one of the numbers listed below, for the county in which the crime was witnessed.

Do NOT use these numbers for general information calls. General information may be obtained by phoning the department's Information Section, (620) 672-5911, or by calling local KDWPT offices listed in this publication.

If you're an active outdoorsman or woman, or just concerned about conservation in your area, get to know your local natural resource officers. They protect the resource in your area. The following list of NRO numbers and the counties for which they are responsible are provided to help concerned citizens curb wildlife crime in Kansas:

County Responsibility	
Allen	(620) 212-0183
Anderson	
Atchison	
Barber	
Barton	
Bourbon	
Brown	
Butler	
Chase	
Chautaugua W1/2	
Chautauqua E1/2	
Cherokee	
Cheyenne	
Clark	(620) 262-7019
Clay	
Cloud	
Coffey	
Comanche	
Cowley	
Crawford	
Dickinson	
Doniphan	
Douglas	(000) 770 0504
Edwards	
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Ellis E 1/2	
Ellis W ½	
Ellsworth	
Ford	
Franklin	
Franklin	
Geary	
Gove	
Grant	
Gray	
Greeley	
Greenwood	(620) 421-9775
Hamilton	
Harper	· · ·
Harvey	
Haskell	
Hodgeman	
Jefferson	()
Jefferson	
Jewell.	(785) 380-6027
Johnson	(785) 256-3611
Kearny	
Kingman	
Kiowa	
Labette	
Labelle	
Linn	
Logan	
Lyon	
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Marion	(620) 727-3386
Marshall	
McPherson	
Meade	· · ·
Miami	
Mitchell	
Montgomery	(620) 432-5057
Morris W1/2	(620) 727-3386
Morris E1/2	
Morton	(620) 770-9014
Nemaha	
Neosho N1/2	
Neosho S1/2	(620) 875-2275
Ness	(620) 450-7194
Norton	
Osage	
Osborne	
Ottawa	
Pawnee	
Phillips	(785) 342-7311
Pottawatomie	(785) 256-3603
Pratt	
Rawlins	(785) 342-7200
Reno	
Republic	
Rice	
Riley	(785) 256-3614
Rooks	(785) 342-7265
Rush	
Russell	
Saline	
	(705) + 32 - 0 + 70
Scott	(785) 230-5593
Sedgwick N1/2	(316) 215-2119
Sedgwick S1/2	
Seward	(620) 770-9521
Shawnee	(785) 256-3619
Sheridan	(785) 230-5960
Sherman	
Smith	
Stafford	
Stanton	
Stevens	
Sumner	(620) 326-1866
Thomas	(785) 342-7290
Trego	
Wabaunsee	· · ·
Wallace	
Washington	
Wichita	
Wilson	
Woodson	(620) 875-1976
Wyandotte	(785) 256-1206
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County Responsibility Officer Phone

CONTROLLED SHOOTING AREAS

Controlled Shooting Areas (CSAs) are privately-owned hunting areas licensed by KDWPT that provide an extended upland game bird hunting season. The CSA season runs from Sept. 1-March 31.

A special CSA hunting license may be purchased that is valid only on Kansas CSAs, or hunters may hunt on CSAs with a current Kansas hunting license. Hunter education certification is not required on CSAs with a CSA license. Hunter access to CSAs is through permission of the owner/operator only. A directory of CSA services is also available at www.huntkansas.org.

Anderson	Arrowhead Valley Farms	(795) 490 0000	Kingmon	Dovid D Lilly Sr	(216) 540 2010
Barber	Phillip S Hellman	(785) 489-2229 (620) 246-5255	Kingman Kingman		(316) 540-3810 (316) 722-0800
Barber	Barber Ranch LLC	(316) 264-6366	Kingman	Bluestem Hunting Preserve	(620) 532-6361
Barber	Double C Guide Service	(620) 825-4311	Kiowa	Heft & Sons LLC	(620) 546-3275
Barber	Triple L. Ranch	(620) 247-6440	Kiowa	Wyrick Farms	(620) 338-6701
Bourbon	Timber Hills Lake	(620) 743-4114	Lincoln/Osborne/Mi	5	(020) 338-0701
Butler		(316) 634-1800	LINCOIN/OSDOINE/IM		(785) 373-4835
Butler	Devlin Enterprises	· ,	Lincoln	0	· · ·
Butler	Flint Hills Hunting Preserve	(316) 321-0323	Lincoln		(832) 435-7602
Butler	Hourglass J & S Leasing	(316) 942-7668 (316) 651-7260	Lincoll	0	(785) 373-4835 (913) 757-6674
Butler/Greenwood	Quail Creek Properties LLC	(316) 634-1888	Lyon/Chase		(316) 691-9575
Butler	Siaana Farm	(316) 264-6366	Marshall	-	(785) 292-4706
Butler	Skyview Setters	(316) 648-4822	Marshall		(785) 537-0366
Chase	Janet McIlvain	(316) 685-1765	Marshall	0 0	(785) 396-4523
Chautauqua	Sharon K Dold		McPherson	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Cherokee	Kansas Outfitters Inc	(316) 721-4244 (316) 597-2568	McPherson		(620) 489-9411 (620) 345-6394
Cherokee	Running Roosters Hunting Resort Inc	(620) 249-0949	Meade		(620) 563-7679
Cherokee	Show-Me-Birds Hunt Resort LLC	(620) 249-0949	Mitchell		
Cherokee	Spring River Hunts of Kansas	(417) 437-9691	Mitchell		(785) 534-9483
		· ,	Mitchell		(785) 545-3551
Cheyenne	R & S Inc Ringneck Country North Central Guide Service	(785) 899-5882	Mitchell	Special T Hunting Tice, LLC	(785) 529-4081
Clay	McNeil Game Farm & Outfitting LLC	(785) 452-5220	Neosho	-	(785) 534-0072
Cloud	0	· ,	Ness	0	(620) 763-2494 (785) 398-2369
Cowley	Jay Stanley Jones AJV Ranch LLC	(316) 648-4363	PR	Hilton Head West	(316) 650-9926
Cowley Cowley	Beaverdam West	(316) 685-4746	Pratt	Busters Outfitters LLC	()
	Signature Hunts of Kansas LLC	(620) 221-0100	Pratt	Pheasant Farms Inc	(620) 546-5777
Cowley	5	(316) 425-8183	Rawlins	Rooster Run	(620) 672-7364
Crawford Chase/Greenwood	Steve Kelly	(620) 362-3388			(785) 626-3700
	-	(316) 691-9575	Reno		(316) 210-2815
Dickinson	Tallgrass Lodge	(503) 866-0312	Reno	Flying W Game Birds & Hunt Preserve, LLC	
Doniphan	Rohrer's Game Farm & Sporting Clays	(785) 985-2635	Reno	Irish Creek Outfitters LLC	(620) 465-7718
Douglas	Eckman Hunting Preserve Inc	(785) 830-0034	Reno	Richard W Mouser Revocable Trust	
Elk Elk	Donald E Roe	(620) 358-3385	Republic		(785) 527-0631
	Devlin Enterprises	(316) 634-1800	Rice	Grassland Game Preserve LLC	(620) 663-2238
Elk	Elk Rock Properties	(316) 685-6122	Rice	•	(479) 263-7581
Elk Elk	Fall River land Co LLC	(620) 658-4401	Rooks	, .	(785) 425-7082
	JDM Ranch LLC	(316) 685-1485	Russell	Blaine Garrett/Fred Weigel	(303) 910-0911
Elk	Quail Creek Properties LLC	(316) 634-1888	Russell	5	(785) 483-3758
Ellis Ford	Garrett Inc/Fred Weigel Trust	(303) 910-0911	Saline Saline		(620) 755-4984
	Lynn C Maxfield	(620) 338-1983			(936) 697-5488
Ford	Boothill Gamebirds LLC	(620) 255-3803	Scott	0	(620) 214-1802
Gove	Andy J Andrews	(303) 688-0808	Shawnee Sheridan/Gove	5	(785) 256-6444
Graham	7 2 Bar Adventures	(785) 627-5425		Fantasy Flyers	(785) 754-3324
Graham	Chenoweth Farms Hunt Club Western Kansas Pheasant Hunts	(303) 833-8821	Smith	-	(785) 565-2584
Gray		(620) 846-0223	Stafford		(620) 793-2560
Greeley	Barrel Springs Hunt Club	(620) 376-2701	Stafford	Quivira Ranch and Rattlesnake Ranch	
Greenwood	Charles Treadwell et al	(316) 652-9155	Stevens		(866) 365-6112
Greenwood	Rucker Properties LLC	(620) 583-5316	Sumner		(620) 892-5821
Harper	Michael Gammill	(620) 254-7773	Sumner	• •	(316) 685-5691
Haskell	Flying W Pheasant Ranch	(620) 563-7679	Sumner		(620) 441-1337
Haskell	Golden Prairie Hunting Service	(620) 272-6800	Trego		(573) 374-8641
Haskell	Lakeview Acres	(620) 668-5226	Trego		(785) 635-2030
Haskell	Pheasants Galore Hunting Service	(620) 272-1745	Wabaunsee		(785) 589-2335
Haskell/Seward	Golden Prairie Hunting Service	(620) 675-8490	Woodson	Lone Pine Shooting Preserve	(620) 637-2967
Kearny	Odyssey Hunts	(620) 355-1758			

CONSERVATION & SPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

Conservation organizations play a vital role in wildlife management and ensuring the future of hunting and the shooting sports. They raise money, volunteer time, provide advice, and perhaps most important, inspire outdoor-loving people to become actively involved in the future of the resources they cherish. The following is a list of a few of the organizations that are active in Kansas.



The National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) is the leading trade association of the firearms and recreational shooting sports industry. The NSSF manages a variety of programs designed to promote a better understanding of and a more active participation in the shooting sports. Contact: (203) 762-1320; www.nssf.org



The mission of Ducks Unlimited is to fulfill the annual life cycle needs of North American waterfowl by protecting, enhancing, restoring and managing important wetlands and associated uplands. Contact: 1-800-45DUCKS; www.ducks.org



The Izaak Walton League of America is a diverse group dedicated to protecting our nation's soil, air, woods, waters and wildlife. Member interests span the spectrum of outdoor recreation and conservation activities, from angling and birding to stream monitoring, wildlife photography and hunting. Contact: (651) 649-1446; www.iwla.org



Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever are dedicated to the protection and enhancement of pheasant, quail, and other wildlife populations through management benefiting landowners and wildlife alike. County chapters retain 100 percent of net funds raised at the chapter level for local habitat projects. Contact: (651) 773-2000; www.pheasantsforever.org



The Nature Conservancy of Kansas has conserved more than 100,000 acres across the state since 1889. TNC's science-based approach benefits wetlands such as Cheyenne Bottoms and Jamestown, tallgrass prairie at the Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve, mixed-grass prairie in the Red Hills, and shortgrass prairie at Smoky Valley Ranch. TNC's great successes are built on cooperation with private landowners, universities, government agencies, other non-profit organizations, outdoor enthusiasts, and its donors and supporters. Contact: 785-233-4400 www.nature.org/kansas, .



The National Wild Turkey Federation, headquartered in Edgefield, S.C. is a national conservation and educational organization dedicated to conserving wild turkeys and preserving hunting traditions. Contact: (803) 637-3106; website – www.nwtf.org



The mission of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) is to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife and their habitat. RMEF is committed to conserving, restoring and enhancing natural habitats; and promoting the sound management of wild, free-ranging elk. Contact: 1-800-225-5355; www.rmef.org



With more than 2.3 million members who hunt, the NRA offers hunters a wide range of programs addressing all aspects of hunting, including youth hunter skills, advanced skills training, and the conservation of our natural and wildlife resources. The NRA also helps organizations set up shooting programs. Contact: (620) 343-6643; www.nrahq.org.

The Kansas Bowhunters Association (KBA) stands for the wise use of natural resources, the conservation of wild game and their habitats, and ethical shot selection. Contact: (620) 873-5264; www.bowsite.com/kba



Quail and Upland Wildlife Federation[™] (QUWF), headquartered in Buffalo, MO is a national wildlife conservation organization formed to serve its members, chapters and the public by providing a strong local source of habitat focus on quail and upland wildlife population recovery. QUWF's grass roots chapters and volunteers provide the habitat work that is "making a difference for wildlife, one acre at a time". Contact: (417) 345-5960; www.quwf.net



Kansas State Rifle Association (KSRA) is organized to promote the shooting sports and firearms training/education in the state of Kansas, the right to keep and bear arms, the preservation of the shooting sports and their lawful pursuit, the conservation of natural resources, and the maintenance of law and order. Contact: (316) 264-2727; www.ksraweb.net

The Kansas Wildlife Federation (KWF) promotes hunting and fishing opportunities and associated recreation for the benefit of all hunters, anglers and conservationists. KWF supports the sustainable use and

management of fish and wildlife and their habitats through education, partnerships, outreach, and policy oversight. Contact: 316-648-8827; www.kswildlife.org

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Kansas Wildscape is a private, nonprofit foundation dedicated to raising funds and accepting other tax-deductible donations to benefit wildlife and outdoor recreation in Kansas. The foundation works closely with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism to identify projects for funding. (785) 843-945; www.kansaswildscape.org



The Kansas Muzzleloaders Association seeks to preserve the spirit and romance of the period of the mountain man, as well as the use of traditional muzzleloading equipment in hunting. www.e-kma.org



The Kansas Furharvesters Association (KFH) is a nonprofit organization that has been active in Kansas for more than 30 years. The KFH's mission is to education the public on trapping; promote the humane harvesting of furbearers; and to provide informative booths for the public to increase their knowledge of trapping and its heritage. Contact: 620-432-1074; www.kansasfurharvestersassociation.com.



The Physically Challenged Bowhunters of America was founded to assist physically disabled persons through active participation in bowhunting and archery sports. A major emphasis is placed on reaching those who have never been exposed to bowhunting. Contact: (785) 637-5421; www.pcba-inc.org.



The Kansas City Chapter of Safari Club International (KC-SCI) was established more than 31 years ago and is active in conservation and educational projects in Kansas and Missouri. SCI is a worldwide hunting and conservation organization dedicated to conserving wildlife and preserving the right to hunt. Contact: 913-299-6759, www.kcsci.com



The Audubon of Kansas' (AOK) is to promote enjoyment, understanding, protection and restoration of natural ecosystems. AOK is dedicated to enhancement of wildlife habitat, focuses on conservation of prairies and prairie wildlife as a priority, and values partnerships with sportsmen/women, landowners and others. Contact: 785-537-4385; www.audubonofkansas.org

Your purchase of a hunting license is an investment in the future of Kansas wildlife. The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism uses your license dollars and funds from the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Program (Pittman-Robertson) to manage the diverse wildlife resources of Kansas.

The Pittman-Robertson program is financed by hunters through federal excise taxes on sporting equipment such as firearms and ammunition. With these dollars, the department can continue to conserve and enhance Kansas' natural heritage, its wildlife and its habitats – and ensure future generations the benefits of the state's diverse, living resources.

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