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- B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of upland game birds on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field.
- C. Big Game Hunting. The refuge unit is open to big game hunting but has no refuge-specific regulations as it follows guidelines set out in State law.
- D. Sport Fishing. Refuge open to sport fishing in accordance with State law, and as specifically designated in refuge publications.
- [58 FR 5064, Jan. 19, 1993, as amended at 58 FR 29075, May 18, 1993; 59 FR 6694, Feb. 11, 1994; 60 FR 62044, Dec. 4, 1995; 62 FR 47379, Sept. 9, 1997; 63 FR 46918, Sept. 3, 1998; 65 FR 30786, May 12, 2000; 67 FR 58946, Sept. 18, 2002; 69 FR 54362, 54427, Sept. 8, 2004; 70 FR 54182, Sept. 13, 2005; 73 FR 33189, June 11, 2008; 74 FR 45693, Sept. 3, 2009]

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

BOYER CHUTE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of ducks, geese, and coots on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Hunters may access the refuge from 1½ hours before legal sunrise until 1 hour after legal sunset along the immediate shoreline and including the high bank of the Missouri River. You may access the hunting area by water or, if by land, only within the public use area of the Island Unit.
- 2. You must remove all blinds and decoys at the conclusion of each day's hunt.
- 3. You must adhere to all applicable State hunting regulations.
 - B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer in accordance with State regulations subject to the following condition: You must possess and carry a refuge access permit (signed brochure) at all times while in the hunting area. Hunters may enter the hunting areas only within the dates listed on the refuge access permit.
- D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We allow personally attended hook and line fishing and archery fishing (rough fish only) from $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before legal sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after legal sunset.
- 2. We allow boating at no-wake speeds, not to exceed 5 mph (8 km), on side or back channels. We prohibit all watercraft in the Boyer Chute waterway or other areas as posted.

- 3. We prohibit the use of trotlines, float lines, bank lines, or setlines.
- 4 We prohibit ice fishing
- 5. We prohibit digging or seining for bait.
- 6. We prohibit the take or possession of turtles or frogs.
- 7. Anglers may use no more than two lines and two hooks per line.

CRESCENT LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of waterfowl and coot in designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We close the refuge to the general public from legal sunset to legal sunrise. However, hunters may enter the designated hunting area 2 hours before legal sunrise and must be back to their vehicle in the process of leaving the refuge 2 hours after legal sunset. Official shooting hours are from ½ hour before legal sunrise until ½ hour after legal sunset for deer, coyote, and furbearer hunters; and from ½ hour before legal sunrise until legal sunset for all other hunters.
- 2. We only allow you to unleash dogs used to locate, point, and retrieve upland and small game and migratory birds on the refuge while hunting (see §26.21(b) of this chapter)
- 3. We open the refuge to hunting from September 1 through January 31 in accordance with State regulations.
- 4. We allow decoys, but hunters must remove them (see § 27.93 of this chapter) at the end of each day.
- 5. We restrict vehicles to roads that are open to the public (see §27.31 of this chapter). We prohibit hunters taking vehicles off of approved roads to set up blinds, decoys, or to retrieve game or for any other purposes other than emergencies. We allow parking within one vehicle length of the road.
- 6. We prohibit publicly organized hunts unless authorized under a Special Use Permit.
- 7. We only allow temporary blinds and stands, and hunters must remove them (see §27.93 of this chapter) at the end of each day.
- 8. We only allow floating blinds on Island Lake. We prohibit all boats (including a floating device of any kind) on all other refuge lakes.
- B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of cottontail rabbit, jack rabbit, furbearer, coyote, ring-necked pheasant, and prairie grouse on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Conditions A1 through A6 apply.
- 2. We prohibit baiting. We allow electronic calls for covote and furbearer hunting.
- 3. Coyotes and all furbearers or their parts, if left in the field, must be left out of view of the public. Otherwise hunters must remove them from the refuge and properly dispose of them.

- C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer and mule deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Conditions A1, A4, A5, A6, and A7 apply.
- 2. We prohibit tree stands that cause damage to the tree by penetrating into the bark and tree climbing spikes or screw-in steps that penetrate beyond the outer bark of a tree (see §32.2(i)).
- D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We close the refuge to the general public from legal sunset to legal sunrise. However, anglers may enter the refuge 1 hour before legal sunrise and remain until 1 hour after legal sunset.
- 2. We open Island Lake to fishing yearround and open Smith and Crane Lakes to fishing seasonally from November 1 through February 15. We close all other refuge lakes.
- 3. We prohibit the possession or use of live or dead minnows and the possession of any fish not taken lawfully from one of the refuge lakes open to fishing.
- 4. We only allow boating and float tubes on Island Lake. We prohibit use of internal combustion motors for boats on Island Lake; we close all other refuge lakes to boating or float tubing.
- 5. We prohibit leaving temporary shelters used for fishing overnight on the refuge.

DESOTO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Refer to §32.34 Iowa for regulations.

FORT NIOBRARA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. [Reserved]
- B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of deer and elk on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We require the submission of a Big/Up-land Game Hunt Application (FWS Form 3–2356). We require hunters to carry a refuge hunting access permit (hunt application signed by the refuge officer) while hunting. We require hunters to complete a Big Game Harvest Report (FWS Form 3–2359) and return it to the refuge at the conclusion of the hunting season.
- 2. We allow deer and elk hunting with muzzleloader and archery equipment. We prohibit deer and elk hunting with firearms capable of firing cartridge ammunition.
- 3. We establish the dates when the refuge is open to hunting access annually. We specify the hunting access dates on the refuge hunting access permit.
- 4. We allow deer and elk hunting in the area defined as, "Those refuge lands situated north and west of the Niobrara River." We

- allow access to this area only from public road right-of-ways, the Niobrara River, or designated refuge parking areas. We prohibit hunting within 200 yards (180 m) of any public use facility.
- 5. We allow hunter access from 2 hours before legal sunrise until 2 hours after legal sunset. We prohibit overnight parking or camping.
- 6. We allow horses within the wilderness area. We limit horse use to three groups at a time and no more than five horses per group. We prohibit horses from 2 hours after legal sunset until 2 hours before legal sunrise. We require registration at the refuge head-quarters prior to horse use during the hunting season. We limit horse access to the wilderness area via the refuge corrals and buffalo bridge.
- 7. We allow canoes, kayaks, and float tubes capable of carrying no more than four people on the Niobrara River below Cornell Dam.
- 8. We prohibit permanent tree stands, nails, screw-in steps, or other items that penetrate the outer bark of a tree. We prohibit tree stands and ground blinds from being left in the same location for more than 7 consecutive days (see §27.93 of this chapter). We require hunters to clearly mark (readable from the ground), with the hunter's name and date of erection, unattended tree stands and ground blinds.
- D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We only allow fishing on the portions of the Minnechaduza Creek and downstream from Cornell Dam along the Niobrara River that flows through the refuge.
 - 2. We prohibit the use of limb or set lines.

NORTH PLATTE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. [Reserved] B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel, rabbit, pheasant, State-defined furbearers, and coyote on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We close the Lake Alice Unit to all public entry from October 15 through January 14.
- 2. Hunters must be 15 years of age or younger. A licensed hunter 19 years of age or older must accompany youth hunters. We prohibit adults accompanying youth hunters to hunt or carry firearms. The accompanying adult is responsible for ensuring that the hunter does not engage in conduct that would constitute a violation of refuge or State regulations.
- 3. We close the refuge to public use from legal sunset to legal sunrise. However, youth hunters and their adult guides may enter the designated hunting area 1 hour prior to legal sunrise.

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- 4. We only allow dogs for pheasant-hunting on the refuge.
- C. Big Game Hunting. We allow archery hunting of mule deer and white-tailed deer on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We close the Lake Alice Unit to all public entry from October 15 through January 14.
- 2. We close the refuge to public use from legal sunset to legal sunrise. However, archery deer hunters may enter the designated hunting area 1 hour prior to legal sunrise and remain until 1 hour after legal sunset.
- C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- D. Sport Fishing. Sport fishing is allowed on designated areas of the refuge pursuant to State law.

VALENTINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. Hunters may hunt migratory birds on designated areas of the refuge subject to refuge specific regulations.
- B. Upland Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt upland game on designated areas of the refuge subject to refuge specific regulations.
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunters may hunt big game on designated areas of the refuge subject to refuge specific regulations.
- D. Sport Fishing. Anglers may fish in designated portions of the refuge subject to refuge specific regulations.
- [58 FR 5064, Jan. 19, 1993, as amended at 59 FR 55187, Nov. 3, 1994; 60 FR 62044, Dec. 4, 1995; 61 FR 45367, Aug. 29, 1996; 62 FR 47380, Sept. 9, 1997; 63 FR 46918, Sept. 3, 1998; 68 FR 57317, Oct. 2, 2003; 69 FR 54362, 54428, Sept. 8, 2004; 70 FR 54183, Sept. 13, 2005; 76 FR 3984, Jan. 21, 2011; 76 FR 56080, Sept. 9, 2011]

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

ASH MEADOWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, moorhen, snipe, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We allow hunting only on designated days.
- 2. We only allow motorless boats or boats with electric motors on the refuge hunting area during the migratory waterfowl hunting season.
- 3. We open the refuge to the public from 1 hour before legal sunrise until 1 hour after legal sunset.
- 4. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).

- B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Conditions A3 and A4 apply.
- 2. We only allow hunting on designated lays
- C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- D. Sport Fishing. [Reserved]

Desert National Wildlife Refuge

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. [Reserved]
- B. Upland Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- C. Big Game Hunting. Hunting of bighorn sheep is permitted on designated areas of the range subject to the following conditions:
- 1. Bighorn sheep guides are required to obtain a Special Use Permit prior to taking clients onto the range.
- 2. Natural bighorn sheep mortality (pickup heads) found on the range are government property and possession or removal of them from the range is not permitted.
- D. Sport Fishing. [Reserved]

PAHRANAGAT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

- A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, moorhen, snipe, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We allow hunting only on designated days.
- 2. We only allow motorless boats or boats with electric motors on the refuge hunting area during the migratory waterfowl hunting season
- 3. You may only possess approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).
- B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of quail and rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We only allow hunting on designated days.
- 2. Conditions A3 applies.
- C. Big Game Hunting. [Reserved]
- D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:
- 1. We allow fishing year-round with the exception of the North Marsh that we close October 1 to February 1.
- 2. We only allow motorless boats or boats with electric motors on the Upper Lake, Middle Pond, and Lower Lake.
- 3. We prohibit the use of boats, rubber rafts, or other flotation devices on the North

RUBY LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of dark geese, ducks, coots, moorhens, and common snipe on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State