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USACE CARLYLE LAKE HUNTING FACT SHEET 2019 – 2020 HUNTING SEASON

General Hunting Regulations and Rules

- No hunting or trapping is allowed within developed recreation areas or within 100 yards of a developed recreation area (campgrounds, day use areas, marinas, boat ramps, etc.)
- No hunting is allowed within 100 yards of a residence.
- All hunters must sign-in and sign-out daily and record harvest at the nearest sign-in box.
- Dumping of animal carcasses is prohibited.
- All hunters, except waterfowl hunters, must wear the required blaze orange during all firearm deer seasons.
- No permanent blinds or stands are allowed. Portable tree stands or ladder stands are permitted but must be removed after each day. It is unlawful to use screw-in steps, spikes, or nails.
- It is unlawful to operate any type of vehicle off designated roadways. Off-road vehicles are prohibited.
- Permission must be obtained from adjacent landowners prior to entering private property.
- It is unlawful for any person to possess or consume any alcoholic beverages while hunting or trapping.

Deer Hunting (Firearm)

- Statewide regulations apply.
- James Hawn and East Spillway Areas are closed to all firearm deer hunting.

Deer Hunting (Archery)

- Statewide regulations apply.
- James Hawn and the East Spillway Areas are open to archery deer hunting only. During the firearm deer seasons, archery deer hunters must wear the required blaze orange.

Turkey (Spring & Fall Archery)

- Statewide regulations apply.

Woodcock, Snipe & Rail

- Statewide Regulations apply.

Upland Hunting (Rabbit, Quail, Pheasant, etc.)

- Statewide Regulations apply.

Squirrel Hunting

- Statewide regulations apply.

Furbearer/Trapping

- Statewide regulations apply.
- Trapping is permitted in the waterfowl impoundment areas at James Hawn, Saddle Dam III, and Boulder Flats (Whitetail, Wood Duck, North Fork East, Thomas Pigg) by permit only from the Carlyle Lake Project Office.
- Bobcat – Statewide regulations apply.

Dove Hunting

- Statewide regulations apply, except hunting hours are from Noon – Sunset September 1-5. Starting on September 6, hunting hours are from Sunrise – Sunset.

- Steins Field Access is designated as a special dove hunting area reserved for disabled sportsmen on September 1 & 2. All disabled sportsmen must apply at or call the Carlyle Lake Project Office by August 23. Steins Access opens to the public on September 3.
- Lotus dove fields will open September 3, hunting hours are from Noon – Sunset for the entire season.
- Hunting is permitted from the perimeter of fields only.

Crow Hunting

- Statewide regulations apply.

Teal Hunting

- Statewide regulations apply.
- Shooting hours for Teal season are sunrise – sunset.
- Bond Branch is open during teal season.
- James Hawn is open seven days a week. Hunting is not required from designated blinds or pits.

Early Canada Goose Season

- Statewide regulations apply.
- Shooting hours for Early Canada goose season are ½ hour before sunrise until sunset.
- Bond Branch is open during Early Canada goose season.
- James Hawn is open seven days a week. Hunting is not required from designated blinds or pits.

Waterfowl

- Statewide Regulations apply.
- Shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until 1 p.m.
- In all walk-in areas (James Hawn, Whitetail, Pin Oak, North Fork, Saddle Dam III and Thomas Pigg), waterfowl hunters must be out of the area by 3:00 p.m. and may not enter back into the area until 12:01a.m. the next calendar day.
- Bond Branch is open during the Teal and early Canada goose season, but closes for the remainder of the waterfowl hunting season, including Youth Waterfowl Season.
- Shooting hours for the final three days of Canada goose season are ½ hour before sunrise until sunset.

James Hawn Wetland Area is open Thursday through Sunday during the regular duck season. All hunting is from designated blinds or pits, a maximum of four hunters per blind is allowed. All hunters MUST sign-in and sign-out daily and record harvest at the hunter sign-in box located at the James Hawn Parking Lot. After sign-in hunters may access water blinds from land or by boat. Hunters must occupy blinds or pits from sign-in to sign-out. **Blind drawings will be held prior to this year's Youth Waterfowl Season and Opening Weekend of the 2019 Waterfowl Season.** Post duck season, goose hunting will be allowed seven days a week at James Hawn.

Steins Field Wetland & Saddle Dam III Blinds are designated as a special waterfowl hunting areas with handicapped accessible blinds available for sportsmen with disabilities. Reservations are required to hunt these blinds. Waterfowl hunting is permitted seven days a week during the 2019/2020 Waterfowl Season. Hunting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until 1 p.m. A maximum of four hunters are allowed. Hunters must sign-in and sign-out at the blind and record their harvest. Call the Carlyle Lake Project Office at (618) 594-2484 to reserve the blind.

Conservation Snow Goose Season

- Conservation snow goose season – statewide regulations apply.

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