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- * **Green River Lake WMA:** During the pheasant quota hunt period, pheasant quota hunt units closed to small game hunting for four consecutive days starting the third Friday in November. A person shall not hunt sandhill cranes within 100 yards of the normal summer pool level of 675 feet, east of the Hwy. 551 Bridge in the following embayments: Green River to the Snake Creek Boat Ramp; and Casey Creek to the Hwy. 76 bridge.
- * **Hidden Valley Training Area:** Area closes periodically for training exercises. Call (606) 878-9595 for more information about training dates.
- * **Robinson Forest WMA:** The main block of this area is closed to all hunt-

ing. The remainder of this WMA is open under statewide requirements.

- * **Rockcastle River WMA:** Rabbit, quail and grouse hunters must check in and check out at a self-service kiosk and clearly display a department-provided vehicle hang-tag in their vehicle. Hang-tags available in advance through the department's website.
- * **Elk Horn Coal Hunting Access:** Camping, ATV use, horseback riding, baiting, livestock production and the use of screw-in steps or tree stands that have screws and spikes, which may injure trees, are not permitted on the property.
- * **RH Group Hunting Access:** Commercial guiding, camping, ATV use, horseback riding, fishing, night hunt-

ing, baiting, livestock production and the use of screw-in steps or tree stands that have screws and spikes which may injure trees are not permitted on the property. Waiver required to access property. Go online to fw.ky.gov and search under RH Group for more information.

- * **Pike Elkhorn Hunting Access:** Access to the Letcher County property via Wright's Fork Road of US 23 is not permitted.

NOTE: Before trapping on a WMA or Outdoor Recreation Area, a Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Public Area Trapping Registration Form must be completed. See page 26 for details.

QUOTA HUNTS

OVERVIEW

INTRODUCTION

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife conducts quota hunts for deer, pheasant and migratory birds (waterfowl and mourning doves).

Some hunts are mentored hunts for youth and accompanying adults. Some hunts are open to mobility-impaired hunters only.

Any resident or nonresident may apply for quota hunts. Only the person(s) successfully drawn for quota hunts may hunt. Substitutions are not allowed.

Applicants drawn for quota hunts must purchase applicable licenses and permits to legally hunt during the quota hunts.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for quota hunts: Go online to fw.ky.gov. The non-refundable fee is \$3 per hunter to apply.

The application period is September 1-30 only. Hunters may apply for multiple quota hunts for different species at the same time.

Applicants will receive a confirmation number. When the drawing is com-

Complete details for all quota hunts are available online. Click the "Hunt" tab on fw.ky.gov, choose "Quota Hunts" from the dropdown menu and scroll to the appropriate hunt.

pleted, results will be posted online at fw.ky.gov.

Applicants may also call Kentucky Fish and Wildlife weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern time) at 1-800-858-1549 and provide either their confirmation number or order number to find out if they were selected.

QUOTA DEER HUNTS

Deer quota hunts are held on 16 WMAs, five state parks (Dale Hollow Lake, Greenbo Lake, Green River Lake, Kenlake, Kincaid Lake), and Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation Area. Additionally there are quota deer hunts for mobility-impaired hunters on Green River Lake WMA, Taylorsville Lake WMA and Zilpo-Twin Knobs Campgrounds (on Cave Run Lake).

Follow the rules!

Hunters who do not comply with quota hunt requirements are ineligible to apply for any quota hunt the following year (including deer, pheasant and waterfowl), and will lose any accumulated preference points.

If applying for a deer quota hunt as a group, each applicant's preference points will be used to calculate an average point total for the group. A group with a higher preference point average will be randomly selected before a group with a lower preference point average.

A maximum of 10 percent nonresidents can be drawn in each deer quota hunt pool.

Drawn quota hunters may bring one non-hunting person along on their hunt. The non-hunting person is not required to have applied for the quota hunt but must check in and check out with the drawn quota hunter. Participants must abide by hunter orange requirements.

Ground blinds used during gun

quota hunts for deer must have a hat or vest made of solid, unbroken hunter orange material attached to the blind so that it is visible from all sides. Hunter orange clothing requirements still apply for any persons inside the blind.

PHEASANT QUOTA HUNTS

Pheasant quota hunts are held on Yellowbank WMA, Green River Lake WMA and Clay WMA. See the "Public Hunting Areas Quick Reference" charts for dates. All drawn pheasant hunters must buy (regardless of attendance) and carry while hunting a pheasant quota hunt permit, which is \$25 and may be purchased online or from license vendors anytime before the hunt. Permits are not transferrable.

DOVE MENTORED HUNTS

Youth hunters and an accompanying adult may participate in mentored dove hunts on a limited number of public fields.

Locations of mentored hunts are published in the hunting guide for dove and early waterfowl. This guide is available for download from the department's website, or by calling 1-800-858-1549 in early August.

MOBILITY-IMPAIRED QUOTA HUNTS

Persons with one of the following physical conditions are eligible to apply for a mobility-impaired quota hunt. At check in, drawn hunters must show a WMA Mobility-Impaired Access Permit, available in advance of the hunt date from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife.

- Has permanent paralysis of at least one (1) leg;
- Has at least one (1) foot amputated;
- Is permanently confined to a wheelchair or must use crutches, or a walker as a means of support to pursue daily activities;
- Is restricted by a lung disease to such an extent that the person's forced respiratory expiratory volume for one (1) second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one (1) liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty (60) mm/hg on room air at rest;
- Requires portable oxygen;
- Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class 3 or Class 4 according to standards set by the American Heart Association; or
- Has a diagnosed disease which creates a severe mobility impairment.

WATERFOWL QUOTA HUNTS

WATERFOWL/MIGRATORY BIRD QUOTA HUNTS

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is migrating much of its waterfowl and migratory bird hunting information to its website. Find information not covered in this printed guide online at fw.ky.gov, including a form downloadable to smartphones. This page covers basic information.

Season-long blind drawings are available at Barkley Lake, Barren River Lake, Buckhorn Lake, Doug Travis, Green River Lake, Nolin River Lake, Rough River Lake and Sloughs WMA. Drawings are typically held from August through October. These are separate from general quota hunt drawings held in September. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife announces dates and locations for these waterfowl blind drawings in August. Check online at fw.ky.gov for more information.

PUBLIC LAND HUNTING

Ballard WMA (Ballard County)

Hunters are not required to hunt from blinds maintained by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. Hunters will be drawn for one of 14 hunting units. The party who draws that unit can hunt anywhere within the unit.

- Hunts available through quota draw

for individual dates only.

- Apply for quota hunts Sept. 1-30 online at fw.ky.gov.

Sloughs WMA - Sauerheber Unit (Union and Henderson counties)

Hunters are not required to hunt from blinds maintained by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. Successfully drawn hunters will be assigned one of 12 hunting units. The hunter who draws that unit can hunt anywhere within the unit.

- Hunts available through quota draw for individual dates only.
- Apply for quota hunts Sept. 1-30 online at fw.ky.gov.
- Hunters must check-in the Sunday prior to the hunt.

Sloughs WMA - Jenny Hole Unit (Henderson County)

Unit is a quota hunt-only area.

- Hunting spots (9) assigned by weekly drawings held Monday evenings at Sloughs WMA office. Only one member of a hunting party needs to be present at the drawing.
- One spot available through quota draw for individual dates only.
- Apply for quota hunts Sept. 1-30 online at fw.ky.gov.
- Access is limited to drawn hunters only, and only on quota hunt days, with no access after 2 p.m. (local time).

MENTOR/MOBILITY-IMPAIRED HATCHERY HUNTS

Minor Clark and Pfeiffer Fish Hatcheries (Rowan and Franklin counties)

- Open to mobility-impaired hunters with access permit, and youths under the age of 16 accompanied by an adult mentor. A mentor may hunt.
- Hunters must apply online between Nov. 1-15.
- Hunt dates available Jan. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, 29-30 (2022).
- Mentor/youth hunt groups limited to four hunters, with no more than two hunting adults.

Doug Travis WMA Mobility-impaired Hunt (Carlisle and Hickman counties)

- Two blinds available.
- Applications accepted by mail, Sept. 1-30.

SANDHILL CRANES

- Quota hunt application period is during the month of September.
- Hunters may be drawn for up to three permits a season.
- Portions of Green River Lake and Barren River Lake are refugee areas and closed to crane hunting.
- Hunters must pass a migratory bird identification test before receiving their sandhill crane permit.

2021-22 DEER QUOTA HUNT CHOICES

WMA - Outdoor Recreation Area choices		Dates	# of slots	Min. # pref. pts. of 2020 participants	Hunt Remarks (Quota hunts are for either sex deer unless otherwise noted)
1	Ballard	Nov. 6-7	100	3	Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four. Scouting permitted through Oct. 14.
2	Beaver Creek	Nov. 6-7	330	0	Antlered deer only.
3	Big Rivers WMA & State Forest #1	Oct. 18- Nov. 30	130	0.25	Archery and crossbow only. Closed during the two-day quota hunt that starts the first Saturday in November. Department issued hang tags required. Must telecheck harvested deer.
4	Big Rivers WMA & State Forest #2	Nov. 6-7	100	0.8	
5	Clay	Nov. 6-7	225	0.8	Limit four, only one of which may be antlered, during quota hunt. Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
6	Dewey Lake	Nov. 6-7	150	0	Limit one during quota hunt.
7	Fishtrap Lake	Nov. 20-21	200	0	Limit one during quota hunt.
8	Green River Lake & Dennis-Gray	Nov. 6-7	400	0	
9	Green River Lake & Dennis-Gray Mobility-Impaired*	Nov. 6-7	15	0	Open only to mobility-impaired persons.
10	Higginson - Henry WMA #1	Oct. 18- Nov. 30	60	0.6	Archery and crossbow only. Closed during the two-day quota hunt that starts the first Saturday in November. Department issued hang tags required. Must telecheck harvested deer.
11	Higginson - Henry WMA #2	Nov. 6-7	45	0.8	
12	Kentucky River	Nov. 6-7	65	0.6	
13	Kleber and Rich #1	Nov. 6-7	200	0	
14	Kleber and Rich #2	Dec. 4-5	200	0	
15	Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation Area	Dec. 11-12	30	0	User permit required.
16	Paintsville Lake	Nov. 6-7	200	0	
17	Pennyrile State Forest/Tradewater WMA	Nov. 6-7	300	0	
18	Taylorsville Lake #1	Nov. 6-7	268	0.6	Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
19	Taylorsville Lake Mobility-Impaired* #1	Nov. 6-7	7	0	Open only to mobility-impaired persons. Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
20	Taylorsville Lake #2	Dec. 4-5	268	0	Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
21	Taylorsville Lake Mobility-Impaired* #2	Dec. 4-5	7	0	Open only to mobility-impaired persons. Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
22	Veterans Memorial #1	Nov. 6-7	75	0.6	
23	Veterans Memorial #2	Dec. 4-5	100	0	Antlerless deer only. Hunters awarded one preference point for each female deer harvested, up to four.
24	West Kentucky	Nov. 20-23	160	0	Shotgun and muzzleloader only.
25	West Kentucky youth mentor	Nov. 20-23	10	0	Shotgun only, youth mentor hunt on "A" tracts. Only youth hunters apply. No more than two youth hunters may accompany an adult mentor. No more than one adult can mentor a youth hunter. An adult mentor may take a deer during the hunt.


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*Only hunters who are mobility-impaired as described on page 27 can apply and be drawn for this hunt.


Antlered deer taken during quota hunts count against the statewide limit of one antlered deer per hunter, per season.

- DEER QUOTA HUNT CHOICES 2021-22, CONTINUED -

State park, other public lands choices		Dates	# of slots	Min. # pref. pts. of 2020 participants	Hunt Remarks (Quota hunts are for either sex deer unless otherwise noted)
26	Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park #1	Nov. 1-5	60	0	Archery and crossbow only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
27	Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park #2	Dec. 11-12	40	0	Youth only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
28	Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park #3	Jan. 8-9	50	0	Must telecheck harvested deer.
29	Greenbo Lake State Resort Park #1	Nov. 5-7	40	0	Archery and crossbow only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
30	Greenbo Lake State Resort Park #2	Nov. 12-14	40	0	Archery and crossbow only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
31	Greenbo Lake State Resort Park #3	Jan. 4-5	20	0	Must telecheck harvested deer.
32	Green River Lake State Park #1	Dec. 9-12	55	0	Archery and crossbow only. No check in or out. Must telecheck harvested deer.
33	Green River Lake State Park #2	Dec. 16-19	55	0	Archery and crossbow only. No check in or out. Must telecheck harvested deer.
34	Kenlake State Resort Park #1	Nov. 11-14	20	0	Archery and crossbow only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
35	Kenlake State Resort Park #2	Jan. 8-9	20	0	Archery and crossbow only. Must telecheck harvested deer.
36	Kincaid Lake State Park #1	Dec. 2-5	10	1	Must telecheck harvested deer.
37	Kincaid Lake State Park #2	Dec. 9-12	10	0.75	Must telecheck harvested deer.
38	Twin Knobs Mobility-Impaired*	Dec. 11	12	0	Open only to mobility-impaired persons.



CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE
has not been detected in Kentucky,
but it's on our doorstep



Go online to learn more about the disease fatal to deer and elk:
FW.KY.GOV/CWD

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