

As of July 3, 2024

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

C1.09 Furbearer Season And Limits On WMAs

A. Gray Fox, Mink and Red Fox Hunting:

Sunrise on the first day of September to sunset on the last day of February (day hunting only).

- **LIMIT:** Daily limit 2 per species, possession unlimited.

B. Opossum and Striped Skunk Hunting:

Sunrise on the first day of September to sunset on the last day of February (day or night hunting; dogs are required for hunting at night).

- **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.

C. Bobcat Hunting: Sunrise on the first day of September to sunset on the last day of February (dogs required to hunt bobcat at night) and during turkey season (day hunting only; no dogs allowed).

- **EXCEPTIONS:**

1. Closed during turkey and squirrel seasons on WMAs where a turkey or squirrel season is closed.
2. During youth turkey hunts, only youths may take bobcat.
3. Hope Upland and Rick Evans Grandview Prairie WMAs are closed to bobcat hunting except on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays during daylight hours only.

- **LIMIT:** Daily limit 2, possession unlimited.

D. Coyote Hunting: Sunrise on the first day of July through sunset on the last day of February (dogs not allowed to hunt coyote) and during turkey season (day hunting only; no dogs allowed).

- **EXCEPTIONS:**

1. Closed during turkey and squirrel seasons on WMAs where a turkey or squirrel season is closed.
2. During youth turkey hunts, only youths may take coyote.
3. Hope Upland and Rick Evans Grandview Prairie WMA are closed to coyote hunting except on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays during daylight hours only.

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- E. **River Otter Hunting:** Sunrise on the second Saturday in November through sunset on the last day of February (day hunting only).
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit 2, possession unlimited.
- F. **Raccoon Hunting:** Sunset first day of July through the last day of August (night hunting only; dogs are required); first day of September through the last day of February (day or night hunting; dogs are required for hunting at night); first day of March through the last day of March (night hunting only; dogs are required).
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.
- G. **Muskrat, Nutria, and Beaver Hunting:** Sunrise on the first day of September through sunset on the last day of February.
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.
- H. **Badger, Spotted Skunk (Civet Cat), and Weasel Hunting:** Closed.
- I. **Furbearer Trapping (Other than Beaver, Coyote, and Nutria):** Sunrise on the second Saturday in November through sunset on the last day of February.
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.
- J. **Beaver and Nutria Trapping:** Sunrise on the second Saturday in November through the last day of March.
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.
- K. **Coyote Trapping:** Sunrise on the first day of August through sunset on the last day of March.
 - **LIMIT:** Daily limit unlimited, possession unlimited.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Only enclosed, pull-activated dog-proof traps may be utilized on Camp Robinson SUA and J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain SUA.
- B. Cedar Creek and Electric Island WMAs are closed to all furbearer hunting and trapping.
- C. Use of dogs for pleasure or training purposes is permitted year-round on J. Perry Mikles Blue Mountain SUA except during horseback field trials.
- D. Furbearer hunting and trapping allowed under the conditions, seasons, and limits provided by the required annual refuge hunting permit or refuge trapping permit on all NWRs.
- E. Buffalo National River, Camp Robinson WMA, and Ditch 28 on Big Lake WMA are closed to all trapping.

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- F. Bobcat, coyote, and fox hunting with dogs allowed on Casey Jones WMA in accordance with Code [22.01](#).
- G. Trapping is closed on that portion of the Hot Springs State Forest WMA lying within the city limits of Hot Springs. Furbearer hunting only in compliance with Code [20.02](#)(M).