

Special Notice: Open Hunting Days for the Deal Island and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area Impoundments Announced for 2016-17 Hunting Season

The number of open hunting days will remain the same at the Deal Island Wildlife Management Area and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area impoundments for the 2016-2017 waterfowl hunting season. The purpose of recent changes aims to improve the quality of duck hunting in the impoundments by increasing the number of days that ducks can utilize the impoundment habitats while minimizing unnecessary disturbances.

The Fairmount Wildlife Management Area impoundments will be open for hunting during the September Teal Season (September 16 – September 30, 2016).

The Fairmount and Deal Island Wildlife Management Area impoundments will be open for hunting during the September Canada Goose Season (September 1 – September 15, 2016), and the following days during the Regular Duck Season:

- Junior Waterfowl Hunts: For persons aged 16 or younger (Nov. 5, 2016 & Feb. 11, 2017).
- First Waterfowl Split: Opening day (by permit) and Saturdays only.
- Second Waterfowl Split: Opening day (by permit), Saturdays, and Thanksgiving only.
- Third Waterfowl Split: Opening day (by permit), Fridays, Saturdays, Christmas Day, New Years Day, and Martin Luther King Day only.

Waterfowl hunting on both Wildlife Management Areas is restricted to the days / dates noted above *within* the managed impoundments only. **Motorized boats, except those powered by electric motors, are prohibited within the Deal Island and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area impoundments between October 1 and March 31.** Waterfowl hunting is allowed outside of these impoundments on the Wildlife Management Areas without restrictions during all open waterfowl seasons.

If you are interested in applying for a permit to hunt one of these impoundments on one of the opening days of the split duck seasons in 2016, please fill out the attached application and send to us as directed before September 12, 2016.

For additional information, or should you have any questions, please call our Wellington Wildlife Management Area office at 410-543-8223.

2016 Application for Deal Island and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area Impoundment Hunts

On the **opening day** of the first season for ducks and the **opening day** of any subsequent season for ducks, a person may not hunt in the Deal Island and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area impoundments unless he/she first obtains a permit. To apply for a permit through the lottery drawing, follow the directions below to complete this application:

- Print all information clearly and legibly. Any illegible, incomplete, duplicate, or faxed applications will be disqualified.
- **A.)** Indicate your choice of days in order of priority. In place of the actual dates, please write "first split", "second split", or "third split". Opposite each date choice, circle the area you would prefer to hunt - Deal Island or Fairmount.
- **B.)** If none of your date choices are available when your application is drawn, you may accept being assigned the first available open date still remaining by circling "Yes", and indicating the area(s) you would prefer, in the box provided.
- **C.)** Fill in your name, complete mailing address, hunting license number / DNR ID number, and drivers license number.
- **D.) Sign your application.**
- Attach a copy of your 2016-17 MD Hunting License and MD Migratory Game Bird Stamp.
- Place your application in a legal sized envelope along with a self addressed stamped envelope and mail to:

IMPOUNDMENT HUNT, WELLINGTON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA, 32733 DUBLIN RD, PRINCESS ANNE, MD 21853

ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON! If multiple applications are sent, all will be disqualified prior to the lottery. APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016.

	<u>CHOICE OF OPENING DAYS</u>	<u>AREA</u> (Circle only one on each line)
A.)	1 st _____	Deal Island or Fairmount
	2 nd _____	Deal Island or Fairmount
	3 rd _____	Deal Island or Fairmount

B.) If the above choices are not available, would you accept the first open date?	Yes	No	(Circle)
Deal Island Only Fairmount Only Either Area		(Circle)	

Name: _____

Address: _____

C.) City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Hunting License or DNR ID No: _____

Drivers License No: _____

I have read the rules and regulations governing the impoundment hunts and agree to abide by them. I acknowledge that the department may revoke this permit if my guests or I fail to comply with any laws, regulations, area rules, or permit requirements.

D.) Signature of Hunter: _____

PERMIT VALID:

Do Not Write In This Box
DNR Use Only



AREA:	DATE:
Department of Natural Resources Authorized Signature:	

IMPOUNDMENT HUNT PERMIT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The person named on the permit must be present the day of the hunt. This permit is non-transferable.
2. The permit holder must have the permit on his/her person while hunting, and may bring two (2) other persons as guests while hunting. All persons must hunt together as one (1) party. All guests must sign the permit.
3. Hunters must fill out the sign-in sheet located at the impoundment parking lots at Deal Island and Fairmount, or see attendant before hunting on permit days.
4. Hunters may not enter the impoundments earlier than two and one half (2 ½) hours before sunrise and must be off the waters and dikes of the impoundments by one (1) hour after sunset.
5. The impoundments at Deal Island and Fairmount will be open to hunting during the 2016-17 hunting season as follows:

September Resident Goose Season
Junior Waterfowl Hunts
First Waterfowl Split
Second Waterfowl Split
Third Waterfowl Split

September 1 through September 15, 2016.
 For persons aged 16 or younger.
Opening day (by permit) and Saturdays only.
Opening day (by permit), Saturdays, and Thanksgiving only.
Opening day (by permit), Fridays, Saturdays, Christmas Day, New Years Day, and Martin Luther King Day only.

6. Fairmount WMA impoundments will also be open during the September Teal Season.
7. **Motorized boats, except those powered by electric motors, are prohibited in the Deal Island and Fairmount Wildlife Management Area impoundments between October 1 and March 31.**