

Central Region Spring Turkey Hunting Guide 2020-2021
Maryland Department of Natural Resources – Wildlife and Heritage Service
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CENTRAL REGION PUBLIC HUNTING PERMIT AVAILABILITY

Option A	Option B	Option C
Apply online at http://dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Pages/publiclands/wmacentral.aspx . Application processed within 1-2 business days. Permits sent via email.	Due to COVID-19 the Gwynnbrook Wildlife Office is CLOSED to the public. If you need assistance with your permit please call 410-356-9272. Closed All State Holidays.	Mail a copy of your hunting license, phone number, and vehicle tag # to the Gwynnbrook Office. Include a letter-sized envelope with return address and postage.
If you are hunting under the authority of a Lifetime Consolidated License or United States Armed Forces Leave Papers, please call the Gwynnbrook Wildlife Office for instructions on how to get your permit.		

SPRING TURKEY SEASON 2021

Hunt Dates:	Office Dates for Reservations:						
<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;"><u>Junior Turkey Hunt</u></td> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;"><u>Regular Season</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">April 17, 2021 (Statewide)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">April 19, 2021-May 24, 2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">April 18, 2021 (Select Properties)</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<u>Junior Turkey Hunt</u>	<u>Regular Season</u>	April 17, 2021 (Statewide)	April 19, 2021-May 24, 2021	April 18, 2021 (Select Properties)		April 12, 2021 – May 24, 2021 Hours: 7:30am – 11:30am Days: MONDAYS ONLY
<u>Junior Turkey Hunt</u>	<u>Regular Season</u>						
April 17, 2021 (Statewide)	April 19, 2021-May 24, 2021						
April 18, 2021 (Select Properties)							

REGULATIONS

For all Areas:

- No building or using of permanent tree stands. All portable tree stands must be removed at the end of the day.
- Maryland public lands are trash-free. **All trash must leave with you.** Please pick up your empty shotgun shells.
- Placing or hunting over bait for any wildlife species is prohibited on all public lands.
- Target shooting, camping, building fires, and hunting in safety zones or restricted areas is prohibited.
- Parking is allowed in designated parking areas only. Do not block gates.
- The cutting of trees, branches, shrubs, or other vegetation is prohibited. This includes cutting shooting lanes.
- Hunting is not allowed on Sundays in the Central Region except on select properties in Cecil County (See Page 2).
- Off-road vehicle operation is prohibited (trucks allowed on select properties for hunters with a Universal Disability Pass) See Page 5 in the Central Region full Regulation Packet for more information.
- Non-hunters may accompany a permitted hunter if they are unarmed and stay with the hunter at all times.
- Scouting activities are allowed only on Sundays or non-hunting days from September through February.

Spring Turkey Specific Regulations:

- Hunting hours are a half hour before sunrise to sunset for Junior Hunt Days, a half hour before sunrise to noon from April 19-May 10, and a half hour before sunrise to sunset May 11-May 24.
- Only bearded turkeys may be harvested. No more than one bearded turkey may be taken per day. A maximum of two bearded turkeys may be taken per season.
- Turkeys must be tagged and checked in. See your Hunting Guide for property codes and check-in requirements.

All State, Federal, County, and Property hunting regulations apply.

Failure to comply with any of these rules or regulations will result in a fine and/or suspension from the program.

Emergency Info: For wildlife emergencies or to report hunting violations please call

Natural Resources Police IMMEDIATELY at 410-260-8888.

If you have concerns about individual properties please notify the Gwynnbrook Office.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carroll County: 06 ➢ Avondale WMA (630) ➢ Hanover Watershed CWMA (316) ➢ Liberty Watershed (315) • Howard County: 13 ➢ Hugg Thomas WMA (415) ➢ Patuxent River SP (416) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frederick: 10 ➢ Monocacy NRMA (282) • Baltimore County: 03 ➢ Liberty Watershed (341) ➢ Prettyboy Watershed (340) • Cecil County: 07 ➢ C&D Canal Lands (362) ➢ Earleville WMA (363) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Grove Farm WMA (366) ➢ Old Bohemia WMA (367) ➢ Elk Neck SF (361) • Kent County: 14 ➢ Millington WMA (375) • Queen Anne’s County: 17 ➢ Browns Branch WMA (392) • Montgomery County: 15 ➢ McKee-Beshers WMA (441) ➢ Islands of the Potomac (445) ➢ Seneca Creek SP (442) ➢ Patuxent River SP (440) • Harford County: 12 ➢ Stoney Demo Forest (329) |
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Properties OPEN for Spring Turkey Season

County	Property	Permit	Hunter Limit	Sign-In/Reservation	Additional Restrictions
Baltimore	Prettyboy Reservoir	Reservoir	None	None	Archery Only, Permit available in Hunting Guide
Baltimore/Carroll	Liberty Reservoir				
Carroll	Avondale WMA	Central	3	Sign-In	3 max at each parking area
	Hanover CWMA		6	Sign-In	
Howard	Hugg-Thomas WMA	Central	5	Sign-In	
	Patuxent River State Park	None	None	None	
Montgomery	McKee-Beshers WMA	None	None	None	
	Seneca Creek State Park River Road Area				
	Islands of the Potomac WMA (Maddox, Mason, Oxley)				Water Access Only
Harford	Stoney Demonstration Forest	Central	5	Sign-In	Saturdays Only
Cecil	Welch Point MHA	Central	None	None	
	Courthouse Point MHA	Central			
	Elk Forest MHA	Central			
	Bethel MHA	Central			
	Elk Neck State Forest	None			
Cecil	Grove Farm WMA	Central	3	Reservation	Reservations will be required for Opening Day through the 2nd Saturday (April 18, 2021-May 1, 2021) and all remaining Saturdays. Call on Mondays (See Page 1).
	Old Bohemia WMA	Central	3	Reservation	
	Earleville WMA	Central	3	Reservation	
Kent	Millington WMA	Central	24	Reservation	
Queen Annes	Browns Branch WMA	Central	3	Reservation	
Fred/Mont	Monocacy NRMA	None	None	None	

Properties CLOSED to Spring Turkey Hunting

Loch Raven Reservoir	Stemmers Run (Closed to all users)	Morgan Run NEA
Gwynnbrook WMA	Grove Neck MHA (Waterfowl Only)	Rocks State Park
Hahn CWMA	Strider WMA	Seneca Creek SP (archery areas)
Maring CWMA	Cherrington CWMA	Soldiers Delight NEA
Sawmill CWMA	Elk Neck State Park	North Point State Park
Speigel CWMA	Fair Hill NRMA	Susquehanna State Park
Woodbrook CWMA	Gunpowder Falls State Park	Patapsco Valley State Park

NEW! SUNDAY HUNTING

NEW! Sunday hunting will ONLY be allowed on the following **Cecil County** Public Hunting Areas:

Grove Farm WMA, Old Bohemia WMA, Earleville WMA
Bethel MHA, Courthouse Point MHA, Elk Forest MHA, Welch Point MHA

Sunday hunting is restricted to persons hunting deer, turkey, small game, and furbearers according to state seasons. Migratory birds, including waterfowl, mourning doves, crows, and rails, shall not be hunted on Sundays. See the Maryland Guide to Hunting and Trapping for more information on Sunday hunting.

For more information on hunting properties and programs in the Central Region, please see the full Central Region Public Hunting Program packet that accompanied your permit.